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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce

**W. S. Frazee, Esq.,**

as a candidate for election to the office of District Judge, subject to the nomination of the Democratic party.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce

**Hon. E. B. Dubuisson,**

as a candidate for re-election to the office of District Attorney, subject to the nomination of the Democratic party.

FOR CLERK OF COURT.

We are authorized to announce

**Hon. Robert Chachere**

as a candidate for the office of Clerk of the District Court of St. Landry parish, subject to the nomination of the Democratic party.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for the Legislature, subject to WHITE SUPREMACY and WHITE PRIMARIES. I solicit the support of the few white Democrats of the new addition, or converts, to Gov. Foster—and no niggers at all.

C. B. ANDRUS.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

To My Friends and the Public:

I am a candidate for Justice-of-the-Peace of the 1st Ward, St. Landry Parish, La., at the election to be held in April next, and respectfully solicit your support.

J. E. HOUSTON.

## Police Jury Proceedings.

OPELOUSAS, LA., Jan. 13, 1896.

The Police Jury met at 12 m., pursuant to adjournment. Present: Mr. E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Guidry, Clopton, R. Lafleur, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Evans and Courtney.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur, the report of committee appointed to sell contract to build bridge near Thomas Deville, was received, committee discharged and Rennie Vidrine ordered credited with $64 out of internal improvement funds, 5th ward.

On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur, the Police Jury adjourned till 2:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The Police Jury met at 2:30 p. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Courtney, Guidry, Clopton, R Lafleur, E T Lafleur, Quebedeau, Evans, Prescott and Dupre.

On motion of Mr E T Lafleur, the petition of Jean Baptist Ardoin, praying for a change of public road, was read and granted; said change of road to be as follows: passing between Jean Baptiste Ardoin and Dorestant Lafleur, again between Jean Baptiste Ardoin and Dr. J. A. Haas, joining old public road.

On motion of Mr Quebedeau, the report of the committee appointed to sell contract to repair bridges on Bayous Teche and Fusilier was received, committee discharged and D. G. Higginbotham ordered credited with $135 out of internal improvement funds, 3rd ward.

On motion of Mr. Courtney, Be it resolved, that whereas, there are sixty-six petitioners for the opening of a public road from the Spears place on the east bank of Cocodrie up to the Crippins' Bridge; and,

Whereas, the law directs that the margin of the banks of all navigable streams in the State is and shall be public for roads, drying nets, etc., and,

Whereas, the committee appointed to lay out said road have reported to this body that they have laid out the road aforesaid on the margin of the east bank of Cocodrie in accordance with the spirit of the law, and,

Whereas, all the petitioners asking for the opening of said road live on the Cocodrie, numbering 66, and there being a counter petition signed by 60 citizens, a great part of whom do not live on the Cocodrie; therefore, in view of the fact that the police jury can and doubtless will be mandamused and forced to open the road, and there appears many names of persons who signed both petitions for and against; in view of the facts and the law, be it resolved, that the report of the committee be adopted and the said road be and is hereby declared a public road and the committee discharged.

On motion of Dr. Clopton, the petition of citizens of Palmetto praying for a bridge on Dry Bayou was received and granted, and N. McBride, Preval Rideau and Theodule Godeau appointed a committee to ascertain probable cost of building said bridge.

On motion of Mr Evans, the petition of citizens of Dupre's Cove praying for an amendment to the hog law in that section, was received and tabled till next meeting.

Mr. Evans in the chair.

On motion of Mr Courtney, the petition of citizens of Lake Cove, praying for a public road, was received and Messrs David Clark, Polite Clark, Dave Johnson and J C Causey were appointed a committee to view out said road and report at next meeting of this body.

On motion of Mr Courtney, $15 was appropriated out of internal improvement funds, 6th ward, to repair long bridge on Cocodrie on road between Chicot and Eola, work to be sold to lowest bidder and done under the supervision of a committee composed of T L Scott, Z T Oliver and B S Dossmann.

On motion of Mr Dupre, the police jury adjourned till to-morrow at 9:30 a. m.

The Police Jury met at 9:30 a. m. Present: Mr E H McGee, president; Messrs Courtney, Guidry, Clopton, R Lafleur, Quebedeau and Dupre.

On motion of Mr Courtney, the report of committee appointed to sell contract to rebuild Elm Bayou Bridge was received, committee discharged and Mr W B Stewart ordered credited with $65 out of internal improvement funds, 6th ward.

On motion of Mr Courtney, Be it resolved, that, whereas, in the assessment of J C Murray there appears an error of 31 acres of land at $2.25 per acre, and also an error of $1 levee tax, amounting in revenue $2.10. Be it resolved, that the collector is hereby instructed to reimburse said J C Murray said $2.10, amount of over taxations for the year 1895.

On motion of Mr Quebebeau, the following were appointed road overseers for the 3rd ward:

Oville Bailleux, from Camy Bridge to Thelismar Richard, west Bayou Teche.

Geureniere DeKerlegand, from Thelismar Richard to the upper line of Arnaudville corporation line, west bayou Teche.

Clebert Roy, from D T Higginbotham bridge to Geracin Richard.

George Arnaud, from Robin bridge to the upper line of corporation of Arnaudville, east bayou Teche.

A M Breaux, from Camy bridge to Robin bridge, east bayou Teche.

Valerie Wilingham, from Alexandre Moreau to bayou Teche.

Arthur Robin, from N C Devillier to Coulon bridge.

Louis Arnaud, from bridge east bayou Teche to Coulon bridge.

Frank Quebedeau, from Camy bridge to N C Devillier.

Jean Blanchard, from the corporation line of Arnaudville to the road leading to Grand Coteau through Prairie Laurent.

Jules DeKerlegand, from Numa Hebert to Bayou Teche.

Cesaire Moullir, from N C Devillier to Port Barre.

Theophile Lamourie, from Port Barre to Chachere saw mill.

Emile Speyrer, from Mark's bridge to Camy's bridge.

Francois Marks, from Mark's bridge to Frozard, thence from Frozard to Arnaudville.

Frank Courville, from Emile Lanclos to Bayou Teche.

Frank Lastrapes, from Dr Chachere's store to the line of 1st ward.

Alexis Moreau, from Anatole Lalonde to Coulon Carriere.

On motion of Mr R Lafleur, Be it resolved, that 5 cents per registered voter be paid to assistant Registrar, instead of 3 cents, as heretofore credited.

Mr. Evans moved that a committee of two be appointed to examine the statement of the Washington State Bank, fiscal agent of the parish of St. Landry. The chair appointed Messrs. Evans & Clopton.

Your committee appointed to examine statement of fiscal agent, beg to report that they find same correct and recommend that the salary claim of Washington State Bank, fiscal agent, 1894 business from October 26, 1895 to December 31, 1895, be approved for sixty-one and 60-100 dollars, payable as per contract; also that a warrant be drawn in favor of Washington State Bank, fiscal agent, for four hundred and ninety-two and 31-100 dollars, against contingent funds 1895, covering salary of fiscal agent from Oct. 26, 1895 to December 31, 1895 as per terms of contract, 1895 business.

W. EVANS,
W. F. CLOPTON.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur, the report of the committee was accepted.

On motion of Dr. Clopton, the following were appointed road overseers for the 4th ward:

J O'Quinn, from Redland to parish line via Big Cane.

G Bialock, from Redland to parish line via Morrow.

R A Pickett, from Redland to Waxia bridge.

F B Cason, from Big Caue to McBride landing.

Jos Hart, from Cason's upper line to J S Fogleman's northwest corner.

Elge Hicks, from Tarver's place to Rosa.

W Jackson, from Baptist church bridge to parish line.

L Carmouche, from McBride's landing to Rutledge's lower line.

E W Sylvester, from Begg's store to Petit Prairie bayou.

Peter Reynolds, from Taylor's bridge to Sacket landing.

G V Burger, from Bayou Current to Elba.

Wm Humphres, from Elba to Melville.

Ray Harvey, from Bayou Current to parish line.

J T Phillips, from Bayou Current to Faulkner's ferry.

P L Fontenot, from Faulkner's ferry to Rutledge's bridge.

J W Bailey, from Taylor's bridge to Sacket school house.

A D Pujo, from Sacket levee to Sacket landing.

L L Mitchell, from school house to Martin's upper line.

Octave Dejean, from Sacket landing to Chevis line.

M J Richard, from Mixer's to Haw place.

J Beard, from Martin's upper line to E W Sylvester.

J M Lawless, from Riber's to parish line on Bayou Jacques.

D Rideau, from Rutledge's lower line to C Rideau's lower line.

L G Duckworth, from Noland's upper line to Richard's lower line.

Hy Gurnett, from Canbean to Waxia.

On motion of Mr. Courtney, the following were appointed road overseers:

Leonard Johnson, from Bell-Cheney road near church to Rapides.

Waler Hazleton, from Red Hill to parish line.

I Miller, from Chicot P O to near line at C F Lutz.

E C Calcote, from Red Hill to Wm Farmer.

Blackston Farmer, from Chicot to Toro bridge.

Louis Deville, Jr, from Chicot P O to Bell-Cheney road.

Z T Oliver, from Chas Tatman's to Elkins' place.

Chas Dossmann, from Pierre Lacalle's place to Toro bridge.

Jas Bat, from Griffin's bridge to parish line.

Rom Wolff, from Toro bridge to Griffin's bridge.

Marius Fontenot, from Chicot P O to lower Pine Prairie.

Wm Carroll from near C W Kelly to near O C Griffin's place.

H D Courtney, from near town to H D Courtney's.

S H Griffith, from northwest corner of W C Hawkins place to near Zeb Guillory.

R A Spears, from Elkins' place to Griffiin's bridge.

P L Fontenot, from Canahan's gully to parish line.

Frank McNicholls, from Spring gully to Calcasieu line.

Philip O Fontenot, from Cedar Trees to Beaver Creek.

Dilly Johnson, from near Jas West to Beaver Creek.

Jeff Powell, from Griffin's bridge to Carpenter's mill.

Dule Fontenot, from Chicot and Glenmora road near Turkey Creek church house to near John Parrott's.

R Green, from upper Pine Prairie to Singletary road via old Carpenter place.

Frank Hebert, from Singletary road to Randolph's bridge.

Wm Guy, from near Louis Deville, via Singletary's place, to old Wade road.

V C Wolly, from E Whittington's place to brick graveyard.

Mr. Dupre in the chair.

Received of Mr. E. T. Lafleur, for Ernest Soileau, $16.45, sale of unbranded stock.

Mr. McGee in the chair.

Mr. R. Lafleur moved that Messrs. U. T. Blacksher and S. F. Read be appointed delegates from the parish to attend the Louisiana State Agricultural Society, to be held at Lafayette, La., Wednesday, January 29, 1895. Carried.

On motion of Dr. Clopton, the police jory adjouaned till 3:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The Police Jury met at 3:30 p. m., present: Mr. E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Guidry, Clopton, R. Lafleur, Prescott and Dupre.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur, the following were appointed road overseers for the 5th ward:

Jas Kelly, from parish line to Barbreck, east Bayou Bœuf.

Chas O'Quinn, from Barbreck to parish line, west Bayou Bœuf.

J H Baldridge, from Barbreck to Whiteville, east Bayou Bœuf.

Robt Pitre, from Barbreck to Whiteville and Bayou Cocodrie.

R L Stagg, from Whiteville to Burleigh bridge, and from Burleigh bridge to Coulee Josie.

C W Reed, from Whiteville to Burleigh bridge, east Bayou Bœuf.

Dick Watkins, from Burleigh bridge to Garland bridge, east Bayou Bœuf.

Jos Reeves, from Burleigh to Garland bridge, west Bayou Bœuf.

Horace Andrus, from Garland bridge to Beggs & Quirk, east Bayou Bœuf.

Thos Reeves, from Garland bridge to Beggs & Quirk, west Bayou Bœuf.

H N Lamorandier, from Beggs & Quirk to Washington.

Ben Z Lafleur, from Bayou Petit Passe to Ozeme Fontenot's store.

Jake Vatier, from C H Comeau to Mudd's crossing.

Louis Deshotels, from Conway's upper line to Ozeme Fontenot.

Armand Brignac, from ward line to Conway's upper line.

Austin Forest, from Garland's mill to E Tate's lower corner.

Cleophas Tate, from Conway's upper corner to Cocodrie bridge.

Israel Normand, from Stagg's brickyard to Coulee Josie.

Neville St Amand, on Pointe Verte.

Louis John, from Ozeme's store to C Soileau's lower corner.

Gaston Guillomain, from Alcin's lower corner to Opelousas and Ville Platte road.

Cyrille Soileau, from Opelousas and Ville Platte road to his lower corner.

Alfred Wartelle, from Robertson's line to Washington.

Stephen Quirk, from Cyrille Soileau's to Robertson's upper corner.

Gabriel Joubert, from B C Fontenot to Lazaro's gully.

Francois Guillory, from Taylor's bridge to Baptist church.

— Smith, from Opelousas and Ville Platte road to Washington and Opelousas road.

Robt Dunbar, from Long bridge to Half-Way house.

Oscar Melancon, from Washington to Taylor's bridge.

On motion of Mr. Guidry, the following were appointed road overseers, 2d ward:

Emile Meyer, from Mrs McPherson's to Louis Landry's southeast corner.

Ovignac Benoi, from Carencro bridge to Grand Coteau corporation.

Allen Walker, from Alfred Jean to Dr B Guilbeau's northeast corner thence to Sunset.

Albert Burleigh, from Bourbeux bridge to Sunset.

James Edward Burleigh, from Sunset to Grand Coteau corporation, thence to Mrs Jas Burleigh's southeast corner.

J E Dailey, from Bourbeux bridge to Sunset.

Robt Barry, from Grand Coteau to ward line.

Ernest Brasseur, from Polite Miller to Ben Andrus.

Chas Dejean, from Grand Coteau to Jos Frozard's bridge.

Joseph Richard, from Hypolite Miller to Louis Voutrol's north corner

J J Barry, from Grand Coteau to Bourbeaux bridge.

Emile Guidry, from Guidry bridge to Roagni's corner.

Francois Miller, from Alfred Dejean's to McDowel's.

Cleophas Prejean, from Clerville Prejean to Marcena Guilbeau.

Jos H Meche, from Jos Speyrer to Vermillion Bayou, thence to Bayou Carencro.

Francois Savoy, from Mrs Jos Dugas' southwest corner to Marion Smith.

Numa Richard, from Bourbeux bridge to Lavergne southwest corner.

Adam Lavergne, from Dimmick's to Garland Peck.

Valerie Bourque, from Louis Charlot to Arestide Thibodeau.

Areste Bean, from Lavergne's southwest corner to parish line.

W D Hargroder, from Louis Sibille to parish line.

Alfred Delorme, from corner of Rod Smith, Wm Brinkhaus and Mr Colomb running on Bayou Bourbeux.

Prilozi Manard, from Albert Guidry and Prilozi Manard's corner to Adelma Guidry.

Evariste Savoy, from Alfred Jean, E M Boagni's corner, thence to E M Boagni's corner.

Homer Guidry, from Francois Bass to E M Boagni's corner.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, be it resolved, that an appropriation of $100 be, and is hereby made out of internal improvement funds 5th ward, to aid in working the road from Opelousas to Washington; provided, the 1st ward make a similar appropriation and that the town of Opelousas and Washington also make an appropriation of fifty dollars each.

On motion of Mr. Dupre, the sum of $100 is hereby appropriated out of internal improvement funds 1st ward, to aid in working road from Opelousas to Washington; provided, the towns of Opelousas and Washington appropriate $50 each.

On motion of Mr. Prescott, the sum of $25 is hereby appropriated out of internal improvement funds 5th ward, to drain the public road on the Gallager land; said work to be done under the supervision of E C Quirk.

On motion of Mr. Courtney, the sum of $35 or as much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of internal improvement funds 6th ward, to rebuild bridge on Boggy Bayou on road from Pine Prairie to Beaver Creek; work to be sold to lowest bidder, and done under the supervision of a committee composed of Ely C Clark, John Cannan and Olivier Guillory.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur, the minutes were adopted as read.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur, the police jury adjourned till 9:30 a. m.

January 15, 1896.

The Police Jury met at 9:30 a. m., present: Mr. E. H. McGee, president; Messrs: E. T. Lafleur, Courtney, R. Lafleur, Clopton, Prescott.

On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur, the following were appointed road overseers for the 7th ward:

Alcest Saucier, from Israel bridge to Pointe-aux-Pins bridge.

Eley Fontenot, from Pointe-aux-Pins bridge to Froizin Fontenot's bridge.

Jules Reed, from Froizin Fontenot's bridge to Reed's public road.

Clinton Tate, on new road from schoolhouse to Theophile Vidrine.

C. D. Quirk, from Ville Platte corporation to Dr. Jules Vidrine.

J. P. L. Fontenot from Dr. Jules Vidrine to Bayou Nez Pique bridge.

Ermile Veillon, from Johnson's Nez Pique bridge to Point Copale.

Onez Ardoin, from Point Copal to Ville Platte public road.

Azelien Fruge, from Point Grand Louis to join public road joining to John A Fruge.

Adolte S Fontenot, from Pointe-aux-Pins bridge to Point du Rale.

Ernest Soileau, from Ville Platte corporation to Point Manuel.

Thomas A Prud'homme, from Frilot's bridge to Dr Armand Lafleur's bridge.

Adoste B Fontenot, from Dr A Lafleur's bridge to Martin Pommier's northwest corner.

Remi Vidrine, from Ville Platte corporation to ward line in Tate's Cove.

Celestin M Fontenot, from Laurent Dossmann to Bayou Jos Marcelle bridge.

Martin Pommier, from northwest corner of his field to Gustave Faustin's bridge.

Adeole Fontenot, from northwest corner of Martin Pommier's field to join public road leading to Ville Platte.

Benefield Fontenot, from Ville Platte public road to Israel bridge, Bayou des Cannes.

Bartholomew Lafleur, from his northeast corner to Theodore Rozat.

Joseph A Prud'homme, from Frilot's bridge to join public road leading to Ville Platte.

Joseph Bordelon, from Mrs Louis Young to Oneil H Fontenot.

Dorville Lafleur, from Point Moron to Point Chataignier.

Christoval Smith, from Big Woods to join Chataignier road.

Simon P Fontenot, from Point Maron to Point Manuel bridge.

Alexandre Ardoin, from Gustave Faustin's bridge to ward line via J P Lafleur.

Ernest B Fontenot, from D Debaillon's bridge to Fraimon Fuselier.

Onezime Lafleur, from Fraimon Fuselier to Ville Platte corporation.

Jeff Fontenot, from Petit Passe to join Ville Platte public road at Fraimon Fuselier.

Theodule Ortego, from Ville Platte corporation to ward line at Lutz's tanyard.

Jean Darius Soileau, from Gustin Bellaire's bridge, Nez Pique, to Dr Jules Vidrine.

Jean Louis Chatman, from John Warner's to Anse Johnson's Nez Pique bridge.

Hebrard Reed, from Hypolite Hebert's new road to Joseph A McCauley.

On motion of Mr. Dupre, the following were appointed road overseers:

Lastie E Dupre, from Ville Platte road to west end of H Lastrapes.

A M Hollier, from Mrs Hinckley's south corner to Opelousas.

Ben Splanne, from Bellevue schoolhouse to south corner of Greenwood plantation.

Jos Aguillard, from Opelousas to Callahan bridge.

Cleophas Andrepont, from Frilot's bridge to Ville Platte road.

Jesse McGee, from Big Woods to Hypolite Young.

J B A Guillory from Bayou Teche to Baptist church.

Theodule Deville, from Hypolite Young to J B Comeau.

D Durio, from J B Comeau to Opelousas.

Jos Bertrand, from Debaillon's bridge to Garrigues' bridge.

Henry Comeau, from Ville Platte road to Washington.

H C Dutcher, from Washington road to end of said road.

Geouge Donato, from Joubert's bridge to Washington road.

Bernard Raye, from Fisher's to his lower line.

Albert Whaley, from Mrs Arnaud's lower line to Barre road.

Stonny Laws from Little Teche to Coulon bridge.

George Rider, from Moullie's bridge to King bridge.

Robert Kilshad, from Dejean's bridge to Martin Comeau's.

George Pitkins, from Martin Comeau's to Opelousas.

John Jennings, from A Valin's gin to N C Devilliers' bridge.

Terbonne Dupre, from Washington road to Powers' west corner.

U S Blacksher, from Powers' west line to Garrigue's bridge.

W A Lastrapes, from Wyble bridge to ward line.

T S Richard, from Mornhinveg's store to Wyble bridge.

J O Chachere, from Opelousas to King bridge.

J J Thompson, from Opelousas to his big gate.

Henry Comeau, from Comeau's gate to Bonnett's bridge.

Robt Wilkins, from Daly's south line to Callahan bridge.

Howard Saint, from Daly's to McDowell's south line, thence to Bourbeux bridge.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur, the sum of $25 was appropriated to furnish the assessor's office with stationery, stove, chairs, etc.

Dr. Clopton moved that the fiscal agency of the parish of St. Landry for the fiscal year commencing April 1, 1896, be let out to the lowest bidder, and the fiscal agent thus accepted obligating itself to settle the outstanding obligations held by the present fiscal agent to become due at end of fiscal year, March 31, 1896; and that the president of the police jury be authorized to advertise for bids and receive the same, subject to acceptance or rejection by this body. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Guidry, the following communication from Mr. E. M. Boagni, donating 25 feet of land for the use of a public road, was received and accepted and said road declared a public road:

Opelousas, La., January 14, 1896.

As the Hon. Adelma Guidry, member of the police jury for the second ward, has represented to me that a public road connecting the public road from Chretien Point to Albert Guidry and the public road from Ovide Guidry's to Sunset is much needed, and wishing to facilitate the traveling public in general and the people of the second ward especially, I agree to donate to the parish of St. Landry twenty-five feet of land, to be taken along the southern lieu of my St. Joseph plantation (old Jos. D. Guidry place), and to be used as a public road, on condition that the parish have my fence moved back so as to leave the said twenty-five feet outside; and on the condition that the said parish have the bridges built on the said road and maintain it in good condition for the safe and easy passage of the public. Their failure to comply with these conditions will annul this donation. Bridges to be built in ninety days from date.

E. M. BOAGNI.

Mr. R. Lafleur in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Guidry, the report of committee appointed to sell contract to build bridge over Bayou Bourbeux was received, committee discharged and Chas. Bourque ordered credited with $69, one-half each out of internal improvement funds 1st and 2d wards.

On motion of Dr. Clopton, the report of committee appointed to sell contract to dig and clean parish canal near Debaillon's bridge was received, committee discharged and E. F. Dupre ordered credited with $120, one-half each out of internal improvement funds 1st and 5th wards

On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur, Octave Delafosse was appointed road overseer from Tate's Cove and Ville Platte road near Launey to ward line at Attales Lavergne.

On motion of Mr. McGee, the following were appointed road overseers:

Homer Fruge, from Eunice corporation to Fedrick's bridge.

Valmont Fuselier, from Fedrick's bridge to Theophile Vidrine.

Olivier Deshotels, from Edward Dardeau to Fruge's bridge.

John H Pearce, from Eunice corporation to Fruge's bridge.

Edward Dejean, from Fruge's bridge to Pointe-aux-Tigres.

Ernest Langley, from Pointe-aux-Tigres to Nezpique bridge.

P M H McGee, from northwest corner of T W Young to main road to Michel Leger.

Alexandre Burnet, from parish line to Eunice corporation.

Ulger Fuselier, from Johnny Fruge's bridge to ward line, both roads.

Onezime Fuselier, from Coulee Tete-de-Vache to Johnny Fruge's bridge.

Lorenzo B Young, from T W Young's northwest corner to W M Rozas bridge.

Valmont P Duplechain, from T W Young to Johnny Fruge's bridge.

Theophile Rozas, Jr., from Theodore Rozas to W M Rozas' bridge.

Dorselin Guillory, from Coulee Tete-de-Vache to Terance Johnson.

S B Manuel, from Opelousas main road to B Lafleur.

Amas Bihm, from Dejean's bridge to Mallet bridge and to John Boudreau.

Charles Quinulty, from Terance Johnson to Mallet bridge.

Adolphe Lavergne, from Dejean's bridge to John Boudreau.

Joseph Olivier, from John Boudreau to Jean Pierre's bridge and to parish line.

Eraste Prud'homme, from Martin's pasture to Victorin Lemelle.

Alcest Thibodeau, from Martin's pasture to Boudreau's bridge.

Edmond Biagas, from Boudreau's bridge to ward line.

Arthur Pitre, from Bourdin's gin to Mallet woods.

On motion of Mr. Guidry, the sum of $100 is hereby appropriated out of internal improvement funds 2nd ward, to put a new flooring on Carencro bridge near Homer Durio; provided, the parish of Lafayette make a similar appropriation and Maurice Colon and Auguste Prejean are appointed a committee to sell contract to do said work.

On motion of Mr. Guidry, the sum of $60 is hereby appropriated out of internal improvement funds 2d ward, to build a bridge on gully near Linvalle Domengeaux and Evariste Savoie; V. C. Guidry and Arthur Caslet are appointed a committee to sell contract to build said bridge.

Mr. McGee in the chair.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur, $400 was appropriated out of contingent expense fund to pay the registrar for the last registration ending December 28, 1895.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur, be it resolved, that, whereas, on the 3rd day of December, 1895, it was ordained that the sum of $43,500 be assessed and levied as the amount of taxes to be collected for the service and expenses of the parish of St. Landry for the year 1896, which amount was appropriated as per Budget made that day. Now, therefore be it resolved, that to secure that amount a tax of 10 mills on the dollar be, and is hereby, levied on all property borne on the assessment roll of the parish, not including property on the assessment roll situated within the incorporated towns of Opelousas, Washington, Grand Coteau, Ville Platte, Arnaudville, Melville and Eunice, and, that on the property situated within those incorporated towns to defray their proportion of the criminal proceedings, there be levied, in accordance with Section 95 of Act of the General Assembly of Louisiana, regular session of 1878 and approved March 4th, 1878; a tax of 5 mills on the dollar.

On motion of Mr. Robert Lafleur, it is hereby ordained, that, there is hereby levied, an annual license tax for the year 1896, upon each person, association of persons or business firms and corporations, pursuing any trade profession, vocation, calling or business except those exempt from such license tax by Article 206 and 207 of the Constitution. The following license ordinance having been read section by section was unanimously adopted:

### AN ORDINANCE.

To levy, collect and enforce payment of an annual license tax upon all persons, associations of persons or business firms and corporations, pursuing any trade, profession, vocation, calling or business, except those who are expressly excepted from such license tax by Articles 206 and 207 of the Constitution.

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Landry, That there is hereby levied an annual license tax for the year A. D. 1896, upon each person, association of persons or business firms and corporations, pursuing any trade, profession, vocation, calling or business, except those expressly exempt from such license tax by Articles 206 and 207 of the Constitution.

SEC. 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That on the second day of March, A. D., 1896, the tax collector of the parish shall begin to collect and shall collect as fast as possible from each of the persons or business firms, associations of persons and corporations pursuing within the parish any trade, profession, vocation, calling or business, a license tax as hereinafter graduated.

All license shall be due and collectible from the second day of March, and all unpaid licenses shall become delinquent on the first day of March, and all firms who commence business after that date shall become delinquent unless the license is paid within ten days.

SEC. 3. Be it further ordained, etc., That the annual licenses for all kinds of business hereinafter named, except as afterward provided, shall be graduated.

MANUFACTURERS.

Paragraph 1. That for carrying on each business of manufacturing not expressly exempted by Articles 206 and 207 of the Constitution, the license shall be based on gross annual receipts of said business as follows, to-wit:

First-class—When the said receipts are two hundred thousand dollars or more, and under three hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be one hundred and forty dollars. $140.

Second class—When the said receipts are one hundred and fifty thousand dollars or more, and under two hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be one hundred and five dollars, $105.

Third class—When the said receipts are one hundred thousand dollars or more, and less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, the license shall be seventy dollars, $70.

Fourth class—When the said receipts are ninety-five thousand dollars or more, and less than one hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be sixty-five and one-half dollars, $65.50.

Fifth class—When the said receipts are ninety thousand dollars or more, and less than ninety-five thousand dollars, the license shall be sixty-three dollars, $63.

Sixth class—When the said receipts are seventy-five thousand dollars or more, and under ninety thousand dollars, the license shall be fifty-two and one-half dollars, $52.50.

Seventh class—When the said receipts are fifty thousand dollars or more, and less than seventy-five thousand dollars, the license shall be thirty-five dollars, $35.

Eighth class—When the said receipts are forty thousand dollars or more, and less than fifty thousand dollars, the license shall be twenty-eight dollars, $28.

Ninth class—When the said receipts are thirty thousand dollars or more, and less than forty thousand dollars, the license shall be twenty-one dollars, $21.

Tenth class—When the said receipts are twenty-five thousand dollars or more, and less than thirty thousand dollars, the license shall be nineteen and one-half dollars, $19.50.

Eleventh class—When the said receipts are less than twenty-five thousand dollars, the license shall be fifteen dollars, $15.

Provided, nothing herein shall be construed to apply to the business of grinding meal, ginning cotton or making sugar by any farmer or planter.

BANKING.

Paragraph 2. That of each business of carrying on a bank, banking company, association, corporation or agency, the license shall be based on the declared or nominal capital and surplus, whether said capital and surplus is owned, or in use, or on deposit, in the State or elsewhere, as follows, to-wit:

First class—When said declared or nominal capital and surplus is one hundred thousand dollars or more, and less than two hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be one hundred and fifty dollars, $150.

Second class—When said declared or nominal capital and surplus is fifty thousand dollars or more, and under one hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be seventy-five dollars, $75.

The declared or nominal capital and surplus as provided in this section, shall be ascertained and based upon the annual statement made in pursuance of existing laws to the State Treasurer.

For each business of carrying on a private banking house business or agency, there shall be one class only, and the license shall be based on the total declared capital invested in said business, whether said capital is owned or in use or deposit in this State or elsewhere, as follows:

First class—When said capital is one hundred and fifty thousand dollars or less, and under two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, the license shall be one hundred and fifty dollars, $150.

SEC. 4. Be it further ordained, etc., That for every wholesale mercantile business, whether as principal, agent or commission, by auction, representing foreign merchants or otherwise, the license shall be based on the gross annual amount of sales, as follows:

First class—When gross sales are two hundred and fifty and not more than five hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be one hundred dollars, $100.

Second class—When gross sales are two hundred and fifty thousand dollars or less, the license shall be fifty dollars, $50.

Provided, no person or persons shall be deemed wholesale dealers unless he or they sell by the original or unbroken package or barrel only and provided further, that no person or persons shall be deemed wholesale dealers unless he or they sell to dealers for resale. If they sell in less quantities than original and unbroken packages or barrels, they shall be considered retail dealers, and pay licenses as such. That for every business of selling at retail, whether as principal, agent on commission or otherwise, the license shall be based on the gross annual amount of sales, as follows:

First class—When gross sales are one hundred and fifty thousand dollars or more, and under two hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be one hundred and fifty dollars, $150.

Second class—When gross sales are one hundred thousand dollars or more, and under one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, the license shall be one hundred dollars, $100.

Third class—When gross sales are seventy-five thousand dollars or more, and under one hundred thousand dollars, the license shall be seventy-five dollars, $75.

Fourth class—When gross sales are fifty thousand dollars or more, and under seventy-five thousand dollars, the license shall be fifty dollars, $50.

Fifth class—When gross sales are forty thousand dollars, the license shall be forty dollars, $40.

Sixth class—When gross sales are thirty thousand dollars or more, and under forty thousand dollars, the license shall be thirty dollars, $30.

Seventh class—When gross sales are twenty-five thousand dollars or more, and under thirty thousand dollars, the license shall be twenty-five dollars, $25.

Eighth class—When gross sales are twenty thousand dollars or more, and less than twenty-five thousand dollars, the license shall be twenty dollars, $20.

Ninth class—When gross sales are fifteen thousand dollars or more, and less than twenty thousand dollars, the license shall be fifteen dollars, $15.

Tenth class—When gross sales are less than fifteen thousand dollars, and more than five thousand dollars, the license shall be ten dollars, $10.

Eleventh class—When gross sales are five thousand dollars or less, the license shall be five dollars, $5.

Provided, That if any distilled, vinous, malt or other kind of mixed liquors be sold in connection with the business of retail merchant, grocer, restaurant, oyster house, confectionery or druggist, in less quantities than five gallons, the license for such additional business shall be as hereinafter provided for in section eight of this ordinance; provided further, that no license shall issue to sell liquors in less quantities than five gallons for less than one hundred (100) dollars.

Section 5. Be it further ordained, etc., That each and every insurance company, society, association, corporation or other organization or firm, or individual doing and conducting an insurance business of any kind, life, fire, marine, river, accident or other in this parish, whether such company (society), association, corporation or other organization or firm, or individual is located or domiciled here or operating here, through a branch department, resident board, local office, firm, company, corporation, or agency of any kind whatsoever shall pay a separate and distinct license on said business for each company represented, and said license shall be based on the gross annual amount or premiums on all risks located within the parish, and upon risks located in this State, other States or foreign countries, upon which no license has been paid therein, as follows:

First class—When said premiums are ten thousand dollars, and less than twenty thousand dollars, the license shall be three hundred and fifty (350) dollars.

Second class—When said premiums are less than ten thousand dollars, the license shall be three hundred (300) dollars.

Provided, That no corporation not incorporated under the laws of the State, nor any foreign society, firm or partnership, shall do business in this parish, except through an agent duly authorized and accredited for the purpose of said business, and for all purposes connected with licenses and taxation and service of process, said agent to be appointed by authentic act, and a certified copy of the act to be deposited in the office of the Secretary of State. Any person or firm who shall fill up or sign a policy or certificate of insurance on open marine or fire insurance policy, or otherwise issue by a corporation or association, or persons, not located or represented in this parish by a legally authorized agent, shall be considered an agent of such corporation or person or association, and shall be liable for all licenses, taxes and penalties enforced by the provisions of this ordinance upon such person, corporation and association, as if represented by a legally appointed agent.

Provided, That nothing herein contained shall apply to mutual aid societies, which pay mutual insurance policies by assessments upon members, whether the same be or be not domiciled in the parish.

CARRY AND STORING.

SEC. 6. Be it further ordained, etc., That every omnibus or regular coach, or herdic business, and for every business of transporting money, merchandise or other articles, by express or transfer, or operating one or more tow boats or tug boats, or keeping a warehouse or storage room, the license shall be based on the gross annual receipts of said business, as follows:

First class—When gross annual receipts are twenty-five thousand dollars or more, and less than seventy-five thousand dollars, the license shall be forty dollars, $40.

Second class—When the receipts are less than twenty-five thousand dollars, the license shall be ten dollars, $10.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SEC. 7. Be it further ordained, etc., That for carrying on the business of cotton ginnery, the license shall be based on the number of bales ginned, provided that no license shall be imposed or collected on cotton gins ginning for hire not over four hundred (400) bales:

First class—When said number of bales are 450 and not more than 550, the license shall be ten dollars, $10.

Second class—When said number of bales are 550 and not more than 750, the license shall be twenty dollars, $20.

Third class—When the said number of bales are 750 or more, the license shall be twenty-five dollars, $25.

AMUSEMENTS.

That for every business of keeping a theatre, opera house, ampitheatre or academy of music, the license shall be as follows:

In towns having a population of five thousand or less, the license shall be ten dollars for each one thousand inhabitants, to be paid by the person, corporation, association or municipality owning or controlling for rent or hire, the building or buildings in which said exhibitions are held; that for any place where cancan, clodoche, or other similar female dancing or sensation performance or statuary exhibitions are shown, or any other fixed place for either theatrical, musical, minstrel, concert, dancing or variety performance, exhibitions, amusement or show, the license shall be five thousand dollars, in cities with a population of more than twenty-five thousand, and in cities and towns with less population the license shall be twenty-five hundred dollars, and nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as licensing or permitting any performance which is prohibited by other laws, ordinances, or police regulations. Provided, that nothing in this section shall apply to any respectable and legitimate place of business already paying a license under the provisions of this ordinance, where free concerts may be given for the entertainment of guests by regularly organized orchestra only; and provided further, that the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to private or public concerts given in duly licensed halls or at private houses. Provided, that no museum, menagerie, circus or other traveling show shall be permitted to make exhibitions, unless they have first paid a license, based on the number of attaches, whether proprietors, performers or employes, as follows:

First class—When the number of said persons is one hundred or more, the license shall be five hundred dollars, $500.

Second class—When the number of said persons is seventy-five or more and less than one hundred, the license shall be four hundred dollars, $400.

Third class—When the number of said persons is fifty or more, and less than seventy-five, the license shall be three hundred dollars, $300.

Fourth class—When the number of said persons is thirty or more, and less than fifty, the license shall be two hundred and fifty dollars, $250.

Fifth class—When the number of said persons is twenty or more, and less than thirty, the license shall be two hundred dollars, $200.

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