

Abbeville Meridional.

Two Dollars a Year

saturday, April 30, 1898.

Town and Parish.

How is This?

I WILL GIVE \$50.00 FOR ANY WATCH WHICH CANNOT REPAIR. N. O. BOURRUE, JEWELER.

Cool mornings and nights this week.

Picnics have been the order of the day this week.

Don't forget the excursion to Thibodaux tomorrow.

Influenza has struck the town and all the children are suffering from "bad colds."

Patriotic spirits have raised the stars and stripes over a number of the business houses and residences. The volunteers, are not very conspicuous.

Come out tonight and hear Gen Gordon on "The Last Days of the Confederacy." It will be a treat of a life time to hear the gallant old commander of the Lost Cause.

Mrs Robt. F. Derouen and Mrs. Arthur Leblanc, last Sunday, chaperoned a jolly party of picnickers to Young's Coulee. Everybody had an enjoyable time, and is anxious for another soon.

Fernand P. Beauchais has opened a saloon on State street in the building just above Corrodi's store, formerly occupied by J. M. Frazier as an oyster saloon. This makes three saloons on that side of the street in the same square, but they are all doing well.

L. J. Feray, the courteous manager of the Teche & Vermilion telephone line at this place has put up a handsome blackboard in front of his store and daily places thereon all the latest war news. This is quite an accommodation for the general public.

The Teche & Vermilion telephone line, better known as the Hoggsett line has been thoroughly repaired this week the line from Rose Hill, which has been down for some time has been put in order and the poles reset and placed at closer distances than formerly, being now about 150 feet apart.

Only \$2 for the round trip to Thibodaux tomorrow.

Attempted Poisoning.

Monday last, "Nami" Broussard, a farmer living 6 miles west of town in the Spring Hill settlement, reported to the Sheriff and at this office that at some time during the night previous, an attempt had been made by some person to poison himself and family. His story was to the effect that he had discovered a large quantity of concentrated lye in his well and also some rough on rats in a barrel of rainwater, all of which he asserted had been placed there by some unknown enemy with criminal intent to poison whoever should drink of the water. Nami Broussard has come into considerable prominence recently by reason of his efforts to ferret out the wholesale cattle stealing which has been going on in his ward, and is supposed to have made many enemies in consequence thereof. It was wholly due to his efforts that the evidence was secured which resulted in the conviction of Laodice Landry and Desire Hebert, Jr, at the last term of court.

On Wednesday, Deputy Sheriff J. Ulger Theall arrested and lodged in the parish jail Philose Faulk and wife upon an affidavit made by Nami charging them with the crime. They are close neighbors of his and there has been anything but pleasant relations between the two families for several months past.

Judge Debaillon fixed the bond of the accused at \$1200. The crime charged against Faulk and his wife is of such a revolting nature that we refrain from any mention of the circumstances or evidence, having no desire to prejudice their case or inflame the public mind. Only a few days more and the grand jury will be in session. The matter will be thoroughly investigated and the guilt or innocence of the accused established.

Goes it Alone.

The partnership heretofore existing between Robt. F. Derouen and Fernand P. Beauchais in the livery stable business has been dissolved by the withdrawal of Mr. Beauchais. Mr. Derouen has purchased the interest of his retiring partner and will continue in business at the present stand on his own account. The stable has been enlarged and well fitted up and is now in a position to do a good business.

Mrs. Cleveland's New Portraits.

Mrs. Cleveland recently had a new set of photographs taken, the first time she has been photographed since leaving the White House, and has given them to Mr. Bok, with permission to publish them in The Ladies' Home Journal, where they will be publicly seen for the first time. The set also includes the first authoritative photographs published of the new Princeton home of the Cleveland's.

A Flying Machine.

Jules Melebeck of this city has built and offered to the War Department a flying machine which he says can be used successfully to view the Havana fortifications or take other observations during war times. He says it can go from the United States to Cuba in two hours. It is built of zinc and has two tremendous wings, which are operated to propel it.—N. O. Times-Democrat.

From the above it would appear that there is some prospect of Jules succeeding with his project. When he left here a few days ago he was very sanguine but everyone nearly regarded it as a visionary scheme.

\$100 Reward \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one graded disease that science has been able to cure, and that is Cholera. Halls' Cathartic Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Cholera being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Halls' Cathartic Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

A. DRESF. F. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists 75c. Halls' Family Pills are the Best.

Jail Delivery.

Wednesday morning, it was reported in town that one of the prisoners had punched a hole through the jail wall and made his escape. Investigation proved this to be a fact. Adam Gaspard, a young man about 23 years old charged with having stolen several head of cattle from his uncle Thezime Gaspard and Francois Lina of Spring Hill, has been in jail for several weeks being unable to furnish bail. Owing to the crowded condition of the cage he was given the freedom of the jail during the day and locked up at night. Since the illness of Alcide Leblanc, the jailer, the duties of that position have been discharged by some of the other deputies who were not familiar with the disposition of the prisoners, as only those charged with penal offenses are kept in the iron cells. Hence, by an oversight Gaspard was not locked up Tuesday night, and he improved the opportunity by making a hole through the wall under the window of the misdemeanor room, using for the purpose a small iron bar which served as a poker. It is supposed that he escaped about 12 o'clock according to the reckoning of Thomas Burke a fellow prisoner who refused to seek his liberty.

Sheriff Hebert and his deputies were soon in the saddle in chase of the escaped bird. They finally located him hidden in the Cherokee rose hedge around Atenas D. Meaux's pasture about ten miles west of town. He promptly surrendered when called upon and said that he broke out of jail in order that he might join the army and fight the Spanish. The Sheriff hated to crush such a patriot soul and told him that while it was his duty to lock him up in jail he would endeavor to have him put in the army.

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Yours Respectfully,
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Personal Mention.

Mr and Mrs Patout, of Baldwin were in town Tuesday.

D L McPherson spent a day in New Iberia last Wednesday.

Miss Bessie Lloyd, of New Iberia, was visiting Miss Mamie Putnam.

Gus Godchaux transacted business in New Orleans the first of the week.

Dr F F Young is on the sick list this week, suffering from a bilious attack.

Dr N D Young, a leading physician of Royville, was in town last Wednesday.

Grad J Young, of Patterson, came over last Wednesday to consult Dr F F Young.

J Alcide Leblanc, Deputy Sheriff and Jailor, is now confined to bed with an attack of typhoid fever.

Mrs Eli Wise, Mrs L J Feray, Mrs E M Stebbins and several other ladies gave a fish fry last Thursday.

Dr Derbanne has returned from Washington and resumed practice at his rooms over Bourque's store.

J T Labit and L Sokoloski went over to New Iberia Monday night to attend a meeting of the Masonic lodge.

Prof Pickard and Will Erwin left last Sunday morning for New Orleans where they were to join Bood's regiment.

Mr Giles, the lineman of the Hoggsett's telephone was in town this week getting the lines around here in good repair.

Misses Georgie Labit and Leah Leblanc left for Crowley, Wednesday morning to attend a ball and will visit friends for a few days.

Miss Julia Decuir, of New Iberia, an accomplished stenographer, came in last Wednesday evening to take some evidence before court.

Hon Mimos T Gordy came up from New Orleans Sunday evening and returned Monday evening. He is making a hard fight to maintain the report of the judiciary committee creating a judicial district of Vermilion parish.

E F Millard, general manager of this district for the Cumberland Telephone Co, successors to the Gt South, was in town last Saturday to put in a new sound proof cabinet for the office at this place. He says the line will soon be completed from Morgan City to New Orleans.

Dr H B White and W Hooley of Abbeville, were visitors in Gueydan last Saturday and Sunday. The former is thinking of locating in Gueydan and practicing his profession as a physician while the latter will probably open up a drug store. Dr White is right fresh from Vanderbilt University and is a bright young physician. We hope that he will locate with us.—News.

Lake Arthur Whisperings.

EDITOR MERIDIONAL.

Dewberries and mulberries are plentiful here at present.

A fine baby boy is now the delight of the home of J J Grantham.

Mrs John Dajuy and Mrs Lee were here visiting relatives a few days ago.

The steamer Olive is being repaired at Lakeside and it will be a month before she will resume her regular trips.

As the correspondent is aware that all the readers of this community know all about the war and weather, he will not mention them.

Mrs Irene Downing left today (Tuesday) accompanied by her aunt, Mrs G Laurens who will spend awhile visiting relatives in Texas.

There was a sapper given here last Saturday evening for the benefit of the Catholic church. It was a very enjoyable as well as a very profitable affair having netted over thirty dollars.

There was also a ball at Hotel Arthur at the same time. For many hours the young folks "tripped the light fantastic toe" and when the enchanting strains of music had finally died away, the dancers repaired to the supper hall where a spirited auction of pies and cakes was held and the fortunate bidders bore away their edibles in triumph. Our ball was attended by several from Gueydan, Abbeville, Jennings and elsewhere.

Apr. 26, 1898.

ANGULAS.

NEW SPRING GOODS

— A FULL LINE OF —

FRESH STOCK RECEIVED

— AT —

LEVY'S EMPORIUM

Returned With Coarse Gold.

FOUND NUGGETS IN THE VIRGIN METAL.

Famous Yaqui Country Penetrated by Two Gentlemen of El Paso.

News has just reached this city of a remarkable gold discovery in the "Yaqui Country" in Mexico, which, if true, and there is every reason to believe it is, bids fair to rival Klondike in richness.

One feature that will be in favor of the new El Dorado is the fact that the climate is not severe, is in fact temperate, and comparatively within easy distance of reaching.

The two gentlemen referred to above are Messrs. J. T. Borden and L. H. Gasser, of El Paso. Mr. Borden, speaking of the affair, says the El Paso Times relates the following:

"I started on my prospecting trip last October and put in most of my time prospecting on the Aros river, or more particularly on four of the tributary gulches leading into the Aros, and found gold in all of them. However, they are all dry gulches, except for a few months in the year, and consequently cannot be worked successfully by the ordinary prospector, outfitted with only his gold pan.

"I went over to Guaynopa and found some old workings there that yet show very rich ore, and ruins of ancient buildings; but some Mormons showed up with papers containing evidence of their ownership, which I, of course, respected.

"While at Guaynopa I found a five-foot ledge of copper ore that will average high; but I found it was on a forty-mile square mineral zone that was recently taken out at the mineral office, so left it without doing any work on it. However, the zone has expired and under the new law it cannot be renewed and I will locate it while on my way south next month.

"Mr. Gasser joined me at Guerrero last January. We got good outfits and returned to the headwaters of the Yaqui.

"In one of the gulches tributary to the Yaqui we found this coarse gold that we have. We walked about five hours a day for three days in getting this out. Of course, this is not all we took out. One nugget was valued at \$78.00 and two others valued at \$5.00 each. This gulch is about two miles long and a creek runs from the top, where there are several springs, to the tributary of the Yaqui river below. The tributary is called the Tutwacque river. We found quartz sticking to the gold and the gold itself shows that it has not been in the creek very long, because it is not much worn and rounded, which was an evidence to us that the ledge was very close by, further up the gulch.

"We spent more than a week looking for the ledge and found three of them which showed them rich in the pan. We quickly set out for Guerrero to denounce the ground, and after carefully explaining its situation to the mineral agent there, he informed us that it was covered by a zone and that two claims had been located on the ledges we had prospected. However, the claims are not located on the ledge we were most anxious to get.

"We have come up here to spend four or five weeks before the zone will have expired and the ground be open to others. We will return about May 10th. The formation there is slate and porphyry ledges.

"This place is located about ninety miles south of Chuchupa by the present trail, but I understand the Yaqui Gold Mining Co. is now blazing a new trail through from Chuchupa to Huilsope, where main trail can be taken to

most any point. The route via Chuchupa is the shortest by at least fifty miles, and in addition has much the advantage of any other trail, because there is plenty of water, wood, game, etc., along that route.

"The first mineral belt I have been in is northwest and south of Chuchupa I have prospected in a great many districts, but I have never seen anything to equal the Sierra Madres. It is a mineral country all the way through, and I have no doubt that in a few months it will be the stamping ground of thousands of prospectors. The next thing in order will be the development of the big finds now being made there. This requires some money and of course it will naturally be forthcoming."

Mr. Borden's long sojourn on the mountains has bronzed him considerably. His hair falls to his shoulders and a long beard covers his chin. He is a six footer and a picture of health.

Notice to Teachers.

Beginning May 2d, there will be a Teachers Institute of one week conducted in Abbeville for the benefit of the teachers of Vermilion parish. According to law all public schools of this parish will be closed during the week and teachers of same required to attend.

In order that teachers and conductor may be prepared along the same lines the following topics and questions are selected for all to review:

QUESTIONS.

What does my school need most? How can I get it?

What branch do I teach best? Why? Of what practical value is the imagination faculty?

How may it be trained?

TOPICS.

- In Grammar—analysis.
- In Arithmetic—ratio.
- In Geography—commerce.
- In History—settlements

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