

# Abbeville Meridional.

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## SUGAR FACTORY FOR ABBEVILLE.

Indications are favorable for the building of a sugar refinery at or near Abbeville this year, and a little enterprise and pull together on the part of the people is only necessary. At a meeting of the Vermilion Parish Planters' Association on Saturday steps were taken to plan for the erection of a new sugar refinery here, the plant to be completed in time to handle the next crop. The meeting was well attended by the farmers of the parish, and in the absence of President E. Smiley Felix Broussard, a prominent planter, was made Chairman. W. P. Schroeder officiated as Secretary pro tem. Several were present who represented capital which can be secured to promote the project, but it is thought that no outside capital will be required. A committee consisting of Hank Ewing, O. J. Chauvin and E. C. Daigle, was appointed to secure estimates on the cost of the plant and to investigate conditions relative to the outlook for such an institution, and this committee was ordered to report back at another meeting to be held Saturday, Jan. 21. A plant costing in the neighborhood of \$15,000 is in contemplation. If sufficient pledges of cane can be secured from the planters the work will go ahead at once. The building of another refinery is said to be made necessary by the increased acreage of cane, this year. Last year the acreage of Vermilion Parish in cane was 5,000; this year it will go far beyond that.

## DEATH OF ERNEST BROUSSARD.

Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock, Ernest Broussard, police juror from the 6th ward, died of pneumonia, at his home in Cow Island. He was the largest stock owner in the parish and his ranch was extensive one having recently purchased a large body of land from J. B. Watkins. He was 53 years old and leaves a wife and ten children. His funeral which took place Wednesday from the Catholic church and was largely attended.

Samuel W. Choate, a prominent stockman and land owner residing at Cheniere au Tigre, on the gulf coast, in this parish died here Wednesday of pneumonia, the result of exposure. On the night of Tuesday of last week, when the Gertrude gin burned at Bancker, he was present and in his excitement fell into the bayou, remaining several hours in the icy water before being rescued. He was 42 years of age and leaves a widow and several children. His funeral will take place Thursday.

Fred W. Smily, druggist at Young's pharmacy died here Wednesday at noon. He was 37 years of age and until recently resided at Patoutville, Iberia parish, where his remains were taken for interment. He is survived by his widow and several small children.

## PAINTING WANTED.

Sealed bids are hereby invited by R. A. Broussard, secretary of the building committee, for the painting of the Erath High School, no blinds on building. Bids will be received until noon of Thursday, January 12, 1905, when the contract will be let. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. R. A. BROUSSARD.

Don't forget that all prescriptions are filled at the Abbeville Drug, with Merck's chemicals and Squibb's Extracts. Ask your family doctor if these preparations are good—and, if they have ever before been exclusively used in Abbeville.

## ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on Monday, the 2d day of January, 1905, at 11 o'clock a. m., of said day, at the office of the Acme Saving Association in the First National Bank of Abbeville, for the election of five members of the board of directors for the Acme Saving Association. All shareholders, not in default for dues, are entitled to one vote for each share of stock owned by them. Given at Abbeville, La., this 24th day of November, 1904.  
W. W. EDWARDS, Sec'y.

## Police Jury Meeting

Abbeville, La., Jan. 9, 1905.  
The police jury of Vermilion parish met this day in regular session. Present: E. M. Stebbins, president; P. Dupre LeBlanc, Jules Thibodeaux, Sidney Andrus, Thos. Hoffpauir, James Mestepey and J. N. Foutz.

Absent: Ernest Bousard.  
The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Sosthene Hebert appeared relative to error in his bid for keeping the bridge at Perry, and he was allowed to correct same, and his salary was fixed at \$250 per year.

The following bills were allowed to-wit:

Fernest Meaux, keeping ferry to December 31, 1904.....\$44 70  
J. N. Greene, parish attorney, was allowed to December 12, 1904..... 62 50

The district attorney, John Nugier, was employed as parish attorney at a salary \$150 per annum, beginning December 12, 1904.

On motion, duly seconded, the question of a public road near the lands of Messrs. Guyot & Rose, in the 3d ward, was finally arranged satisfactorily.

The following gentlemen were appointed a jury of freeholders to trace a road starting at a point on public road leading from northwest corner of lands of Ed. Housbury and the north-east corner of lands of Alcide Billiaud running due south to the public road in Grosse Isle, leading from Abbeville to Erath, namely: Chas. Landry, John Boudreaux, Alcide Billiaud, Levi Deronen, Ed. Housbury and Nelson LeBlanc.

On motion, J. M. Mestepey was authorized to procure lumber and nails for the construction of a house at Campbell's ferry; also to employ a ferryman for said crossing.

On motion, Valery Broussard was appointed road overseer for 8th ward.

Germo Manufacturing Co., supplies for jail, \$11.25, was allowed.

Lucien Domangue was appointed road overseer, vice Nikes LeBlanc.

Messrs. Hoffpauir and Mestepey reported on poor farm, stating there was no bid for same, and said property was in a bad condition, which report was accepted and the committee continued.

The finance committee submitted the following report, which was ordered spread on the minutes:

To the Honorable President and Members of the Police Jury, Parish of Vermilion:

Your finance committee begs leave to submit the following settlement had with the Sheriff. The balance as reported due on rolls of 1903 of \$209.26 at last reported, has been paid over to Treasurer, receipted for and final acquittance given:

To balance due on rolls last report for rolls 1904, 2 as \$37,266 14  
Credited by following receipts:  
from parish treasurer—  
Parish tax \$15,968 33  
Corporation 1,636 06  
Eighth ward road tax 2,179 42  
Fifth ward road tax 725 09 20,508 90

Bal. due on rolls, 1904 \$16,757 25

We also submit the following settlement with the Parish Treasurer—

To bal. on hand last report \$ 1,534 69  
Amts. since rec'd from sheriff 23,592 12

Total \$25,126 81

Credited by 5 sundry vouchers & claims \$7,128 93

Credited by allowed claims of sheriff 2,547 35 9,676 28

Bal. in hands of treas'r \$14,310 53

E. M. Stebbins,  
M. L. Eldredge,  
P. D. LeBlanc.

The treasurer submitted the following report, which was ordered spread on the minutes:

Abbeville La., January 9, 1905,  
To the Honorable President and Members of the Police Jury of Vermilion Parish:

Gents:—As per settlement with, and orders of the Finance Committee, the following is the financial standing of the parish at this date:

Surplus fund is overdrawn...\$3,340 19  
Magistrate's co. stable and physician fund has on hand... 1,790 43  
District attorney and sheriff... 1,283 71  
Criminal prosecution... 2,283 71  
C. J. expense... 2,301 44  
Road and bridge... 725 09  
Courthouse and jail... 2,497 70  
A. H. school... 1,905 99  
5th ward road fund... 2,350 27  
6th ward road fund... 953 06

Very respectfully,  
E. W. WISE, Treasurer.

On motion, duly seconded, the vouchers and licenses received in settlement with collector and treasurer, were burned in open session.

Mr. Foutz reported on old records now in rooms of courthouse, recommending the preservation of said documents.

J. R. Kitchell appeared by request of the Mayor of Kaplan, for the purpose of securing assistance from the police jury to aid the corporation of said town in working the streets, build a jail, etc.

Mr. Foote, acting for the Abbeville Canal Co., having appeared, the said canal company be and is hereby granted until the first day of

May next to complete the bridge on the road near lands of Roger Hartman et alis, provided the season is unfavorable for the completion of said work at an earlier date. Be it further resolved, that the President of this body is instructed to pass and accept a sale of a strip of land from F. I. Broussard, for sum and price of \$30, measuring 104 feet wide and 208 feet long, the Abbeville canal company paying for same.

On motion, duly seconded, the town of Kaplan was granted an appropriation of \$1,009 out of the liquor license collected for year A. D. 1905, collected from the said corporation.

Felix Broussard appeared relative to the appointment of a delegate to Boll Weevil Convention at New Orleans, and asked an appropriation to defray the expense of said delegate; wherefore, an appropriation of \$20 was made out of the magistrate, constable and physician fund, and W. D. Gooch was appointed a delegate, and he is instructed to make a report of said meeting to this body.

The following claims were allowed:

O. H. O'Bryan, printing blank licenses \$ 7 50  
M. L. Eldredge, finance and auditing committee 24 50  
P. Dupre LeBlanc, finance and auditing and p. j., ending December, 1904 55 90  
E. M. Stebbins, same 24 08  
J. Thibodeaux, p. j. end Dec. 1904 52 80  
J. M. Mestepey, p. j. end Dec. 1904 59 60  
J. N. Williams, clk. p. j. Dec. 1904 66 70  
E. W. Huff, janitor of courthouse, etc., three bills 75 00  
E. W. Huff, constable police jury 25 00  
Dr. C. W. Edwards, par. phy 25 00  
Sosthene Hebert, bridge keeper ending December, 1904 62 50  
Alex Broussard, same 15 62 1/2  
W. Kuehling, ferry keeper, ending December, 1904 45 00

J. O. Domingue, assignee of Alex Campbell, ferry keeper ending December, 1904 45 00

Fernest Meaux, same 44 70

Robert Durke, same 169 00

Caldwell & Godechaux, brick-bats for repairing road 31 50

J. E. Kibbe, lumber for bridges 1st ward December, 1904 39 55

A. Smith, work on bridge 5 00

Germo Mfg Co., insecticide 11 25

J. N. Greene, parish and district attorney convictions, etc., three bills 182 50

Allowed salary of Justices of the Peace ending December, 1904:

Albert LeBlanc, \$12.50; Jos. Trahan, 12.50; F. M. Leguene, 25.00; Albert Schlessinger, O. Landry, assg. 25.00; James Sehon, 12.50; S. A. Dubus, 12.50; Benton Hartman, 12.50; Felix O'Neil, 12.50; W. L. Truman, 12.50, amounting to \$133 90

Allowed salaries of Constables ending December, 1904:

Camille LeBlanc, \$12.50; A. R. Moss, 12.50; C. B. Upechere, 25.00; Remy Broussard, 24.90; Edmon Richard, 12.50; J. N. Broussard, 25.00; Marsule Lentre, 12.50; Jos. B. Mills, 12.50; Jos. Gibbs, 12.50, amounting in the aggregate to \$137 50

The police jury then adjourned to the next regular meeting.

E. M. STEBBINS,  
President.

J. N. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

## AN ORDINANCE

To extend and increase the Limits and Boundaries of the village of Erath.

Be it ordained by the Board of Aldermen in and for the village of Erath, Vermilion Parish, State of Louisiana, That from and after the passage of this Ordinance and its publication as prescribed by law, the corporate limits and boundaries of the village of Erath, shall in addition to its present limits and boundaries, embrace, extend and include all of that certain portion of territory situated in the parish of Vermilion, State of Louisiana, which is included within the following described limits and boundaries, to-wit:

Beginning on the southwest corner of a certain lot belonging to Eugenia Touchert, situated in the village of Erath, Vermilion parish, State of Louisiana, and running south 46 degrees west, one thousand feet; thence south 43 degrees, four hundred feet; thence east two thousand one hundred and ninety-two feet; thence north nine hundred feet; thence south 71 degrees east, thirteen hundred and fifty feet, and thence north 45 degrees west, seven hundred and fifty feet to said point of beginning, containing in the aggregate an extension and addition of forty-one and 45-100 (41.45) acres to the limits and boundaries of the village of Erath, as they now exist.

J. C. THIÉRIOT, Mayor.  
F. B. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

## WARNING NOTICE.

KAPLAN, LA., January 4, 1905.  
The public is hereby warned and notified not to hire or harbor the minor, Robert Lemaire, as he has left home without my leave or permission. I am his tutor and will prosecute any and all persons attempting to lead him astray.  
EMILE LEMAIRE.

## Lost.

A locket with monogram on one side and a diamond on the other. A liberal reward will be paid for its return to A. O. BROUSSARD, Abbeville Bank.

## CHARTER

—OF THE—  
MUTUAL INVESTMENT CO.,  
LIMITED.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,  
PARISH OF VERMILION.

Be it known, that on this 14th day of December, in the year of our Lord One Thousand, Nine Hundred and Four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth:

Before me, S. Ambrose Dubus, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified, in and for the Parish of Vermilion, State of Louisiana, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared the persons whose names hereunto subscribed, who severally declared that, availing themselves of the laws of this State and particularly of the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of this State, being Act No. 36 of the Session Act of the year 1888, they do by these presents, covenant and agree and bind themselves, as well as all such other persons as may become associated with them, in order to form and constitute a corporation of body politic in law, for the objects and purposes, and under the stipulations following, to-wit:

### ARTICLE I.

The name and title of this corporation shall be the MUTUAL INVESTMENT CO., LIMITED, and it shall have and enjoy succession and existence for a period of ninety-nine years from the date hereof. It shall have the power and authority to contract, to sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal, to break or alter same at pleasure; to hold, purchase, lease, sell, mortgage, hypothecate or pledge property, real, personal, and mixed; to make and issue bonds and notes; to name, to elect and appoint managers, directors and agents, and to make and establish by-laws, rules and regulations for the management of the business and affairs of said corporation as may be requisite and necessary.

### ARTICLE II.

The domicile of this corporation shall be in the town of Abbeville parish of Vermilion, State of Louisiana, and all citations and other legal process shall be served upon the President, and in case of the absence of both the President and Vice-President, then upon either the Secretary or Treasurer thereof.

### ARTICLE III.

The objects and purposes for which this corporation is organized and the nature of the business to be carried on by it, are hereby declared to be: To buy, to acquire, own, contract, lease, pledge, bargain, sell and transfer, mortgage and hypothecate all kinds of property, both real and personal; to do a general land and real estate business; to contract and carry on the business of farming lands and raising and dealing in live stock; to buy, acquire, own, construct, lease, re-lease, maintain, conduct, operate and carry on pumping plants, canals for irrigation and rice mills and all appurtenances thereof and rights of way necessary therefor, within the State of Louisiana, and particularly within the parish of Vermilion, aforesaid; to mill, clean and prepare rough rice for market; to buy, deal in and sell rice, either rough or milled, and the by-products thereof; and for the purposes aforesaid to buy, acquire, own, construct, lease or otherwise acquire lands, buildings, or other necessary structures and appurtenances; and to do and perform any and all other acts necessary to the proper execution of the objects and purposes aforesaid.

### ARTICLE IV.

The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars, divided into one thousand shares of the par value of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars each; which stock shall be paid for in cash, property, services or any valuable consideration. This corporation shall be operative and go into business when fifty (50) shares of its stock shall have been subscribed for, and which stock is hereby declared to be non-assessable. No transfer of stock by a stockholder shall be binding upon this corporation unless the same appears on the books thereof. The stock may be placed upon the market in such amounts and upon such terms as its Board of Directors may elect.

### ARTICLE V.

The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors to be composed of not more than five directors to be elected by the stockholders at a general meeting held on the second Tuesday of December of each year, previous notice of which meeting must be given by ten days' publication in a weekly journal, published at Abbeville, La., and ten days' written notice to the stockholders, mailed to their last known post-office address, who shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and qualified. Any vacancy occurring in this body shall be filled from the remaining stockholders by vote of the remaining members of the Board.

At all meetings of election of this corporation, each stockholder shall have one vote for each share of stock standing his name on the books of the Company, which vote shall be cast in person or by written proxy.

The Board of Directors shall have power to make all by-laws, rules and regulations necessary for the conduct of the affairs of said corporation; shall elect from their number a president, vice-president, a secretary and treasurer (the secretary may also fill the office of treasurer under the title of Secretary-Treasurer) and a general manager. The Treasurer or Secretary-Treasurer to give bond as the Board of Directors may require. Until the election to be held hereinafter provided for, the following named stockholders shall constitute the first board of directors: Wm. M. Haste, L. O. Broussard, Ed. Haste, W. H. Hunter, Jr., and O. E. Gammill; with Wm. Haste, president; L. O. Broussard, vice-president; Ed. Haste, secretary; W. H. Hunter, Jr., treasurer, and E. O. Gammill, general manager.

The general manager above mentioned to have and be vested with all the rights and powers of the President save and excepting the presiding at the meetings of the Board of Directors, and representing the corporation in judicial proceedings and suits at law.

### ARTICLE VI.

The capital stock of this corporation may be increased or decreased at any time in accordance with the laws of this State. This charter may be amended, altered or modified, or the corporation dissolved by a vote of two-thirds of the stockholders voting by shares, at a meeting convened for that purpose, after fifteen days' previous notice shall have been in one of the weekly newspapers published in the parish, and also fifteen days written notice to stockholders, at last known post office address.

### ARTICLE VII.

No stockholder of this corporation shall ever be held liable for any of the contracts or faults thereof, in any further sum than the unpaid balance due the

corporation on the shares owned by him; nor shall any more informality in the organization have the effect of rendering this charter null, or exposing a stockholder to any liability beyond the amount of his stock.

### ARTICLE VIII.

A failure at any time to hold meetings or elect directors or officers, as herein provided, shall not work a forfeiture of this charter or dissolve the corporation, but the existing board of Directors and officers shall continue in office until their successors shall have been elected, which election shall be held as soon as practicable, previous notice having been given of such meeting for election as hereinbefore provided for.

### ARTICLE IX.

At the expiration of this charter, unless sooner dissolved, its affairs shall be liquidated under the supervision of two stockholders convened after fifteen days' notice, which notice shall be published in a weekly paper published in a parish, Louisiana, and also by written notices mailed to the addresses of all the stockholders, whose address shall be known to, or who shall have left their address with the Secretary. In case of the death or inability to act of one of the liquidators, the survivor shall act alone. This done and signed at Abbeville, E. O. La., this 14th day of December, 1904, in the presence of Messrs. C. H. Hopkins and W. S. White, good and competent witnesses, who sign these presents with the appearers and me, Notary, after due reading.

### WITNESSES:

C. H. Hopkins,  
W. S. White,  
W. M. Haste, twenty-five shares,  
W. H. Hunter Jr., twenty-five shares,  
by O. E. Gammill  
L. O. Broussard, five shares,  
by O. E. Gammill,  
W. B. White, two shares,  
by O. E. Gammill  
Ed. Haste, three shares,  
O. E. Gammill, twenty-five shares,  
W. A. Gammill, fifteen shares.  
S. Amb. Dubus, Notary Public.

State of Louisiana—Parish of Vermilion

I, John Nugier Jr., district attorney for and in the 17th judicial district of Louisiana, do hereby certify, that after having carefully examined the above and foregoing Charter of the Mutual Investment Company Limited nothing is therein found contrary to nor repugnant with the laws of the United States or of the State of Louisiana, I, therefore, give this, my certificate of approval of the same.

JOHN NUGIER, Jr.,  
District Atty 17th Judicial District of L.

## SALE OF STRAY BEEF.

The public is hereby notified that a stray beef about 3 years old, speckled, dove colored, bald face, bob tail, branded on hip. Has been in my pasture for the past two years, and the owner is hereby called upon to come forward, claim animal and pay the charges.

Brand can be seen at this office.

Having advertised the above beef for one month, according to law, and to one appearing to claim it, notice is hereby given that I will offer said beef for sale to pay costs, at my residence, on SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 1905, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 4 p. m.

SIMEON BROUSSARD,  
Abbeville, La., January 6, 1905.

## APPLICATION OF SUCCESSION.

STATE OF LOUISIANA—Vermilion Parish—17th Judicial District Court No. 478.

Succession of Jean Vincent: Application of Olenus Vincent to be appointed administrator vice Desire Vincent, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested, or having any opposition to make to the application of Olenus Vincent to be appointed administrator, vice Desire Vincent, deceased, of 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 6th day of January, 1905.  
SIMEON LEBLANC, Clerk.  
Greene & Greene, Attorneys.

## Partition Sale.

STATE OF LOUISIANA—17th Judicial District Court—Parish of Vermilion—No. 2296.

Jean Baptiste Dupuy vs. Alice Olive Broussard.

By virtue of a judgment rendered in the above numbered and entitled suit, fully authorizing me in the premises I, J. O. Hebert, sheriff of the parish of Vermilion, Louisiana, will offer for sale in the town of Guoydan, Louisiana, between the hours prescribed by law on

Friday, 10th day of February, 1905.

to effect a partition of the property hereinafter described, belonging to the parties in said suit, numbered and entitled as above, to-wit:

One certain lot or parcel of ground situated in the town of Guoydan, Louisiana, and designated as lot No. six in block sixty-five, having a front of fifty feet on Eighth street by a depth of one hundred and forty-two feet on Garland street, together with the buildings and improvements thereon situated, consisting among other things, of two dwelling houses and a shed.

Terms—Cash.  
J. O. HERBERT,  
Sheriff, Vermilion Parish.

## ATTENTION

Have your horses shod Scientifically, and cured of corns, contractions, forging, interfering etc by

J. F. CARTER,  
Expert Horseshoer,  
Oip. Ewell's Stable.