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Our Ville Platte letter this week is specially interesting, and we call our readers' attention to it.

Just received a large stock of Gents' and Children's clothing at Firnberg Bros.

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Mr. John J. Healey, who has been quite ill for some time, is now on the road to recovery, we are glad to state.

Harder the times the more goods J. K. Sandoz & Bro. sell. It has come to the pinch that everybody wants to nurse what little he has.

Cupid has been getting in his good work here of late, and from present reports he has not quit yet. Look out for him this month.

Humble Cottage Lodge No. 19, F. & A. M., held their regular meeting last Wednesday night, and their William Goat has been fed up for some work soon.

Big races comes off at the Arnaudville track to-morrow. Many fine horses and promising colts have been entered, and the contests promise to prove interesting.

Cotton has gone down to 4 cents on Thursday evening, and seed is still commanding the insignificant price of \$5 per ton. This is sufficient to discourage the average man.

Tuesday a runaway team of two horses, hitched to a buggy, passed up Court street, and caused some excitement. We have been unable to learn whether any damage resulted.

Cane cutting began on the Greenwood plantation, near town, on Thursday. The entire crop has been sold to Mr. J. S. Butler, of the Camp Hamilton, who will use it entirely for seed next year.

The prospect for rain Thursday night was good, as the wind had shifted to the South; but Friday morning broke clear and cool with the wind in the North, and all rain prospects vanished. The weather clerk fooled us again.

Nell's estimate of the cotton crop for the year 1894 is 10,350,000 bales, an increase of 3,250,000 bales over last year's crop. Can anyone doubt now what makes the price of cotton so low? These "estimates" are the direct cause of low prices. One thing is certain, the farmers' only relief is to decrease the acreage of cotton.

The town council, at its meeting on Monday night, awarded the contract to draft plans for a standard system of waterworks for the town, to Mr. Ira W. Sylvester, the Alexandria civil engineer, at a cost of \$200. We are glad to see this initial move of the council in this important matter.

The article in our last issue on the election, urging the Democrats of this parish to come out and poll a full vote for Col. Robertson, and also referring to the populists as "wild-eyed" anarchists, was the work of a novice in the office and should not have found space in our columns, and would not, if the publisher had not been absent. While we do not approve of the principles of the populists, we do not wish to be recorded as abusing them for those principles which they, no doubt, conscientiously approve.

THE GRAND JURY STRAINING AT A GNAT TO SWALLOW A CAMEL.

This body exhibited great zeal and industry in detecting and exposing crime and giving special attention to two officials of the court who happened to be Sheriff Fontenot's deputies, and who also by a singular coincidence were both influential organizers of White Supremacy Leagues in their neighborhood.

One of these officials Mr. Honore Fusilier was made the subject of a special condemnatory report, and an indictment for assault and battery was found against him, which Mr. Fusilier very promptly denounced over his own signature in both town papers as a political prosecution, and which the State continued to the next court after the appearance of Mr. Fusilier's card and while he was present in court with his witnesses ready for trial.

The Grand Jury report that organized bands of armed men have been raiding throughout the country driving citizens away from their houses and disturbing the public peace. There could not be made a more damaging report to go abroad as to the condition of affairs in this parish. The public at large are left in the dark as to what sections of the parish are being thus raided by these lawless bands, and indeed it is a fair inference from the language of the report that these disorders are taking place throughout the entire parish. As no names or localities or classes of people are designated as amenable to the charge it may be taken to inculcate any or all of the many communities in the parish. If the evil had been of the magnitude ascribed to it by the Grand Jury, it is certain that body could have obtained sufficient information to inform the public at least what neighborhood is so infested by lawless characters.

The Grand Jury has been in session four weeks and has announced its determination to hold another session in December, at a time when there will be no session of the Criminal Court. It is on the wrong scent. It is hunting throughout the parish for law breakers, when the cause of the lawlessness in this parish lies not in Coulee Croche, not in Big Cane, not in Grand Prairie, not in Mamouth, but right here under its eyes and around the court that holds four sessions a year here. The cause of lawlessness in the Parish of St. Landry lies in the lame and halt enforcement of the criminal law. It lies in the fact that whenever there is a case to be tried where the parties involved have political or family influence, the court building is infested with jury fixers, with witness hustlers and criminal case brokers, all working to secure the acquittal or mistrial of these accused no matter how guilty they may be. It is obvious also that petty juries fail to do their duty at nearly every point; and no matter how outrageous the crime may be they allow themselves to be fooled and pulled and bamboozled by the sophistries and pleadings of the criminal lawyers who are allowed to argue and dispute indefinitely the most trivial questions, and thus waste the time of the public and confuse the minds of the jury in nearly every contested case. As an illustration of this the court was in session four weeks. It began with a criminal docket of 190 cases, 87 were added by the Grand Jury and only six or eight of this number were actually disposed of by trial during the term. Again, when after a super human effort a conviction is secured, the sentence imposed by the judge is often so insufficient and trivial as to almost do away with the effects of the conviction.

Various are the reasons assigned for the sudden slump from Democracy to Republicanism. One great believer in the efficacy of the Hatch bill to cure the evils that afflict the country said the farmers were angry because Congress refused to pass the Hatch bill, and yet the farmers defeated Hatch, the father of the bill! Another, an enthusiastic silver man ascribed the slump to the disgust and anger of the people at the course of Congress on the silver question; and this theory too is knocked into the head by the defeat of Dick Bland, the father of the free coinage bill! The populists says the country is mad because Congress refused to pass any of the measures introduced by its leaders in Congress, and yet Waite and Lefe Ponce in Colorado, and Jerry Simpson in Kansas, are all defeated!

The true theory is that the country is mad at the stringency of the times, and without caring to reason as to the cause, foolishly and blindly held the party in power responsible for the consequences of 80 years of Republican misrule.

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THE ELECTION.

The result of the elections throughout the United States show one of those astonishing reversions in popular sentiment which have taken place on at least two occasions in the last twenty years. In 1874 the Republican party was overwhelmingly defeated and the Lower House of Congress transformed from a Republican body into a Democratic one by over 100 majority, the change being wrought by a condemnation of Grant's forcible invasion of the Louisiana Legislature with United States troops; and in 1892, by a change sudden and universal, a Republican house was turned over to the Democracy with a majority so phenomenal as to be entirely unwieldy for practical purposes of legislation. In the latter case the change was wrought by a feeling of opposition to the high protection of the McKinley bill, after a thorough campaign and full discussion of that question. Now, astonishing to say, the people seem by their vote to have repudiated their vote of two years since, and to have declared again for the system of protection so long enforced by the Republican party. "Ephraim is joined again to his idols."

We can not account for this sudden change upon any hypothesis of the exercise of reason and judgment by the American voter. It was indeed but the exhibition of a blind and unreasoning force, prompted by anger, caprice and prejudice. It was but an illustration of the truth often experienced in popular governments, that the party in power is held responsible by the populace for stringent times and lack of prosperity where responsibility does not rightfully attach to it in the remotest degree. This country is like a sick man afflicted with a chronic malady for years, and who is growing constantly worse, discharges his physician under whose treatment he has been for years, and who, after calling in another physician, not only discharges him also before testing the efficacy of his treatment, but actually puts the whole blame of his chronic malady upon him. That is exactly how the voters have treated the Democratic party. They put it in power to reduce the McKinley bill and before legislation enacted to carry out their will has been in force three months, and before its efficacy had been tested, they have by their vote on Tuesday completely reversed their own verdict and put the high priests of protection in power in the Lower House in Congress by a majority of over one hundred. What caprice! What inconsistency! What a comment upon popular government!

Surely "reason has fled to brutish breasts."

The fact that Mr. Leon Godchaux, one of the head leaders in the new republican movement in this State, last year was permitted to extort from the pockets of the people of this country in bounty alone one-third as much as the entire resources of the State of Louisiana amounted to, has opened the eyes of the people of Louisiana to the enormity of the bounty system. The additional fact that ex-Kernell McCall received more by about forty thousand dollars in bounty alone than the sworn valuation he himself placed upon his entire plantation, land, buildings, machinery and mules, will show the grasping selfish greed of the bounty grabbers. The further fact that the sugar barons of Louisiana in bounty alone a sum amounting to about \$57 for every acre of land in cultivation in the State, will suggest to the five cent cotton growers of the country the amount of patriotism there is likely to be in the cry of the bounty grabbers for a continuation of the infamous stand-and-deliver system by which the people of this whole country were fleeced in order to enable the sugar barons to roll in wealth.—Baton Rouge Advocate.

The Rayne Tribune, a neatly printed, well-edited, seven-column newspaper has made its appearance at Rayne, Acadia parish. W. J. May, is managing editor, and the Rayne Printing and Publishing Co., Limited, proprietors. The paper is newsy, and judging from the fine advertising patronage it contains, has the backing of the business community, and bids fair to be a prosperous venture. We welcome it to the journalistic fold.

It is with regret we learn of the death of Mr. H. H. Bureleigh, a well-known and highly respected citizen of Morrow, this parish, on the 5th.

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A WATERLOO!

REPUBLICANS SWEEP THE COUNTRY.

NEW YORK GOES BACK ON HILL.

Next House Republican by 129 Plurality.

Wilson Defeated in West Virginia.

Louisiana Remains in the Democratic Column.

The election last Tuesday passed off quietly, and in this State the solid Democratic delegation is elected over the Republicans, in the first, second and third districts and the Populites in the fourth, fifth and sixth districts. In the first three districts, where the Republicans and bolting sugar planters combined, the Democratic candidates were elected by big majorities. In the first Gen. Adolph Meyer, the Democratic nominee, simply beat Kernochan, the Republican, out of his boots, and was elected by a majority of 6526 votes. In the second district, where the Republicans had nominated their strongest man, H. Dudley Coleman, the Democrat, Chas. F. Buck, had a walk-over, beating his opponent by 6907 votes. The same story comes from the third district, where Andrew Price, Democrat, walloped Taylor Beattie, Republican, by a majority of 5796. Price not only beat Beattie in the parish (Lafourche) where they both live, but carried the ward where Beattie lives. The fourth, fifth and sixth districts went Democratic, of course—they never go otherwise. There was some talk of H. W. Ogden having a hard time to beat his Populist opponent, Bailey, in the fourth; but the gallant Harry, as he is called, went through the lines with 6000 majority. It was said that Col. C. J. Roatner, in the fifth, would also have a hard time, but that he would fall to carry Caldwell parish over Benoit, the Populite. But Roatner "got there," and carried Caldwell, too. And in the sixth Col. S. M. Robertson, as usual, carried it.

Louisiana remains Democratic, and will remain as such for all time. The bolting sugar planters have been beaten; and the policy of Republicanism, negro rule, etc., that they tried to re-introduce into Louisiana has been knocked higher than a kite.

But a different story comes from the North and East. The election has never before been preceded. The Republicans swept everything before them, and from present indications they will control the next House by 129 plurality, and, of course, Thos. B. Reed, of Maine, the ex-Czar, will be elected as Speaker.

In New York large Republican gains are shown by the fact that Levi P. Morton, Republican, defeated David B. Hill, Democrat, by 150,000, or more, plurality for Governor. Out of 34 Congressional districts in New York the Democrats, in the 53d Congress, controlled 19 or 20 and the Republicans the remainder; in the next House the New York delegation will stand 31 Republicans and 3 Democrats!

Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, West Virginia, Minnesota and several other States where the Democrats had a good show have been swept from their hands, and in several instances the entire Congressional delegations will stand solidly Republican. Tennessee and Kentucky, where the Democrats have been in power heretofore, have gone almost Republican, the former State electing nearly half of its Congressmen as Republicans and probably a Republican Governor and Legislature. Kentucky elected a majority of Republican Congressmen, and in the Ashland district of that State, where Breckinridge was defeated by Owens for the Democratic nomination, the Republican candidate, Judge Denny, was elected. Alabama Georgia, Texas, Virginia and North Carolina several Republicans and Populists. Missouri, heretofore a Democratic State, has gone the way all the others went. Such well-known Democratic Congressmen of that State as Bland, Dockery, Hatch and Beaumont have been retired to private life. The Republicans of that State have captured the Legislature also. Kansas and Colorado, which of late years have been Populist, have returned to the G. O. P., by electing Republican Congressmen, Governors and Legislatures. In the former State the famous Populist statesman, "Sockless" Jerry Simpson, has been wiped out; and in the latter the Populist Governor, "Blood-up-to-the-bridle" Waite, has been slaughtered. And

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JUDGMENT.

IRMA LASTRAPES, WIFE, VS. GUS E. DUPRE, HUSBAND.

No. 15426, District Court, Parish of St. Landry, La.

In this case a regular judgment by default was taken, and no motion having been made within the time allowed to have the same set aside, no answer filed, the plaintiff proceeded to prove up her case, which was done to the satisfaction of this Court.

For those reasons, and because the law and the evidence is in favor of plaintiff, Mrs. Irma Lastrapes, and against defendant, Gustave E. Dupre, it is hereby ordered, adjudged and decreed, that this plaintiff have judgment in her favor, dissolving the community of acquets and gains heretofore existing between her and her husband, separating them in property, and vesting all with and exclusive control of her separate property, which she now has, or may hereafter acquire, free from the claims and interests of her husband. It is further ordered, that defendant pay all the costs of this suit.

This done, read and signed in open Court, this 27th day of October, A. D. 1894.

W. C. PERRAULT, Judge 11th Jud. Dist. of La.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, PARISH OF ST. LANDRY.

Whereas, a petition has been addressed to me by citizens and legal voters of Township Six South Range Two West, asking that fractional Section Sixteen (school land) within said Township and Range, be sold according to law.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given to all the citizens and legal voters residing in said township, that an election will be held on

Saturday, Dec. 8, 1894, before Dave Courville, Justice-of-the-Peace, at Theodore Frigo's, in said township, for the purpose of taking the sense of the inhabitants of said township, as to whether said fractional sixteenth section shall be sold or not, in pursuance with the laws providing therefor. Said polls shall be open from 8 o'clock A. M. until 4 o'clock P. M.

ROBERT CHABREAU, Treasurer of St. Landry Parish.



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LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 22, 1894.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before B. Bloomfield, U. S. Commissioner, at Opelousas, La., on Monday, Nov. 12, 1894, viz:

VALMONT F. ARDOIN, who made Homestead Entry No. 11295, for the 8th of Nov. of Sec. 1, Tp. 6, S. 1, E. 1.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Theophile Rozas, Jr., Simon B. Manuel, Privat Lafleur, Theophile Rozas, Sr., all of St. Landry Parish, La.

G. MED. BRUMBY, Register.

Notice.

LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 1st, 1894.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof under Sec. 2324, R. S., in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before B. Bloomfield, U. S. Commissioner, at Opelousas, La., on Monday, Nov. 12, 1894, viz:

GEORGE PROBYANS, who made Homestead Entry No. 14282, for the 10th of Nov. of Sec. 13 Tp 6 S 1 E 2

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Beniar Delecloux, Isaac Frete, all of St. Landry Parish, La.

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