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Real Estate Agents and Brokers.

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FOR SALE:
Forty arpents of land, 1500 yards from Anse la Butte.
Twenty arpents of land, 1500 yards from Anse la Butte.
Lots in town of Lafayette.
Twelve arpents within 1 1/2 miles of Anse la Butte.

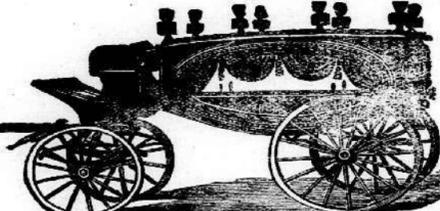
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Will have in the coming week, a car of
Deere Implements,
the most economical implement ever built. The ease of operation, lightness of draft, durability, strength and

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will guarantee satisfaction.

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Experienced embalmer, holding license from State Board of Health. Complete line of coffins, caskets, funeral robes, etc. Will take charge of funeral and attend to all details, including graveyard work. Fully equipped with hearse and everything else required for a funeral. Prompt and thorough service given.
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Is to give you what you want. Our stock is replenished daily with fresh goods, as our purpose

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Costs in proportion to what anything GOOD costs—
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STRICTLY HIGH GRADE.

The plumbing in the Lafayette Industrial School was done by us. Our representative, Mr. Wm. H. Glynn, will be in Lafayette, at the Orleans Hotel May 6, 7 and 8, and will give estimates on any plumbing wanted.

A. Aschaffenburg Co.,
Expert Plumbers.

SO. PAC. SCHEDULE.

| West Bound. | | ARRIVES. | | LEAVES. | |
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| No. 7 | 1:53 a. m. | 2:15 a. m. | | | |
| No. 5 | 1:50 p. m. | 2:10 p. m. | | | |
| No. 9 | 3:30 p. m. | 3:50 p. m. | | | |
| East Bound. | | ARRIVES. | | LEAVES. | |
| No. 8 | 3:20 a. m. | 3:35 a. m. | | | |
| No. 6 | 11:45 a. m. | 12:05 p. m. | | | |
| No. 10 | 12:25 p. m. | 1:45 p. m. | | | |

ALEXANDRIA BRANCH.
No. 78, arrives at 11:40 a. m.
No. 79, 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.
Rev. I. T. Reams, of Whitecastle, will preach at the morning and evening services.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
An interesting and very instructive service, illustrated by analogy, will be held at the Presbyterian church next Sunday at 11 o'clock. Services also at 7:40 p. m.
W. J. SECHRIST, Pastor.

Taken Up.
One small hog on my place near Ridge. Owner can secure same by paying cost and proving ownership.
HUGH WAGNER, Ridge P. O., La.
May 7, 1901.

Constable's Sale.
By virtue of the parish stock law and the authority vested in me, I, the undersigned, have seized and will sell for cash, to the last and highest bidder between legal sale hours, on
Saturday, May 18, 1891.
the following described property to-wit:
One heifer; one beef. Both about 3 years old.
EUSTACHE COMEAUX, Constable.
May 4, 1901.

Sheriff's Sale.
John O. Mouton vs. O. D. Fontenot—18th Judicial District Court, Parish of Lafayette
—No. 4219.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale, issued by the Hon. C. Dehaillon, Judge of the 18th Judicial District Court in the above entitled and numbered cause, and to me directed, I, the undersigned, have seized
Saturday, May 11, 1901.
the following described property to-wit:
One cash register.
I. A. BROUSSARD, Sheriff Lafayette Parish, La.
April 27, 1901.

Succession Sale.
Succession of Alphonse Breaux—18th Judicial District Court of Louisiana—2131.

By virtue of an order issued from the Honorable 18th Judicial District Court in and for the parish of Lafayette, La., dated Feb. 13, 1901, and to me directed, I, the undersigned, will sell at public auction for cash, to the last and highest bidder, at the front door of the court-house in the town of Lafayette, between legal sale hours, on
Saturday, June 1, 1901.
the following described property belonging to said succession:
One certain piece of ground, together with all improvements thereon, situated in the McComb addition of the town of Lafayette, La., and being a part of lots three and four of square thirty, having a front of twenty three feet more or less on the South side of Fifth street, by a front of eighty feet more or less on an alley; the West line being one hundred and twenty five feet in depth, and being bounded on the North by Fifth street, on the East by land of J. T. Dowell on open lane, South by an alley and West by lot two of said square thirty.
I. A. BROUSSARD, Sheriff Lafayette Parish, La.
April 27, 1901.

C. H. MOUTON,
ATTORNEY - AT - LAW
And Abstractor of Titles.

OFFICE—Next to Bank of Lafayette, court-house square, Lafayette, La. Will practice in Lafayette, St. Martin and Acadia parishes.

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The Bon Ton Tailoring Co.
AN ORDER
For a suit. It will be guaranteed in every respect. All work done in an artistic manner by skilled workmen. Prices reasonable.

Cleaning, Pressing and Repairing a Specialty.
Opposite Mrs. John O. Mouton's
LAFAYETTE, LA.

POLICE JURY.
Delegates to Good Roads Convention Make Their Report—Appropriation for Anse Labutte Road.

The Police Jury met yesterday with all the members present. Messrs. M. Billeaud, Jr., and F. G. Mouton, delegates to the Good Roads Convention held in New Orleans, April 29 and 30, reported a most profitable and enthusiastic meeting. An object lesson in scientific road building greatly impressed the delegates with the importance of a change in the present system of working the highways as well as a change in the implements used. Uniformity throughout the State was urged and to that end the convention had perfected a State organization. Col. C. C. Brown, of Carencro, was nominated by Mr. Billeaud as one of the vice presidents and this action was approved by the Jury. The various Police Juries will report to the president of the State association be to the national organization. Assurances are given that appropriations from both State and national governments will be forthcoming in aid of the movement to secure good roads. Messrs. Billeaud and Mouton were much impressed with all they saw and heard (even the singing at the Methodist Missionary Convention) and are determined to carry into practical operation the many useful and economical ideas they received on the subject of road building. The Jury heartily thanked both delegates for the report and commended them for diligence.

Messrs. L. Judice, B. N. Corona and O. P. Guilbeaux appeared and asked for an appropriation to aid in the construction and repair of the Breaux Bridge road. The sum of \$200 was appropriated and Messrs. Billeaud, Buchanan and Mouton appointed to let the contract. Citizens will contribute an additional amount and a fine road will be built.

Mr. Cunningham was notified to remove a certain levee on his place near the Breaux Bridge road.
Mr. Blanchet reported purchasing two mules for the fourth ward at \$325.

Felix Begnaud, justice of the 8th ward, was allowed the same salary as his predecessor.
Messrs. Mouton, Labbe and Greig were appointed to verify the sheriff's deduction list for of taxes 1899 and grant a quietus.

Cisterns! Cisterns! Cisterns! All sizes. Factory or hand-made. E. H. Vordenbaumen.

Attention is called to the advertisement of J. R. Domengeaux & Co., real estate agents and brokers, who have opened an office in the Lafayette Bank building. The firm is composed of J. R. Domengeaux and John L. Kennedy, both active and industrious young men. They will attend also to the business of abstracting titles. Mr. Kennedy was connected with the New Orleans land office a number of years and is very efficient in that kind of work.

Buy your corn, oats and bran from A. A. Morgan & Son, back of Felix Demanade's store.

Judge Julian Mouton was in Crowley this week to hold a session of the circuit court with Judge Gordy of Vermilion.

Died.
Mrs. T. N. Blake, Sr., nee Mary Elizabeth Bessac, died Sunday morning at the residence of her son, Mr. Thos. N. Blake, in Lafayette. Mrs. Blake was born in Hudson, New York, and was 73 years of age. Sunday evening Rev. W. J. Sechrist, of the Presbyterian church, conducted the funeral services at the home of Mr. Blake, and the remains were taken to New Orleans and interred in the family vault in that city.

Call and see our fine line of open and top buggies. E. H. Vordenbaumen.
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THE OIL FEVER
Rages With Unintermitting Virulence—Frog Ponds Bring Fancy Prices.

Two Local Companies Organize and Elect Officers—Temporary Organization of an Exchange.

The question which is now asked of every one is "When will they bore?" While there has been great activity among land-seekers, lease hunters and option-chasers no one is able to say when the first well will be bored. It has been currently reported that the Ledanois or Robert Martin company would be the first to drill though no authoritative statement has come from that company to confirm the report. The different companies which have secured valuable leases do not appear to be in any very great hurry to tap the earth for oil or anything else. What The Gazette and many citizens would like to see is a real, genuine effort to bore. A number of companies own land in the famed Anse Labutte districts, but no rig has yet been brought there. But the boom is not dead by a long shot. It is not even betraying symptoms of decay. On the contrary it grows in intensity every hour. Our most sedate and phlegmatic citizens have been stricken with pitiless severity by the prevailing fever, which, like the grim reaper, is no respecter of persons. It assails all—young and old and with resistless force draws the most conservative financier into the alluring field of speculation. Land which denied a livelihood to the most industrious goat has been gobbled up at \$100 and \$125 an acre. Swamps which are too dismal to afford an asylum to self-respecting frogs and where toads have actually been known to die of chill and fever are sought with more eagerness than the gold-bearing soil of Colorado. And the end is not yet. The ball has just started and the music is the merry jingle of silver dollars and the rustling of crisp bank notes.

Two local oil companies have been organized and there is talk of two more. On April 26 the Evangeline Oil and Mineral Company was organized with the following officers: John Hahn, president; Leopold Lacoste, vice-president; B. N. Corona, Manager; J. R. Domengeaux, secretary; B. J. Pellerin, assistant secretary; Louis Lacoste, treasurer. The board of directors is composed of the following gentlemen: John Hahn, L. Lacoste, A. J. Leblanc, Alphonse Mouisset, D. Schwartz. This company, which is capitalized at \$200,000, has a number of valuable leases among which is a tract of twenty acres within a short distance of the Anse Labutte well.

Last Wednesday the Lafayette Oil and Mineral Company was organized. The following officers were elected: Leo Judice, president; J. Arthur Roy, vice-president; A. B. Denbo, secretary; S. R. Parkerson, treasurer. The directors are: Leo Judice, Chas. D. Caffery, S. R. Parkerson, C. O. Mouton, J. E. Trahan, R. O. Wood, J. Arthur Roy, Dr. N. P. Moss, A. B. Denbo, J. C. Nickerson, Judge John Clegg, J. C. Lyons. The capital is \$100,000. This company has leases on several thousand acres of good land. A large tract less than one mile from Anse Labutte and some very valuable leases in Calcaesieu are on its list.

Among the prospectors in Lafayette during the week were J. C. Lyons, State Senator G. W. Flynn, Geo. Wiltz, Mr. Frawley of New Orleans, Col. Sharpe of Mississippi Hon. Thos. H. Lewis and Dr. John Haas of Opelousas, and I. Hechinger of New Orleans. All have secured land in the "Butte" district. J. C. Nickerson, the local real estate man, informs us that he has sold to J. C. Lyons 70 arpents of land 2000 feet from the Anse Labutte well for a cash consideration of \$9100.

An evidence of the eagerness with which oil land is sought is offered in the exciting contest for a tract of land belonging to Horace Broussard. It appears that Mr. Broussard had authorized Mr. Nickerson, the real estate agent, to sell the land for \$9600. Mr. Broussard, claiming that the time given to Mr. Nickerson to dispose of the land had expired, was about to sell to Mr. Thos. H. Lewis and his associates for \$8000, the vendor retaining a sixteenth interest. Before this sale was consummated Mr. Nickerson called on Mr. Broussard and made a tender of the \$9600, the amount previously stipulated. Mr. Broussard refused to accept the money as he was about to close the deal with Mr. Lewis. The matter is now in abeyance and it is impossible to say how it will end.

A number of citizens met in Martin's hall Thursday night to organize an oil exchange. Mr. W. B. Harvey explained the workings of an exchange, clearly setting forth the advantages of such an association. A temporary organization was effected with Chas. O. Mouton as president and J. R. Domengeaux as secretary. The following committee was appointed to frame the outline of the proposed plan: R. W. Elliott, J. E. Trahan, W. B. Harvey. Mr. C. O. Mouton was made chairman of the committee.

It was decided to hold a meeting at 8 p. m. Monday for the purpose of organizing permanently. An invitation is extended to the people of the town to be present and lend their aid to the movement which, the promoters are confident, will result in incalculable good to the community.

The Presidential Party.
President McKinley and party passed through Lafayette at 11 o'clock Thursday night. Owing to the lateness of the hour no demonstration was made in honor of the distinguished travelers, but a large crowd gathered at the depot and looked only at the palatial coaches, their occupants having retired to their sleeping apartments. The crowd sensibly refrained from making any noise and the slumber of the statesmen was not disturbed.

Leo Judice informs The Gazette that after obtaining the \$200 appropriation from the Police Jury to repair the Anse Labutte road he called upon a number of citizens in Lafayette for private subscriptions and that in less than two hours he had realized considerably over \$100. Mr. Judice is confident that a sufficient sum will be easily raised to put the Anse Labutte road in good condition.

President Billeaud of the Police Jury and Mr. F. G. Mouton, member from this ward, attended the Good Roads Convention in New Orleans. They came back home after having heard and learned a great deal about road building. It is to be hoped that the enthusiasm with which they have returned will spread among the other members of the Jury and throughout the parish and will be crystallized into a practical movement for better roads.

Mr. Valery Ledoux, of Lake Arthur, was in Lafayette this week looking at some real estate.
Lime, brick, sand and cement. E. H. Vordenbaumen.

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.

MR. KRAMER'S PLAN
To Hold a South Louisiana Summer Normal—Arranging a Program.

It will be remembered that Superintendent Wilbur Kramer of St. Mary visited Lafayette some time ago for the purpose of securing the co-operation of the local school authorities in a movement to organize the South Louisiana Summer Normal. As was announced at the time Mr. Kramer succeeded in enlisting the support of the Lafayette Board. We are pleased to state that Mr. Kramer has been greatly encouraged in his commendable efforts to raise the educational standard of this section. Mr. Kramer's plan, which was explained to the readers of The Gazette some weeks ago, can not fail to prove very helpful to a large number of teachers who, otherwise, would not be afforded an opportunity to become acquainted with leading educators and who would be denied the benefits derived from an intercourse with the foremost school men of the State. The following letter from Mr. Kramer will be interesting to those who have at heart the educational welfare of this section:

PATERSON, La., April 30, 1901.
Dr. N. P. Moss, Lafayette, La.

Dear Friend—I visited Natchitoches last week in the interest of the Summer Normal and Chataqua and was quite successful in getting a strong faculty of teachers assigned for the school. The State authorities are going to run a Normal school for the four weeks of our session. Our weeks will compare with their months. The strongest and most difficult portions of the normal course will be taken up and demonstrated, and the attending teachers will see a normal school taught according to the normal methods. It will be an opportunity that many teachers have not had before, and if they avail themselves of it, they will see the work done right before them, and the reasons and methods explained to them. A great many eloquent and able lecturers have been secured, and also quite an interesting variety of entertainments. We will have lectures on all sorts of subjects. Sam Jones will spend two days with us. There will be a week's course in Shakespeare by Dr. Warner of New Orleans.

I will have a complete program ready to submit to our South Louisiana Summer Normal Association at its meeting. The meeting will be held next Monday afternoon in the office of Mr. Lawton in New Iberia. Come down on the afternoon train. We will get through in time for you to take the night train.

WILBUR H. KRAMER.
The Bon Ton Tailoring Company has opened a shop in John O. Mouton's building, near Gardebled's drugstore. The company guarantees all its work which is done by skilled workmen. Cleaning, pressing and repairing a specialty.

Everything in builders' hardware at Vordenbaumen's.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following real estate transfers were recorded in the clerk's office during the past week:
Lewis Whittington to Charles Foreman, 20 arpents in second ward, \$550.
Mrs. P. Gerac et al to Jacques Lanery, 59 arpents in sixth ward, \$1500.
Chas. D. Caffery to Joseph D. Dugas and J. B. Peres, one arpent in Scott with improvements, \$900.
Clarence Avant to Ben Avant, 60 acres in second ward, \$964.
Edwin T. McBride to M. Rosenfield, three lots with improvements in Lafayette, \$1900.
Mrs. Severin Broussard to Alcee Broussard, 20 arpents in fourth ward, \$400.
Galbert Bienvenu to Lafayette and Carencro Railroad Co., right of way, \$550.