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SO. PAC. SCHEDULE.

West Bound.		LEAVES.	
ARRIVES.		LEAVES.	
No. 7	1:43 a. m.	1:58 a. m.	
No. 5	1:55 p. m.	2:15 p. m.	
No. 9	3:20 p. m.	3:46 p. m.	
No. 25 (Sunset Limited) arrives at 2:55 p. m., leaves 3:05 p. m., on Monday, Thursday and Saturday.			
East Bound.		LEAVES.	
ARRIVES.		LEAVES.	
No. 8	2:31 a. m.	2:46 a. m.	
No. 6	12:01 p. m.	12:21 p. m.	
No. 10	1:29 p. m.	1:49 p. m.	
No. 26 (Sunset Limited) arrives at 2:55 p. m., leaves 3:05 p. m., on Monday, Thursday and Saturday.			

ALEXANDRIA BRANCH.
No. 72, arrives at 11:45 a. m.
No. 73, leaves at 2:25 p. m.

Church Notices.

METHODIST CHURCH.
C. C. Wier, pastor. Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 10 a. m. Epworth League, Sunday evening 6:45. Prayer meeting, Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Song service, Friday 7:30 p. m.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following real estate transfers were recorded in the clerk's office during the past week:
Mrs. Honore Cormier to Ozemee LeBlanc, 13-acres in sixth ward, \$375.
Therese Augusta Dufay to Ernest Broussard, interest in 6 arpents of land in Carencro, \$43.
Wm. Butcher to Honore Cormier, 37 1/2 arpents in sixth ward, \$750.
J. P. Francez to Mrs. M. Adele Francez, one lot in Carencro, \$300.
Ambroise Langlais to Baptiste Doucet, 28 arpents in fourth ward, \$1300.
Heirs of Michael Hession to Jack A. Delhomme, 2 lots in Lafayette, \$1550.
Widow Honore JeanLouis to Adolphe Picard, 2 1/2 arpents in fifth ward, \$30.
Isaac A. Broussard to John Robert Verret, 250 acres of land third ward, \$7200. Vendor retains half interest in all oils, mineral or gas discovered on said lands.

Private School.

I will open a private school beginning Monday, April 15, 1901, at the High School.
W. A. LeROSEN.

Board of Pharmacy.

Gov. Heard has appointed the following members of the State Board of Pharmacy: P. L. Viallon, E. N. Roth, Paul Fleming, M. Bernstein, Wm. M. Levv, Geo. T. Brown, F. C. Godbold, Max Sampson and Walter T. Taylor.

Bryan's Commencer—One dollar a year. Joe E. Mouton, agent.
Let everybody remember that Joaquin Miller will lecture at Falk's hall, Tuesday night, April 16.

Notice.

The public are hereby notified that on and after April 24, all dogs found in the streets of the town without a tag will be killed.
ALPHONSE PECK, Marshal.
April 13, 1901.

CONSTABLE'S SALE.

Walley Theriot vs. Elphege Coate—Fourth Justice's Court—Parish of Lafayette, La.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale issued by Judge Ed Parent and to me directed, to the last and highest bidder, for cash, in front of Judge Parent's office, in the fourth ward, between legal sale hours, on Saturday, April 13, 1901, the following described property to-wit: One gray mare; about 12 barrels of sweet potatoes; 2 sows.
KOSSUTH BLANCHET, Constable 4th ward.
Mch. 30, 1901.

Condensed Statement

—OF THE CONDITION OF—
Bank of Lafayette,
LAFAYETTE, LA.

FURNISHED TO THE
STATE EXAMINERS OF STATE BANKS
—FOR THE—
Quarter Ending March 30, 1901.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$50,547 54
Cash on hand and due from banks	42,186 10
Real estate and fixtures	5,000 00
Overdrafts	338 22
	\$98,071 86

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock	\$25,000 00
Deposits	70,684 15
Undivided profits net	2,387 71
	\$98,071 86

I solemnly swear that the above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
CROW GIRARD, President.
J. J. DAVISON, Cashier.

PRISONERS SENTENCED.

Yesterday Judge Debaillon pronounced the following sentences:
T. E. Ellis, carrying concealed weapon, \$75 and costs or three months imprisonment.
Alcide Gody, colored, assault with intent to kill, \$75 and costs or six months imprisonment.
Charles Herpeche, carrying concealed weapon, \$50 and costs or three months imprisonment.
Raleigh Avant, carrying concealed weapon, \$50 and costs or three months imprisonment.
Henry Guillaume, colored, carrying concealed weapon, \$50 and costs or three months imprisonment.
Felix Jenkins, shooting in public highway, \$50 and costs, or thirty days imprisonment.
Aston Foreman, discharging firearm in public street, \$50 and costs or thirty days imprisonment.
Frank Robertson, colored, shooting in public road, \$25 and costs, or thirty days imprisonment.
Robert Senegal, colored, assault and battery, \$25 and costs or four months imprisonment.
Frank Robertson, colored, carrying concealed weapon, \$50 and costs or three months imprisonment.
Tony, colored, carrying concealed weapon, \$25 and costs or three months imprisonment.
James Hamilton, colored, assault with a dangerous weapon, \$50 and costs or six months imprisonment.
Eva Smith, colored, perjury, one year in the penitentiary.
Henry Bucklin, colored, manslaughter, 15 years in the penitentiary.
Martin Whittington, colored, horse-stealing, one year in the penitentiary.
Maxim Foot, assault with intent to rape, 15 years in the penitentiary.

Joaquin Miller will deliver a lecture at Falk's hall Tuesday night.

Assessments of Railroads.

The State Board of Appraisers held a meeting at Baton Rouge this week and assessed railroad, telegraph and telephone lines. The assessment of the Southern Pacific road was fixed at \$12,000 per mile, an increase of \$1000 over last year's assessment. Corresponding increases were made on the assessment of the other roads. Under the former system, when the assessment of railroad property was decided by district boards composed of members appointed by the Police Juries of the various parishes, the railroad assessments were just about half of what they are now. The Southern Pacific was assessed at \$6000 or \$6500 per mile.
Taking the present assessment as fair and equitable, and there is no reason to believe otherwise, the railroad companies were not, under the former system of assessments, made to pay their just share of taxes. Some years ago when the Board of Assessors of this district met here, Mr. P. S. Pugh, the member from Acadia, surprised the Board and astounded the representatives of the railroad company who were present, with a proposition to fix the assessment of the Louisiana Western at \$10,000 per mile. The Crowley attorney's proposition was believed to be beyond all reasonable consideration, but he made a hard fight to raise the assessment to \$10,000. Despite Mr. Pugh's strenuous kick \$6500 was agreed upon as a fair assessment. Time has proven that Mr. Pugh was on the right track.

Late styles in plain and trimmed sailors and ready-to-wear hats at Mrs. Bailey's.

Ticket Nominated.

A Democratic primary was held last Saturday to nominate a municipal ticket. There was only one ticket in the field, which accounts for the small vote polled. Eighty-three votes were cast, and with the exception of a few scratches they were voted straight. There is every reason to believe that there will be no opposition to this ticket at the election next month. The vote last Saturday shows that the ticket is satisfactory to the people of the town. The ticket is printed elsewhere on this page.

LUCAS' OPINION.

Says There is Oil at Anse Labutte—Prospects Exceedingly Bright.

It is clearly apparent that the oil discoveries will fall short of expectations. If all reports are to be believed oil indications are as plentiful as leaves in a forest. Hardly a day passes without the disclosure of some sure signs of the existence of oil somewhere in South Louisiana. We are told that there is oil in Pat Crowley's back yard at Lake Charles and the real stuff has been found in Attorney Pugh's well at Crowley. At Rayne, at Welsh, at Opelousas Mother Earth has been doing her level best to convince stubborn man that the only thing he has to do to reap millions is to dig for the oily fluid. It is there, willing and anxious to gush out from the bowels of the earth. Of course, these indications are greatly exaggerated. Every greasy spot on the surface of the earth or in a bucket of well water is not the forerunner of an oil lake. But at Anse Labutte the situation is different. Oil has been found there at a depth of 500 feet. Capt. Lucas, who conducted the explorations at that place, expressed himself to a Times-Democrat reporter the other day in a manner that leaves no doubt as to his conclusions. Speaking of his investigations in that locality he said:

"Louisiana and Texas contain enough oil to illuminate, grease and heat the world. Louisiana and Texas will become the noted oil fields of the world in time. In west Louisiana the prospects are exceedingly bright. I bored a well at Breaux Bridge, La., a year and a half ago, and struck oil. I didn't finish that well, as the funds of the company backing me suddenly ran short. There was no doubt about my success in that undertaking, if I had only been given proper financial assistance to carry my explorations through to a finish. I discovered enough to satisfy me that there was plenty of oil in western Louisiana."

Anse Labutte is only four miles from Lafayette. The discovery of oil at that place would be, for Lafayette, the biggest thing that has ever happened.

The Times-Democrat.

Daily, one month, \$1.00; 12 months, \$12.00. Joe E. Mouton, Agent.

The Closing of the Schools.

The sudden order for the closing of the public schools on the 12th instant has caused great disappointment to teachers, pupils and the public alike, on account of the brevity of the present session, and some are wont to hold the School Board responsible for this condition.

In order to correct any erroneous impressions in the public mind concerning the action of the School Board in this connection it is only necessary to explain that the Board is prohibited by law from contracting debts beyond its present ability to liquidate. It is a wise provision of the law to prevent Boards of Education from becoming involved in debt, often inextricably, and thereby seriously impairing this most important branch of the public service.

It was a source of deep regret to the School Board that the necessity arose for bringing the current scholastic term to such an early close, but the Board is convinced that by placing the public school system of the parish on a cash basis for the future, there will result longer sessions and more widespread benefit to the people. The Board recognizes the need of an awakening in our parish to the advanced position attained in the work of education the world over, and it shall be the aim of the Board to make the best use possible of the means at its command to equip the youth of our parish for the serious business of life. In its efforts to foster the educational interests of the parish of Lafayette the school authorities are deserving of the highest support of parents and all friends of education, and without their co-operation the best efforts of the school authorities are bound to fall far short of their purpose.

N. P. MOSS, Acting Parish Superintendent. Lafayette, La., April 12, 1901.

Joaquin Miller will lecture at Falk's hall Tuesday night.

Charles B. Ellis, division passenger and freight agent with headquarters at New Iberia, and Mr. Boudreaux, the Southern Pacific agent at this place, paid The Gazette a pleasant visit Wednesday afternoon.

DISTRICT COURT.

A Number of Cases Tried During the Week—Ilo Comeaux Acquitted.

The District Court, Judge C. Debaillon presiding, was engaged this week in the trial of criminal cases. Early Monday morning the case of Ilo Comeaux was called up. District Attorney Campbell represented the State and Judge O. C. Mouton and Jos. A. Chargois, Esq., appeared on behalf of Comeaux. The court-room was packed with people from the sixth ward. As was stated in this paper at the time the homicide took place, Ilo Comeaux and Placide Cormier became involved in a difficulty at a wedding ball, near Carencro, on the 24th of last January. The evidence showed that Ilo Comeaux was called out for a fight by Placide Cormier. Comeaux struck Cormier on the head with an empty bottle inflicting a wound which resulted fatally about ten or twelve days later. The plea of self-defense was made in a very skillful manner by defendant's counsel. The trial lasted three days, the attorneys for the defense and the State fighting zealously for every inch of ground. It was one of the most closely contested legal battles witnessed in the Lafayette courthouse in many years. The trial came to an end Wednesday afternoon. The jury remained in the room of deliberation less than ten minutes and returned into court with a verdict of not guilty. Comeaux is a young man of 20 years of age. Cormier, the man who was killed, was about 40 years old and was the father of a family.

Wednesday afternoon C. N. Ogden and C. E. Colgin were arraigned. District Attorney Campbell stated that as it was not possible to try the case during this term it would be continued to the next term of court, which convenes on the first Tuesday in May.

Thursday morning Maxim Foote, colored, was tried for assault with intent to rape, and convicted. As the accused had not employed counsel, the court appointed Mr. John L. Kennedy to represent the defendant. Mr. Kennedy made an able plea for his client, but the evidence was against him.

Thursday afternoon Eva Smith, a negress, was tried for perjury and convicted. Severin King and Wm. Hamilton, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, were tried before the judge. Hamilton was convicted and King was acquitted. Julien Hamilton and Frank Robertson were tried by the judge for discharging firearms in a public road. Robertson was convicted and Hamilton was acquitted. Robertson was convicted of carrying concealed weapon.

Now is the time to select your Easter hat. Call at Mrs. Bailey's. She has all the latest styles in spring and summer millinery.

Carbolic Acid, Lime, Creoleum and all kinds of disinfectants, at the Moss Pharmacy.

TO THE PUBLIC:

In connection with the agitation now going on concerning the public health, it is well to remember that the City Council have no power, under the law, to pass or enforce, in any manner, any regulations on that subject. They are required to appoint a Board of Health, three of whom shall be practicing physicians; this Board has, by virtue of sections 7 and 8 of Act 192 of 1898, extensive power and authority to adopt and enforce regulations concerning the public health. At a special meeting in January last the Council appointed a Board, three of whom were physicians, as required by law; the appointees declined. The Council has vainly endeavored to find others willing to serve.

By the law in question members of the City Council are prohibited from being members of the Board. Their power extends to the appointment of the Board and when that is done their duty is discharged. Whatever they have recently done to prevent, if possible, the spread of contagious diseases has been voluntarily done, and not because the duty of responsibility was by law placed upon them.

CHAS. D. CAFFERY, Mayor.
Yes, indeed, we sell lime, brick, sand and cement. E. H. Vordenbaum.

Democratic Ticket

Nominated at the Primary, Held Saturday, April 6, 1901.

For Mayor:
CHAS. D. CAFFERY.

For Councilmen:
FELIX DEMANADE,
A. E. MOUTON,
GEORGE DEBLANC,
F. E. GIRARD,
H. H. HOHORST,
JOHN O. MOUTON,
B. FALK.

Executive Committee:
A. R. TRAHAN,
JULIAN MOUTON,
I. A. BROUSSARD,
HENRY CHURCH,
ED G. VOORHIES.

A Lion-tamer's Narrow Escape.

The people who were at Spark's show Monday night experienced the unpleasant sensation that goes through one's anatomy when he is about to see an enraged lion devour a human being. When the old man who performs with the lions entered the steel cage he was quick to find out that one of his pets was not in a humor to entertain the audience. He was unusually fierce. He had been angry the whole day and when his cage was drawn to the center of the ring, the experienced eye of the lion-tamer soon realized the danger of his situation. The lion-tamer advised the ring-master not to let the lion into the large steel cage. If he did there would be a fight, he said. The ring-master laughed to scorn the fear of danger. He ridiculed the old man's apprehensions. But the latter protested again; then implored the men on the outside not to open the door of the small cage. The appeals of the man who had his life at stake availed not and the raging, roaring beast entered the large cage. Then the audience was treated to an intensely warm performance. The lion and his trainer stood face to face. The beast uttered an unearthly growl which sent a chill through the audience and served as a signal of danger to the showmen who got ready to give all the help in their power. While maintaining a most threatening attitude the lion seemed to be meditating upon the fate of his victim. The man held a chair just in front of him. Twice the lion leaped for his prey, but appeared afraid of the chair. Then it was that the trainer fired three shots with a pistol. The shooting had the effect of cowering the furious beast. He jumped back into his cage. The door was shut. The agony was over. The trainer's life was saved. The audience breathed a sigh of relief—and the band played.

Don't forget to hear Joaquin Miller's lecture at Falk's hall Tuesday.

Examination of Teachers.

In response to notices sent out by the school authorities thirteen teachers of the parish and three applicants presented themselves before the committee Thursday morning for examination. Under the regulations of the School Board all the teachers, excepting Normal graduates, will be required to stand an examination before the opening of the next term. Those who were not examined this week will have another opportunity next October. It is not believed that the schools will be opened before the October examination.

Fresh vaccine points received to-day, Friday, April 12, at the Moss Pharmacy.

Joaquin Miller's Lecture.

The Gazette once more calls the attention of the people of Lafayette to the fact that Joaquin Miller, the famous poet and lecturer, will lecture at Falk's hall next Tuesday night. It would be regrettable if the people of Lafayette should fail to show their appreciation of the great intellectual treat which they will be permitted to enjoy.

All kinds of disinfectants that are safe, cheap and convenient to use. We have a fresh supply at the Moss Pharmacy.