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RAVISHING AND BURNING.

New Orleans Pleayuno.

The commission in the country near Newman, Ga., of a succession of most atrocious crimes under circumstances of extreme fiendishness, by a negro ravisher, followed by a most savage retribution dealt out to him by the infuriated white people, much as it may be denounced by people at a distance, is one of the conditions attending life in a country where there is a large negro population.

Coweta county, in which the startling acts were committed, had, by the census of 1890, in round numbers, 12,000 negro population to 9,000 whites. The people of Pana, Ill., can realize something of the trouble caused by a few hundred negroes in the midst of a large white population; but they would have a much more vivid idea of the dangers which surround them if there were in their town 12 negroes to each 9 whites, and the negroes chose to be riotous and vicious, as have been the few hundred negro miners whose murderous violence in that Illinois town has made it necessary that the troops should be called out to protect the whites.

The Atlanta Constitution thus sets forth, in a few impassioned words, the recent terrible transactions in Coweta county, Ga.:

An unassuming, industrious and hard-working farmer, after his day's toil, sat at his evening meal. Around him sat wife and children, happy in the presence of the man who was fulfilling to them every duty imposed by nature. At peace with the world, serving God and loyal to humanity, they looked forward to the coming day.

Notwithstanding the murderer, with uplifted ax, advanced from the rear and sank it to the hilt in the brain of the unsuspecting victim.

Tearing the child from the mother's breast, he flung it into the pool of blood oozing from his father's wound.

Then began the culmination which has de-throned the reason of the people of western Georgia during the past week. As critics will howl about the lynching, the Constitution will be pardoned for stating the plain facts.

The wife was seized, choked, thrown upon the floor, where her clothing lay in the blood of her husband, and ravished.

It is all very well to talk about keeping quiet the people where such atrocities are committed, and waiting patiently for the law to take its course. People hundreds or thousands of miles away, people who are in no danger of such a calamity, may keep cool when they read of the crime so briefly suggested above; but how would it be if they had looked upon the victims of so heinous a crime, the woman weltering in the blood of her murdered husband, and distraught and almost dead from the agonies and outrages which she had been made to suffer? Would white men anywhere, with human hearts in their bodies, wait supinely for the law to intervene, with its slow proceedings and almost hopeless delays? The Pleayuno does not believe so, and certainly white men in the great Northern State of Illinois, and other Northern commonwealths, have not hesitated to avenge such wrongs with swift and terrible retribution upon the perpetrators.

They who coolly talk to white men anywhere of waiting for the law when the honor and inviolability of their women have been so fiendishly assaulted are wholly heartless, or they are ignorant of human nature. But the diabolical outrage which in this case was followed by such swift and fiery retribution is an evil that constantly menaces the white woman in communities where the negroes are in large force and frequently outnumber the whites.

The beauty of the white woman is a powerful temptation to the degraded and beastly negro, and but for the ever present certainty of swift and bloody retribution, there would be a vast number of such outrages. When the brutal passions of the negro are fully aroused, nothing deters him from his meditated crime, and, therefore, despite the knowledge of certain death and probable torture, he loses no opportunity to consummate it. But, under ordinary circumstances, the fear of certain and summary retri-

but ion exercises a powerful restraining effect. Without it, many communities in the Southern States would be deluged with bloody crime.

The old slave was tractable and, in many cases, an affectionate being. The negroes of the younger generation are, to a large extent, dissolute, lawless and greatly disposed to brutal sensuality, and they are only kept in any sort of order by the fear of punishment and the knowledge that the whites will promptly combine to enforce that punishment. The Pleayuno is not upholding the fiendish acts of the Georgia populace at the scene of the Georgia outrages. So far from that, it regards with horror the entire transaction; but it can understand how people contemplating such inhuman crimes that had just been perpetrated in their midst would be driven to a fury of rage and cruelty against the perpetrators.

At any rate, it is much easier to realize such a state of things where the negroes greatly outnumber the whites. There are counties in some of the Gulf States where there are ten negroes to one white. There the negroes are kept in place by the most stringent exercise of force and intimidation. So long as they behave themselves they are protected and kindly treated; but any show of disorder is met by immediate popular repression.

It is impossible for people in the Northern States to realize the conditions existing in many parts of the South, where the white people are under the necessity of being constantly ready to protect themselves from an ever present danger. Of course, the Southern people will be denounced in the future as they have been in the past; but they will continue to protect themselves, and particularly their women, from the assaults of black beastliness by all the means in their power.

DOCTORED DISPATCHES.

New Orleans Daily States.

A Manila cable to the New York Herald says: "The movement of the American forces on Calumpit began Monday by Gen. Hale's brigade crossing the river at Quingua and moving down the bank of the river. Many insurgents were driven from in front of the line of march, fifty of the enemy being killed, while the American loss was only one killed." Any man with an ounce of gray matter in his skull will see at a glance that the above dispatch, like the majority of them cabled from Manila, has been doctored for the purpose of booming the cause of expansion. The natives resisted the advance of Gen. Hale's command, and as the fact has been very clearly established that they are well armed with Mauser and Remington rifles and plentifully supplied with ammunition, it stands to reason that the loss of the Filipinos, who are acknowledged by Major-General Anderson to be desperate fighters, is out of all proportion to that of the Americans. The absurdity of the stories of engagements in which it is stated that from fifty to a hundred Filipinos are killed and only one or two of our troops lose their lives, is beginning to pall on the people of this country, and the reports received from Manila are now accepted with a liberal allowance of salt.

A break occurred in the levee on Bayou Lafourche on the Barker & DeBlaise plantation, four miles below Thibodaux. The crevasse will overflow several neighboring plantations.

Gen. Torres has closed up every American store in Bluefields. Merchants have hoisted the flag over their buildings, and the American consul has gone to Greytown after the Detroit.

A majority of the Alabama Senate and House sustain Gov. Johnson in his call of an extra session to repeal the call for a Constitutional Convention.

Attorney General Griggs says that the United States has nothing to do with the negro lynching case in Georgia, and will take no action in regard to it.

Edward Oswald, of Camden, N. J., Tuesday stabbed his wife and eight-year-old daughter and then cut his throat. He will die.

Signor Marconi, of wireless telegraph fame, has telegraphed from a town in Kent to a dispatch vessel sailing in the English Channel.

The Entertainment at Morrow.

A large and appreciative audience gathered Friday evening, April 14, in the Morrow school-house to witness the production of "Hick'ry Farm" under the auspices of the Morrow Social and Improvement Club.

Long before the door was open the crowd was thronging toward it, and before the curtain rose every available seat was taken. Many anxious to see and hear were fain to content themselves with occasional glimpses obtained through the windows from the gallery. A little after eight o'clock the curtain rose and a charming scene was revealed. In the distance rose the blue domes of the mountains; nearer, a mountain stream ended in a quiet pool whose surface reflected the rays of the sinking sun. In the foreground the stage represented the lawn before "Hick'ry" farmhouse.

The scenery for the play was painted by a home artist, Miss M. E. Scott, of whose talent the club and her many friends are justly proud.

The cast was as follows: Jack Nelson.....L. J. Bond, Ezekiel Fortune.....E. Mixer, Uriah Skinner.....O. L. Bell, Lawrence McKeegan.....J. H. Gilbert, Detective Rankin.....G. C. McClaren, Constables.....J. W. Rice, L. McLeish, Jessie Fortune.....Eva Jackson, Mrs. Priscilla Dodge.....Rosa Mixer.

The cast was most happily chosen, and each player won well deserved praise for the faithful and careful study bestowed upon the parts to catch their true meaning, and for the success attained. Mr. Bond, as Jack Nelson, the earnest, faithful friend and lover, was ably supported by Miss Eva Jackson, a most charming Jessie Fortune. Mr. Mixer, as Ezekiel Fortune, elicited much applause. The high-strung of Miss Rosa Mixer, as Mrs. Priscilla Dodge, evoked much mirth, and were pronounced by all a decided success. As Larry McKeegan, Mr. Bell was inimitable, and kept the audience in a constant fit of laughter; while in the role of Uriah Skinner, which he also played, he displayed much dramatic ability. Mr. Jackson quite surpassed himself in the role of Dark-wood, particularly in the struggle with Rankin where the death scene was so realistic as to cause some uneasiness in the audience. But, indeed, where all was so good it is hard to pick out the best points.

To Miss A. C. Scott, the able manager of the troupe, much praise is due for her patient efforts and the indomitable energy with which obstacle after obstacle was surmounted and the play at last staged with such brilliant success to all.

Repeated requests have been heard for a reproduction of the play, and it is whispered that early in May we may hope to see it again, if not in Morrow, then in some of the neighboring towns, in several of which, it is rumored, the troupe intend to give a performance.

REPORTER.

A Visit To Oakdale School.

April 24—Last Friday afternoon, Mrs. M. C. Boutte, the primary teacher of the Eunice school, accompanied by Miss Hawthorne's supernumary, visited the Oakdale school, which is situated about six miles from Eunice, in a beautiful grove of massive oaks. The school well deserves its name, and Mrs. Read, the efficient principal, showed a great deal of love for nature when she selected this beautiful site for the building.

Upon our arrival we were heartily welcomed by Mrs. Read and her enthusiastic assistant, Mr. Rougeau. When we entered the school room we were reassured of our welcome by the pleasing manner in which the bright-faced lads and lasses arose and greeted us with a hearty "Good evening."

The room was beautifully and artistically decorated with evergreens and flowers, and in plain view was draped a large U. S. flag which seemed to plainly say: "The pupils of this school are lovers of their Country." The walls also reiterated this statement, for no matter where we cast our eyes, they rested upon the likeness of some of our country's greatest heroes—men of whom every true American should be proud.

We were certainly well pleased with the appearance of the room and its inmates, but our hopes and expectations of this school were more than realized when we noted the rapid progress being made by these ambitious pupils.

When questioned upon the subjects of Grammar, Physiology, Geography and History, their replies were prompt and exact, and the highest praise should be accorded both teachers and pupils. Among those worthy of special mention are the following:

First-class—Alice Rougeau, Claudie Read, Alina Fusilier. Second-class—Ursies Fruge, Fabius Fusilier, Edna Fruge, Laurent Fusilier and Charley Read.

The songs, drills and marches, with which we were afterward entertained, bespoke great patience and perseverance on the part of all concerned.

All too soon did the clock on the wall warn us of the lateness of the hour, and a light April shower reminded us that six miles of bad road lay between Oakdale school and our prairie home.

Mrs. Read and her assistant deeply regretted that Miss Hawthorne's illness prevented her being a partaker in the enjoyable exercises, and we do not hesitate in saying that had she been able to attend, she would have felt well repaid for a long drive over bad roads and through several April showers which were minus the sun.

The United States Court in session at Monroe, decided that Wm. E. Ramsay, Charles Miller, Margarat Perkins, et als, bondsmen of D. J. Reid, when he was sheriff and tax collector of Calcasieu parish, and judgment creditors for the amount of the shortage of Reid to the state of \$12,123.00 paid by them, were entitled to proceed with the execution of their judgments in the state courts.

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Board of Health, Town of Opelousas, La., April 18, 1899.

Resolved, That the ordinance passed October 13, 1898, be amended so as to read that all privies and hog pens shall be kept clean and shall be subject to inspection at any time, and if not cleaned within five days after due notice by the inspector, the owner of said property shall be fined five dollars.

Resolved, That the digging or removal of dirt from the gullies on either side of town or other places within the corporate limits, streets or gutters of trash, garbage, offals, refuse, slop, etc., be prohibited, and that a fine of five dollars be imposed upon any violator of this ordinance.

Resolved, That all fines imposed by this Board, shall be reported to the Mayor of the Town, who shall enforce the payment of same.

R. A. LITTELL, President. J. J. PERRODIN, Secretary.

GRAND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Admiral Dewey's Victory

At the Battle of Manila, at Sandoz's Opera House, on Monday, May 1, 1899.

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NOTICE.

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E. D. ESTILLETTE, President of St. Landry Homestead & Loan Association. ap12-2t

NOTICE. Dr. D. W. Foster has opened his office on the Opelousas and Prairie Route road, near Mr. Mel Duro's Catalpa (bois plant) grove, and may be found at his office, except when called away, every day, except Sunday, from 9 o'clock a. m. to 5 p. m. April 29th, 1899.—lm

AN ORDINANCE

TO COMPEL TRIMMING OF TREES. Section 1. Be it enacted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Opelousas, La., that the owner or owners of all trees fronting on the streets or sidewalks of said town and required to trim the same to a reasonable height, so as not to interfere with the electric lights.

Sec. 2. Be it further ordained that any person or persons having trees on their property or sidewalks, the limbs of which come under provisions of section 1, upon being notified by the town marshal to trim the same and shall fail to do so after five days' notice served in writing by the marshal, shall be liable to a fine of one dollar and costs, and the marshal shall cause the trees to be trimmed at cost of owner.

Dr. Salzan moves to adopt, seconded by Mr. Estorge. Carried unanimously. at5-3t S. L. HEBBARD, Mayor. Attest: THOS. H. LEWIS, Clerk.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

PEOPLES STATE BANK VS. JOHN M. MORRHINVEG.

No. 1644, 11th Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Landry, La.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale issued out of the Hon. 11th Judicial District Court, in and for the parish of St. Landry in the above entitled and numbered suit, and to me directed, I have seized and will proceed to sell, at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, the front door of the courthouse in the town of Opelousas, on

Saturday, May 27th, 1899,

at 11 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:

1. A certain plantation with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in that part of St. Landry parish, La., known as Prairie Laeuzent, containing fifty acres, being lot No. 25, section 55, Township 7 S., R. 4 East, being same property owned by John M. Morrhinveg from Mrs. Sarah Felbliman, widow of Solomon Loeb, on the 26th day of December, 1886.

2. A certain tract of land, situated in Prairie Laeuzent, containing fifty acres, being lot No. 24, in section No. 55, Township 7 S., R. 4 East, being same property acquired by John M. Morrhinveg from Mrs. Sarah Felbliman, widow of Solomon Loeb, on the 26th day of December, 1886.

3. A certain plantation known as the Posey & Deballion place, containing in all one hundred and forty-two and 70-100 acres, and consisting of the following tracts of land, viz: (1) of thirty-five acres, acquired by John M. Morrhinveg from Mrs. Sarah Felbliman, December 26th, 1886. (2) Three acres of land, acquired by John M. Morrhinveg from Sarah Felbliman, December 26th, 1886. (3) The Posey farm, containing one hundred arpents with all the buildings and improvements thereon.

The above tracts are now all in one body and containing the aforesaid aggregate of one hundred and forty-two and 70-100 acres and same is bounded north by Corine Las-trapes and by a lane between the property sold and the property of Belle Debono, east by James O. Chachere, south by Major Newman, wid. Grant Frescott, Lewis King and of Virginia, Frescott and west by public road leading to J. J. Thompson.

Terms.—Cash. W. S. FRAZEE, ap12-2t Sheriff St. Landry Parish, La.

SUCCESSION SALE.

ESTATE OF PHILAMON CHAPMAN.

No. 5568, 11th Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Landry, Louisiana.

By virtue of an order of the Hon. Gilbert C. Fruger, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, there will be sold at public auction to the last and highest bidder, at the last residence of the deceased, by the undersigned administrator, or any duly qualified auctioneer, on

Wednesday, May 10, 1899,

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

A certain plantation situated in Ville Platte parish, in this parish and state, bounded on the north by Onie Ladour, south by Raymond Chapman, east by G. H. Chapman, and west by Valerien Chapman, containing forty-three and 70-100 arpents, including the buildings and improvements situated thereon.

A certain tract of woodland situated in Point Olivier, in said State and parish, bounded on the north by Mrs. Demoreille, south by Jean Baptiste Jeanne, east by Jean Baptiste Jeanne and Joseph Bordelon, containing fourteen arpents.

One lot of ten head of gentle cattle; two gentle Creole horses; one lot of twenty head of gentle hogs; one lot of household furniture; one lot of kitchen utensils; one double-barrel shotgun; one lot of groceries, consisting of lard, meat, and other articles, one ox and one prindstone; one lot of about fifty barrels of corn; one lot of cotton seed; six barrels of corn.

Terms and Conditions.—Movable cash day of sale; immovables, one-half payable January 1899, and one-half January 1901, purchasers to furnish their notes with good and solvent sureties to the satisfaction of the administrator; all mortgages and vendor's privilege retained and 10 per cent attorney's fees in case of suit to enforce payment.

RAYMOND CHAPMAN, Administrator. ap12-2t

SHERIFF'S SALE.

VINCENT W. BOAGNI ET ALS. VS. ONE-ZIME YOUNG.

No. 1609, 11th Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Landry.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Hon. 11th Judicial District Court in and for the parish of St. Landry, in the above entitled and numbered suit, and to me directed, I have seized and will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the front door of the courthouse in the town of Opelousas, on

Saturday, May 27th, 1899,

at 11 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land, situated in the town of Opelousas, in the parish of St. Landry, Louisiana, with all the buildings and improvements thereon, being the southeast corner of the tract of land of section thirty-two (32) quarter five (5) south, range one east, and containing the same two arpents of land as the said E. W. 4, making the area thereof conveyed eighty and 40-100 acres, more or less, being property acquired by vendor from the United States Government as per receiver's final receipt No. 4448, dated April 29th, 1893.

Terms, cash. W. S. FRAZEE, ap12-2t Sheriff, Parish of St. Landry.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

VINCENT W. BOAGNI ET ALS. VS. XAVIER GUILLOU.

No. 1636, Eleventh Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Landry.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Hon. 11th Judicial District Court in and for the parish of St. Landry, in the above entitled and numbered suit, and to me directed, I have seized and will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the front door of the courthouse in the town of Opelousas, on

Saturday, May 27th, 1899,

at 11 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land, situated in St. Landry parish, La., in Prairie Fagoulaque, being the southeast corner of the west half of the southwest quarter of section twenty-one, in township six south, range one east, acquired by vendor from C. C. Duson, on the 27th day of June, 1891, by an act of sale recorded in St. Landry parish, La., in conveyance book No. 48-3. The land herein conveyed is the southern two-thirds of the said West half, which contains in all eighty and 80-100 acres.

Terms, cash. W. S. FRAZEE, ap12-2t Sheriff, Parish of St. Landry.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

DR. V. BOAGNI VS. R. M. LITTELL ET AL.

No. 1675, 11th Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Landry, La.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Hon. 11th Judicial Dist Court in and for the parish of St. Landry, in the above entitled and numbered suit, and to me directed, I have seized and will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the front door of the courthouse at Opelousas, on

Saturday, May 20, 1899,

at 11 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:

A certain tract of land situated in St. Landry parish, in Prairie Basee, containing 60 forty-six arpents, more or less, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, bounded on the north by property formerly belonging to Amelie V. Van, east by property formerly belonging to R. H. Littell, south by lands formerly belonging to V. Bordelon, and west by Onezime Y. Carrier, and now bounded as follows: On the north by Ernest Degrey, south by John —, east by R. H. Litell, and west by Chas. Anselin.

Terms.—Cash. W. S. FRAZEE, ap12-2t Sheriff, St. Landry parish.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

ESTATE OF PAUL FRUGER.

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

Whereas, Olibe Fruger, of St. Landry Parish, has applied by his petition to be appointed administrator of the above estate.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all parties interested to make objection to said appointment, to file same in writing in my office in Opelousas within ten days from the date of this notice.

ALFRED PAVY, Clerk of Court, ap12-2t

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