THE CLARION.

OPELOUSAS, MAY 15, 1897.

Only Exclusive Job Office in Southwest La.

A St. Landry Magistrate

Should buy only blanks that are made to suit his locality. They are more convenient and cheaper than the general forms offered for sale. I have a large stock of blanks—the kind you want; also Notarial Blanks. Orders by mail sent postpaid.

Bodemuller, the Printer,

OPELOUSAS, LA.

—A second-hand soda-water fountain for sale at Mason's Drugstore.

—Doctor, read the N. O. Medical and Surgical Journal. $2.00 per annum.

—DIED.—At her residence, near Opelousas, on Monday, May 10th, 1897, Mrs. Isaure Boudreaux, beloved wife of Edmond Deville.

—The police jury proceedings encroach on our news columns this week. But "it's got to be did," and our readers will have to indulge us.

—B. F. Perley, the veteran ginwright, is working his way to St. Landry. If you have any work in his line it will pay you to wait for him a few days.

—The irrepresible Quirk McCaffery was here Monday with his jeans full of Washington 16 to 1s to bet on the result of the next baseball game between Washington and Opelousas.

Finlay's Immediate Relief,
a sure cure for headache.
Dick's Mul-En-Ol,
cuts, bruises, sprains, etc.
Dicks' Chillifuge,
dead shot for chills, fevers, etc.
—at Mason's Drugstore.

—Robert Chachere, of the firm of Chachere & Evans, left Sunday on a business trip to New York and other eastern markets. He goes to make purchases for the firm, and when he returns he will bring with him bargains that will make your back teeth rattle.

—Children and mischievous persons had better look sharp how they post up skull and cross-bones and hieglyphics calculated to frighten that great and free American suffragan, Sambo. They must bear in mind that it is not everybody's nervous system that can stand the shock.

—The inclement weather on Wednesday prevented the Woman's Reform League meeting which will be held on Monday, 17th, unless the weather again interferes, in which case it will be held on the following day, Tuesday, 18th, at 5 p. m. A full attendance requested.

S. T. CRAWFORD, Sec.

Eunice Election.

The municipal election in Eunice took place last Monday. There was but one ticket in the field, and the day passed without a friction. The following gentlemen will have charge of the affairs of Eunice for the next two years: Mayor, W. E. Jelks; Councilmen, Gus. Fusilier, Dr. H. S. Joseph, J. T. S. Dezeauche, Theodore Savoie and C. B. Sommerville.

Too Much Rain.

Last Saturday this parish was visited by a severe rain and hail storm, the former deluging the country and washing away bridges and the latter ruining the young cotton and corn in some sections, notably between here and Washington. A picnic party, composed of Miss Maude DuRoy's school children, was water-bound at Woodsworth Springs, and could not come home until a late hour that night. While the bridges were being fixed the party was kindly entertained by Mr. Launay, who lives near the springs, and to say that Miss DuRoy and the little tots and their parents are grateful is putting it mildly.

We have had several rains since, and there is too much water for the crops.

Shooting On Bayou Bœuf.

Sam Carter, colored, was brought to jail here Monday, charged with having shot and severely wounded another negro, a stranger in the community, on the Payne Plantation, on Bayou Bœuf, Sunday night. Carter is badly bruised and cut himself.

Carter's version of the affair is that he, in company with his wife, was returning from a frolic when they were accosted by this negro. A difficulty ensued, during which both pulled their guns and opened fire on each other. The stranger then clinched Carter, threw him down, and proceeded to carve him with a knife. When the battle was over, it was found that the stranger was shot through the forehead, and Carter stabbed in several places. The stranger is badly hurt, and will probably die.

High Water.

Two breaks occurred at the Burton mills, in Baton Rouge, during the week, and Catfish Town, a suburb of Baton Rouge, is under water.

St. Landry, so far, is in no imminent danger, as will appear from the following Opelousas special to the Times-Democrat, dated the 12th:

"Engineer Leonce E. Littell has just arrived in Opelousas from Bayou des Glaizes and brings cheering news, at least for the time being. The apprehension of the people in this section concerning the breaks on Bayou des Glaizes, he says, was entirely unwarranted, as little arable lands were effected thereby. The breaks (five in number) occurred on what is known as the ten-mile stretch between Hamburg and Bayou Dan, where the Bayou des Glaizes forms an elbow, and the water therefrom will flow into the swamps of Bayous Jack and Choupique. The vast swamps, Mr. Littell thinks, can hold all the water that will issue from the crevasses during several day. As the flow is only 3½ feet deep, Engineers Kerr and Sylvester, who are on the scene, have decided not to close the breaks, except one, which was closed the same day, until they can ascertain the extent of damage, if any, can result therefrom, and they further argue that if the water from the Biggs crevasse has already returned the water in the Bayou des Glaizes will be at a stand in a few days, and the work of closing will be greatly facilitated and be of some use. They are satisfied that the breaks cannot harm in a few days. On the other hand, if the Biggs water is yet to come, they think, it would be a useless expenditure of money and material to close the breaks, as the ten-mile stretch levee is too new and soft to withstand an additional rise of 1½ foot, which is predicted by some engineers the return of the Biggs water will cause. Instead they will concentrate their labor on the big levees between Hamburg and Simsport and between Bayou Dan and the highlands on the Des Glaizes. In these last named levees and in the Atchafalaya levees from Simsport to Melville lies the danger to the parishes of Avoyelles and St. Landry. These levees, unlike the Ten-Mile levee, are strong and firm, and it is believed can be held. The pressure is all on them, and not on the Ten-Mile levee. The water from Red river, Old river and Atchafalaya river comes through a low and swampy country and flows into the Des Glaizes at the point protected by the big or old levees. This swamp is now a vast sea of water 13 feet deep from Bayou des Glaizes to the Red river.

"Mr. Littell told The Times-Democrat correspondent that the people over there were not as much alarmed as he found the people of Opelousas to be, and are not in the least disheartened. They are working day and night and putting in effective work. They are determined that if the country does flood they will have no cause to reproach themselves ~~that they~~ did not work hard enough to avert it. Negro hands are being dispatched to the scene from every point, and until Saturday arrives the negroes work well, but on the rising of the sun Saturday morning Sambo wants to go home and shoot craps. Mr. Littell says that while there is danger he does not consider it imminent, and if the people will just keep up the gallant fight with the same vim and energy as in the past all will be well, unless the water from the Biggs crevasse comes in unexpected proportions and before the present water has sufficiently receded to admit it. Some of the engineers are inclined to the belief that the Biggs crevasse water has already passed. The negroes from the surrounding country come to the crevasses and watch and kill the fish as they pass."

Ice-cold Soda-Water at Mason's Drugstore.

Catholic Mission.

Rev. Father O'Connor, of New Orleans, and Rev. Father Leautier, of Grand Coteau, Jesuit missionaries of the Roman Catholic church, commenced a mission here Sunday, which will continue two weeks. Immense congregations greet them every night, Tuesday night fully 800 people being present. And well do they deserve a cordial reception. It has never been our pleasure to listen to more scholarly, eloquent, dignified, refined sermons. It is a pleasing contrast to the vulgar harangues of Sam Jones, and Morrell, and Montgomery, and other sensational so-called disseminators of the teachings of God who go around the country and, shielded by the sacred mantle of religion, spit out calumnies and insults at the community and its people. Messrs. O'Connor and Leautier appeal to the reason with irresistible arguments, and not by word-painting lurid pictures of hell with its crackling and snapping and darting tongues of flame laping the very eye-balls of the quaking transgressor preparatory to bathing him in the bottomless, foaming sea of fire and brimstone. They respect the feelings of members of other denominations, and nothing is said to offend anyone. It is truly a pleasure to hear them.

Four sermons are delivered every day, as follows: In French, at 6 a. m., 9 a. m. and 3 p. m.; in English, at 7:30 p. m.

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Timely Suggestions.

The following report, approved by the President of the School Board, outlines the policy which is likely to be followed by the local school authorities in the supervision and management of our High School, and should therefore prove of interest to our readers. We regret that we were not aware of its existence before, as it was made a few months ago, and its suggestions strike us as eminently wise and proper:

"To A. L. Fontenot, Esq.,
President School Board.

Sir.—In accordance with your request we, the undersigned Trustees, visited the High School to-day to investigate the case, reported to you, of the whipping of ——, one of the pupils in that institution.

"After a careful and impartial investigation, we are unanimously of opinion that the chastisement inflicted was proper and necessary for the maintenance of at least a semblance of discipline. The chastisement was not severe and the pupil was noisy and disobedient.

"We would add, in this connection, that a considerable number of the children in the room where we found Mr. —— this morning were both noisy and disobedient during our presence in the building, and we are of opinion that the enforcement of stricted discipline is imperative there if the best results are to be hoped for. The same remark may be made as to the school in its entirety, i. e., that a stricter enforcement of the ordinary rules of decorum in nearly every department that came under our observation would redound to the benefit of the institution.

"We would recommend that severe penalties for disobedience and other flagrant misdemeanors should be imposed, such as hard tasks, imprisonment, etc., before resorting to the rod, and that if these prove unavailing, harsher measures, even including expulsion, *must* be employed in order to maintain proper discipline—a thing which we consider of supreme and overshadowing importance in an institution of this kind.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. SANDOZ,
C. B. ANDRUS,
GEO. PULFORD,
Trustees School No. 1.

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Trip On The Courtableau.

A party from Opelousas composed of the following ladies and gentlemen left Washington last Sunday on the steam launch "Pride of Dixie" for a trip up the Courtableau to view the many sights that it affords at this stage of high water: Mesdames A. Lacombe and Wm. Roder; Misses Blanche, Helen and Lucille Lacombe, Marguerite Zoder and Sallie Powers; Messrs. Wm. Zoder, Arthur Dejean, Adolphe Jacobs, Fritz Dietlein, R. Lee Garland and Preston King.

The party boarded the launch at 11 o'clock a. m. and steamed up the swollen stream. Strange sights soon began to loom in view; families living on rafts with horned cattle, swine and horses moving hither and thither with native abandon as if there was no such thing as terre firma; "luxuriant gardens literally growing on the logs," as one of the party expressed it. As the brave little launch steamed on Indian mounds raised far above the land level were the only visible earthen things, and we learn that one of the party, our sentimental district attorney, became so overwhelmed with emotion at the sight of those neglected and forgotten sepulchres of America's aborigines lifting their heads above the engulfing flood that he cut adrift the life boat, rowed to a mound, and there, in imminent danger of being carried away by the waves that ever and anon laped his feet, delivered an eloquent eulogy on the noble red man.

The party continued their journey until within five miles of the Atchafalaya, where they found sufficient ground to dine upon.

The return trip was made in the cool of the evening, and the party arrived at Washington at 9 o'clock, much pleased with the sights and the trip.

ICE-CREAM EVERY DAY AT MASON'S DRUGSTORE.

Wreck On the S. P.

Last Sunday's west-bound local freight train met with a serious wreck between this place and Sunset, at 8:55 at night, ditching the caboose and two box cars and tearing up the rails for about fifty feet. The only one injured was Wm. Parrott, who was in the caboose when the wreck occurred. He was injured about the back and chest, and had one rib broken. While painful and dangerous, the injuries are not thought to be fatal.

The train was in charge of Conductor Wm. Kelly, Engineer Tom Coleman, Fireman Henry Yankerdorff, and Brakemen H. Jagou, J. B. Coffey and Wm. Parrott.

"Bill" Parrott is well-known in Opelousas, where he has many friends who are grieved to learn of his mishap. He married Miss Cora Stagg, of Whiteville.

Police Jury Proceedings.

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P. T. Blackshear, nails, 1 ward	1 50
T. McC. Hyman, State vs. Leonadas Prewitt	10 00
Gibbens & Nicholson, lumber, 5th ward	59 56
N. D. Stephenson, conveying ballot boxes	4 00
S. Haas, 6 spades, 6 ward	7 50
P. R. Hinson, plow broken on road, 6 ward	3 00
Gibbens & Nicholson, lumber, 4th ward	42 72
Gibbens & Nicholson, lumber, 1st ward	13 92
Sam Haas, lumber, 6 ward	10 00
Fremont Ardoin, spade broken on road, 8 ward	90
T. McC. Hyman, State vs. Armille Veillon	4 60
Leon Pitre, spikes, 8 ward	90
H. H. Deshotels, feeding prisoners from February 27, 1897 to April 26, 1897	314 65
H. H. Deshotels, committing prisoners from March 1, 1897 to April 28, 1897	47 00
H. H. Deshotels, conveying prisoners from March 2, 1897 to April 30, 1897 inclusive	253 82
H. H. Deshotels, 1 pair blood hounds and express on same	72 70
O. D. Fontenot, lumber, 5 ward	4 32
" " " , 5 ward	10 82
V. H. Sibille, lumber, 2 ward	4 08
J. O. Chachere, expenses to State Agricultural Convention	18 00
Wm. Clark, lumber deliver'd, 6 wd	5 00
" " " " 6 wd	4 76
" " " " 6 wd	8 36
S. B. Manuel, conveying ballot boxes per receipts attached	6 00
J. Lassalle, sundries for jail	8 60
" " , " for court house	1 45
" " , " " " "	15 90
" " , spikes, &c., 1 ward	2 98
" " , spades, spikes, nails, &c., 1 ward	10 12
J. Lassalle, spikes, 8 ward	53
" " , sundries, per S. F. R. R.	85
" " , " " " "	4 80
" " , spades and shovels, 8 ward	9 00
J. Lassalle, stone jar and cover, court house	1 15
C. Dietlein, spades and shovels, 1 ward	18 75
O. H. Breaux, repairing bridge and furnishing lumber, etc	15 87
A. C. Skiles, lumber, 8 ward	52 70
" " " 1 ward	17 21
" " " 1 ward	3 18
" " " 1 ward	21 48
St. Landry Clarion, 5000 blank licenses	30 00
St. Landry Clarion, publishing proceedings, ordinances and registration notice, March 13, 1897	210 00
St. Landry Clarion, publishing jury list, proceedings, printing 500 parish ordinance pamphlets	74 00
V. H. Sibille, lumber, 2 ward	5 99
" " " 2 ward	19 66
" " " 2 ward	7 39
J. B. Sandoz, sundries for court house	4 50
D. Roos & Sons, coal for jail	8 00
" " " , sundries for court house	226 40
Opelousas Mercantile Co. Limited spades and shovels, 1 ward	21 50
H. Bodemuller, printing, paper, 36 poll books, &c. for assessor	55 00
E. W. Sylvester, juror on inquest	2 00
Mike Richardson, " " "	2 00
Lewis Andrus, " " "	2 00
Allen Field, " " "	2 00
Sosthene Taylor, " " "	2 00
Sam H. Butler, " " "	2 00
L. L. Lavergne, " " "	2 10
Lastie Lavergne, " " "	2 05
Avelien Beard, " " "	2 10
Maurice Smith, " " "	2 10
Zenon Boutte, " " "	2 20
John Andrus, " " "	2 10
Alf. J. Dupre, " " "	2 00
Dr. Jas. O. Ray, " " "	2 00
Aurelien Beard, " " "	2 05
W. S. Gardiner, " " "	2 00
Jno. S. Satterly, Jr., " " "	2 00
Dr. C. A. Gardiner, " " "	2 20
Julien Bonyon, " " "	2 15
Dr. I. E. Shute, " " "	2 00
A. Currie Co. Limited, spades and nails, 7 ward	6 50
E. W. Lyons, serving notices, State vs. M. Bourque	17 00
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. J. U. Bourque, et als	6 50
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. J. U. Bourque, et als	5 50
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. Dr. Martin	33 00
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. Alcee Richard	5 00
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. J. U. Bourque et als	5 50
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. A. Brooks et als	6 50
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. A. Brooks et als	4 50
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. M. Colas	7 00
E. W. Lyons, serv'g notices, State vs. J. Eagland	16 50
E. W. Lyons, att'p'g to serve not. State vs. M. Bourque	5 00
C. T. Cade, boarding L. Porter from April 5, 1897 to April 26, '97, inclusive	11 00
H. L. Erlich, drawing jury, Mch. 1897, 2 days	6 00
Cleophas Doucet, drawing jury, March '97, 1 day	3 00
J. L. Cahanin, drawing jury, Mch. '97, 2 days	6 00
G. Peck, drawing jury, March '97, 2 days	6 00
H. Crawford, drawing jury, Mch. '97, 2 days	6 00
L. P. Louailler, drawing jury, Mch. '97, 2 days	6 00
Opelousas Courier, printing 1000 blanks	3 50
Opelousas Courier, cleaning and reinking 40 pads	4 00
Sam Haas, 4 spades, 6 ward	5 00
Sam Haas, lumber and spikes, 6th ward	18 00
Sam Haas, lumber, spikes, &c., 6th ward	3 25
Dr. O. P. Daly, Coroner, holding inquests, etc., from Jan. 19, 1897 to April 26, '97	125 00
W. S. Obier, repairing Callahan bridge	10 00
Chachere & Evans, spades, shovels and nails, 8 ward	6 40
A. Pavy, 2 days drawing jury 5, '97	6 50
A. Pavy, costs in interdict of Busa Guidry	2 55
A. Pavy, costs in interdict of Mary Kitson	2 55
A. Pavy, costs in interdict of Betsy	2 70
A. Pavy, costs in interdict of Clay Simien	3 45
A. Pavy, costs in interdict of J. J. Leblanc	2 65
A. Pavy, costs in interdict of Jas. Slater	2 25
A. Pavy, costs in interdict of Simon Devillier	2 25
Chas. Thibodeau, work on desk, Sheriff's Office	3 00
A. L. Lyons, serving sup. and m. State vs. A. Duplechain and S. C. Casear	13 00

Mr. Haas in the chair.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—

The committee on claims resolved itself into police jury.

Mr. McGee in the chair—

The committee on claims having arisen reported through their chairman, Mr. Haas, that they had examined and found correct the bills as above detailed.

On motion of Mr. R. Lafleur—

The report of the committee was accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Haas—

The minutes were read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Haas—

The police jury adjourned until the 1st Monday in July, being the 5th day of said month, at which time this body will resolve itself into a Board of Reviewers. E. H. McGEE, President.

J. J. HEALEY, Clerk.

FRANK ROBIN,

NOTARY PUBLIC,

Arnaudville, mi5 Louisiana.

CHARTER

of the

Seventh District Baptist High School,

of Opelousas, La.

STATE OF LOUISIANA, }
Parish of St. Landry. }

BE IT KNOWN, THAT ON THE 6th day of May, 1897, before me, James J. Bailey, Notary Public duly qualified to act in and for the above parish, in the presence of the undersigned witnesses, personally came and appeared the persons whose signatures are hereto subscribed, who declare that, availing themselves of the provisions of the laws of Louisiana relative to the organization of corporations, they do by these presents form and constitute themselves a body corporate in law for the objects and purposes under the agreement and stipulations following, to-wit:

ARTICLE I.

The name, style and title of said corporation shall be the Seventh District Baptist High School, and its domicile shall be in the town of Opelousas, State of Louisiana, and it shall power and authority to exist and enjoy succession under its said corporate name for the full term and period of ninety-nine years from and after this day and date; to make and use a corporate seal, and the same to break alter and change at pleasure; to hold, receive, lease and purchase, sell and convey, as well as mortgage, alienate and hypothecate under its said corporate name, both real and personal property; to sue and be sued in its corporate name; to make and establish such by-laws and rules as may be necessary for the proper management of its affairs, and the same to change, alter or amend at pleasure and, generally, said corporation shall possess, exercise and enjoy all rights and previleges guaranteed by law to corporations and all citations and other legal process shall be served on the President, and in case of his absence upon the Vice-President acting in his stead.

ARTICLE II.

The objects and purposes for which this corporation is established are declared to be as follows: To promote generally the cause of education among the colored people, and to establish preparatory schools within the limits of said association and to prepare teachers for said schools.

ARTICLE III.

The affairs of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of directors, composed of members of this association, and shall elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, they shall be elected annually on the second Tuesday in August, 1897. The board elected in August, 1897, and every election thereafter, shall meet within fifteen days after the election and elect its officers. They shall appoint a superintendent, teachers, and when necessary an attorney; they shall fix their salaries and discharge them at will; they shall meet quarterly or by order of the President.

ARTICLE IV.

The membership of this association shall be composed of persons who are members of the Baptist church, and living within the Seventh District. Any person may join by paying the sum of one dollar; no member of this association shall ever be held liable for the faults or contracts of this association in any further sum than the unpaid balance due the corporation for annual dues or assessments levied while a member of the association.

ARTICLE V.

The board of directors shall make an annual report through its secretary and treasurer of the progress and the financial condition of the association, and a statement of the money paid in and disbursed.

ARTICLE VI.

Whenever this corporation shall be dissolved, its affairs shall be liquidated by three persons to be appointed from among the members, at a general meeting to be convened for the purpose, after 30 days notice in one of the local papers, or circular letters, published in Opelousas.

ARTICLE VII.

The first board of directors shall be composed of the following-named persons: Wm. Johnson, Sr., C. J. W. Boyd, Wm. Johnson, Jr., Andrew Adkins, J. G. Gibson, D. B. Gibson, S. G. Burill, L. J. Campbell, E. W. Renty, Napoleon Thomas, President Silas, Ed. Haywood, V. Rideau, C. H. Banks, Jos. Baker, J. R. Watson, Wm. Semms, S. J. Williams, A. B. Ford and Benjamin Shorten.

Thus done and passed at my office in the town of Opelousas, the State of Louisiana, on this 6th day of May, 1897, in the presence of Geo. Slater and Lucius G. Dupre, two competent witnesses, who sign these presents with said appearers, and me, notary, after reading the whole.

Witnesses:
George A. Slater,
Lucius G. Dupre.

Wm. Johnson, Sr., C. J. W. Boyd, Wm. Johnson, Jr., Andrew Adkins, J. G. Gibson, D. B. Gibson, S. G. Burill, L. J. Campbell, E. W. Rentz, Napoleon Thomas, President Silas, Ed. Haywood, V. Rideau, per W. J. Sr.; C. H. Bank, per Boyd; Jos. Baker, per Boyd; J. R. Watson, per Johnson, Jr.; Wm. Semms, per Johnson, Jr.; S. J. Williams, per D. B. G.; A. B. Ford, per L. J. Campbell; Benj. Shorten.

JAMES J. BAILEY,
Notary Public.

I have examined the foregoing act of incorporation and find nothing contrary to law in said act.

R. LEE GARLAND,
District Attorney 11th Judicial District.
Opelousas, May 10, 1897.
Filed May 7th, 1897.
B. H. PAVY, Deputy Clerk.

CHARTER

of the

Seventh District Baptist Association,

of Opelousas, La.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
STATE OF LOUISIANA, }
Par. of St. Landry, City of Opelousas. }

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ARTICLE II.

The objects and purposes for which this corporation is established are hereby declared to be: the worship of Almighty God, according to the rites, usages and ceremonies of the Baptist church, in the United States of America; the dissemination of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and the deffusion of charity, virtue and religion.

ARTICLE III.

The affairs of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of trustees, composed of all the ordained ministers in said association in good standing. The association shall elect a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer annually; said board shall meet quarterly; said board shall fix the compensation of persons employed by the association.

ARTICLE IV.

The membership of this association shall be composed only of members of regularly organized Baptist churches in the parishes of St. Landry, Vernon, Calcasieu, Cameron, Vermilion and Acadia. Each church may send not more than three messengers, who before taking their seats, shall present credentials of their election from the church they represent. Any brother or sister in good standing in the Baptist church, may become members by paying the sum of one dollar annually.

ARTICLE V.

All members of the churches included in this act of incorporation shall pay an annual assessment of thirty cents, to assist in defraying the expenses incurred, in conventions, missionary work, and the support of aged and disabled ministers. The annual meetings of the association shall be held at such time and places as the association may decide.

ARTICLE VI.

No member of this association shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts or faults of said association in any further sum than the unpaid balance due the corporation for annual dues or assessments levied while a member of the association.

ARTICLE VII.

Ordained ministers, members of this association, shall have their licenses stamped with the seal of this corporation, otherwise they will not be recognized by said association; a list containing the names of the ordained ministers in good standing will be furnished the clerks of the different courts throughout the above named parishes, that they may know those whom are authorized to perform ministerial duty for the Baptist church.

ARTICLE VIII.

This act of incorporation may be changed, modified or altered, or said corporation may be dissolved by a vote of a majority of the members present at a meeting called for that purpose after due notice to all the members of the association.

ARTICLE IX.

The first Executive Board, shall be composed of the following-named Revereends: Wm. Johnson, Jr., Wm. Johnson, Sr., S. G. Burill, D. B. Gibson, J. G. Gibson, Walter McRea, L. J. Campbell, Andrew Adkins, C. J. W. Boyd, Dan Reese, J. B. Sanders, E. W. Renty, L. Haywood, P. Silas, C. W. Davis, Jas. Capart, L. Andrus, J. H. Leonard, Napoleon Thomas, C. H. Hughes, V. Rideau, Ed. Haywood, Ben Shorten, F. Green, F. Hams, S. J. Jackson, M. E. Thomas, J. H. Henderson, Isaac Smith, C. H. Bank, Jos. Baker.

Thus done and passed at my office, in the Town of Opelousas, in the presence of George A. Slater and Lucius G. Dupre, two competent witnesses, who sign with the appearers and me, notary, after due reading on this 6th day of May, '97.

Witnesses:
George A. Slater,
Lucius G. Dupre.

Wm. Johnson, Sr., S. G. Burill, D. B. Gibson, J. G. Gibson, Walter McRea, per L. J. Campbell; L. J. Campbell, Andrew Adkins, C. J. W. Boyd, Wm. Johnson, Jr., Dan Reese, per D. B. G.; J. B. Sanders, per J. G. G.; E. W. Renty, L. Haywood, per E. R.; President Silas, C. W. Davis, per W. J. Sr.; L. Andrus, per E. W. Renty; James Capart, per W. J. Sr.; J. H. Leonard, per W. J. Sr.; Napoleon Thomas, C. H. Hughes, per J. G.; V. Rideau, per W. J. Sr.; Ed. Haywood, Benj. Shorten, Feley Green, F. Hams, S. J. Jackson, M. E. Thomas, John H. Henderson, Isaac Smith, per E. R.; C. H. Bank, per Boyd; Jos. Baker, per Boyd.

JAMES J. BAILEY,
Notary Public.

I have examined the foregoing act of incorporation and find nothing contrary to law in said act.

R. LEE GARLAND,
District Attorney 11th Judicial District.
Opelousas, May 10th, 1897.
Filed May 7, 1897.
B. H. PAVY, Deputy Clerk.

Registration Notice.

Under Section 31 of Act 89 of 1896, a NEW AND COMPLETE REGISTRATION of all legal voters is required to be made in the respective parishes of this State, and by virtue of the power vested in me by said Act and the laws of the State of Louisiana, public notice is hereby given that I shall proceed to register all legal voters of the parish of St. Landry, La., commencing at the courthouse, in the town of Opelousas, on Thursday, April 8th, 1897, and closing at said courthouse on Wednesday, April 14, 1897, and at the following-named places and dates hereinafter stated, legal holidays excepted. The office to be open from 8 o'clock a. m. to 1 o'clock p. m., and from 2 o'clock p. m. to 6 o'clock p. m., for the registration of all legal voters:

For the Fourteenth Election Precinct, at Washington, at the Town Hall; on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 15, 16 and 17.

For the Sixth Election Precinct, at Leonville, at Ovignac Dore's: on Monday and Tuesday, April 19 and 20.

For the Fourth Election Precinct, at Grand Coteau, at the Town Hall: on Wednesday and Thursday, April 21 and 22.

For the Fifth Election Precinct, at Coulee Croche, at Louis F. Sibille's store: on Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24.

For the Thirtieth Election Precinct, at Plaquemine Point, at Albert Dejean's office: on Monday, April 26.

For the Twenty-ninth Election Precinct, at Mallet, at Gustave Moreau's: on Tuesday, April 27th.

For the Twenty-seventh Election Precinct, at Faquetaique, at Valentin Savoie's: on Wednesday and Thursday, April 28 and 29.

For the Twenty-eighth Election Precinct, at Lower Mamou, at L. Vidrine's: on Friday, April 30, and Saturday, May 1st.

For the Twenty-fifth Election Precinct, at J. J. Landreneau's, at J. J. Landreneau's: on Monday and Tuesday, May 3 and 4.

For the Twenty-sixth Election Precinct, at Point Grand Louis, at Robert Tate's: on Wednesday, May 5.

For the Twentieth Election Precinct, at Beaver Creek, at Morris' school house: on Thursday, May 6.

For the Twenty-second Election Precinct, at Pine Prairie, at Pine Prairie Hall: on Friday, May 7.

For the Nineteenth Election Precinct, at Lake Cove, at Johnson's school house: on Saturday, May 8.

For the Twenty-first Election Precinct, at Bayou Chicot, at Sam Haas' store, on Monday and Tuesday, May 10 and 11.

For the Eighteenth Election Precinct, at Dossmann, at Chas. Dossmann's store, on Wednesday and Thursday, May 12 and 13.

For the Twenty-third Election Precinct, at Ville Platte, at Yves Vidrine's store: on Friday and Saturday, May 14 and 15.

For the Twenty-fourth Election Precinct, at Chataignier, at Alp. Guillet's store: on Monday and Tuesday, May 17 and 18.

For the Second Election Precinct, at Plaisance, at Yves Andrepont's: on Wednesday and Thursday, May 19 and 20.

For the Seventeenth Election Precinct, at Grand Prairie, at Paul Stagg's store: on Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22.

For the Sixteenth Election Precinct, at Whiteville, at Robert Lafleur's store: on Monday and Tuesday, May 24 and 25.

For the Thirteenth Election Precinct, at Morrow, at Clopton, Havard & Clopton's store, on Wednesday, May 26.

For the Twelfth Election Precinct, at Big Cane, at Havard's store: on Thursday, May 27.

For the Eleventh Election Precinct, at Palmetto, at Wesly Budden's store: on Friday, May 28.

For the Tenth Election Precinct, at Waxia, at schoolhouse: on Saturday, May 29.

For the Ninth Election Precinct, at Melville, at Rosenberg's store: on Tuesday, June 1.

For the Eighth Election Precinct, at Bayou Current, at E. G. Richard's store, on Wednesday, June 2.

For the Fifteenth Election Precinct, at Garland, at Dan Hart's, on Thursday, June 8.

For the Seventh Election Precinct, at Notleyville, at N. C. Devilliers: on Friday, June 4.

For the Third Election Precinct, at Bellevue, at the school-house: on Saturday, June 5.

And thereafter at the courthouse, at Opelousas, commencing Monday, June 7, and closing Saturday, June 19.

E. T. LEWIS,
Assessor and Registrar of the Parish of St. Landry, La.
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SUCCESSION SALE.

ESTATE OF T. S. FONTENOT AND WIFE.

No. 5494, Probate Docket, District Court, Parish of St. Landry.

By virtue of an order of the Hon. 11th Judicial District Court in and for the parish of St. Landry, there will be sold at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned administrator, or by a public auctioneer, at the last residence of the deceased, in Chataignier, on

Thursday, June 3, 1897,

the following property belonging to the above estate, to-wit:

One lot of household furniture; one lot of kitchen utensils; one lot of farming implements; one lot of carpenter's tools; one lot of blacksmith's tools and forge; one lot of about fifty head of horned cattle; one lot of gentle horses; two colts; one lot of about fifty head of sheep; one yoke of oxen; one reaper and binder and truck; two wagons; one buggy; one old mowing machine; one Colts breach-loading shot-gun; two Winchester rifles; one 44 calibre S. & W. pistol; one iron safe; one book case and a lot of books; one lot of about 7000 cypress boards; one lot of about 2000 feet cypress lumber; one share of stock in St. Landry Cotton Oil Co.; eleven shares of stock in St. Landry Clarion Co.; and numerous other articles.

Terms.—All adjudications of ten ($10) dollars or under payable cash; and all adjudications exceeding ten dollars for cash or payable on the first day of November next, at the option of the purchaser; purchasers buying on credit to give their promissory notes for the amount of their purchase with 8 per cent per annum interest from date until paid, signed in solido by themselves and two good and solvent sureties to the satisfaction of the administrators, and made payable to the order of the administrators.

BARTHOLOMEW LAFLEUR,
may 15 9t Administrator.

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LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, }
March 27, 1897. }

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 R. Bloomfield, U. S. Commissioner, at Opelousas, La., on May 17, 1897, viz:

AMBROSE GRANGER, JR.,

who made homestead entry No. 18049, for the SW¼ of Sec. 1 Tp. 5 S R 2 West.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:

Auguste Saucier, Joseph Chapman, Jr., Cesaire Vizina, Sifrol J. Fontenot, all of St. Landry parish, La.

G. McD. BRUMBY,
ap15 6t Register.

For Sale.

I offer my place, situated between Opelousas and Washington, for sale. It contains 200 acres of land, more or less, and is improved. For particulars apply to me. 19tf R. PERCY COLLINS.

For Sale or Rent.

Property in Ville Platte, consisting of office, dwelling and kitchen, with all necessary outhouses and barn. Fine location for a physician. Apply to

J. A. HAAS, M. D.,
May 8-2m Opelousas, La.

Taken Up.

By the undersigned at Mallet, a blue horse, about 5 or 6 years old, branded on right shoulder about thus: T C

Owner can have same by proving property and paying costs.

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