

"THERE'LL BE A HOT TIME IN THE OLD TOWN"

From this time to **FEB. 1.**

The first lot of goods which have reached us since the quarantine was established, came in this week. Our assortment is once more complete. Our prices are still unapproachable. We are determined to make up during the next two months, for any loss of trade which could not reach us on account of quarantine regulations.

This week we are busy, getting our goods opened and in the shelves; very soon we'll give you a price list which will open your eyes.

We are ready for business and we mean to have it, if there is any possible combination of **QUALITY** and **PRICES** which will secure it.

COME TO SEE US.

MISTROT BROS. & CO.

NEW IBERIA, LA.

THE GAZETTE.

Subscription Price, : \$1 Per Year

Methodist Church Service.

Preaching at Lafayette on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Sabbaths, at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. At Rayne on the 3rd and 5th Sabbaths at 11 o'clock and at night.

I. F. Reams, Pastor.

Presbyterian Church.

Services every first and third Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m.

H. W. WALLACE, Pastor.

The Cubanola is one of the best nickel cigars in town. Sold by Alex Delahoussaye.

The Christmas holidays are at hand, and the little ones will make the welkin ring with the sound of the fire cracker and Roman candle.

L. F. Rigues has just received a fresh lot of chocolate creams.

Dr. F. Eloi Girard made a trip to New Orleans during the week.

A suitable present for your wife or sister, a nice pair of kid gloves. We have the best in town, all colors at \$1.00. Mouton and Salles.

Judge McFaddin, Wm. Campbell, Dr. Percy and Crow Girard went to Leesburg on a hunting trip the latter part of the past week.

L. F. Rigues sells fancy candies, chocolate drops and mixed candies.

Cotton seed giving 4 to 5 bales to an acre for sale by H. A. VanderCruyssen, agent for the African limbles cotton seed.

Mr. David Pelletier will be married to Miss Yolande Rigues, Monday, December 20, 1897.

Linless cotton seed for sale by H. A. VanderCruyssen, Lafayette, La.

Canned string beans, peas, soukrait and every other kind of canned goods, at Mouton & Salles.

Wilson Matthews has returned to Lafayette, and is now in the employ of the Southern Pacific. His many friends were glad to see him settle here.

Cranberries, mince meat, jelly, candies and cakes, at Mouton & Salles.

Going, going, the novelties at Biossat's, jeweler.

Dr. Franklin Mouton visited Homer Mouton in St. Martinville Tuesday.

Handsome rings, latest out, the "greatest hit" for Xmas gitts at Biossat's.

A good variety of holiday goods at prices to suit the times, at Mouton & Salles.

Fernand Mouton has been employed by the Southern Nursery Co., of Tennessee.

We are nothing, if not "up to date." Purchase one of Biossat's reliable time pieces, latest designs, same as offered for holiday sales in all cities.

Lawney's lily chocolate creams, at L. F. Rigues.

Hello! Phone 13. Call us up for anything you need. Mouton & Salles.

Invitations have been issued to the marriage of our successful young merchant, Mr. Sam L. Plonsky, to Miss Sara Strauss, of New Orleans, Tuesday, January fourth, 1898, at New Orleans.

Pretty dress goods, black and in colors, 10 cents a yard, at Mouton & Salles.

Beautiful Xmas presents at the jewelry store of T. M. Biossat.

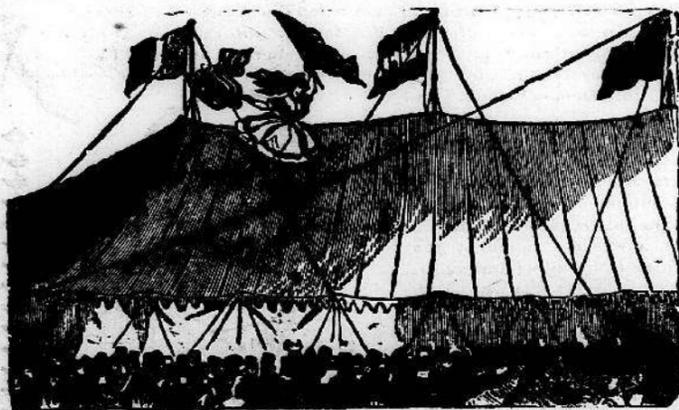
The only place to buy ladies' capes and underwear, at Mouton & Salles.

The public schools of Lafayette parish will be closed just before Christmas to resume the first Monday in January. The teachers of the parish have been doing some excellent work, and will doubtless welcome the few days of recreation.

Have you seen the novelties at Biossat's? Statuettes of favorite authors, handsome plaques of latest designs, ornaments to suit every purse. Come in and see.

COMING

America's Big Tented Enterprises! Honorably Conducted! Honestly Advertised! Lofty in Conception, Regal in Equipment, Omnificent in Presentation, Ideal in Character, Splendid in Organization, Magnificent in Presentation. The Purest, Cleanest, Mightiest and most Magnificent Amusement Institution of the 19th Century. **HUMMEL, HAMILTON & SELLS' United Shows.** Will exhibit at **LAFAYETTE, DECEMBER, 27, 1897.** Complete menagerie and racing Hippodrome. Rare and interesting Zoological exhibit. Mr. William Sells, the champion, the foremost of all Bareback Equestrians, acknowledged by the press, the public and the profession to be the most remarkable rider to-day in the world.



Our Street Parade at 10 a. m., Daily, is the Finest ever Put on the Street.

EXCURSIONS RUN ON EVERY LINE OF TRAVEL. NO GAMBLING DEVICES TOLERATED. Never Divides, Never Disappoints.

Handsome designs in Cress-ware suitable for holiday gifts at Biossat's.

Fresh candies at Alex Delahoussaye's.

Read the registration notice in another column.

The Lafayette Printing Shop gives you quick and neat work.

Mr. Ferdinand W. Landry will be married to Miss Elja Broussard on December 29, at the Catholic church in this town.

Smoke the Cubanola. Alex Delahoussaye sells it for 5 cents.

H. O. Salles, **DENTIST.**
Office on Buchanan Street.
Lafayette, La.

Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of December, A. D. 1897, I will offer at public auction for lease for a term of four years dating from January 1, 1898, the following land belonging to the public schools of Lafayette parish, to-wit: Sec. 16 in Tp. 9 S. R. 3 E. containing 624 acres; Sec. 16 in Tp. 10 S. R. 3 E. containing 645 acres; Sec. 16 in Tp. 11 S. R. 5 E. containing 556 acres. Said offering will be made at the front door of the court-house in Lafayette, La., beginning at 11 o'clock, on the aforesaid date, and said lands will be offered in sub-divisions of eighth and quarter sections. Rent of land will be payable annually on December 1, and lessees will be required to furnish their notes with solvens security. **CHAS. D. CAFFERY,** Attorney for School Board. Lafayette, La., Nov. 4.

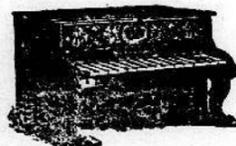
FOR THE

HOLIDAYS.



A fine collection of Vases, Bisque Figures, Cake Plates, Tea and Chocolate Sets, after Dinner Coffee Cups, etc.

Tin, iron and wooden Toys in unlimited variety, to gladden the hearts of the little children.



Toy Pianos ranging in price from 25 cents to \$5.00 each. Doll buggies at 25 cents and upward. Trunks, Drums.

DOLLS! DOLLS! DOLLS!

Little ones. Big ones. Rag ones. China ones. Bisque ones. Kid ones. All kinds at all prices, and enough to make every little girl in Lafayette quite happy.



Dressing cases, shaving cases, albums, maniere sets, fancy mirrors and picture frames, and too many other pretty things to enumerate.



Moss Brothers & Company.