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Legislation will never enforce morality and our legislative Solons had better reach out for what is attainable.

Miss Lillian Russell claims that her latest husband, Mr. Chatterton, revealed too much in the first syllable of his real name.

A Lawrenceville man claims to have an egg which dances around on a table. He has probably been taking too much sherry with it.

Captain Anson fooled the baseball cranks who would like to decorate his grave by winning two games in Philadelphia Decoration day.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals have affirmed the judgment of Judge Parlange in favor of the city of New Orleans, in the Italian cases.

A horse trotted into a billiard-room in New York the other day, but was captured before he did any damage. The chances are that he never got beyond the balk line.

A Black Hills coal mine, estimated to contain 9,000,000 tons of fuel, has been purchased by a New York syndicate. Militia companies will probably be organized in the vicinity without delay.

When you feel inclined to doubt the bravery of Chicago policemen just recall the pathetic incident of the officer who begged for a permit to visit the pesthouse to remain at the bedside of his dying wife.

This is a tough season for our striped friend, the tiger. The local animal is being poorly fed. Harvard defeated the Princeton one at baseball the other day, and the Tammany beast is still indisposed.

Susan B. Anthony challenged the entire New York constitutional convention to debate woman's suffrage with her and not a delegate responded. Are you not aware, Susan, that the majority of these delegates are married men.

In speaking of the severe winter upon the orange crop of Southwest Louisiana the Jennings Times says that the satsuma oranges are the best and can be grown on these prairies and to a considerable north of Jennings. It is as safe a fruit as peach or pear so far as frost is concerned and is a surer bearer.

Ex-President Harrison's presence in a Chicago courtroom as counsel in a railroad case the other day evoked no considerable comment; certainly no enthusiasm. The Harrison "boom," which was set out under glass by certain republican papers some months ago, would seem to have succumbed to the late north frosts.

The proposition to increase the salary of future governors of Louisiana to \$10,000 a year is absurdly preposterous. Less than half a dozen of the most wealthy states in the Union, pay their chief magistrates that much, while a majority of the States pay less than we do. Let the present figures stand until times get better.

THE MERIDIONAL.

The MERIDIONAL with this issue ends the 36th year of its existence, and with bright prospects and a happy future enters on its 37th year. To look back to its first existence seems a long time, and we doubt if very many of its present readers were on this mortal sphere. The country around us has grown up wonderfully since then, and many a house and farm can now be seen, instead of a vast prairie. In its infancy it had many things to contend with. Many were the trials and tribulations of its early days, but today it can look back over the fighting years of time, with pleasure, and can call back with admiration, scenes and events of the days gone by.

The paper was founded by E. I. Guégnon, in the year 1857, and was under his control till October, 1862, when his son Eugene, took charge of it till 1876, and steadily kept it in advance of the times. Mrs. Eugene, his wife, launched forth at the helm, and steered its destiny till May 1879. The present publisher, E. I. Addison, took control of it in June 1879, just 15 years ago.

The people of this vicinity have in many ways contributed to its success, and for the past 36 years has never missed an issue.

We aim to furnish a paper that the citizens of Vermilion and the surrounding country can look at with pride. We feel proud over its success, and shall always aim to merit it in the future. Our subscription is gradually increasing, and likewise, considering the present dull times, the advertising space is well patronized.

It is the official journal of Vermilion parish, and the town council and school board.

It is in politics, a true-blue democrat, and while it bows gracefully to the opinions of those who differ with us, it always will be found advocating true democratic principles and nothing else.

Today we look forward to its new year with feelings of encouragement, knowing full well that we are publishing a paper, that aims to be a newspaper in every sense of the word, and thus with these few remarks, we close by asking all to ever remember the MERIDIONAL and its glorious past.

Wise Words.

Work off in whispers your surplus words.  
Willful ignorance is an incurable ailment.  
Pedigree has ruined many a fine young man.  
There is nothing more contagious than grumbling.  
Do not force others to bear the burden of your song.  
It certainly takes very little to make vain people happy.  
We follow precedent as long as it gives us the advantage.  
Take up the first cross you come to, and it will be your right one.  
It is so easy to convert others. It is so difficult to convert oneself.  
It is much easier to be contented without riches than it is with them.  
There is more help in an ounce of encouragement than there is in a ton of advice.  
To arrive at what one really believes, one must speak through lips different from one's own.

Home is the one spot where affection dominates, the one school where minds become expanded and characters are formed.

Power will intoxicate the best hearts as wine the strongest heads. No man is wise enough nor good enough to be trusted with unlimited power.

As a man may be eating all day, and for want of digestion is never nourished, so endless readers may cram themselves in vain with intellectual food.

Some minds seem built in water tight compartments, and the doors of them are kept shut very close, so that truths in the understanding have no influence on the will.

THE LATEST FASHIONS

The materials for these gowns are the staple Scotch gingham, light weight Zephyrs, heavier Chambray and the Madras cottons. The new patterns show small figures, corded lines, stripes and small dots. Some of the gingham are more elaborate, and have interwoven white designs to imitate tambour embroidery, raised silk or linen dots or stripes and some a crepe-like surface. Colors are light and dainty. Their style of making is similar to that of the cloth dress, and very frequently the elaborate gingham are shown with the dark color used as trimming. Dimity muslin, too, is in vogue this year, in striped and fancy patterns. The McDOWELL FASHION JOURNALS from which these fashion items are taken, contain a great variety of models for the use of these materials. Their coupon patterns, moreover, which are so popular, show many new designs which are unique in point of artistic taste and practicability. Of these fashionable publications, "La Mode de Paris" and "Paris Album of Fashion" cost only \$3.50 each per year or 35 cents a copy. "The French Dressmaker" is \$3.00 per annum or 30 cents a copy. "La Mode," a family journal which has no superior and no equal in this country, only costs the trifling sum of \$1.50 per year or 15 cents a copy. Messrs. A. McDowell & Co., 4 West 14th Street, New York.

There is sometimes retributive justice to be found where it is most needed. President Cleveland's summer home, Gray Gables, is now in the hands of the plumbers.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, Parish of Vermilion, 17th Judicial District Court, No. 247.

Succession of Octavie Breaux. Notice is hereby given to all parties interested in said succession or having any opposition to make to the tableau of debts and charges against the succession of Octavie Breaux, deceased, in community with Antoine L. Dronet, with a settlement of said community and partition, among and distribution between Antoine L. Dronet the survivor, and the minor Hebrand Dronet, sole heir of deceased, filed by Antoine L. Dronet, tutor, administering said succession, to file the same in writing in the office of the Clerk of the District Court within ten days from the date hereof.

Given under my hand and seal this 2nd day of June, 1894.  
ALCIDE LEBLANC, Clerk of Court.  
Broussard & Kitchell, attorneys.

Police Jury Proceedings.

ABBEVILLE, LA., June 5, 1894. The Police Jury in and for the parish of Vermilion met this day at their rooms in regular session.—Present: J. T. Broussard, President, and Messrs. Leblanc, Thibodeaux, Lacour, Godchaux, Martin Sarver and Ernest Broussard.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mr. Godchaux as a member of "bridge committee" reported progress.

J. T. Broussard on committee of inspection on proposed bridge on Queue Tortue bayou reported that he had examined said location and made out a bill for amount of lumber required (presenting same).

J. N. Williams as a committee on repair of Flat at Smiley's reported that he had performed said duty and asked to be discharged, which request was granted.

Mr. Sarver reported progress on the bridge at Walter Faulk's.

C. J. Smith having appeared before this body relative to costs of removal of his fencing from the public road. The Police Jury consented and agreed to pay for said removal, provided Mr. Smith agreed and con-

sented that the road remain as located, which agreement is hereby accepted. (Signed) C. J. SMITH.

A protest from citizens of the 7th ward objecting to the placing of a fifty feet bridge across the Grand Marais on public road leading south from Perry was received, and after the said matter had been fully discussed, the same was laid on the table.

J. N. Williams presented a bill for special committee work to date and the same was allowed.

J. N. Williams as a member of Finance Committee on plank walk to I. & V. R. R. depot reported that said walk had been completed, which report was accepted and the committee discharged.

An Ordinance

Prohibiting parties on horseback from traveling over or across the plank walk near public road leading to Railroad depot.

Be it Resolved, That all persons be and are hereby forbidden to ride or travel on horseback on or across the said side walk or plank walk, leading from the terminus of State street of the town of Abbeville, La., to the depot of the I. & V. Railroad. All persons violating the above ordinance shall be on conviction of the same, subject to a fine of five dollars (\$5.00) to each and every offense, to be collected before any court of competent jurisdiction. Adopted.

J. T. BROUSSARD, President.  
J. N. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

A petition from citizens of the 6th ward asking the appointment of a jury of Freeholders to trace and lay out a public road beginning at Meridian line dividing Sections 7 and 18 and 17, 9 and 16 10 and 15, 11 and 14 and 12 and 13, to the tp line 12, Range 2 east intersecting public road at J. G. Gilbeaux's, was received. Whereas, Messrs. B R Garland, W L Moore, Wm Meaux, Euclide Meaux, Clebert Meaux and Walter Baker, were appointed.

The cancelled vouchers turned over by the Finance Committee were then burned in open session.

On motion of Ernest Broussard duly seconded the sum of \$75 or so much thereof as may be necessary be and is hereby appropriated out of any funds not otherwise appropriated to aid the parish of Acadia in constructing a bridge across Bayou Queue Tortue near L. T. Hoffpauir's. Adopted.

W P Edwards appeared and asked that he be allowed (as manager of the MERIDIONAL) to continue to do the parish printing stating his object of so doing was that he did not wish to reopen any ill feeling as has been caused heretofore by advertising for bids; after considering the above proposition it was moved by Mr Lacour and seconded by Mr Thibodeaux that a contract be entered into with the manager of said paper giving the parish printing to it at the same price \$250 per year; said contract to terminate as the first day of July 1895, the President to act for jury.

On the adoption of the above resolution the following is the record of the vote as cast:—Yeas—J A Leblanc, Jules Thibodeaux, M Sarver and Ernest Broussard.—Nays—G Godchaux and J T Broussard. (requested that his vote be recorded in the negative.)

On motion of Mr Godchaux duly seconded the Parish Treasurer be and is hereby instructed to turn all funds except the Abbeville bridge and road and bridge funds now in the treasurer into a surplus fund. Adopted.

On motion the jury then adjourned to the first Monday of July when they will meet as a board of Reviewers on the Assessment list for the year 1894. Adopted.

J. T. BROUSSARD, President.  
J. N. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

17th Judicial District Court—Parish of Vermilion—No. 256.

Succession of Oliva R. Broussard.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested in said succession or having any opposition to make to the tableau of debts and charges, filed by Andrew J. Porter, natural tutor administering said succession, to file the same in writing in the office of the Clerk of the District Court within ten days from the date hereof.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 2nd day of June 1894.  
ALCIDE LEBLANC, Clerk of Court.  
Edwards & Greese, Attys.

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, Parish of Vermilion—17th Judicial District Court—No. 621.

Alcybier Sarver vs. Sylvestre Abshire, et al.

By virtue of an order of seizure and sale issued by the Hon. A. C. Allen, Judge of the aforesaid court, in the matters of the above numbered and entitled suit, authorizing and commanding me to seize and sell for cash, the following described property of defendant, I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the principal front door of the court house of said parish, on

Saturday July 7, 1894,

between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m., and 4 o'clock p. m., the following described property seized to satisfy said order, to wit:

One certain tract of land, being the property of Sylvestre Abshire, situated in said parish, containing eight acres and designated as the west half of the southeast quarter of section nine, township eleven, south of range two east, and the improvements situated thereon.

Eighty acres of land, more or less, being the property of Alexandre Abshire, situated in said parish and designated as the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter, of section nine, and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter, of section ten, all in township eleven, south of range two east.

Sheriff's Office, Abbeville, La., June 2, 1894.

A. L. LEBLANC, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

State of Louisiana—Parish of Vermilion—17th Judicial District Court—No. 559.

MARIE C. BROUSSARD

VS.

SEVERIEN PRIMEAUX.

BY virtue of an order of seizure and sale issued by the Hon. A. C. Allen, Judge of the aforesaid court in the matters of the above numbered and entitled suit, authorizing and commanding me to seize and sell for cash, the following described property of defendant, I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the principal front door of the courthouse of said parish, on

SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 1894,

between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 4 p. m. the following described property seized to satisfy said order, to wit:

One certain tract of land situated in Vermilion parish La. containing seven and 35-100 acres designated as irregular Section 38 Township 12 SR 4 E with the improvements thereon situated.

A. L. LEBLANC, Sheriff.

Sheriff's office, Abbeville, May 19th

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Parish of Vermilion—17th Judicial District Court—No. 80.

Succession of Eleonore Neck.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested in said succession or having any opposition to make to the tableau of debts and charges against the succession of Eleonore Neck and settlement of the community heretofore existing between said deceased and Ambrose Lacour, Jr., her surviving spouse with distribution to the heirs, to file the same in writing in the office of the clerk of the District Court within ten days from the date hereof.

Given under my hand and seal on Saturday, 2nd day of June, 1894.

ALCIDE LEBLANC, Clerk of Court.

Broussard & Kitchell, Attorneys.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

Parish of Vermilion, 17th Judicial District Court, No. 238.

Succession of Sarah E. Conerly.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested in said succession or having any opposition to make to the tableau of debts and charges against and settlement of the community which existed between Sarah E. Conerly, deceased, and Edward Smiley, filed in the matter of the succession of Sarah E. Conerly, to file the same in writing in the office of the clerk of the district court within ten days from the date hereof.

Given under my hand and seal this 2nd day of June, 1894.

ALCIDE LEBLANC, Clerk of Court.

Broussard & Kitchell, Attorneys.

TRESPASS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that all manner of trespass upon our lands is forbidden, and particularly is the driving of stock upon our pastures prohibited. All cattle not removed from our marsh pastures within 15 days from this date will be handled according to law, and the parties infringing upon personal rights by driving stock upon our pastures will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

FELIX BROUSSARD & Co. May 19, 1894.