



Sept. 26, 1877. 6y

DEMOCRATIC-CONSERVATIVE TICKET. Election First Tuesday in November next.

FOR STATE TREASURER, E. A. BURKE, Of Orleans.

FOR CONGRESS, 5TH DIST.—SHORT TERM, JOHN S. YOUNG, Of Claiborne.

FOR CONGRESS, 5TH DIST.—LONG TERM, J. FLOYD KING, Of Concordia.

FOR STATE SENATOR—21ST DISTRICT, W. H. SCANLAND, Of Bossier.

Claiborne Parish Nominations: FOR PARISH JUDGE, J. A. RICHARDSON.

FOR REPRESENTATIVES, J. H. HAY, W. C. MARTIN.

FOR SHERIFF, H. W. KIRKPATRICK.

FOR JUSTICES OF THE PEACE, WARD 7, J. FERGUSON, J. W. WILLIS.

FOR CONSTABLE, WARD 7, J. T. OTTS.

FOR POLICE MEMBER, WARD 3, W. S. COPELAND.

FOR POLICE MEMBER, WARD 4, J. H. CURRY.

Cash Receipts. We will continue to publish under this heading the names of those who each week pay up their subscriptions.

W. J. Taylor, the popular and successful grocery man, on the North side public square, sells cheaper than the cheapest.

W. D. Holmes, at Minden, keeps one of the best saloons to be found in North Louisiana.

The advertisement of T. R. Geren's saloon appears in this days paper. Mr. Geren has no superior in his line of business.

There is no better stable man in Louisiana than that clever gentleman, Chris. Chaffe, of Minden, La.

We are pleased to learn that Messrs. Miller and Knutson will, at an early day, visit Homer to give the people an opportunity of procuring photographs of themselves and friends.

The publisher of the GUARDIAN is able to speak by the card in favor of the Minden Hotel, owned by that genial and hospitable gentleman, A. J. Reynolds.

The address of the Executive Committee should be read by every citizen of Claiborne parish.

Notice. I WILL BUY OR SELL PARISH BONDS and Approved Accounts allowed since the bonding of the parish debt.

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RANDOM SHOTS.

BY AN IDLE SPORTSMAN.

"Many a shaft, at random sent, Finds mark the archer little meant."

LOVE-MAKING.

It was that gentle and courteous knight, the mirror of chivalry, who wrote:

Dumb swans not chattering pies, do lovers prove— They love indeed who quake to say they love.

And the lines portray well the reverent way Sir Philip thought of the sex.

But true love must be told in words; nay, more, an undue power has been given to the tongue in courtship, for does not the great master, Shakespeare, say,

"That man that hath a tongue is no man If with his tongue he cannot win a woman."

But with the woman the tongue in honest love-making may fail, else the sex is less fair than the writer believes them.

But whether it be silent or spoken, whether the yearning heart declares itself in languishing eye or speaking gesture, the love-making must go on.

There are yet tangles in Nereus' hair. The sighing Strephona, the loving Phillis and gushing Amaryllis must at all times be permitted to play to its full conclusion the part allotted them in the great Drama.

Love-making played *con amore*. The Billet-Doux writ and rewrit until at last the smooth page bears upon its creamy surface the calligraphic expression of vows most potent—the bouquet enlaid with tenderest care in early morning, before the thirsty sun has drunk the dew-drops from the bosom of the flowers—the tiny blossom, rich in soft perfume, but richer still in emblem most expressive—fruits arranged with the skill and taste a lover only knows—all these must do their part to aid simple or elaborate speech to win the fair—even the gorgeousness of apparel must aid in the work.

"So men deck the body in gay ornaments to witch sweet ladies with their words and looks."

Courtship! love-making! The gray head numbers the two or the one as among the youthful follies, sneers at the weakness of his kind, and remembers not that in the days of his youth he thus found the partner of all his joys and ills.

The "Art of Love-Making" was the title of a volume through the leaves of which I glanced the other day. I gave no thought to the originality of the work, for I am certain Ovid has fathered all the modern books of this style; but I mentally ejaculated *cal bono!* How useless such a work!

Can human skill make an art of that which nature has made the common knowledge of all—the knowledge of instinct.

She is a woman, therefore may be wooed; She is a woman, therefore may be won.

Thus much all masculines know. This is the touch of nature that make all the world kin.

There is no art of honest courtship. Given an appropriate time, a proper place, the problem solves itself. But the proper time and place, there will begin the differences.

The youth of intensely sentimental turn feels that only in the cool groves, when the velvet sward is besprinkled with wild flowers—when the sun rays fall with subdued brightness broken into shivering lances of light by the trembling boughs—only here should vows and prayers of love be breathed.

But who can softly speak sweetly modulated protestations when hairy spiders dangle from the tree tops—when "beetles wheel their droning flight," perchance all the way down the neck of the kneeling swain—when horned caterpillars with slimy tread seek judgment beneath the wristbands or make predatory incursions into the tops of shoes!

Sentiment and entomology go not in pairs. The gourmand would perhaps choose as his time and place the *petit souper*, and between the relaxing bits of *paté* or *ris de veau* would project languishing glances and interject loving words.

A sleigh ride has the endorsement of high authority, but of that but few in our sunny land can speak.

A ride in a stage will never do for successful love-making—still less desirable for so pleasant and important a purpose is the vehicle strangely named "hack." There are those who have had such experience, and with gnashing teeth and mental objection have they registered solemn vows that there shall be no repetition of that same. Think of it. The stored recesses of the mind are searched for fitting phrase—the countenance is composed into that decent gravity the occasion demands—the eyes are made to blaze with feeling, and in the midst of the sentence pregnant with meaning, jolt, rip, tear, and the jewels are lost. Again to the charge, slam, bang—shoulder strikes shoulder—a masculine hat falls off—a masculine growl and a feminine shriek in concert sound—shoulder strikes shoulder, and the fair one clutches, not clasps, your arm, not in love, but in dread of an overturn of the vehicle, accursed, thrice accursed. After this episode, who can complain if the Blind Boy unfurls his wings and flies away, grieved at the unpropitious time, and sorrowful that others in the same vehicle may have seen or heard his plans brought to naught.

But there is a time and place. In the winter in a room so well carpeted that the footfalls are hushed; with the curtains drawn close, the lamp turned down until a golden twilight fills the room, leaning well back in a cushioned chair, with books or articles of *littérature* near by to give employment to the trembling hand when not needed for conversational gesticulation, and just opposite with downcast eyes and pensive expression she to whom the love-words are to be spoken—then and there will that love be made which will convert an Idle Sportsman into a Benedict.

ADDRESS OF THE CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

To the Voters of Claiborne Parish:

Your Central Executive Committee, in view of the present crisis, in the political condition of Claiborne parish, think it proper to address you upon matters of vital importance to the country, and of consequence to yourselves.

It is well that you recognize in the beginning the fact that we have it no longer in our power in the State to walk over the track and to elect our ticket without even the semblance of opposition.

Already developments have been made by the Republican party which tend to show that they will in some shape give us fight in November. The prevalence of a fatal epidemic in the lower portion of our State has driven from Louisiana a large number of voters, estimated by some to be as many as 10,000.

A fatal division of the Democracy in New Orleans has been widened by the intrigues of radical leaders, and an attempt has been made to seduce one of Louisiana's most honored sons into leading the opposition to our State ticket.

The struggle for supremacy in the 46th Congress is to be the most heated, the most violent ever known in the Republic. The Fifth Louisiana District has been especially marked as the prey of the spoiler. The fact that a large majority of negroes reside on the river front; that in days gone by they have been susceptible to the unscrupulous uses of designing men—these facts are to our disadvantage and will be so used. The infamous Ludeking and the negro Fairfax are to be elected by fraud, by money, and perhaps by military force.

Claiborne has a candidate for Congress in the field. Never before have we been so honored. Apart from the necessity of defeating the Radical nominees in this District it may be urged that our parish will add largely to her already brilliant Democratic record by aiding to the full extent of her ability in the election of one of her own citizens to so high and honorable a place.

In view of these facts what is the duty of the hour? What have we a right to expect from every true man, from each patriotic citizen? Let us be heard to urge what we believe that duty to be. To discard passion, sentimental objection and prejudice; to unite upon a platform in support of the party ticket, and to discountenance all independent movements which would in this crisis tend to divide the party—to disorganize the people. Our interests are now too great. Our previous victories have been won by too many trials, by the noblest self-sacrifice, and should not now be lost or bartered away for the gratification of any spite or animosity against individuals, no matter how justly that may be founded.

We urge that the voters in every ward register—that they register not only themselves, but procure the registration of others. Let the people remember at every hour and moment of thought that the reward we have obtained through trials, through struggles and suffering greater than free people have ever known before, may now be lost by a moment's cessation of watchfulness or labor. Never was the badge of one of the greatest men of the Republic truer than now—"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty" should be the watchword of the hour. And after the people, all the people, are registered, then let the people vote—let every individual see that the full vote is polled; not only the vote of past years, but the full registered vote of the parish. Every man has it in his power to do something for the success of the party and of the people.

We beseech you to bury your jealousies, your vexations, your animosities, your personal enmities, and let Claiborne parish again, as in years past, give to the Democratic ticket for State Treasurer, for Congressman, and for parochial offices a full, rousing majority.

J. E. MEADORS, Chairman, A. L. ATKINS, H. A. LEWIS, J. F. HEARD, D. B. HAYES.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Under this head we publish such articles as our patrons choose to write upon matters of public interest. It must be understood that we are in no way responsible for the views, criticisms, plans, &c., which appear in this column.—ED. GUARDIAN.

Mr. Editor—I see in a late issue of the Guardian a communication from "Claiborne." I commend the proposition and think his reasoning good. Its adoption would give wholesome relief to the public mind. I have fears, however, that this "branch" of peace will not be accepted. The public mind is grieved. A great many believe that agencies have been employed of a character and magnitude that are inexcusable, and their results of no binding force; that a great moral wrong has been inflicted upon the public in setting aside the choice of the people, and that a sense of duty constrains them to seek its redress, not two years hence, but now—and as a last resort will look to an independent movement. It is not men but principles that actuate them. The highest and best interests of the party and the whole people are their ruling motives, and no charge of disorganization or coalition with Republicans will deter them from the discharge of a stern duty. 2000 men participated in the last primary election. The November election will scarcely exceed this number. If 2000 men are the lawful participants in the nomination, then surely the same are competent to correct the irregularities of a work that vitiates their choice.

W. S. COPELAND.

Succession Sale.

Succession of John W. Hines, Deceased. State of Louisiana, Parish of Claiborne.

BY virtue of a commission to me directed by the Honorable Parish Court of the parish of Claiborne, I will sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the residence of the late John W. Hines, on Saturday, 22d day of November, 1878, the following described property belonging to said succession, to wit:

The west half of the southwest quarter of section 29, and the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 30, and the east half of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 31, and west half of the west half and northeast quarter of southwest quarter of section 32, township 23 north, of range 7 west, containing 420 acres, with all the improvements there to belonging.

Also, one Bedstead, two Feather-beds and pair of Pillows, one Shot-gun, one Wash-pot, one Oven and Lid, one Tea-kettle and Skillet, one Cow, two Yearlings, and one Sow.

Terms—One-half cash, the balance on 12 months time. All persons holding claims against the said succession are requested to present the same for payment, and all in debt to the same are hereby notified to pay up immediately.

P. C. COLLIER, Adm'r. Sept. 18, 1878.

Succession Sale.

Succession of John W. Todd, Dec'd. State of Louisiana—Parish of Claiborne.

BY virtue of a commission issued out of the Honorable the Parish Court of said parish and State, to me directed by Drew Ferguson, Clerk of the District Court, I will proceed to sell to the last and highest bidder, within the legal hours of sale, at the Court-house door in the town of Homer, on the first Saturday in October, 1878, it being the 5th day of said month, the following described property belonging to said succession, to wit:

One Dwelling House and Lot described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of W. A. Carr's Lot on the Homer and Lisbon road, and running south about two hundred yards, and east one hundred yards to a branch dividing this lot and M. H. Lippin's land, thence south along said branch to the corner of said Lippin's land, thence north thirty yards, thence west sixty yards, thence north two hundred and twenty yards, thence east sixty yards, thence north to the Homer and Lisbon road, thence east to the starting point.

Also, Lot seventy-five, seventy-eight, ninety-three, and ninety-four—all of the described property being located in the town of Homer.

Terms of sale Cash, to pay debts. H. W. KIRKPATRICK, Sheriff. Aug. 28, 1878. (pf \$10.50) 2:15

To my Patrons and Friends in the Parish of Claiborne:

It being impossible to meet you personally, it is an infinite pleasure to be able through the public press to give you this assurance of my sense of gratitude for your liberal patronage during the four years in which I have been connected with the house of S. G. DREYFUS. With our usual complete stocks and honest, fair dealing, we expect to perpetuate our reputation as one of the leading houses in the State, and hereby solicit a continuation of your trade.

The firm of J. J. HOLMES & Co., of which I am a member, have increased their capacity for storage, and guarantee satisfaction in that line. Very truly yours, J. J. HOLMES. Shreveport, La., Sept. 1st, 1878. 3:31

BLACKSMITHING.

THE undersigned takes this method of informing the public that from and after the FIRST MONDAY OF SEPTEMBER he will be found at his Blacksmith Shop in Homer, ready to attend to all work in his line. Satisfaction guaranteed.

W. F. BURGESS will take charge of my shop near Athens. R. J. BRIDGES. August 21, 1878. 1-

NEW AND VALUABLE BOOKS.

THE undersigned, a citizen of Claiborne parish, is now preparing this section for the following valuable books: The new Devotional and Practical PICTORIAL FAMILY BIBLE. In addition to the Old and New Testament, Apocrypha, Concordance and Psalms in metre, it contains a vast amount of explanatory matter, compiled with great care, and furnishing a complete Encyclopedia of Biblical Knowledge.

James D. McCabe's PICTORIAL HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES. The author gives a clear, vivid and brilliant narrative of the events of our history from the discovery of the American Continent to the present time. It contains over 1100 pages, and is embellished with 518 fine historical engravings and portraits.

100,000 FACTS FOR THE PEOPLE is the Book of the 19th century. It gives the symptoms and treatment of all diseases in Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Swine and Poultry. Besides this, it contains a vast amount of miscellaneous information on almost all subjects.

FOUNDATIONS OF SUCCESS AND LAWS OF TRADE is a complete and practical business guide and hand-book of reference. You can, by reading it a short time, gain information that would require years of experience without it. R. M. BROWNFIELD. August 21, 1878. 1-

POST OFFICE.

Arrivals and Departures of Mails. (Schedule Time.) The Western mail arrives daily at 10 p m, and leaves for the East at 10 1/2 p m. The Eastern mail arrives daily at 2 1/2 a m, and leaves for the West at 3 a m.

Homer and Farmerville. Arrives Tuesday and Friday, at 12 m. Departs " " at 1 p m.

Homer and Haysville. Arrives Tuesday, at 6 p m. Departs " " at 6 a m.

Homer and Spearville. Arrives Saturday, at 12 m. Departs Wednesday, at 12 m.

Homer and Mt. Lebanon. Arrives Saturday, at 12 m. Departs, " " at 1 p m.

Homer and Gordon. Arrives Saturday, at 12 m. Departs " " at 2 p m.

The eastern and western mails close at sundown; other mails half an hour before departure. Parties calling for advertised letters will say "advertised."

Money Order hours from 8 A. M. to 4 P. M. Post Office closes on Sunday, at 10 A. M. D. W. HARRIS, P. M.

The Cheapest Place in Shreveport to buy DRY GOODS, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Is at the popular Dry Goods House of S. G. DREYFUS, Corner of Texas and Spring Streets. April 17, 1878. 356m

T. C. LEWIS, No. 25 Texas street, Shreveport, La., DEALER IN Fine Drugs and Chemicals, Select Powdered Drugs, Pure Essential Oil, Popular Patent Medicines, FINE TOILET SOAP, Hair and Tooth Brushes, Teas and Spices, Paints, Oils and Colors, Paint Brushes, &c., &c. Strictly Pure Liquors for Medicinal Purposes, Coal Oil and Lamps, Field and Garden Seeds, Window Glass and Glassware, Fishing Tackle in great variety, Dye Stuffs, &c. aug14:52:6m

E. & B. JACOBS, Cotton Factors, AND Importers and wholesale dealers in ALL DRY GOODS, Notions, Groceries, Hardware, Cutlery, Guns, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Liquors, Tobacco and Segars, Texas street, Shreveport, La. Prompt attention given to all business entrusted to us, and liberal advances made on consignments of Cotton. 52:4y

Thos. H. Motis, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGIST, SHREVEPORT, LA. KEEPS constantly on hand a complete assortment of everything pertaining to the Drug Business. Also Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Brushes, Window Glass, and Druggist Glassware; Garden Seeds, Powder, Shot, Caps, Wads, Guns, Pistols, and fixed Ammunition—all of which are offered at lowest cash prices. aug14:52:1y

AUG. J. BOGEL, DRUGGIST, Cor. Texas and Market sts., Shreveport, La. (Sign of the "Golden Mortar.") PATENT MEDICINES, Paints, Oils, Ammunition, Fishing-Tackle, Garden Seeds. Being the only regular graduate in Pharmacy established in Shreveport, Physicians can rely on Pure and Fresh Drugs compounded in the best manner. 52:1y

John B. Durham, John N. Howell, JOHN B. DURHAM & CO., Cotton Factors, RECEIVING, Forwarding and General Commission Merchants, and dealers in Groceries and Western Produce—Foot of Levee, next to railroad, Shreveport, La. Liberal advances made on consignments. Aug. 14, 1878. 52:6m

MILO B. PARKER, WITH E. D. McMELLAR, Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchant, Cor. Levee and Texas sts., Shreveport, La. PROMPT personal attention given to all business entrusted to me. 52:1y

McUTCHEM & CO., COTTON FACTORS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, AGENTS Lath & Hard Powder Comp'y. Office and Warehouse corner of Milam and Spring streets, Shreveport, La. Aug. 14, 1878. 52:6m

PYWELL & GEORGE, Studio of Artistic Photography, No. 26 Texas St., Shreveport, La. THE patronage of the people of North Louisiana respectfully solicited, and satisfaction guaranteed. aug14:52:1y

M. ROOS, Wholesale Dealer in Havana & Domestic Cigars, Tobacco, Pipes, Snuff, Whiskies, Wines and Brandies, No. 2 on the Levee, Shreveport, Louisiana. May 15, 1878. 39:6m

E. PHELPS, Fashionable Shoe and Hat House, 21 Texas Street, Shreveport, La. BOOTS, SHOES and HATS from the best D Manufacturers, and will be sold at prices to defy competition. Any style of Boots, Shoes and Hats can be ordered. April 24, 1878. 36-

James V. Utz, Joseph B. Smith, UTE & SMITH, Dealers in Heavy & Shelf Hardware, Machinery, Iron Pipe and Fittings, Agricultural Implements, Mitchell Wagons, Engineers' Supplies, Belting, &c., Nos. 8, 10 and 12 Spring Street, SHREVEPORT, LA. April 24, 1878. 36y

STAR CLOTHING, AND Furnishing Goods House, H. LEVY & CO., 17.....Texas Street.....17 SHREVEPORT, LA. Oct. 17, 1877. 9:1y

MRS. M. GALL, BOARDING & LODGING, No. 22 Milam Street, One Block from Railroad Depot and Steamboat Landing, SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA. BEST and Cheapest Board in the City. D Good Table, Comfortable Rooms, Clean Beds, Polite Attention. Call and see for yourself. Sept. 26, 1877.—6y

JULIUS A. JACOBS, DEALER IN Fancy and Staple Dry Goods, &c., No. 28 Texas Street, SHREVEPORT, LA. Oct. 17, 1877. 9:1y

T. Poland, H. O. Janin, THOMAS POLAND & CO., Cotton Factors, Wholesale Grocers, AND Receiving and Forwarding Merchants, Corner of Crockett and Levee Sts., SHREVEPORT, LA. Oct. 17, 1877. 9:1y

N. Gregg, R. W. Ford, GREGG & FORD, COTTON FACTORS, AND General Commission Merchants, Dealers in Groceries and Western Produce, Agents for Pratt's Improved Revolving Head Gin, 20, 21 and 22 Levee, SHREVEPORT, LA. Oct. 17, 1877. 9:1y

N. W. MURPHY, MANUFACTURER of all kinds of TIN-WARE and HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS. Dealer in all kinds of Heating and Cooking Stoves. No. 8 Levee Street, Shreveport, La. Oct. 17, 1877. 9:1y

Cumpston Hotel, Milam Street, between Spring and Market, SHREVEPORT, LA. ONE Block from Railroad Depot; one and a half blocks from Steamboat Landing. New Building four stories high, with all modern improvements and conveniences. Prices reasonable—Accommodations superior. JAMES CUMPTON, Proprietor. Oct. 17, 1877.—9:1y

WM. ENDERS, MANUFACTURER & DEALER, No. 15 Texas Street, SHREVEPORT, LA. HAS for sale, at wholesale and retail, a full line of the following goods: Furniture, Chairs, Mattresses, Window Shades and Pictures, Wall Paper, Looking Glass Plates, Children's Carriages, Picture and Cornice Mouldings, Feathers, Spring Bottom and Upholstery Goods. Send for Price List. Nov. 7, 1877. 12:6m

Registration Notice. I WILL attend at the following named places on the days named for the purpose of registering the qualified voters of Claiborne parish, to wit: Homer, September 5th to 11th inclusive; Eureka, Thursday, September 12; Cary's Sch. House, Friday, " 13; King's Tavern, Saturday, " 14; Arizona, Monday, " 16; Lisbon, Tuesday and Wednesday, " 17, 18; Kimbrelltown, Thursday, " 19; Summerfield, Friday and Sat'day, " 20, 21; Hart's Chapel, Monday, " 22; Colquitt, Tuesday, " 24; Gordon, Wednesday, " 25; Hayneville, Thursday and Friday, " 26, 27; Homer, Saturday, " 28; Athens, Monday, " 30; Talip, Tuesday, " October 1; Macedonia, Wednesday, " 2; Heard's Sch. House, Thursday, " 3; Homer, October 4th to 23d inclusive, when registration will close. This registration is to be an entirely new one. All who vote at the November election must come forward and register anew, whether they have other registration papers or not. A. B. LESUEUR, Assessor and Registrar. July 31, 1878. 50:13a

BAR AND BILLIARD SALOON. THE PUBLIC ARE RESPECTFULLY invited to continue the liberal patronage they have bestowed on the undersigned. The best of Wines, Liquors and Cigars always on hand. Customers always treated with politeness and rigid impartiality. Don't forget the BAR and BILLIARD SALOON on the west side of the public square. J. HENNING. August 21, 1878. 143

FOR SALE. A WELL-IMPROVED PLACE OF TWO A Hundred and eighty eleven—seven miles west of Homer, on the Milan Ferry road. For further particulars apply to the undersigned, or to J. B. Wilcox, at S. C. Lawrence's store. A. E. WILSON. September 11, 1878. 422