

FOUR ACES.

The Police Jurors Arbitrarily Jailed By Judge Dupre.

MEN DEVOTED TO DUTY.

We give to our readers the pictures, with a little sketch of each, of the four members of the police jury for whom the gloomy prison walls have no terrors, and whose courage and determination calls for the admiration of even their tormentors.

The pictures and sketches appeared in the Picayune of Tuesday last:



JUDGE E. H. MCGEE,

the president of the police jury, whose offense was recognizing the new members, is one of the old landmarks of the parish. He is 54 years old, and his life has indeed been an exemplary one. Able, honest and true, his counsels are always sought by the people of his section. He has been a notary public since 1882, and several times was justice of the peace of his ward. He was appointed a member of the police jury by Governor Foster in 1892, and upon the death of Mr. J. B. Bergeron, the president of the police jury, in 1893, was elected to that position. At the last election he ran for police juror, and was elected by an overwhelming majority, and an organization of that body was chosen as its president.



DR. JOSEPH P. SAIZAN,

the newly appointed member from this (the First) ward, is quite a young man, being but 28 years old. He is a native of this parish, and enjoys the confidence of the entire people to an extraordinary degree. He is the leading physician here, and during his confinement in the jail many people came there with their sick rather than employ another physician. He is a man of considerable means, owning large property interests throughout the parish.



OLIBE MANUEL,

who was appointed to represent the Eighth ward, is 50 years old, and was born and always resided in old St. Landry. He is the soul of honor, and full of that courage and determination that is characteristic of the noble Creole race. Mr. Manuel has never occupied any sort of an office before, notwithstanding that he has been the rec-

ognized leader of the Democracy in this section for many years. He has always declined office, and this time was appointed without his knowledge of the fact. He, too, is a large property holder.



ROBERT LAFLAUR,

who was appointed to represent the Fifth police jury ward, is now 36 years old. He is one of the wealthy farmer-merchants of the parish, and is one of the most prominent men of his section—Bayou Boeur. His poll, Whiteville, never fails to roll in an almost solid Democratic vote, and for this "Coon," as he is familiarly known, is largely responsible. He was a member of the police jury from 1892 until the last election, and proved one of the ablest members of that body.

PULVERIZED.

Judge G. L. Dupre and District Attorney Garland Knocked Cold By The Supreme Court.

THE POLICE JURORS SUSTAINED.

The St. Landry police puzzle, as the Daily States terms it, is at rest for a while at least—perhaps until November—and the new police jurors will in the meantime enjoy the exercise of their official duties without having their dreams disturbed by visions of gloomy prison walls, grim-visaged murderers, howling lunatics, and the countless other disturbing scenes of prison life.

They do not regret having taken the step that caused them to be ruthlessly incarcerated to mingle with felons and depraved and lost humans of this earth, for they have been vindicated—told that they were right—by the highest authority of the land, the venerable and honored Supreme Court. On the other hand their tormentors, the judge by whose decree they were deprived of their liberty for forty-eight hours, and the District Attorney at whose instance it was done, have been summoned by the Supreme Court, composed of unbiased and learned jurists, to answer to it for having repeatedly disobeyed its mandates and done that which they had no right under the law to do—imprisoning the four jurors in contradiction of Mr. Justice Breaux's writ of prohibition, and attempting to do so a second time in disregard of the same restraining writ and in addition a rule for contempt for having disobeyed the said writ.

Hence, instead of jurors Saizan, Manuel and Lafleur for taking their seats, and president McGee for recognizing them, being offenders in the eyes of the law, it is the District Judge and the District Attorney who have trampled under foot the laws of the State and the mandates of the superior court, and mark our word, they will be punished for it.

The story of the appointment of Messrs. J. P. Saizan, Robert Lafleur and Olibe Manuel by the Governor as additional police jurors for St. Landry parish; their confirmation by the State Senate; the injunction issued by Judge Dupre upon the petition of District Attorney Garland against the new members acting as jurors; the restraining and prohibitory writ of Mr. Justice Breaux inhibiting the judge and district attorney from proceeding any further with the injunction; the jurors and the president, relying upon that writ, assuming the duties of their office; Judge Dupre disregarding the writ of the Supreme Court and putting the four jurors in jail for 48 hours for contempt; the judge and district attorney being summoned before the Supreme for contempt for having disobeyed the writ of prohibition; is familiar to our

readers and need not be told again. We will deal with the latest phase; the phase that has forced the judge and district attorney to the conclusion that they had bucked against something having very much the same tactics as the buzz-saw, and which has brought down upon their heads the condemnation of the people and press of the State—even unto the staid old Picayune.

For having taken their seats on Monday, the 13th—the first meeting of the police jury after their release from prison—a second rule for contempt was served on president McGee and jurors Saizan, Lafleur and Manuel, and the trial for same fixed for Saturday, the 18th, at 10 o'clock. On Thursday Hon. E. B. Dubuisson, of counsel for the defendants, left for New Orleans and applied for a supplemental writ prohibiting the district judge from trying the rule for contempt fixed for Saturday. The Supreme Court met in chambers on Friday morning with Justices Breaux, McEnery and Miller present, and after examining the relators' petition directed the following order to Judge Dupre:

"Now, therefore, you are hereby prohibited in the name of the State of Louisiana and of this honorable court, from entertaining the rule to punish the relators for contempt, fixed for Saturday, the 18th day of July, A. D. 1896, in the above entitled and numbered case, which rule is deemed by this court an infringement of its orders heretofore issued, and is accordingly set aside. And you are further ordered to show cause on a day hereafter to be fixed why you should not be punished for the repeated disobediences of the orders of this court."

The order did not reach here in time for the trial Saturday, and when court convened Thos. H. Lewis, Esq., of counsel, asked the court to wait until the noon train arrived, upon which he expected the order. The request was granted, and a recess was taken until 12:30. The order came by express, and was at once served upon the judge. When court convened at 12:30 Judge Dupre announced from the bench that "as the Supreme Court seemed to desire that he proceed no further with the case," he discharged the defendants "until notice."

We may remark, from the language of the order, that the Supreme "seemed to desire" it very much. It is said that both the judge and district attorney had openly boasted on the streets that this time the defendants would get the full limit of the law—10 days imprisonment and \$50 fine. They are on a fair road to getting such a dose themselves now.

The new jurors went right back into the police jury room, and everything in that body has been working smoothly and harmoniously ever since.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS. Elegant and Cheap. AT Mason McBride's. Come and see them.

RALLY WHITE SUPREMACISTS.

A meeting of the White Supremacy Leagues of St. Landry parish is hereby called to take place at Joseph Bordelon's place, in Ville Platte prairie, on Sunday, July 26th, 1896. All adherents of the cause are urgently requested to attend. G. W. MARTIN.

Police Jury Proceedings.

OPELOUSAS, LA., July 6, 1896. The police jury met at 5 o'clock p. m., pursuant to adjournment. Present: Mr. E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Ozebe, Duval, Diemel, Durio, J. A. Chachere, Adelmia Guidry, E. T. Lafleur, Jules Quebedeau and Robt. Burleigh. Dr. Joseph P. Saizan presented his credentials as a member of the 1st ward, and was seated. Mr. Robert Lafleur presented his credentials as a member of the 5th ward, and was seated. Mr. Olibe Manuel presented his credentials as a member of the 8th ward, and was seated. On motion of Mr. Burleigh—The police jury adjourned till half past nine o'clock to-morrow. July 7th, 1896. The police jury met at 9:30 a. m. Present: Mr. E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Fontenot, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Chachere, Durio, Saizan, Manuel, E. T. Lafleur, R. Lafleur. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—That Mr. Raymond Breaux be elected as Parish Printer for one year, in accordance with Act 138 of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana, approved July 12, 1894. Motion carried. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The police jury went into session as a Board of Reviewers. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—That the chair appoint a committee of three to wait upon the assessor for the purpose of learning whether his books are ready for revision of assessment. Motion carried. The chair appointed Messrs. R. Lafleur, Robert Burleigh and Diemel Durio. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The police jury adjourned until the

committee appointed to wait upon the assessor is prepared to report. EVENING SESSION. The police jury met at 8:30 p. m. Present: Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio and Guidry. Mr. Durio came forward and stated that he was prepared to report in behalf of the committee appointed to wait upon the assessor. Whereupon roll was called, and no quorum being present, the police jury adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m. July 8. The police jury met at 10 o'clock a. m. Present: Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Chachere, Durio and Guidry. Upon roll call there being no quorum present, the police jury adjourned till 2:30 p. m. EVENING SESSION. The police jury met at 2:30 o'clock p. m. Present: Wm. M. Prescott, James O. Chachere, Adelmia Guidry and Ozebe Fontenot. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The police jury adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m. July 9. The police jury met at 10 a. m. Present: Wm. M. Prescott, James O. Chachere, Adelmia Guidry, Ozebe Fontenot and D. Durio. Upon roll call no quorum being present, the police jury adjourned till to-morrow at 12:30 p. m. June 10. The police jury met at 12:30 p. m. Present: Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Chachere and Guidry. Upon roll call no quorum being present, the police jury adjourned until next Monday, July 13th, at 12:30 p. m. July 13. The police jury met at 12:30 o'clock p. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Chachere, Guidry, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh and Haas. On motion of Mr. Chachere—That the names of the newly appointed members of this body be stricken from the roll. On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—The yeas and nays were called for. Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Chachere, Guidry, and Haas voting yes. Messrs. McGee, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau and Burleigh voting no. Motion carried. On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—That the police jury go into session as a Board of Reviewers. On motion of Mr. Durio—That the motion of Mr. Lafleur be tabled. Messrs. McGee, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau and Burleigh voting no. Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Chachere, Guidry, Haas and Prescott voting yes. On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—The police jury took a recess until 2:30 p. m. EVENING SESSION. The police jury met at 2:30 o'clock p. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Chachere, Guidry, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Saizan, Robert Lafleur, Manuel, R. Lafleur. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—That the police jury go into session as a Board of Reviewers. Motion carried. On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—The board of reviewers adjourned until to-morrow at 9:30 a. m. July 14. The board of reviewers met at 9:30 a. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Chachere, Guidry, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Saizan, Robert Lafleur, Manuel, R. Lafleur. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—That the board of reviewers adjourn until 2:30 p. m. EVENING SESSION. The board of reviewers met at 2:30 p. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Chachere, Guidry, Haas, Saizan, Manuel, R. Lafleur, Manuel. On motion of Mr. Guidry—Resolved, that the salaries of justices of the peace and constables for the year 1896, and their term of office, be and the same is hereby fixed for each ward respectively as fixed heretofore by the vote of the general election of 1892. Mr. E. Lafleur called for the yeas and nays. Messrs. McGee, Prescott, Durio, Chachere, Guidry, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Haas, Saizan, Manuel, R. Lafleur, voting yes. Mr. Fontenot voting no. Mr. Guidry's motion was carried. On motion of Mr. Manuel—L. O. Bourgeois was appointed commissioner for the sale of unbranded stock, 8th ward, Plaquemine Point. On motion of Mr. Manuel—Ben Courville was appointed commissioner for the sale of unbranded stock, 8th ward, Plaquemine Point. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—A committee of two was appointed to examine statements of fiscal agent (Washington State Bank). The committee appointed Messrs. E. T. Lafleur and Haas. The committee appointed to examine statements of the Washington State Bank, fiscal agent, report same correct, and recommend that warrants be drawn in favor of Washington State Bank, fiscal agent, as follows: One for \$48.54 against contingent 1895 funds, covering salary of fiscal agent 1895 business, June 8, 1896 to July 6, 1896. One for \$89.68 against contingent 1896 funds, covering salary of fiscal agent, 1896 business, June 8, 1896, to July 6, 1896. SAML HAAS, E. T. LAFLAUR, Committee. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The report of the committee was received and accepted and committee discharged. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—That the salary of the sheriff for keeping and feeding prisoners remain as heretofore. Motion carried unanimously. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—Resolved, that all resolutions heretofore adopted whereby the District Attorney and Coroner received salaries from the parish for services rendered in lieu of fees as fixed by existing laws, be and the same are hereby repealed; this resolution to take effect from and after its passage. Mr. Guidry moved to amend by striking out the District Attorney in the above. Mr. T. Lafleur moved to table Mr. Guidry's motion. Mr. E. T. Lafleur called for the yeas and nays: Yeas, Fontenot, Prescott, Lafleur, R. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Saizan, Manuel, Lafleur, E. T.—8. Motion to table carried. The resolution offered by Mr. R. Lafleur was carried. On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—The police jury went into session as a board of reviewers. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The board of reviewers adjourned till 9 o'clock a. m. to-morrow. July 16. The board of reviewers met at nine o'clock a. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Fontenot, Chachere, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Haas, Saizan, Manuel, Lafleur, R. Lafleur, Prescott, Manuel. On motion of Dr. Saizan—The board of reviewers went into session of the police jury. On motion of Mr. Chachere—The road upon which Philebert Hidalgo is now road overseer be extended to southeast corner of Cottingham's prairie field. On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—Widow Joachim Guillory was placed upon the indigent list, 7th ward. By request Capt. Haas offered the following resolution: That the sum of one hundred and forty-seven dollars, be and

oversee from Poll gully to Randolph's bridge on road to Loyd.

On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—A. H. Phillips was appointed road overseer from Bayou Petit Pass to Ville Platte public road, joining Aristide Buller.

On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—Sidney Lafleur was appointed commissioner of unbranded stock of the 7th ward, Ville Platte prairie.

On motion of Mr. Burleigh—B. S. Haw was appointed commissioner to sell unbranded stock in the 4th ward. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Haas—The following commissioners were appointed for the sale of unbranded stock: Wm. Johnson, Jas. Russell, A. M. Godwin, Evariste L. Fontenot, A. D. Ardoin, Frank Wharton, Leonard Johnson, Frank Hebert and Frank Pendergrass, 6th ward.

On motion of Mr. Manuel—Gustave Moreau was appointed commissioner for the sale of unbranded stock for the 8th ward, in Mallet.

On motion of Mr. Durio—Albert Fontenot was appointed road overseer from Dehailon's bridge to Gagne's bridge in place of Joseph Bertrand.

On motion of Mr. Quebedeau—Louis D. Stelly was appointed road overseer from the Telesmar Richard to the upper line of Arnaudville corporation lands, west of Bayou Teche, in place of Geutrenne DeKerlegand, resigned.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—That the president be authorized to procure four chairs for the police jury room; also coat and hat racks for same. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Chachere—A. P. Higgins was appointed road overseer from Judge W. C. Perrault's place to Willie Colas'. Also Samuel Brown from John Higley to Laquemine prairie. Also Fred Hallier, from northeast corner of Pindell's place to Kennison bridge, on Bayou Plaquemine.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—That Capt. J. J. Thompson, our treasurer, be elected sergeant-at-arms of this house, at no salary. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Chachere—The name of Emery Wilson was placed on the indigent list, 1st ward. On motion of Mr. Chachere—The name of Sally Peter Morris was placed on the indigent list, 1st ward.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—Resolved, that the resolution offered by Mr. Chachere on July 13, 1896, raising the names of Messrs. J. P. Saizan, Robert Lafleur and Olibe Lafleur from the roll, be and the same is hereby rescinded. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The police jury went into session as a board of reviewers. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The board of reviewers adjourned until 2:30 p. m. EVENING SESSION. The board of reviewers met at 2:30 o'clock p. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Chachere, Guidry, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Haas, Saizan, Manuel and R. Lafleur.

On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—The board of reviewers went into session of police jury. Mr. R. Lafleur—Moved that the minutes be read and adopted hereafter before the adjournment of each meeting. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Durio—The report of Mr. R. M. Minstead, the chairman of committee to build bridge over Plaquemine, known as Malveux bridge, reported contract has been let out to B. F. Anderson, for the sum of \$7600, the bridge being built according to contract and received by him, and the other two of committee refused to act, and the committee recommended that the bridge be built with the amount, out of internal improvement funds, list ward.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The report of Mr. R. M. Minstead, chairman, was accepted and Mr. B. F. Anderson was ordered credited with \$7000 out of internal improvement funds, first ward. The following resolution was offered by Mr. Haas: This body is now entering upon a new administration, and whereas there has been transferred to it and its officers, the books, papers, monies and all the affairs of its predecessor, and whereas, it is the desire of the members of this body to be fully posted as to the financial condition of the parish and of its resources, in order to enable them to intelligently legislate for the good of the entire parish and its people; therefore, be it resolved: 1st. That a commission of two expert accountants be appointed, whose duty shall be to examine all the books, papers, vouchers, tax rolls and every other document relating to parish affairs, whether in the hands of the clerk of the police jury, parish treasurer, assessor or tax collector and report in writing as soon as their labors are finished, or whenever called upon by the police jury through its president.

2d. That one of these experts be appointed by the president of this body, and the other by the sheriff of the parish. 3d. That the clerk of the police jury shall act as clerk of the experts and attend all their sessions and keep a record of their proceedings. In case of the inability of the clerk to do so, the president shall appoint some other competent man to act in his place, and pay him for his services at the rate of \$3 per day. 4th. That said experts receive as a compensation for their services \$5 per day, for the time they are employed, on the parish treasury, stating the number of days and the dates for which said warrants are drawn. Said warrants must be certified to by the clerk of the police jury as correct, or by the clerk acting in his stead, and when so certified shall be paid by the parish treasurer out of the contingent fund or out of any other fund of the parish, as may be appropriated. The salary of the acting clerk shall be paid in the same manner as that of the clerk. In case of the experts shall certify to the correctness of his warrant.

Mr. R. Lafleur—Offered an amendment to Mr. Haas' resolution, as follows: That two experts be added to the committee previously appointed to do said work, and that they be paid \$3.00 per day and mileage, instead of \$5.00; said report to be made at next regular meeting, and the sum of said amount for said work shall not exceed \$200. Resolution adopted as amended.

On motion of Dr. Saizan—And duly seconded, the following ordinance was adopted: An ordinance to regulate public ferry across Bayou Courtois at Port Barre. Section 1. Be it ordained by the Police Jury, Parish of St. Landry, that the ferry boat kept at said crossing shall be required to cross the bayou during the day time only at intervals of 20 minutes. Section 2. Be it ordained, That section one shall not apply to clergymen or physicians crossing on professional duty. Nor shall said section apply to Sundays, from 6 o'clock in the morning to 12 m. E. H. MCGEE, President. Police Jury, St. Landry Parish.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The minutes of meeting were read. On motion of Mr. Burleigh—The minutes were adopted as read. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The police jury adjourned until next Tuesday, July 21st, at 12:30 o'clock p. m. J. J. HEALEY, Clerk.

is hereby appropriated out of the contingent funds of the parish for the relief of Henry Bloch, to reimburse him the sum which he paid as bondman of Adolphe Jackson, who is now incarcerated in the jail, having been arrested through the efforts of the officers of said Bloch, and that said sum be placed to the credit of said Henry Bloch. Moved by Mr. R. Lafleur—That the resolution be tabled until next regular meeting to inquire more fully into the matter. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The police jury adjourned until 2:30 p. m. EVENING SESSION. The police jury met at 2:30 o'clock p. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Chachere, Guidry, Saizan, Manuel, R. Lafleur, Guidry, E. T. Lafleur and Sam Haas.

On motion of Dr. Saizan—The report of committee appointed to sell contract for building bridge over bayou Marie Croquant, was received and accepted and committee discharged and Jos. Carriere ordered credited with \$3500 out of internal improvement funds list ward.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—Resolved, that a committee of three, be appointed to wait upon the ex-treasurer, Mr. Robert Chachere, and request him to file his final statement of monies received and disbursed. The chair appointed Messrs. R. Lafleur, Burleigh and Durio, and to report at next regular meeting.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The report of committee appointed to ascertain probable cost of repairing clerk's office and police jury room, were granted further time to report on same as said committee having failed to report probable cost of doing said work at this meeting.

On motion of Mr. Burleigh—The police jury went into a board of reviewers. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The board of reviewers adjourned until to-morrow at 9:30 o'clock a. m. July 17. The board of reviewers met at 9:30 o'clock a. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Haas, Saizan, Manuel, R. Lafleur and Chachere.

Moved by Mr. E. T. Lafleur—That the assessment of Judge Perrault be reduced to \$1000. Motion carried. Moved by Mr. R. Lafleur—To reconsider the motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur's and to place the assessment of Judge W. C. Perrault at \$1200. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The board of reviewers adjourned until 2:30 o'clock p. m. EVENING SESSION. The board of reviewers met at 2:30 p. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Haas, Saizan, Manuel and R. Lafleur.

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On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The following communication was ordered spread upon the minutes: OPELOUSAS, July 21, 1896. To the Honorable President and Members of the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Landry, La.:

In pursuance of my election by your Honorable Body at its session of July 7, 1896, as Parish Printer of the parish of St. Landry, I hereby designate the St. Landry Clarion, a weekly newspaper published by E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Haas, Saizan, Manuel, R. Lafleur and Sam Haas, and of which I am editor and business manager, as the Official Journal of St. Landry parish; said newspaper having been in existence over twelve months, as required by Act 123 of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana, approved July 12, 1894. Very truly your obedient servant, E. T. LAFLAUR, BUREAU.

On motion of Mr. Durio—That the motion appointing Albert Fontenot instead of Jos. Bertrand as road overseer be reconsidered. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—The police jury adjourned until 2:30 o'clock p. m. EVENING SESSION. The police jury met at 2:30 o'clock p. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Guidry, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Haas, Saizan, Manuel, R. Lafleur and Chachere.

On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—The police jury went into session as a board of reviewers. On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—The board of reviewers adjourned until to-morrow at 9:30 o'clock a. m. July 22. The board of reviewers met at 9:30 o'clock a. m. Present: E. H. McGee, president; Messrs. Prescott, Fontenot, Durio, Chachere, Guidry, E. T. Lafleur, Quebedeau, Burleigh, Haas, Saizan, Manuel, R. Lafleur, Saizan.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The board of reviewers went into session as a police jury. The following resolution was offered and adopted: Whereas, this body has been informed that there are two colored women incarcerated in the parish jail against whom there are no charge save that they are insane, and that of September, to permit them to remain unconfined; and a white woman against whom there is no charge, but who is deaf and dumb and destitute of friends; and Whereas, justice and humanity should receive better care and attention than the common jail affords. Therefore, be it resolved, that the attention of the District Judge and sheriff be called to this matter in order that the care of these unfortunates may be officially investigated, and that they may be either sent to the proper asylums, or in the event that the facts justify it, discharged.

On motion of Mr. Haas—Be it resolved, That all road overseers throughout the parish will at once proceed to have their respective roads worked and placed in as good order as they possibly can under the existing road law, by the 1st day of September, 1896, otherwise laying themselves liable to be presented before the Grand Jury, which convenes on or about that time, for neglect of duty on 1st of m. On motion of Mr. Manuel—Damon Fusilier was appointed commissioner of unbranded stock, 8th ward, Ville Courville, resigned.

On motion of Mr. Haas—Clarisa Fontenot was placed on the indigent list. On motion of Mr. E. T. Lafleur—Pazie Jacot Fontenot was placed on the indigent list. On motion of Mr. Prescott—Henry Joubert was appointed road overseer from Opelousas and Ville Platte roads, beginning at W. Evans to Henry Joubert's.

On motion of Mr. Prescott—Jas. F. Henry was appointed road overseer, vice Harvey T. Smith, resigned, from Washington and Opelousas roads, beginning at Lastrapes to the Opelousas and Ville Platte roads. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The minutes were adopted as read. On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—The police jury adjourned until 2:30 o'clock p. m. E. H. MCGEE, President. J. J. HEALEY, Clerk.

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