

Abbeville Meridional.

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Saturday, Feb. 22, 1896.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce to the voters of the parishes of Lafayette and Vermilion the name of

MINOS T. GORDY,

as a candidate for re-election to the office of District Attorney, of this, the 17th Judicial District.

TO THE VOTERS OF VERMILION.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce FRANK E. WINSTON as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of the parish of Vermilion at the election in April 1896.

The earnest solicitation of numerous friends, and the almost unanimity of those who first placed me in public office and have since maintained me there have influenced me to consent to become a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court of Vermilion Parish once more. In asking your support I promise the same care and attention to the duties of the office as the record of my past incumbency shows.

ALCIDE LEBLANC.

Town and Parish.

Elise Broussard went down to the City for the carnival.

Solomon Isaacs was a visitor to Mardi Gras this week.

Misses Alice and Jessie Lyons were Mardi Gras visitors this week.

Miss Marie Addison went to New Orleans Sunday to see Mardi Gras.

Arthur LeBlanc went to Lafayette this week by a prairie schooner.

Cashier Broussard, of the bank of Abbeville was a visitor to the carnival.

N. O. Bourque made a flying trip to Patterson this week and returned Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Bourque left for New Orleans last Saturday to attend the Mardi Gras.

Dr. C. J. Edwards made a business trip to the City this week returning home Wednesday.

Lewis L. Bourges, Esq., of Abbeville was in Lafayette Monday, and gave us a call.—Advertiser.

F. E. Winston, candidate for sheriff in Vermilion parish, was a visitor to Crowley Tuesday.

Mrs. Alexis Trahan went to New Orleans Tuesday to see the carnival and will remain a couple weeks visiting friends.

Celestin Dithon a substantial merchant of the Isle de la Terre settlement made a journey to the City this week on pleasure and business.

For Police Jury proceedings see page 4.

Peach and plum trees are in full bloom. Woe to them if we have a late frost.

We are a little late this week on account of our paper being delayed on the road.

Building is on a boom in Abbeville just now. Over a dozen new houses are going up.

Quite a number of people attended the Mardi Gras festivities at New Iberia Tuesday.

The crowd going from Abbeville to the New Orleans carnival this car was not as large as usual.

James Clinton, lately of Chicago, Ill., a carpenter by trade, who has been here several days, died suddenly about 2 o'clock Thursday morning at Mrs. Severin LeBlanc's boarding house. The coroner held an inquest and his remains were buried by the corporation. He was employed by Mr. Wall last year in the construction of Adonis LeBlanc's residence.

J. S. Lann has leased the old Derouen store lately occupied by E. G. Lemare and opened up therein a good stock of dry goods and groceries.

Edward Noel is having his old residence thoroughly overhauled and when it comes out from the hands of that master mechanic Joe Barthe, it will look like new. Being a strong lover of his native, France, Joe raised the tri-color the other day when he reached the roof.

A little French chicken, diminutive in size but generous in capacity, laid an egg that measures six and a quarter inches one way and seven and a half the other. The hen is the property of P. J. Mathew, of Lake Charles and, like others of the small French breed, the hen makes a business of producing big fruit.

Farmers generally are beginning work for the year's crop. Fields are being cleared of grass and cotton and corn stalks preparatory to plowing and many have already started their plows. Everybody is starting in with a vim and the determination to try a little of everything. Diversified farming is the thing now-a-days.

Constable Jdd. Theall, returned home Wednesday from a trip to Opelousas where he had gone to open up the succession of Leon Moity, of this place, who had skipped out leaving some creditors in the lurch and reported himself dead. Mr. Theall found Moity in jail and very much alive, and succeeded in collecting the claim he had against him.

So generally has the plan of "A Winter School in a Summer Land," caught the popular fancy, that club and tourist parties are forming to take in the lectures, from all parts of the country. From Canada, New York and St. Louis, engagements of quarters have been made for especially large numbers. The railroads, by extending the limit of the Mardi Gras excursion tickets to New Orleans so as to cover the session of the Catholic Winter School have done very much to aid its success—a success which is now assured beyond expectation.

The exposure to all sorts and conditions of weather that a lumberman is called upon to endure in the camps often produces severe colds which, if not promptly checked, result in congestion or pneumonia. Mr. J. O. Davenport, ex-manager of the Fort Bragg Redwood Co., an immense institution at Fort Bragg, Cal., says they sell large quantities of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the company's store and that he has himself used this remedy for a severe cold and obtained immediate relief. This medicine prevents any tendency of a cold toward pneumonia and insures a prompt recovery.

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One of our townsmen who recently made a trip out in the Gueydan's pasture country reports the rice planters out there in a very distressing condition. Many of them have the larger part of their rice yet standing in shocks in the field, and it will be lost, while the greater portion of what has been sold was at such low prices as to prove a frightful loss. Those who were in debt to any extent, and they are numerous, are bankrupt. In some instances their creditors, who are Crowley merchants and machine agents, have seized their animals and machinery and they will be compelled to work for wages this year if they cannot obtain the necessary advances.

We think the Police Jury should pay a visit to the public road west of Coules Kenney known as "Sellers Lane." If they don't come to the conclusion that it deserves the gold medal for being the worst piece of road in the State, we will set 'em up.

On Sunday February 16th, as preparatory to the opening of the first session of the Catholic Winter School of America in New Orleans, there was a grand pontifical Mass, in which Cardinals Gibbons and Sattoli participated. This was the first public appearance together of the two distinguished prelates. The celebration of the Mass, and all its accessories, were on a scale of solemn magnificence. Military and other organizations, escorted the Cardinals from Archbishop Janssens Palace to the Cathedral. Altogether it was a rare and unique event in the history of the Catholic Church in America.

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S. J. Johnson, of the Riverside Land and Irrigation Co., informs the Jennings Times that the work of getting out lumber for the rice mill which the company will erect is being pushed with all possible haste. The dimension lumber, 30,000 feet, is sawed at the Riverside mill, and the dressed lumber, 20,000 feet, has been purchased. The contract for the mill will be let in a few days. The mill will be three full stories high. Three hullers with polisher, grader, etc., will be placed in the mill this winter, and next fall three more hullers will be added, giving a daily capacity of 300 barrels of rice.

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Notes.

New York, Feb. 20th, 1896.

EDITOR MERIDIONAL:—

As we suggest, we are hoping for radical changes for the better in the culture in the Southwest the coming season. It can hardly be possible that the planters will again spend time, strength and money for such a sorry outcome as that of present year. Never were the words of the old but reliable Book better exemplified: "Whoever a man soweth also shall he reap." Last year foul lands; poor seed, no need to say anything further starting with these, the highest cultivation could not bring forth a fine crop. Added to this, inefficient preparation of rough for market; light rice, that is husk with no grain therein, left in the bulk. One lot received by us had 16 per cent light rice. Figure out result of this carelessness, thrashing, empty sacks, hauling to depot, freight, storage, milling, the cost of every one of these increased by 16 per cent and the rice rendered no more valuable thereby.

Yours Truly,

DAN TALMAGE'S SONS.

The Bank Building.

Contractor Robinson is rushing the work on the bank building and has the front wall up as high as the first story. It is of New Iberia pressed brick and looks very pretty. With favorable weather it will be completed within six weeks.

The New Iberia Carnival.

For a first attempt the people of New Iberia have certainly done themselves proud in the grand carnival display they made last Tuesday. Over ten thousand people from the neighboring towns were in attendance and all unite in pronouncing the carnival a grand success. The Southern Pacific run a special train from Abbeville leaving here at 5:30 p. m. and returning at midnight. Over 200 persons went from here and the coaches were crowded to their utmost capacity. May the New Iberia carnival become a permanent institution.

A Negro Murdered.

Tuesday night there was a big negro Mardi Gras ball at the home of "Fenn Newman" on Cleoner Broussard plantation about three miles above town. The darkies engaged in a game of "craps" in the progress of which a difficulty over a five cent bet occurred between Fergas Godey alias Bibi and Clement Handley which resulted in Handley stabbing Bibi in the neck with a large pocket knife severing the carotid artery, producing death almost instantly. Handley fled but was captured by a crowd of negroes lead by John Esther and turned over to the sheriff who lodged him in jail.

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The price of cotton has been on the decline during the past week. Preparation for a big crop, it is supposed is the principal cause of the weakening prices. If the cotton producers would be satisfied with a six million bale crop in 1896 most likely the price would go to 10 or 12 cents; but a ten or twelve million bale crop will mean 4 or 5 cents per pound.

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Nov. 23, 95.

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