

GENEVOLENT ASSOCIATIONS.

CATHOLIC KNIGHTS OF AMERICA, BRANCH NO. 799 meets 1st and 3d Sundays after high mass, at Home Fire Co. hall, Address Robt. H. Broussard, Secretary, Broadway, La.

UNITED CONFEDERATE VETERANS meets 1st Saturday of each month, at court-house, 10 a. m.

If Jefferson were living he could hardly have written a better platform than the one adopted by the Kansas City convention.

If The Picayune's editorials on the presidential election are intended to damn with faint praise they are master pieces.

Judge Coco, of Avoyelles, is running for Congress in the Sixth district against Sam Robertson. Robertson is one of the oldest Democratic members in the House.

Representatives Cade and Durio voted for the anti-trust bill. They also voted for Wilson's star car bill. In voting for these bills they no doubt carried out the wishes of their constituents.

Col. C. Harrison Parker will not remain long with "the statesmen out of jobs." He will be appointed president of the penitentiary commission. Col. Parker was appointed tax-collector in New Orleans by Gov. Nicholls and was twice reappointed by Gov. Foster.

Roosevelt has discovered that the blood of Southern ancestry runs in his veins. He says his mother was a Georgian and the midshipman who fired the last gun from the Alabama was his uncle. The midshipman, however, did not write a book telling what a great fighter he was.

Hanna will probably see the armor-plate trust later concerning the service he has been rendering it during the present Congress.—Kansas City Times.

FOR THE ILLITERATE VOTER.

It would be unfortunate if the bill of Senator Lastic Broussard failed to become a law. We understand that this bill is for the protection of illiterate voters who have registered under section five or who are qualified under the property clause.

Under the provisions of the present election law the illiterate voter is unable to exercise the privilege of suffrage independently of the emblems. Should he be unwilling to stamp the emblem of any party, he cannot vote. According to the suffrage law he is a voter and nothing should be permitted to hinder him in the free, independent and intelligent enjoyment of the privilege to which he is legally entitled. That the election law should be so framed as to place an impediment in the way of the voter is clearly anomalous.

Every safe-guard should be thrown around the ballot, but it should not be of a character to interfere with the free and fair expression of the popular will.

Under the constitution, illiteracy does not disqualify, for it is provided that the man who has property, though unable to read and write, can register, and when he is registered it is neither just nor wise to place obstacles between him and the ballot. He should be given every facility to vote as he chooses. With the present arrangement the illiterate citizen can prepare his ticket only if he wishes to vote it straight, for it cannot be said that one unable to read can disregard the party emblems in the exercise of the privilege of voting.

We believe Senator Broussard is right in his efforts to remove all obstacles which intervene between the illiterate voter and the ballot.

There's a good solid working comfort in a pair of the BUCKSKIN BREECHES. They're loose where looseness is a necessity to comfort—snug where snugness means good looks. We don't stint cloth, cutting or stitching to make the pants the best in every way. Best wear, best fit, best looks—they don't require any mending. Mending is done when the seams are sewed and the buttons are first put on.

ELECTION OF A PARISH PRINTER.

The action of the Police Jury in electing a parish printer under provisions of Act No. 138 of the General Assembly of 1894, has been the cause of undesired censure at the hands of persons who are either ignorant of the law governing these matters or wilfully perverse.

After reading the oath that each Police Juror has taken and the law relative to the election of a printer every fair-minded person will admit that the Police Jury could not have acted in any other manner without violating the law which it has sworn to obey.

Every member of the Police Jury has taken the following oath: I, (name), do SOLEMNLY SWEAR (or affirm) that I will support the constitution and laws of the United States and the CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THIS STATE; and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as Police Juror according to the best of my ability and understanding. So help me God.

The Gazette needs not speak upon the sanctity of an oath. Any rational being who is old enough to know anything appreciates what it is to swear.

While reading the law which follows let the reader bear in mind that the foregoing oath was subscribed to by every member of the Police Jury. The law reads:

AN ACT To authorize and require the police juries of the several parishes in this State, the parish of Orleans excepted, to elect a parish printer for their respective parishes; empowering them to designate the official journal for their respective parishes; requiring them to cause to be published in the official journal all the official proceedings; fixing the compensation to be paid the parish printer, and repealing all laws contrary to or inconsistent with this act.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana, That at their first meeting on or after the first day of July, 1894, and annually thereafter at their meeting in July, the police juries throughout this State, be and they are THOROUGHLY AND IT SHALL BE THEIR DUTY TO ELECT A PARISH PRINTER for their respective parishes who shall be the owner or representative of some established newspaper, published in the parish, which has been in existence for a period of one year next preceding the election. The person so selected shall be the owner or representative of the parish, which paper shall be known as the official journal of the parish and he shall publish in such newspaper all the official proceedings of the police jury and all such notices as may be required by law to be published by the police jury; provided, that this act shall not affect any contract now in existence, and provided further that upon the expiration of any contract for parish printing now in existence the police jury SHALL ELECT A PARISH PRINTER AS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ACT, and provided further that this act shall not apply to any parish in which no newspaper is published.

SECTION 2. Be it further enacted, etc., that the parish printer shall be entitled to demand and the police jury of each parish shall pay to him quarterly, for publishing all matter required to be published in the official journal of the parish fifty cents per square of one hundred words for the first insertion and twenty-five (25) cents per square for each subsequent insertion and for all job work executed by him for the use of the police jury he shall charge and receive the lowest current rates.

SECTION 3. Be it further enacted, etc., that all laws or parts of laws contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this act and the same are hereby repealed.

In order that no one be misrepresented we have printed the oath of the juror and the law on the subject.

The law says clearly that it shall be the duty of the Police Jury to elect a parish printer, and in the next paragraph fixes the compensation to be received by the printer for his work. The parish printer is an officer to be elected by the Police Jury and his salary is fixed by law. The salary is established by the Legislative act and the Police Jury has no more to do with it than with the salaries of the clerk of court, the judge or district attorney. The duty of the Jury is to elect a parish printer. The question of pay has already been settled by the Legislature.

We submit that as men who know what an oath is and who place a proper interpretation on the plain mandates of the law of the State, the majority of the Police Jury acted wisely and conscientiously in electing a parish printer in accordance with the statute printed in this column.

The Gazette is confident that the action of the Jury in the printing matter will meet with the approbation of the well-thinking people of this parish.

Agentleman recently cured of dyspepsia gave the following appropriate rendering of Burns' famous blessing: "Some have meat and can not eat, and some have none that want it; but we have meat and we can eat.—Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, he thanked." This preparation will digest what you eat. It instantly relieves and radically cures indigestion and all stomach disorders. For sale by Lafayette Drug Co.

Heading the Taxpayers. The surplus revenue for the year that ended on Saturday last will exceed \$80,000,000. It is due to un-repealed war taxes, voted for a war that ended nearly two years ago. Meanwhile the expenses of the war department have increased \$86,000,000 and of the navy \$22,000,000.

Boom at the Top.

New Orleans Picayune. A new Aesop has put forth the following fable, which does not get with an encouraging old saying: There was once a most studious and deserving Young Man. He had always absorbed all that his Teachers and Elder Relatives told him in the way of good precept. In that particular he was impressed by that Ladder Business—"There is always plenty of room at the Top," etc. This young man nobly concluded that he would never loiter on the crowded Lower Rungs of the Ladder. In whatever he undertook he would make himself First Class. He would climb, climb, climb until he reached the Top. First he went to work in a Broker's office. There he worked assiduously, mastering all the details, and climbing, climbing. He reached the Top, where he contrived a Deal that added another Fortune to his employer's bank account. But the young man was discharged when he hinted to his employer that he was entitled to a Raise of Salary. Then he turned his attention to Literature. He wrote a book of Fiction, in which he told All he knew about the Brokerage Business. He made his former employer, thinly disguised, the villain of the story. Great success awaited the book, which sold with Amazing Rapidity. Thousands and thousands of Copies did the Publisher sell, and the young man was at the Top of the Ladder of Fame. But he had sold his book for a small Certainty, and the publisher reaped all of the Profit. Next the young man turned his mind upon matters of Invention. He invented a famous and fast-selling Flour Sifter. It proved a gold mine. Yet somehow the inventor realized very little money from it; his Partner accumulated almost all of the Lucre to himself. It was continually thus. The Deserving Young Man went from venture to venture, often winning fame, while someone else made all the money there was in it. And so it came about that his brown curly Locks became sparse and white. He had been to the Top of the Ladder many times, but was as poor as ever. One day he stood opposite a building in course of construction. There was a Ladder against the side of the structure. For a dollar a day a Man bore up and down the ladder a curious-looking wooden cradle at the end of a stout pole. On top of the building stood a man waiting for him who was being paid Forty-five a day. "Ah! Now do I understand," cried the young man that had been climbing, climbing, climbing, all my life, but I am like that fellow yonder—I have been carrying the Hod!"

A Good Family Medicine. W. Lee Wilmoth, Top of Alleghany, West Va., writes: I have used Ramon's Liver Pills and Tonic Pellets for the past five years in our family. I do not hesitate to say that they are the best. They are mild in action, splendid in effect, besides being pleasant to take and requiring one only at a dose. To all who are unable to pay large doctor's bills I would say, always keep a box of Ramon's Liver Pills in the house to use in case of necessity. For sale by Lafayette Drug Co.

A Million A Day. In seventeen months the whole import trade of Manila (Philippines) has been \$5,901,453. Of this the Yankee share is \$567,266. The public revenue to accrue to America from it is \$777,904. Not counting the blood, the Philippine war has already cost us \$400,000,000. The conflict's presents cost is over \$1,000,000 a day.

Question Answered. Yes, August Flower still has the largest sale of any medicine in the civilized world. Your mothers and grandmothers never thought of using anything else for Indigestion or Biliousness. Doctors were scarce, and they seldom heard of Appendicitis, Nervous Prostration or Heart failure, etc. They used August Flower to clean out the system and stop fermentation of Indigested food, regulate the action of the liver, stimulate the nervous and organic action of the system, and that is all they took when feeling dull and bad with headaches and other aches. You only need a few doses of Green's August Flower, in liquid form, to make you satisfied there is nothing serious the matter with you. For sale by the Lafayette Drug Co.

Golden Rule Reversed. No one can maintain for a moment that we have treated the Filipinos as we would have had a stronger power treat us.—City and State.

Special Notice. The Lafayette Building Association will sell money to its shareholders at its next regular meeting, Wednesday, July 18, 1900. New series opens August 1.

A Card. Many of my clients, friends and the public in general, being under the misapprehension, from the fact that I have been elected District Attorney, that I could not practice law in civil cases, this is to inform them that my election as District Attorney does not in any way interfere with my civil practice, and that all cases and business, entrusted to me, will receive immediate care and attention, as I have done in the past. Respectfully, WM. CAMPBELL.

Order Of Court. State of Louisiana, Parish of Lafayette—18th Judicial District Court.—Sessions of court will be held in the parish of Acadia on the second Monday of June 1900, first Monday of October, second Monday of November 1900, and fourth Monday of December 1900. Sessions of court will be held in the parish of Lafayette on the second Monday of September 1900, fourth Monday of October 1900, and first Monday of December 1900. It is further ordered that this order be entered on the minutes of the court in the parishes of Acadia and Lafayette, and that the same be published in the official journals of said parishes for three consecutive weeks.

Given in open court at Lafayette, Louisiana, May 22, 1900. (Signed) C. DEBAILLON, Judge 18th Judicial District of Louisiana Filed May 22, 1900. (Signed) F. K. HOPKINS, Deputy Clerk. A true copy. F. K. HOPKINS, Deputy Clerk of Court.

Assessor's Notice. To the tax payers of the parish of Lafayette:—Take notice that the listing of property will be completed on the 10th day of August, 1900; and will be open for inspection for 20 days in the office of the assessor of this parish, and all tax-payers are earnestly requested to come and verify their assessments. A. M. MARTIN, Assessor. May 30, 1900.

Ke-cold Watermelons! Ring up John Givens at the ice factory and order one or more of those delicious watermelons. They are the largest, juiciest and sweetest melons ever sold in Lafayette. The far-famed Lone Star or Sand Hill melon always on hand.

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Taken Up. One small black horse, branded "C. I." on hip. Owner can secure horse by proving ownership and paying costs. Apply to Jean Breaux, Lafayette, La. Lafayette, La., July 7, 1900.

Sheriff's Sale. Octave P. Guilbeau vs. Marie Brasseur and wife—18th Judicial District, State of Louisiana. Parish of Lafayette—No. 4128.

By virtue of an alias writ of fieri facias issued in the above entitled and numbered cause, by the Hon. C. Debaillon, judge of the 18th Judicial district, and to me directed, I have seized and taken into my possession and will sell, to the last and highest bidder, at the front door of the court-house of Lafayette Parish, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 4 p. m., on

Saturday, Aug. 4, 1900, the following described property, to-wit: A certain tract of land, with improvements, containing fifty arpents, bounded north by Meise Brasseur, south by Arcade Cormier, east by L. Roger, west by E. Cormier. Also a certain tract of land containing fifty-four superficial arpents more or less, bounded north by W. C. Miller, south by J. Cormier et al., east by A. Brasseur, et al., west by Theban Cormier et al. Fourteen head of horned cattle; four horses; one wagon; one ox cart. Terms: Cash. Sale will be made subject to appraisalment. J. A. BROUSSARD, Sheriff of Lafayette Parish. June 30, 1900.

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Three lots with two residences, Mouton addition, corner Garfield and Gordon streets. A very desirable residence in Mouton addition, just painted and papered. Four arpents well situated and improved, in the corporation. Three lots on Jackson street, Mouton's addition. Two lots on Main street, Mouton's addition. One corner lot on Lincoln avenue, McComb addition. Six lots in Mouton's addition, on Grant avenue, with residence, barn, garden and other improvements. Two of the lots are on corners. One hundred and forty arpents of wood land on Bayou Queue Tortue. A large and complete residence on 2 arpents of land in the corporation. It is a most desirable locality for a home and business place.

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