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It takes $145,000,000 now to pay off the pensioners. The number of pensioners continues to increase.

The situation at St. Louis caused by the river being frozen, is becoming serious. The value of the floating property in that harbor is estimated at $1,000,000 and only a third of the property is covered by insurance.

Captain J. Pinckney Smith died last week in New Orleans. He was one of the leading citizens of that city and a high Mason. At one time he was business manager of the Daily States and made it the leading evening paper of New Orleans.

M. Loubet, president of the Senate, was elected president of the French Republic by the Congress at Versalles. Paris is almost crazy over his election. His connection with the Panama scandals has caused a great deal of feeling, and there has been riots and fights in the streets, public places and theatres.

Uncle Sam does a big business in postage stamps. The number of 2c stamps issued during the year 1898, was over 2,500,000,000. The number of all denominations of stamps printed for the current year, is 3,500,000,000. It is said that if each stamp was placed on top of one another it would be a pile twenty-one miles in height.

An exchange says "Cleveland with all his faults, was a better friend to the South than any Republican president can or will ever be." Another paper says: "Yes, he was in a hog's valise. He generally vetoed every river and harbor bill, for the south, and kept a lot of blood-sucking Republicans in office. What did he do, except hunt ducks?"

The Carnival edition of the New Orleans Daily States was an immense paper and brim full of reading matter on the great Crescent City. The front page was illuminated in several colors. The Daily States is the leading evening paper of New Orleans, and is deservedly so, and is also as true to straight rock-ribbed Democracy as the needle points to the north pole.

George Lee who shot and killed Henry M. Stonestreet at Lee's Summit, Mo., thirty years ago, and had been a fugitive from justice ever since, is dead at Meridian, Miss. The fact, just made known in letters to relatives in that county, reveal Lee's whereabouts since his escape from the Independence, Mo., jail in 1869 where he had been placed to prevent his being lynched.

The controversy between the city of New Orleans and Illinois Central railroad has been settled at last to the satisfaction of both. The Illinois Central has spent millions of dollars in building its docks, and it is a corporation that has helped in many ways to build up New Orleans, and if it had been forced to build other docks and to transfer its immense business to Avondale, a few miles above the city, New Orleans would have been the sufferer.

Roustabouts coming to New Orleans will in the future have to stand vaccination, even if the services of the entire force are necessary to round them up. There is entirely too much small pox up the river and in bordering States to suit the Marine Hospital authorities, and the surgeon in charge at that port, informed the Mayor that as a matter of safety to public health every rouster who drops into that city by the river route should receive the knife.

A Washington special to the New Orleans States says "the tour of the South now being made by John E. Searles and Mr. Edmonds means not only the multiplication of plants for the cylindrical cotton bale, but likewise the reorganization of a gigantic financial corporation whose object will be to lend money to small merchants and to farmers on cotton at a lower rate of interest than has ever been known in the South." We hope the special is true; then the planter would be able to control the sale of his cotton, which perhaps would prevent the market from being glutted.

Wilson's Advice to the Farmers of the South.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, in discussing the productive possibilities of the South and the problem of negro labor, says:

"The pressing question is, what is the laborer down South, who has been growing cotton and not getting enough for his product to enable him to live comfortably, not to speak of improvements in his condition, education and all that, to do? The cotton crop leaves very little that is valuable for domestic animals after the picking is done, thus differing from the corn crop of the Northwestern States. There is a by-product the cotton seed, that is exceedingly valuable, and much good work is being done by the scientists at experiment stations to show how valuable cotton seed is for feeding purposes. The great cotton growing industry of the South is not up to date. The nitrogen contents are greater than that of any other grain; it is richer in nitrogeous matter than peas or beans, richer than gruten, meal or oil cake. The Northern feeder and the European feeder have been using this by-product of the cotton fields with great advantage to them, while the loss of its fertilizing qualities to the South has been very great. The South has more marked advantages over the North with regard to production. It has more heat and moisture, the two great factors of production, and if the cotton grower is to diversify his crops he must use those natural advantages. The dairy cow and mutton sheep should succeed admirably in the South, but something for them to eat must be provided first. The winters in the South are mild; grasses, grains and legumes can be sown in the fall and will grow abundantly through the winter, upon which the dairy cow and the mutton sheep may thrive and produce.

"From a fifth to a fourth of all the fat of all the milk on the farms of the United States is lost because people do not thoroughly understand when to churn cream. The churning process is an art having much science underlying it. But the cotton grower of the South only needs to learn the way, while the man who teaches him can understand the science.

"Much yet remains to be discovered in the art of breeding animals, but enough is known to indicate to the instructor of the colored cotton grower of the South, who is to be diverted into work of this kind, to enable him to breed his heard intelligently.

"The South can prepare the spring lamb much earlier than the North can. The Southern land owner understands horse raising. There is always a greater demand for saddle horses than is supplied. The world wants carriage and draft horses and good roadsters. Early spring chickens—the broilers—can be produced down there because they have milder winters and milder springs than we have, and the Northern market can be supplied. Should the market become oversupplied, we can send this product abroad in the refrigerated compartments of our steamships.

"There is a diversity of opinion in the South as to the ability of the colored man to be used in diversified labor. The colored man is learning the trades at Tuskegee; he is mining coal and working in the manufacture of iron at Birmingham. Some Southern men whom you will meet will say that they have the best labor in the world, and in some respects I am inclined to think they have. The South has reached the point that most of the States of the Northwest reached. Years ago section after section devoted itself to corn and wheat, until the land refused to yield their crops and the farmer was driven to seek diversification. Prosperity came to the Northwest through diversification of industries on the farm. I know of no other way through which it can come to the South It seems to me that the necessities of the occasion are up to the intelligent land owner. He should inform himself on these lines. He should have done it years ago. The sciences which relate to agriculture would stand him in good stead, while his diploma from a literary institution is worth very little to him. It is not too late. Improvements along these lines cannot be expected to originate with the laboring men of the South; it must begin with the men of education."

On Tuesday evening Mr. J. D. Tompkins' large cotton house caught on fire and burned. There was over thirty bales of cotton destroyed, with very little insurance. Mr. Tompkins plantation is a considerable distance from town, and on account of the roads being in such a condition it was impossible for him to haul it to the gin, and was waiting for the roads to dry up so that he could haul. This is a heavy loss to him and his friends sincerely regret his misfortune.

A colored man and woman were arrested on Monday for killing a man at Doran's camp a few weeks ago. They had their examination on Wednesday before Judge Gilmour, but there was not enough of evidence produced to hold them. On Thursday they were arrested again, by Deputy Davis, who found out that the negro was shot twice in the back and found a witness who knew all about the killing. Dr. Long came up on Friday and had the body exhumed so as to make a thorough examination.

License Ordinance.

An ordinance to levy, collect and enforce the payment of an annual license tax upon all persons, or business firms and corporations pursuing any trade, profession, vocation, calling or business, except those who are expressly excepted from the payment of such licenses by act 229 of the Constitution, and act 171 of the acts of the General Assembly of Louisiana for 1898.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen in regular session convened:

SECTION 1. That there is hereby levied an annual license for the year 1899 and for each subsequent year upon each person, association of persons, or business firms and corporations pursuing any trade, profession, vocation, calling or business within the (town of Providence), parish of East Carroll subject to licenses under article 229 of the Constitution and article No. 171 of the acts of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana of 1898; which license shall be graded and fixed as follows:

LICENSE ON RETAIL DEALERS.

Sec. 2. That for every business of selling at retail, whether as principal or agent the license shall be based on the gross annual amount of sales as follows:

First class—When gross sales are fifty thousrnd dollars or more the license shall be	$50 00
Second class—When gross sales are forty thousand dollars or more and under fifty thousand dollars the licenses shall be	40 00
Third class—When gross sales are thirty thousand dollars or more, and under forty thousand dollars, the license shall be	30 00
Fourth class—When gross sales are twenty-five thousand dollars or more and less than thirty thousand dollars, the license shall be	25 00
Fifth class—When gross sales are twenty thousand dollars or more and less than twenty-five thousand dollars the license shall be	20 00
Sixth class—When gross sales are fifteen thousand dollars or more and less than twenty thouand dollars the license shall be	15 00
Seventh class—When gross sales are five thousand dollars or more and less than fifteen thousand dollars the license shall be	10 00
Eighth class—When gross sales are less than five thousand dollars the license shall be	5 00

Provided—That if any distilled, vinous, malt or other kind of liquor be sold in connection with the business of any retail merchant, grocer, oyster house, confectionery or in less quantities than five gallons, the license for such additional business shall be as in hereafter provided in Section VII of this ordinance, provided further that no license shall issue to sell liquors in less quantities than 5 gallons for less than $250.

Provided further, That retail drug stores owned or controlled and managed by a registered pharmacist and selling vinous, spirituous or alcoholic liquors in less quantities than one quart as drug or medicine only, shall pay the license mentioned in this section, and shall not be required to procure the license imposed as retail liquor dealers, saloons &c., under this ordinance.

Sed. 3, Be it further ordained, That for every wholesale mercantile business, whether as principal, agent or on commission when the gross sales are two hundred and fifty thousand dollars or more, the license shall be $100. When the gross sales are less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars the license shall be $50.

Sec. 4. Be it further ordained, That for each and every business of carrying on a banking company, association, corporation or agency, or any private banking establishment where the capital is fifty thousand dollars or more, the license shall be $75. Where the capital is less than fifty thousand dollars, the license shall be $50.

Sec. 5. Be it further ordained, That every omibus, or regular coach, or herdic business, collecting agencies, or agents for the collection of monies, accounts, notes &c., and for every business of keeping a warehouse or storage room or landing where goods and merchandise are received and delivered the license shall be based on the gross annual receipts of said business, as follows:

First class—When the receipts are twenty-five thousand dollars or more the license shall be	$20 00
Second class—When the receipts are less than twenty-five thousand dollars, the license shall be	10 00

Provided that warehouses receiving less than $350 per year shall pay no license.

Sec. 6. Be it further ordained, That each and every debenture redemption company, or loan and investment company, whether domiciled in or our out of the state, shall be subject to an annual license tax as follows:

First class—Where the gross receips are ten thousand dollars or more, the license shall be	$50 00
Second class—Where the gross receipts are less than ten thousand dollars the license shall be	25 00

Sec. 7. Be it further ordained, That for carrying on each business of electric light, saw mills employing ten or more hands, telegraphing, telephoning, cotton ginnery, the license shall be based on the gross annual receipts as follows: Provided, that this section shall not apply to cotton gins ginning for hire not over four hundred bales of cotton per annum:

First class—When the gross annual receipts are over fifteen thousand dollars, the license shall be	$20 00
Second class—When the receipts are less than fifteen thousand dollars shall be	15 00

Sec. 8. That for every business of keeping a theatre or opera house the license shall be $10;

Provided, that no museum, menagerie, circus or other traveling show shall be permitted to make exhibitions within the town, unless they have first paid a license based on the number of attaches, whether proprietors, performers or other employes as follows.

First class—When the number of persons is thirty or more the license shall be .	$100 00
Second class—When the number of persons is twenty or more and less than thirty the license shall be	75 00
Third class—When the number of persons is ten or more and less than twenty, the license shall be	50 00
Fourth class—When the number of persons is less than ten the license shall be	25 00

Sec. 9. Be it further ordained, That each and every peddler or hawker other than peddlers of fruit, vegetables, oysters, poultry or eggs, shall pay an annual license graded as follows:

When traveling on foot the license shal be	$ 10 00
When traveling in a one horse vehicle the license shall be	25 00
When traveling in a two horse vehicle the license shall be	75 00
When traveling on any kind of water craft the license shall be	200 00

Sec. 10. Be it further ordained, That for every business of keeping a hotel where lodging and eating are combined, the license shall be based on the number of rooms, as follows:

First class—When the number of rooms is nine or more, the license shall be	$10 00
Second class—When the number of rooms is more than six and less than nine, the license shall be	5 00

Provided, That for every business of lodging alone the license shall be estimated on the same basis as for hotels, but graduated at one half rates, provided that boarding houses pay 60 per cent. of the rates of hotels.

Sec. 11. Be it further ordained, That for each and every butcher shop where the gross sales are five thousand dollars or more, the license shall be $20, and where the gross sales are less than five thousand dollars the license shall be $15.

Sec. 12. Be it further ordained, That for each and every horse drover whose sales are five thousand dollars or more shall pay a license of $15; if less than five thousand dollars, the license shall be $10.

Sec. 13. Be it further ordained, That for every business of bar room, carbaret, coffee house, cafe, beer saloon, liquor exchange, drinking saloon, grogshop, beer house, beer garden or other place where anything to be drunk or eaten on the premises is sold directly or indirectly, the license shall be based on the gross annual sales as follows:

First class—when said gross annual receipts are five thousand dollars or more, the license shall be	$500 00
Second class—when said gross annual receipts are less than five thousand dollars the license shall be	250 00

Provded, That no license shall be charged foll selling refreshments for charitable and religious purposes; and provided further, that no establishment selling or giving away, or otherwise disposing of any spirits, wines, alcoholic or malt liquors in less quantities than one pint, shall pay less than $250 for the year or any portion of the year.

Sec. 14. Be it further ordained, That for every business of keeping billiard tables, pigeon hole, Jenny Lind, pool or bagatelle and ten pin alleys from which revenue is derived, a license of $5 for each such table or alley shall be in addition to any other license due by the established in which said tables or alleys may be located.

Sec. 15. Be it further ordained, That for each and every business of selling soda water, mead confections, cake, &c., exclusively the license shall be based on the gross annual receipts, as follows:

First class—when the gross sales are more than two thousand dollars the license shall be	$10 00
Second class—when the gross sales are two thousand dollars or less, the license shall be	5 00

Provided that druggists selling soda water &c., shall be required to take out a license under this act.

Sec. 16. Be it further ordained, That for every individual or company carrying on the profession of or business agency for steamboats, draying, trucking, keeping cabs, carriages, hacks or horses for hire, undertakers, contractors and mechanics who employ assistance, the license shall be based on the gross annual receipts, as follows:

First class—when the gross annual receipts are one thousand dollars or more, the license shall be	$15 00
Second class—when the gross annual receipts are less than one thousand dollars, the license shall be	10 00

That for every individual or individuals carrying on the business or profession of physician, attorney at law, editor, dentist, occulist, photographer, jeweler and any other business not herein provided for, shall be graded the same as above set forth, but the license shall be one half of those established by this section, provided no license shall issue for less than $5.00.

Sec. 17. Be it further ordained, That all traveling vendors of stoves, lightning rods and clocks, shall pay a license annually of $200, whether traveling as peddlers or not.

Sec. 18. Be it further ordained, That for every business of draying or hauling for hire, or running a hack, the license shall be $5 for each vehicle employed.

Sec. 19. Be it further ordained, That no license shall be issued under this ordinance for less than $5.

Sec. 20. Be it further ordained, That the method of collecting licenses under this ordinance shall be the same as provided by act 171 of the acts of the General Assembly of Louisiana for 1898 for the collection of state license, and that the fines, penalties and interest for any violation of this ordinance shall be the same as provided by act 171 of 1898 and by the charter and ordinances of this town.

Sec. 21. Be it further ordained, That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed, and that this ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage.

Sec. 22. Be it further ordained, That when two or or more ordinances are combined, except as herein expressly provided for, there shall be a separate license required for each kind of business.

G. M. FRANKLIN, Mayor.

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Arrives Vicksburg 7:10 p. m.
No. 35—Leaves Leland 6:40 a. m.
Arrives Vicksburg 10:00 a. m
No. 21—Leaves Vicksburg 7:50 a. m.
Arrives New Orleans 5:50 p. m.

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No. 6—Leaves New Orleans 4:00 p. m.
Arrives Vicksburg 11:30 p. m.
Leaves Vicksburg 11:40 p. m.
Arrives Memphis 6:55 a. m.
No. 22—Leaves New Orleans 8:00 a. m.
Arrives Vicksburg 6:00 p. m,
No. 24—Leaves Vicksburg 8:10 a.m.
Arrives Memphis 6:30 p. m.
No. 36—Leaves Vicksburg 4:10 p m.
Arrives Leland 7:25 p. m.

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No. 21 connects with 521 at Harriston arriving at Natchez at 11:20 a. m.

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For East Carroll Parish—The first Monda's in January, February, March, April, May, June, July, October, November and December.

For Madison Parish—The third Monday's in January, February, March, April, May, June, July, October, November and December.

It is further ordered that juries be drawn at the following times:

For East Carroll Parish—First Monday's in January and July.

For Madison Parish—Third Monday's in January and July.

It is further ordered that the jury commissioners for each parish shall draw grand and petit juries for the ensuing sessions in January, 1899.

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