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## A TEMPEST IN A TEA POT.

At a time like this when the grim, gaunt hand of the yellow pestilence encompasses the community and daily draws nigher, we have no patience to bandy words with those who puffed up with idle vanity and insufferable conceit, essay the role of critic in matters of which they know absolutely nothing. The outrageous, unwarranted and utterly indefensible attack made by the Gueydan News upon the President of the Abbeville Board of Health and the Parish Health Officer is convincing evidence of the hysterical condition and mental calibre of the author of this diatribe. In response to repeated demands and the earnest request of a mass meeting of the citizens, the town and parish health boards, in joint session, put on a ten days detention limit (just as nearly all our neighbors did) and declared quarantine against all points East of Franklin. It is undeniably true that shortly after the Southern Pacific quit operating its trains here and elsewhere in the State. That is the whim of the railroad, an effort to render quarantine unpopular. It most positively was not due to an embargo, such as was laid by the health authorities of Lafayette and Calcasieu parishes. The charge of safeguarding the community from the possible ravages of a terrible and terrifying scourge is a solemn and sacred one, and the men upon whom rest the responsibility will not shirk it or be deterred by silly, selfish clamor. The donkey's reasoning powers are of a very low order, but as a kicker the Almighty has endowed him with unlimited ability and he easily stands at the head of the list.

## "HERE'S HOPING."

Some observing old philosopher has said that hope is the greatest helpmate of humanity, and there but few who will question the truth of the assertion, especially at this time, when all over the Southland everybody is putting all their trust in this one attribute, and by reason of it, looking for the rift in the dark clouds that threatened to settle down over this section. It is this spirit of hopefulness pervading all classes of people that makes the future full of promise for better and brighter days to come. It is this feeling of confidence among the interior communities, that medical science, backed up by all the power of the State and National Governments, will check the spread of the yellow peril and succeed in thoroughly stamping it out at an early date. It is this same hope "that springs eternal in the human breast," which has sustained so many during the visitation of this dread disease, that has strengthened the weak-hearted, encouraged the doubting, and spurred on the noble men and women who are giving their lives and skill in the battle with the plague to even more heroic efforts for its entire subjugation. All over the State, and throughout the adjoining commonwealths which have feared the coming of infection, the same spirit of hopefulness now prevails, and to it must be given the credit of the more sensible regulations that are being put in practice for maintaining prudent intercourse with the world at large. And, too, there is every reason for the people of the State possessing to a large degree this feeling of cheerful expectancy. The present fever conditions do not warrant any cause for alarm, rather

are they so much more favorable since the United States Marine Hospital Service was placed in control, that all dread or apprehension of the infection spreading to any considerable extent may be reasonably dismissed. Then, in addition to the lessened number of cases there is the very small proportion of actual fatalities, showing conclusively that even if the disease should spread to the interior State towns, there is no more to fear from it than if it were typhoid, and not so much as from pneumonia. There are certain to be some appearances of fever in other places than New Orleans, just as there have been up to date, but this is no reason why hope should give way to despair, or that fright and panic should prevail instead of good judgement and conservative action. All that science can possibly do to prevent infection is being done; all that medical skill and trained nursing can do to alleviate the suffering and control the ravages of the disease are being done; all that brains, money and work can do to stamp out the plague are certainly being done, and there will be no relaxation of this almost superhuman effort until the last vestige of the fever has disappeared. And now that the first feeling of panic has passed and the people have taken it upon themselves to prevent the possibility of infection by cleaning up their premises and removing all disease breeding spots; now that the various communities throughout the State have sensibly decided to make the best of the situation; now that measures are being taken on all sides to keep everlastingly at it in the fight against the cause of the fever, and now that the outlook seems to be much more encouraging—"here's hoping."

## Police Jury Proceedings.

(Continued from first page)  
Hebrard Broussard, witness vs. Bosey Lyons 1 30  
Telesmar Thibodeaux, witness vs. Bosey Lyons 1 30  
W. D. Gooch, witness vs. Bosey Lyons 1 20  
Edmond Richard, witness vs. S. O'Bryan 2 20  
Mr. and Mrs. Amade Richard, witness vs. O'Neil Clark 4 40  
Numas Guidry, witness vs. Alice Williams 1 10  
Oliya Mouton, witness vs. Alice Williams 1 10  
Eugene LeBlanc, witness vs. Augustin Hebert 1 70  
Rene Reaux, witness vs. Augustin Hebert 1 70  
Delmas LeBlanc, witness vs. Augustin Hebert 1 70  
Venance Dronet, witness vs. Odilon Fredrick 1 70  
Loron LeBlanc, witness vs. Odilon Fredrick 1 80  
Dupre Primeaux, witness vs. Odilon Fredrick 1 70  
Isaac Landry, witness vs. Odilon Fredrick 1 90  
Dr. C. J. Edwards inquest on G. Robinson 10 00  
Dr. C. J. Edwards, inquest on J. L. Flynn 10 00  
J. H. Lutgring, member coroners jury, Flynn 2 00  
O. H. Deshotels, member coroners jury, Flynn 2 00  
J. H. Montagne, member coroners jury, Flynn 2 00  
John Linscombe, member of coroners jury, Flynn 2 00  
D. D. Meaux, member coroners jury, Flynn 2 00  
Aurelien E. Broussard, member coroners jury, Robinson 2 00  
A. J. Jettun, member coroners jury, Robinson 2 00  
O. J. Domangue, member coroners jury, Robinson 2 00  
Adam Boudreau, member coroners jury, Robinson, 2 00  
Camille LeBlanc, member coroners jury, Robinson, 2 00  
Clerk of Supreme Court, costs of appeal, Parish and Bessa, 4 75  
Eli Wise, amount paid jurors 482 60  
John Nugier, Jr., District Attorney's fees, convictions 90 00  
Abbeville Furniture Company, supplies for jail 15 50  
Ejuce LeBlanc, scavenger, quarter ending June 30, 25 50  
Ejuce LeBlanc, sharpening lawn mower 1 25  
P. H. Bailey, stationery for election commissioners 1 90  
Clarke & Courts, records for Clerk of Court, 26 25  
Eli Wise & Co., sundries, nails, etc. to August 1, 1905, 92 05  
E. M. Stebbins & Co., lumber

Third Ward 193 31  
E. M. Stebbins & Co., lumber Fifth Ward 55 21  
E. M. Stebbins & Co., lumber Sixth Ward 180 28  
E. M. Stebbins & Co., lumber Seventh Ward 36 44  
E. M. Stebbins & Co., lumber Courthouse 8 42  
J. Nugier, sundries for bridge at Perry 4 25  
Ritter's Machine Shop, repairs to bridge at Abbeville 9 25  
Poundry & Machine Shop, repairs to bridge at Abbeville 16 35  
Simon Broussard, sundries for bridge, D. O. Broussard, 81 1/2 Gueydan Lumber Company, nails etc., for Eighth Ward 26 67  
G. K. Choate, repairs to ferry at Campbell's 2 00  
Henry Johnson, repairs to ferry at Bancker 2 00  
I. L. Stansbury, making irons for bridge at Perry 1 65  
Jules O. Broussard, repairs to bridge at Durke's 3 50  
Alex Broussard, bridge keeper at Abbeville, ending June 30, 1905, 31 25  
Sosthene Hebert, bridge keeper at Perry, ending June 30, 1905, 62 50  
W. W. Keuhling, ferry keeper at Bancker, ending June 30, 1905, 45 00  
King Choate, ferry keeper at Campbell's, ending June 30, 1905, 39 50  
Dr. C. J. Edwards, Parish Physician, ending June 30, 1905 25 00  
Albert LeBlanc, Justice of the peace, First Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
Joseph Trahan, justice of the peace, Second Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
J. A. Schlesinger, justice of the peace, Third Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 25 00  
F. M. Leguene, justice of the peace, Third Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 25 00  
James Sehon, justice of the peace Fourth Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
S. A. Dubus, justice of the peace, Fifth Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
B. J. Hartman, justice of the peace, Sixth Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
F. O'Neil, justice of the peace, Seventh Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
W. L. Truman, justice of the peace, Eighth Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
Andrew Moss, constable, Second Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
C. B. Upchurch, constable, Third Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 25 00  
Remy Broussard, constable, Third Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 25 00  
Edmond Richard, constable Fourth Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
J. Ulysse Broussard, constable, Fifth Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
Marsule Lemaire, constable, Sixth Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
J. B. Mills, constable, Seventh Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
J. M. Gibbs, constable, Eighth Ward, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
Ejuce LeBlanc, janitor of Court House, ending June 30, 1905, 62 50  
J. N. Williams, Clerk of Police Jury, ending June 30, 1905, 62 50  
M. L. Eldredge, member of Auditing and Finance Committee, 24 00  
C. B. Upchurch, constable, Police Jury, ending June 30, 1905, 12 50  
Sidney Andrus, member Police Jury, ending June 30, 1905, 8 00  
P. D. LeBlanc, member Police Jury and Finance Committee, 39 00  
S. Greene, member Police Jury, ending June 30, 1905, 15 00  
Thomas Hoffmann, member Police Jury, ending June 30, 1905, 15 00  
Jules Thibodeaux, member Police Jury, ending June 30, 1905, 25 80  
E. M. Stebbins, member Police Jury, ending June 30, 1905, 31 00  
J. N. Foutz, member Police Jury and mileage, ending June 30, 1905, 30 00  
J. Roy Theriot, roll sulphur for disinfection 50 cents  
Meridional, Publishing proceedings of Police Jury, ending July 15, 1905, 176 00  
The Police Jury then adjourned to the next regular meeting.

E. M. Stebbins,  
President.  
J. N. Williams,  
Clerk.

## DeBlanc & Mestayer.

F. R. Mestayer, the popular and energetic young man who has been conducting a Racket Store here for the past year has taken L. P. DeBlanc as a partner and the business will be conducted as heretofore except that the firm name will be DeBlanc & Mestayer. Mr. DeBlanc has just returned from a trip to Northern and Eastern cities where he purchased an extensive stock of Racket specialties consisting of a very full assortment of crockery, glassware, tinware, paints, oils and varnishes. The stocks all in and is about the most complete of its kind ever brought to Abbeville. The new firm will make a bargain day every Saturday, the first one being a 5 cent and 10 cent bargain today. Both Messrs DeBlanc and Mestayer are deserving and hustling young men and have the best wishes of their many friends for success.

## Gala Day Sunday.

Last Sunday was a gala day in Abbeville, the people were treated to a series of races which proved quite an attraction for the country folks, as they poured in from all quarters. The races took place at West Side Park under the auspices of the West Side Park Association, with W. R. Bernard as secretary and general manager. There were four races, the first of which began at 11 o'clock and the last was followed by a game of baseball between the Grays and the Erath team. The races took place in the following order and the horses came out in the order in which their names appear: 1 1/2 mile, 1, Angelo, 2, Lady Contrary, 3, Electric. 2 1/2 mile, 1, Red Flag, 2, Rainbow, 3, Diamond, 4, Gabe, 5, Broom. 3/4 mile, 1, Drummond, 2, Prestonian, 3, Angelo. 4 1/2 mile, best two and three, 1, —, 2, Red Light, 3, Doc. Arrangements are being made to have the same horses run again 4 weeks hence and it is probable that Mr. Bernard will have everything definitely settled in the course of the coming week.

## Abbeville Mourns The Archbishop.

The announcement of the death of Archbishop L. P. Chappelle at New Orleans was a severe blow to the Catholics of this community, and all regret very much the demise of their beloved pastor. The prelate's venerable face is still fresh in the memory of the people here for it was only a few weeks ago that he was the guest of Father Laforest and administered confirmation to some five hundred people on Sunday, June 25. On Monday morning a solemn requiem service was sung for the repose of the soul of the illustrious prelate, Rev. Father F. A. B. Laforest officiating. At the conclusion of mass Rev. Father Culliard ascended the pulpit and delivered a beautiful sermon touching on the life and virtues of the shepherd recently stricken from his flock. Prayers for the dead were recited and the congregation joined the clergy in fervent prayers for the eternal rest of the good leader.

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## THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN.

The following schedule of train service was posted at the depot here Thursday morning, August 17: East bound, No. 620, leaves at 10:05 a. m. West bound, No. 619, leaves at 1:30 p. m.

See the fine pictures in Abbeville Furniture Company's window. Made at the Photo Car, now at depot.

F. L. Melebeck, the Port street merchant, is quiet sick.

Seven hundred pairs of Mens, Ladies' and Childrens' shoes for sale at 25 per cent below actual cost, at Maison Blanche, from August 21 to 26.

The people were greatly surprised Tuesday evening to hear the unexpected "toot" of a train and seeing a five coach limited express go through.

We make nothing but high grade pictures at Photo Car.

Adolph Brasseur, Dupre Hebert, George Rice and Arthur Brien went fishing at Coulee Kinney Tuesday.

Maison Blanche will sell its entire line of Ladies' Shirts and Shirtsuits Suits, and Trimmed Hats, at 25 per cent below cost, for one week commencing Monday, August 21.

The Godard building next to Leon Feray's restaurant on Charity street, will be occupied by Ferdinand Derouen on September 1. who will conduct a general merchandise business there.

Fine properties for sale, rent, or exchange. Apply to D. D. Cline "The Real Estate Man", Abbeville, La.

The First National Bank contemplates an increase in its capital stock of from \$25,000 to \$50,000, and the Board of Directors of the institution has issued a call for a meeting of the stockholders to consider the proposition on Tuesday, October 2.

Wanted—to exchange fine Chicago properties for Louisiana real estate. Apply to D. D. Cline, "The Real Estate Man", Abbeville, La.

Frank Godchaux, secretary of the Caldwell-Godchaux Brick Company, Limited, has issued a call for a stockholders meeting to be held Wednesday August 30, to consider a change in the name of the corporation to "The Godchaux Brick Company, Limited."

No cheap picture made at the Photo Car.

A. C. Escudier has resigned as manager of the Grays Baseball Team, and has severed all connection with the nine.

Eugene Barrilleaux returned last week from Franklin and other points.

The races last Sunday attracted a large crowd of people to Abbeville.

Everything in glassware, granite, tinware and crockery at the Racket Store.

Tuesday, August 15, the day on which the church commemorates the assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven, was observed as on Sundays throughout the Catholic world. Masses were said here as on Sundays.

See samples of pictures made at the Photo Car in Abbeville Furniture Company's window.

Julien Champagne of LeRoy spent a couple of days here in the early part of this week.

Mrs. F. M. Leguene is home again after a visit to relatives at the state capital.

Mayor O. H. Deshotels, of Kaplan, spent a few hours on business here one day last week.

Ophelias Bourque returned last week from a three weeks pleasant stay at Hot Springs.

Paints, oils, varnishes and brushes at the Racket Store.

Fortune Jaubert was here for several days this week. Mr. Jaubert stated that he had heard more talk about yellow fever in one hour in Abbeville than he had heard in all the other places he had visited during the last three weeks.

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## Bancker Doings.

Miss Effie Henry left Sunday to spend a week with Mrs. P. S. Summers.

J. O. Broussard was over on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cade the latter part of last week.

Master G. Landry, Miss Maggie Henry, Bancker Cade and Miss Katie Lee enjoyed a pleasant drive Sunday evening.

The wife of Sidney Snichsnider died last Saturday. She leaves six little children and husband to mourn her loss. May she rest in peace.

Rev. F. Racine drove to Delcambre Sunday to assist Rev. F. Vanderbilt with his communion class.

The farmers around here report that last week's rains did great damage to their cotton.

Willie Keuhling, Tom and Claude Pullin, Sidney Pickett, Lee and Clifton Moss enjoyed a delightful trip to the bay last week, but they did not stay as long as they thought they would: as Tom and Clifton was worried about their Chiere petit occur that they had left behind. Sidney did not care to stay as the fish tasted fishy, Willie said that it took all his time to fight the jack fish off.

Harold Edwards was over here on a visit last week. He said that he hoped that he would get "fat" on grass-beak and craw-fish.

Master Walter Cade drove his best girl to church last Sunday night with T. J. Morgan's team of mules.

We are glad to hear of the rapid improvement of Mrs. John Morgan.

A. Dechart went to town Tuesday on business.

RED EGG.

## Esther Events.

EDITOR MERIDIONAL:  
If the pleasure and privilege once granted your humble servant "Sabe" of representing [this forgotten spot of creation in your valuable paper, still holds good, will give up the indolent habit, —as our friend "Estherite" is pleased to term it—of leisurely napping by the sunny way side of life, and join hand with the workers.

The recent forty days deluge has left the farmer with little worth mentioning, would be well to negotiate with the great West for terms of exchanging wood for corn, that they often consume for fuel in that country or if only all had the pleasure of feasting upon a "grobeck" gumbo, bread might be dispensed with for a time, but that tempting bird has brought woe to the poor hunter, still with the prospect of cotton at fifty dollars per thousand we can still draw a hopeful calculation of the half crop the flood left us, and the best of us may yet eat bread this coming year.

Health, everything considered, is very good in our section.

Catholic prayer meeting last evening at the Esther Cemetery.

Reece Rice visited Abbeville last Wednesday, and among those who took in our little city Saturday were Messrs Alex Moss and J. M. Mestepey.

Miss Olive Rice of Marenci, Arizona, arrived home on the 26th inst.

Misses Mathilde Perry of Orange, Texas, and Lillian Ramsey, of near Abbeville are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Corney Rice, at Little Bayou.

Miss Girtie Morgan, of Esther,

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is spending the present time with friends at Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts and Miss Myrtle Trahan of Prairie Gregg, spent several days of last week visiting friends in Lower Vermilion.

The dance given in honor of Mr. Cleveland Campbell, of Gueydan, at the residence of Paul Campbell last Saturday evening was a social success.

Terrel Rice and Orr May were circulating among friends in Esther vicinity Sunday.

Mrs. John Hebert of Cowland returned home Sunday after a two weeks stay with relatives at Esther.

Can it be our friend Napoleon has stranded by the way side, and left Red Bug to fill his place.

Estherite's California flea story is O. K. but would like to see you get square or have a fair play a "hop" no matter how fleet of foot the Lower Vermilion monarch will come out winner in the race still we have the advantage in one way, for it is possible to spend a pleasant night under the "bar" instead of on the rack.

Esther, La., Aug. 1, 1905.

## Gueydan Cleanings.

John Phelps, formerly of the place but now in the employ of John Nugier, at Perry's Bridge, was shaking hands with many friends here in Gueydan Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. A. F. Tate, wife of the new manager of the Lichtenstein Hechinger Canal Company, has arrived from Crowley. Mr. and Mrs. Tate are stopping temporarily at the Carter House until a suitable residence is found.

The secret societies of Gueydan are making progress in spite of hot weather and the fever scare. All the Odd Fellows lodges, the Encampment and the Red Men are adding new members and having the most enjoyable meetings.

Abel J. Toups, who has kept the refreshment stand at Chauvin's for so long, has started in business for himself, opening a fine ice cream parlor and refreshment place and fruit stand in the Williams building on Main street down near the postoffice.

Mrs. John G. Neelis returned Sunday from a pleasant two week's outing at Siloam Springs, Ark.