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VIOLATED FISH AND GAME LAWS.

Thursday evening Sheriff Lacoste arrested Victorin and Bernard Bourque two young white men from Vermilion parish for violating the fish and game laws passed by the last Legislature. They had brought a wagon load of fish to town and were offering them for sale.

At certain seasons of the year it is against the law to have certain kinds of fish in one's possession or to offer them for sale.

Judge Pugh fined them \$23.50 each, which they promptly paid and still had \$7.50 each left from the proceeds of the sale of the fish.—Lafayette Advertiser.

V Touchet left Monday for Poufette, La., where he will go into the grocery and liquor business, he having vacated his place here the first of the year.—Kaplan Times.

Mr. Graham and family, of Abbeville, removed to Kaplan Saturday, their new home being one of the Foote Mercantile Company's houses. They will be gladly welcomed to the social list of the town.

Pleasant and Most Effective.

T J Chambers, editor Vindicator, Liberty, Texas, writes Dec. 25, 1902: "With pleasure and unsolicited by you I bear testimony to the curative power of Ballard's Horehound Syrup; I have used it in my family and can cheerfully affirm it is the most effective and pleasant remedy for coughs and colds I have ever used." 25c, 50c and \$1 at Godard's.

E. J. Lehman has leased the Irving House Saloon, of Paul Montaigne, taking possession the first of the year. It is the intention of Mr. Lehman to make this the best refreshment place in this part of the country and his long residence in Kaplan, where he has hosts of friends, is a guarantee of the first class service he will give. A cordial invitation is extended to all the old patrons and to everybody to make themselves at home at the Irving. Mr. Lehman has a welcome for all.—The Kaplan Times.

Cured Lumbago.

A B Cannon, Chicago, writes March 4, 1903: "Having been troubled with lumbago at different times and tried one physician after another; then different ointments and liniments gave it up altogether; so I tried once more and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment which gave me almost instant relief. I can cheerfully recommend it and will add my name to your list of former sufferers." 25c, 50c and \$1 at Godard's drugstore.

Theville Hanks, who has been one of the prominent merchants of Riceville for the past three years, has leased the building formerly occupied by V. Touchet, in Kaplan, and will at once open up a first class general merchandises store here, under the firm name of T. Hanks & Co. He will also conduct a fine saloon at the same location, having secured a license for that purpose. Mr. Hanks will keep a well selected stock of goods and he believes this town is the best location in all this section.—The Kaplan Times.

The Gueydan people are finding a new use for rice and it is one that should be popular in every household in the land. The Gueydan Mill made a trial at preparing rice grits and rice flour and the result was most satisfactory. At Sluckrow's hotel these grits were served in place of the usual breakfast food, while rice flour was made into batter cakes and all the guests were loud in their praises of the delicious quality of this new food. Rice can be served in so many ways that it is sure to soon become the popular food of the American people.

DISTRICT COURT.

The criminal term of district court opened Monday morning with Judge Edwards presiding and District Attorney Nugier at his post. The following grand jury was drawn:

Vern L. Caldwell, foreman; Jos. S. Ewell, Justilien Thibodeaux, Martin Sarver, Jr., Guillaume Montet, J. Oleus Domingue, A. L. Derouen, J. Treville Broussard, J. Alcee LeBlanc, M. V. Lampman, Joseph Meaux and Ernest Saltzman.

In his charge to the grand jury Judge Edwards laid particular stress on violations of the Sunday law and gambling.

The grand jury reported not true bills in the cases of the state against the following:

Jack Perry, cutting and striking with intent to kill.

J. R. Lewis, racing on the public road.

D. D. Broussard, larceny.

Belezaire Porter, trespass.

Molens Broussard, assault with a dangerous weapon.

Lunny Rogers, loud and indecent language.

Leon Hester, killing a hog.

Louis Levine, horsestealing.

Martial Schexnaider, larceny.

Lawrence Broussard, assault with intent to ravish.

Ophelias Mouton, cruelty to animals.

Richard Lee, James Lee and Granville Lee, assault.

Delma Hargrove, slander.

Willie Human, petit larceny.

Buddy White, horse stealing.

Sam Honley, inflicting a wound less than mayhem.

Joseph Smith, alias Tisey, slander.

Mrs. Anner Martin, assault and battery.

Joe Charles, alias J. C. Curry, cheating and defrauding.

Hank, Will and Arthur Ewing, assault and battery.

Wilfred Butaud, desertion of wife.

Joseph Choate, alias Price, obtaining money under false pretenses.

Albert Guidry, striking with intent to kill.

'WHAT SHALL WE EAT?'

Every day the same old question, What shall we eat for breakfast, for luncheon, for dinner? assails with monotonous regularity the patient housewife who seeks to provide good living for the family in agreeable variety at a moderate cost. There is a daily department in The Chicago Record-Herald which is intended to answer this question satisfactorily every day in the year. It is entitled "Meals for a Day," and provides menus for the three meals every day, with the necessary receipts. These menus and recipes are carefully selected by The Record-Herald's household editor, and cash prizes are awarded to the best that are received. Housewives everywhere are invited to participate in the competition. For full particulars see the "Meals for a Day" department in The Chicago Record-Herald.

J Y B Wood, barytone, cartoonist, lecturer and reporter, broke out in a new spot yesterday by catching a two pound catfish in a pool of water in the middle of the street at the intersection of Avenue F and First street. Anxious to get a touch of metropolitan life the fish had worked its way up from the canal during the freshet. This should give some of our envious neighbors a chance to say a whole lot of smart things. Come, smoke up boys.

Bonin Brothers have dissolved partnership and moved the store on State street in the Laporte building.

The clever proprietor of the Creole restaurant, Louis Valle is all smiles these days all on accounts of a new baby girl who is stopping with them since Sunday night.

Owing to the cold weather and other causes the paper is late this week.

Sure That Crowley Ward Will Vote Railroad Tax.

The New Railroad.

The New Orleans Picayune of last week contained the following:

Judge T H Lewis, of Opelousas, who is President of the Opelousas, Gulf and Northwestern Railroad, was in the city yesterday, and reported that the elections held in the First Police Jury Ward of the Parish of St. Landry a short time ago deciding whether or not a 5-mill tax for ten years should be levied in that ward had been passed by a numerical majority of thirty, and by a majority in values of over \$180,000. It is expected that this tax will amount to over \$70,000 for the building of this railroad through the ward.

The next ward election will be held in the Sixth Police Jury of the Parish of Acadia, which includes the town of Crowley, with an assessed valuation of over \$2,000,000.

Judge Lewis said he expected that the voting value of the tax would be carried in all the police jury wards of St. Landry, Acadia and Vermilion parishes, which would give the road over \$3,000. It is not expected that this road will own any rolling stock, but it is expected to lease it to another line, which will give communications to the Western States, and which will open up the immense territory suitable for truck gardening in the parishes through which it will pass.

He Spoiled Beauty.

Harriet Howard of 20 W 34th street, New York at one time had her beauty spoiled with skin trouble; she writes: "I had skin rashes and eczema for years, but nothing would cure it until I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve." A quick and sure healer for cuts, burns and sores; 25 cents at all drugstores.

THE COLD SNAP

Last Friday the 15th a cold wave struck here and gave us some of the worst weather of the winter. Saturday the ground was frozen and remained frozen until Wednesday, Monday was the coldest day the mercury going to 20 degrees and ice on all the ponds. Garden truck and tender plants were badly damaged.

Miss Anne Hadou, the charming teacher of the Leblanc school paid our sanction an appreciated call to-day.

BEFORE THE OPEN FIRE.

Comfort, Cheer and Happiness Glow In Its Ruddy Circle.

Happy is the home with a fireplace. When the chilly evenings come on the open fire is a luxury not only nor mainly for its warmth, but for the cheer, the comfort, the presence, which is, after all, the real secret of its charm. Its bright glow through the unshuttered window cheers the master of the house as he comes home weary, perhaps worried, and it brings better thoughts to the passerby.

In early twilight the children see pictures in the coals or watch the shadows, like specters grim and tall, and the baby curls his rosy toes and coos at the glow. About its ruddy circle, contented and united, gathers the family circle. The maiden, with her dress skirt turned back and her pretty foot on the fender, builds air castles over its flickering flames, and it is a perfect boon to the bashful lover, for who shall say how many a stammering swain has found courage to declare himself while poking the fire?

There are stories to be told of the campfire in the mountains, where young Tom spent his vacation; of the lonely Bedouin campfire in far Arabia, where the uncle has been, or of the fireplace in the old home when grandma was a girl.

Have you ever wound clouded yarn, with the skeins thrown over the backs of chairs, in front of such a fire? How the shadows drifted over the colors as the yarn slipped off and spun around the ball, now dark, then light! How the great chimney sighed and breathed, and how the conversation of the others in the room drifted in and out of one's thoughts, now dark, now light! The flames leaped up the black throat of the chimney and shone on the hearth, lingering about the old polished furniture and lighting up with startling distinctness a single pictured face that looked out weirdly from its frame, while in the corners were heavy Rembrandt shadows.

Keep the open fire for the sake of sentiment. There is a suggestion of roasted apples and popcorn in its coals; there are castle building and dreams of the future; but, best of all, the memory of its gleam is like a beacon to the busy workers through the twilight day, until the eventide sets homeward, and they gather once more in the home circle before the fire.—G. F. De Bol.

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. 30 of the Session Act of the year 1888, they do by these presents, covenant and agree to 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 conduct and carry on the business of factoring 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 postoffice 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 may 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 O. E. 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 debts 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 void 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 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 Vermilion 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 New Orleans, 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 aforesaid 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 law, and that the laws of the United States or of the State of Louisiana, therefore, give this, my certificate of approval of the same.

JOHN NUGIER, JR.,
District Att. 17th Judicial District of La.

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 no 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. 46.

Succession of Jean Vincent:

Application of Olaus Vincent to be appointed administrator vice Desire Vincent, deceased:

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested, or having any objection to make to the application of Olaus Vincent to be appointed administrator, vice Desire Vincent, deceased, of said succession, to file the same in writing at the office of the clerk of the district court within ten days from the date hereof.

Given under my hand and seal this 8th day of January, 1905.
SIMONET LEBLANC, Clerk.
Greene & Greene, Attorneys.

Partition Sale.

STATE OF LOUISIANA—17th Judicial District Court.—Parish of Vermilion—No. 296.

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 Gueydan, 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 Gueydan, 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. HEBERT,
Sheriff, Vermilion Parish.

ATTENTION

Have your horses shod Scientifically and cured of corns, abscessions, furring, interfering etc by

J. F. CARTER,

Expert Horseshoer,
Opp. Ewell's Stable.