

RIVER NEWS. Lake Providence, La., March 16, 1897. Danger Line. Height. Change. Rise. Fall. Lake Providence 35.00 37.70 0.7 0.0 Vicksburg 41.00 42.07 0.5 0.0 Pittsburg 22.00 23.00 1.0 0.0 Cincinnati 45.00 46.00 1.0 0.0 Louisville 24.00 25.00 1.0 0.0 Nashville 40.00 41.00 1.0 0.0 Chattanooga 33.00 34.00 1.0 0.0 St. Louis 30.00 31.00 1.0 0.0 Cairo 28.00 29.00 1.0 0.0 Memphis 27.00 28.00 1.0 0.0 Helena 26.00 27.00 1.0 0.0 Fort Smith 25.00 26.00 1.0 0.0 Little Rock 24.00 25.00 1.0 0.0 Arkansas City 23.00 24.00 1.0 0.0

The weather bureau gave out the following report on Thursday morning: The river between Memphis and Vicksburg will rise for some time, and it will reach 45 feet or more on the gauge at Vicksburg by March 21st. Due to heavy rains along the Mississippi and tributaries. The following message was sent out from Washington yesterday morning: "It is anticipated that the floods will prove destructive in Arkansas and Louisiana. This warning should be widely disseminated."

According to this statement, it would give us here about 6 feet more water, and this added to the height of the river yesterday morning would give us 41.00, or about two feet more than we had on June 1, 1890, the highest water known in this parish, when the river rose to 41.90 at the Providence gauge. Our levees are all from 3 to 4 feet higher than they were in 1890, and we can stand the water in sight; but a small stretch of Illawara levee is only two and a half feet above the high water 1890, and if more water than what we have in sight is coming it will have to be looked after.

The situation is serious indeed, but not alarming, for our levees are in a better condition than they ever were, and if the public will display a little vigilance in guarding and watching the levees we think we can safely tide it over. This is one of the times when everybody is called upon to co-operate with the levee authorities; let no one shirk or refuse to do his duty.

The river continues to rise at an alarming rate and will continue until the 1st of next month, or perhaps longer. Our levee board has been called to meet next Monday, when arrangements will be made for the high-water fight that is bound to come. As far as the levees in the fifth district are concerned, we have no uneasiness, and believe that they will hold, if the water does not stay up against them too long.

The greatest danger to our parish is the levees in Arkansas. If a break should occur below the Arkansas river, the water no doubt would come over our back country. A most remarkable thing is that at Helena the gauge shows about two feet below high water, while at Modoc, thirty miles below, it marks high water and still rising. What is causing this difference?

The levee that broke at Butler's, near Memphis, is part of the St. Francis basin system, and will do great damage. The water from this break will flow into the Texas basin, and then into the St. Francis river. It will come back into the Mississippi at Helena. Several people and a great number of stock are reported drowned from this break. We can look for more breaks to occur in Arkansas.

The following special river bulletin has been issued by the weather bureau at Washington: "The weather bureau's reports from the central valley indicate a continued rise in the lower Mississippi river during the next ten days or two weeks and from the water now in sight and rainfall likely to occur within the next few days, it is probable the impending flood will prove very destructive in Arkansas and Northern Louisiana. The most destructive overflow is likely to occur between the mouth of the Arkansas and the mouth of the Red rivers, and the observers of the weather bureau in that region have been directed to warn the public generally of approaching danger. The flood will probably attain its maximum stage in the threatened region about April 1. This timely notice is based upon the present river conditions as compared with those attending previous floods."

River prophet Miles, of Helena, says the river will go to forty-nine feet at Helena, which is two feet and seven tenths higher than even known at that point, and that the levees will break at Osceola, above Helena, and at or near Old Louisiana landing below, and all the territory in those vicinities will have a disastrous overflow.

Little reliance could be placed in it as a danger indicator. As the Item observed recently, and has observed for years, the question of safety from overflow depends upon the fact whether or not silt deposits at the bottom of the Mississippi have not been as rapid as levee building on its banks. Upon the solution of that problem depends the whole theory of exclusive levees as a protection from inundation.

At a meeting of the police jury of Madison parish on Tuesday the following resolutions were adopted: "That the river front be divided into five districts, under the respective police juries of the wards fronting on the river. That each of the police juries is fully authorized to consult with the levee board, and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary looking to full and complete protection of the levees, and to employ inspectors and guards, and to define their duties and limits, and for that purpose to subdivide their districts; to require all parties who have fenced in the levees to place gates, so that free access shall be had, to require all stock pastured upon the front to be removed from the levees, and to require all proprietors who have endangered the levee by pasturing crossings, paths, etc., to repair same at once and on their failure to do so, to institute prosecutions, and have necessary repairs done at their expense."

The true Democrats will never believe the long winded editorials now being dished out to them by Henry Watterson on how to save the party. His betrayal of his party in the Presidential campaign will never be forgotten.

Major Wm. Starling, chief engineer of the lower Mississippi levee district, has purchased 50,000 sacks and 150,000 additional have been ordered to be used in making the high water fight, that will surely have to be made.

The Howell-Lilly white committee at a meeting held in New Orleans the other day decided to swallow the colored brother. This is done for no other reason than to try and ride into office on the shoulders of the "colored gentlemen," who never was known to sell out in a Presidential campaign!

A late special from Washington says that Capt. Wimberly has had a long interview with Postmaster General Gary relative to postal affairs in Louisiana, and the outcome was that appointment to the Louisiana offices will be made upon the recommendation of Wimberly, as national commitman from Louisiana.

Last week the federal grand jury brought in 136 additional indictments against Henry Gardis, W. W. Girault and Thos. Underward, the wreckers of the American National Bank. "These indictments charge the accused with making false entries on the books of the bank. They are entirely different from the indictments previously brought, which were for embezzlement, abstraction and mis-applying funds."

The citizens of Georgetown, South Carolina, are determined that their city shall be one of the most attractive in the country and in accordance with a custom of several years past, have just finished planting four hundred young oak and elm trees on the streets. The planting of these trees is not very expensive, and many other cities of the South might profit by the example of Georgetown.—Ex.

But our City Fathers having no eye for the beautiful and no wish to render our beautiful village more attractive, refuse to plant a few trees on the road side of the principal thoroughfare of the town; to-wit, that running out to the Cemetery. It is difficult to account for the amount of interest manifested by the Town Council in so important a matter. Are they opposed to it or is their non-action the result of indifference or inertia? A few dollars spent in this way would give Lake Providence a most lovely and attractive avenue, and people who feel that it is their sacred duty to visit the city of the dead could do so in comfort free from the sun's oppressive rays. Many there are who do not possess vehicles to drive there and have to make the trip on foot, are they not to be considered?

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the north-east quarter of section six (6) township eight (8) range eleven (11) east, containing seventy-four and 22-100 (74.22) acres. The Monticello plantation, being all of the south-east quarter of section twenty (20) south of Bayou Macon and west of Monticello bayou, and all of north-east quarter of section thirty-five (35) west and south of Monticello bayou, and all of north-west quarter of section thirty-six (36) west of Monticello bayou. All in township nineteen (19) north, range ten (10) east, containing in all two hundred and fifty-eight (258) acres.

The Farley plantation, being Lots seven (7), eight (8), nine (9) and ten (10) and south-east quarter of section twenty-five (25) west half of north west quarter of section thirty-five (35) and south west 1/4 of section thirty-six (36) and south west 1/4 of section thirty-seven (37) north, range eleven (11) east, containing in all seven hundred and thirty-two (732) acres.

Also that certain plantation situated on the Mississippi river about four (4) miles below the town of Lake Providence, Louisiana, known as the Bass plantation, bounded as follows: On the north by lands of J. W. Montgomery (formerly the Wm. M. Deason lands); on the east by the Mississippi river; on the south by lands of S. W. Davis (formerly Abram Bass lands); on the west by the Way-way or McGill place, said plantation being composed of the following tracts of land in township twenty-one (21) north, range thirteen (13) east: Fractional section twenty-eight (28) front lots numbered one (1), two (2), three (3) and all of four (4) except forty (40) acres of south side thereof, said front lots one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4) being in township twenty (20) north, range thirteen (13) east; also lower half of lots three (3), four (4) and five (5) in section sixty-three (63), township twenty (20) north, range thirteen (13) east; also one (1) hundred and ninety-six (196) and 8-100 (196.08) acres in the northern part of section sixty-four (64), township twenty (20) north, range thirteen (13) east, described in deed from Warren M. Denton to James A. East, recorded September 25th, 1848, recorded in Notarial Record Book E, pages 269 and 270 of records of East Carroll parish, Louisiana, reference to which deeds is hereby made.

Also fractional section one (1) township twenty (20) north, range twelve (12) east, said Bass plantation containing now about twelve hundred (1200) acres. Also west half of west half of section seventy-one (71), township twenty (20) north, range thirteen (13) east, containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres, once being a part of the Bass plantation.

Also the Brightsides plantation, formerly called Brightsides plantation, composed of the south east quarter of section thirty-four (34) and south west 1/4 of section thirty-five (35), both in township twenty (20) north, range eleven (11) east. Also the following tracts of land in township nineteen (19) north, range eleven (11) east, viz: Lot five (5) and north east 1/4 of said south west 1/4 and all of south east 1/4 of section two (2). Also lots one (1), two (2), three (3) and four (4) in section two (2), also east half of north east 1/4 of section two (2); south west 1/4 of section 1 (1), south half of north west 1/4 and lot three (3), in section two (2); five (5) and six (6) and west half of north west 1/4 section twelve (12); south half of south west 1/4 and east half of south east 1/4 of section eleven (11); lot four (4) and south east 1/4 of section three (3); and south east 1/4 of section twenty (20) north, range eleven (11) east, containing three hundred and seventy (370) acres.

Also the western portion of the Taylor plantation, to-wit: The north east 1/4 of section twenty-one (21) north, range eleven (11) east, containing three hundred and seventy (370) acres; also the north east 1/4 of section twenty-one (21) north, range eleven (11) east, containing three hundred and seventy (370) acres; also the north east 1/4 of section twenty-one (21) north, range eleven (11) east, containing three hundred and seventy (370) acres.

Also the Carson plantation, composed of lots four (4), seven (7) and nine (9) and south east 1/4 of section twenty (20) north, range eleven (11) east, containing one hundred and thirty (130) acres; also the south east 1/4 of section twenty (20) north, range eleven (11) east, containing one hundred and thirty (130) acres; also the south east 1/4 of section twenty (20) north, range eleven (11) east, containing one hundred and thirty (130) acres.

Also the Smith plantation, composed of north west 1/4 and north half of south west 1/4 of section nine (9) north, range eleven (11) east, containing one hundred and thirty (130) acres; also the north west 1/4 and north half of south west 1/4 of section nine (9) north, range eleven (11) east, containing one hundred and thirty (130) acres.

Also the Tompkins plantation, composed of south east quarter of section twenty-six (26) north east 1/4 of section thirty-five (35) north, range eleven (11) east, containing eight hundred and nine (809) acres.

Also the Holland plantation, composed of the south half of lot four (4), township nineteen (19) north, range eleven (11) east, containing three hundred and four (304) and 31-100 (304.31) acres.

210' acres, and particularly described in and deed from Elizabeth Savage to James Kelley, reference to which is hereby made, said Raleigh plantation originally containing sixteen hundred and seventy-eight (1678) acres, but now containing about eleven hundred and sixty (1160) acres, together with all buildings, machinery, improvements and appurtenances thereon belonging or in any wise appertaining, together with the rents and revenues thereof on due thereto—seized in the above suit.

Terms of sale—cash without the benefit of appraisement. J. W. DUNN, Sheriff. Sheriff's office, Providence, La., Feb. 20-97, 6t.

Sheriff's Sale. State of Louisiana, Parish of East Carroll, Seventh District Court.—J. G. Wylie vs. W. G. Wylie.—No. 378.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias to me directed by the Honorable Seventh District Court for the parish of East Carroll aforesaid, in the above entitled cause, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the door of the Court House, in the town of Providence, East Carroll parish, La., on Saturday, the 27th day of March, 1897, between the hours prescribed by law, all the right, title and interest of W. G. Wylie in and to the following described property, to-wit:

1st.—All and singular the divided west half of the Robertdale plantation comprising 407 acres, being the same property described as Lot one in the Act of Partition recorded in Notarial Book "S," folio 460 et seq., of the Recorder's office of East Carroll parish, La.; with the buildings and improvements thereon or thereto belonging and the immovables by destination thereon, and the original Robertdale plantation having been composed of Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, in township twenty-two (22) north, range ten (10) east, in the district of lands north of Red river, La., excepting however from said 407 acres forty-three acres to be taken from the north-east corner of said plantation sold by W. G. Wylie to Geo. C. Benham, Jr., as per deed recorded in Notarial Book "T," folio 517, of the Recorder's office of East Carroll parish, La.

2nd.—The undivided third of the C. B. Richardson plantation situated in the parishes of East Carroll and West Carroll, and described as being the n w 1/4 of sec 26; lots 3 and 4 in sec 26; lots 5 and 6 in sec 26 and the n w 1/4 of sec 25, all in township nineteen (19) north, range ten (10) east, containing in the aggregate 349 2/3 acres in the district of lands north of Red river, La., said undivided one-third containing 149 7/10 acres, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and the immovables by destination thereon—seized in the above suit. Terms of sale—cash with the benefit of appraisement. J. W. DUNN, Sheriff. Sheriff's office, Providence, La., Feb. 20-97, 6t.

Sheriff's Sale. State of Louisiana, parish of East Carroll, Seventh District Court.—J. G. Wylie vs. W. G. Wylie.—No. 341.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias to me directed by the Hon. Seventh District Court for the parish of East Carroll aforesaid, in the above entitled cause, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the door of the Court House, in the town of Providence, East Carroll parish, La., on Saturday, the 27th day of March, 1897, between the hours prescribed by law, all the right, title and interest of W. G. Wylie in and to the following described property, to-wit:

1st.—All and singular the divided west half of the Robertdale plantation comprising 407 acres, being the same property described as lot one in the Act of Partition recorded in Notarial Book "S," folio 460 et seq., of the Recorder's office of East Carroll parish, La.; with the buildings and improvements thereon or thereto belonging and the immovables by destination thereon, and the original Robertdale plantation having been composed of Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, in township twenty-two (22) north, range ten (10) east, in the district of lands north of Red river, La., excepting however from said 407 acres forty-three acres to be taken from the north-west corner of said plantation sold by W. G. Wylie to Geo. C. Benham, Jr., as per deed recorded in Notarial Book "T," folio 517, of the Recorder's office of East Carroll parish, La.

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Sheriff's Sale. State of Louisiana, Parish of East Carroll, Seventh District Court.—Lehman, Stern & Co., Limited, versus William G. Wylie.—No. 425.

By virtue of a writ of seizure & sale to me directed by the Hon. Seventh District Court for the parish of East Carroll aforesaid, in the above entitled cause, I will proceed to sell at public auction, at the door of the Court House, in the town of Providence, East Carroll parish, La., on Saturday, the 27th day of March, 1897, between the hours prescribed by law, all the right, title and interest of William G. Wylie in and to the following described property, to-wit:

1st.—That certain tract or parcel of land known as the Curry place; bounded on the west by Bayou Macon, on the north by the Prentice place, on the east by the Longshot plantation next section and containing about seven hundred and fifty acres.

2nd.—The Longshot plantation, with the improvements thereon, bounded on the north by Joos Bayou, on the east by the Carson plantation and on the west by the Curry place above named, and containing about seven hundred and fifty acres.

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