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DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR PRESIDENT: WILLIAM J. BRYAN, of Nebraska.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT: ADLAI E. STEVENSON, of Illinois.

FOR CONGRESS—5TH DISTRICT: SAM. M. ROBERTSON, of East Baton Rouge.

Remember the trusts—that's the watchword of the Democratic party.

The evacuation of Cuba by the United States may not take place before 1902.

Washington and Lee University will offer Grover Cleveland the presidency.

The duty of every Democrat is to go to the polls on the 6th (next Tuesday) and vote for Bryan, Stevenson and Robertson.

The Jefferson County Democratic Club is heading a movement in Alabama for the betterment of the election laws as they apply to party primaries.

Tuesday is election day, and every Democrat should go to the polls. Let St. Landry show that her people are loyal to Democracy and its nominees.

American competition, principally in foreign or English colonial markets, has reached such proportions that Great Britain is now thoroughly alarmed.

Mr. Bryan said that the results of the Pennsylvania coal miners' strike show how important it is to have arbitration for the settlement of difficulties between labor and capital.

A project involving the construction of not less than forty warships, most of which are for service in the Philippines, is being considered by the Board of Naval Construction at Washington.

The Filipino rebel captain, Novicio, charged with burying alive an American seaman of Lieut. Gilmore's Yorktown party, has been sentenced to death by a military commission at Balor, North Luzon.

A band of American confidence men have successfully done Berlin and other German cities, passing off Confederate \$10 bills, which have been readily accepted as 40 marks each. Victims by the score are reported.

Chairman Jones, of the Democratic National Committee, has written Col. Hooker of Mississippi, that he believes the postoffice authorities have been systematically pilfering his mail. Col. Hooker offered his services to the Democrats to speak in doubtful States, but Chairman Jones did not receive the letter.

The Democrats claim New York State by 50,000 majority; while the betting on Delaware, Illinois, Nebraska, Indiana, West Virginia and other doubtful states, is even money, when two weeks ago the odds were heavy in favor of McKinley. All these signs make a Democrat's heart feel that Bryan will win, and that the Republican bettors have realized it.

How can those people who claim that the Republicans are responsible for the present price of rough rice explain the fact that rice was selling for 90 cents per sack under Harrison's administration? This is a bit of history that they don't mention when they are telling you the great good that the Republican party is doing for the farmer.

In the death of Major Henry J. Hearsey, the veteran journalist, the South loses one of its ablest writers and most patriotic sons; the Democratic party and white supremacists their most fearless exponent. For years he has wielded the editorial pen on the Daily States, and made that paper a world-wide reputation. Major Hearsey's place in the newspaper world can not be filled.

Special Meeting of the Police Jury.

Opelousas, La., Oct. 31, 1900.

The Police Jury convened in special session this day in pursuance to a petition signed by citizens and property owners of the parish of St. Landry, for the purpose of examining the bills of M. L. Swords, Sheriff.

Members present: Dr. W. F. Clopton, President; Messrs. Sandoz, Savant, Fontenot, Haas, Manuel, Foster, Smith, Durio, Darby and Derouen.

Absent: Messrs. Wm. M. Prescott and Jules Quedeau.

On motion of Mr. Derouen—Duly seconded, whereas, the Police Jury in making the last annual budget set aside an insufficient amount for the purpose of maintaining prisoners in the parish jail and for the payment of the sheriff's fees in criminal matters and for attendance upon the court, and that the appropriations for said purpose have been nearly exhausted; and

Whereas, the law makes it the duty of the Police Jury to provide for the payment of said expenses; therefore, be it Resolved, that the bills of the sheriff for said purposes be examined and approved, payable out of the existing funds appropriated for said purpose to the extent that said funds may be available for that purpose, and that as to any claims of the sheriff for said purposes that may accrue between this time and the date of making the next annual budget, the jury shall provide in said budget for the payment of the balance then due the sheriff in a special appropriation to be made for said purpose.

Resolved further, that inasmuch as the law intends the sheriff to be paid in cash for said services, the Police Jury will allow him reimbursement of any reasonable amount of interest not to exceed 8% interest that he may be compelled to pay to obtain money for said purposes, upon approved bills; said interest to be paid for the purpose hereof heretofore exhausted to a considerable extent by payments made to the outgoing sheriff—motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Sandoz—Duly seconded, the Police Jury resolved into a committee, to the whole to examine and approve the claims of Sheriff M. L. Swords.

Mr. Sandoz in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Haas—The committee on claims resolved itself into a committee, to the whole to examine and approve the claims of Sheriff Swords, as detailed below, and find same correct:

- M. L. Swords, feeding prisoners from July 11 to July 31, 1900... \$188 10
M. L. Swords, feeding prisoners from August 1 to Aug 31, 1900... 355 05
M. L. Swords, feeding prisoners from September 1 to September 30, 1900... 397 35
M. L. Swords, feeding prisoners from October 1 to Oct 31, 1900... 85 85
M. L. Swords, feeding prisoners from Oct 9 to Oct 31, 1900... 340 20
M. L. Swords, arrests, mileage, etc., from Oct 9 to Oct 31, 1900... 211 20
M. L. Swords, summoning thirty Jurors, mileage, arrests, and cash paid sheriffs, Sept, 1900... 163 30
M. L. Swords, attendance on court, 23 days in Sept, 1900... 115 00
M. L. Swords, attendance on court, 21 days ending October 31, 1900... 120 00

On motion of Capt. Smith—Duly seconded, the Police Jury adjourned to the next regular meeting, being the first Monday of December, 1900.

W. F. CLOPTON, President. J. J. HEALEY, Clerk.

Proceedings of the Police Jury.

Opelousas, La., Oct. 8, 1900.

The Police Jury met today in regular session, with the following members present: Dr. W. F. Clopton, President; Messrs. J. K. Sandoz, James Darby, Jules Quedeau, W. M. Prescott, Homer Savant, Paul Haas, Olibe Manuel, J. P. Smith, Diomedes, J. J. Fontenot and Dr. Paul Foster.

On motion of Dr. Foster—Duly seconded and carried, a committee consisting of Z. T. Cary, Homere Bourgeois and A. W. Dejean, was appointed to examine the Tweedell bridge, and report what is needed at next regular meeting.

On motion of Dr. Foster—Duly seconded and carried, a committee consisting of Francois Joubert, Aleece Greaux and Verette, was appointed to ascertain the probable cost of digging a ditch to drain public road near Emile Gaubert.

On motion of Mr. Darby—Duly seconded and carried, the report of committee appointed to sell contract for repairing the Bourbon bridge, was received and accepted, committee discharged and the sum of nine dollars ordered credited to Henry Harper, contractor.

On motion of Captain Smith—Duly seconded and carried, a committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Robert Wilkins, J. W. Boring and P. Walker, was appointed to examine the old lumber from the Callahan bridge, and to ascertain the additional amount of new lumber required to build the bridge on road leading from Pointer & Wilkins to the station, and report at next regular meeting.

On motion of Mr. Prescott—Duly seconded, the police jury adjourned until 2:30 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Sandoz—Resolved, that it is the sense of this Police Jury that the sum of four hundred dollars be included in the budget of 1901, towards the building of an annex to the High School of St. Landry parish, located at Opelousas.

Dr. Foster called for the yeas and nays. Messrs. Prescott, Durio, Sandoz, Haas, Smith, voting yes.

Messrs. Darby, Quedeau, Savant, Fontenot, Manuel, Foster, voting no. Motion lost.

On motion of Mr. Sandoz—Duly seconded, that the petition from citizens of Prairie Base, 1st ward, praying for a change of road which runs in front of what is known as the Vallin gin, be received, and that said change be made so that the road will run behind said gin, instead of front, as prayed for, and without cost to the parish.

On motion of Mr. Haas—Duly seconded and carried, the petition of citizens of Opelousas, praying for the passage of the 5th ward, praying for the passage of a law effecting an opening of the Petite Passe gully ten feet wide on each side, from Atale Lavergne to Elol Vidrine, Sr.'s place in Tate's Cove, was tabled indefinitely.

On motion of Mr. Darby—Duly seconded, that the petition of property owners, praying for a change of road leading from Church Point to Sunset, which runs through the lands of Messrs. Honore Meche, Triville Meche, Darby, Bauhin and T. Leger, be received and granted as prayed for; said change to begin from Isidore Richard's southeast corner post to J. T. Leger's north west corner post, and change to be made without cost to the parish, and new road to be put in thorough condition before the closing of old road.

On motion of Mr. Quedeau—Duly seconded, the Police Jury adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

October 9th. The Police Jury met pursuant to adjournment, with the following members present: Dr. W. F. Clopton, President; Messrs. Sandoz, Darby, Quedeau, Savant, Derouen, Foster, Smith, Haas, Manuel, Prescott and Fontenot.

On motion of Mr. Sandoz—Duly seconded, Ed Chevris was ordered placed on the indigent list.

On motion of Dr. Foster—Whereas, upon investigation of the controversy which appeared recently in the parish papers between Messrs. Darby and Sibille, we find that an error occurred: that Mr. Darby had purchased a car load of lumber from Mr. A. C. Skiles and a part of said lumber (1753 feet) was for Mr. Darby's personal use, and that said amount has been refunded by him, as per receipts and bills exhibited to this body, and used for the benefit of the parish; we, therefore, exonerate Mr. Darby from charges made against him. Motion carried.

On motion of Dr. Foster—That anyone found guilty of defacing any of the public buildings of the parish, shall be subject to the payment of a fine of ten dollars (\$10.00), and in default of the payment of the same, shall be imprisoned in the parish jail not less than ten, nor more than thirty days in each case, or both, at the discretion of the court; said penalties to be enforced by prosecution before the District Court by the District Attorney.

Resolved further, that one-half of any fines collected upon information shall be paid over to the informant. Motion carried.

On motion of Captain Smith—Duly seconded, that the sum of four and 15-100 dollars be refunded to the estate of A. Dimmick for taxes paid through double assessment.

On motion of Mr. Sandoz—Duly seconded, that the request of Mr. Gus Fustler, to be refunded the sum of five hundred dollars on his liquor license, be respectfully declined.

Mr. Quedeau called for the yeas and nays. Messrs. Durio, Sandoz, Darby, Quedeau, Prescott, Savant, Haas, Fontenot, Derouen, Manuel, Foster and Smith, voting yes, and the motion carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Quedeau—Duly seconded, the Police Jury adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Mr. Haas—The Police Jury met at 1 o'clock p. m. Members present: Dr. W. F. Clopton, President; Messrs. Sandoz, Darby, Quedeau, Prescott, Savant and Durio.

On motion of Mr. Sandoz—Duly seconded and carried, the report of committee appointed to sell contract for building bridge across the Cane bayou, 7th ward, was received, committee discharged and the sum of forty-eight and 25-100 dollars ordered credited to Ulger Morin, contractor.

On motion of Dr. Foster—Duly seconded and carried, that a committee of four, with the chairman included, be appointed to report what we have to do with the tax collector, Mr. M. L. Swords, Sheriff and ex-Officio Tax-Collector, stating to him the complaint of the fiscal agent, that the contract between the Police Jury and said agent is being violated, as per the contract on file with the clerk of this body. Chair appointed Dr. Foster, Capt. Haas and Capt. Smith.

On motion of Mr. Prescott—That a committee of two be appointed to examine statement of the Washington State Bank, fiscal agent. Chair appointed Messrs. Prescott and Derouen. To the President and Members of the Police Jury.

Gentlemen—We, the undersigned committee, appointed to examine statement of the Washington State Bank, fiscal agent, report that we have examined same from July 2, 1900 to October 7, 1900, inclusive, for 1900 business, and find same correct, and we recommend that a warrant be issued in favor of said bank for the sum of five hundred and twenty-three and 57-100 dollars.

W. M. PRESCOTT, R. L. DEROUEN, Committee.

On motion of Mr. Sandoz—Duly seconded, the report of committee was accepted, committee discharged and a warrant ordered issued in favor of said bank for the sum of \$523.57.

On motion of Dr. Clopton—Duly seconded and carried, the petition from residents and of the 9th justice of the peace ward, praying for a resolution to be passed prohibiting hogs from roaming at large with their owners, be tabled until the next regular meeting in December.

On motion of Mr. Darby—That the resolution offered on yesterday by Mr. Sandoz, that it is the sense of this Police Jury that the sum of four hundred dollars be included in the budget of 1901, towards the building of an annex to the St. Landry High School at Opelousas, be reconsidered.

Mr. Quedeau called for the yeas and nays. Messrs. Durio, Sandoz, Darby, Quedeau, Prescott, Savant, Fontenot, Haas, Derouen, Manuel, Foster and Smith, voting yes.

The original motion of Mr. Sandoz being in order, the vote was called which stood as follows: Mr. Quedeau called for the yeas and nays. Messrs. Durio, Sandoz, Prescott, Haas and Smith, voting yes.

Bargains Will Be Offered in this space Next Week

Yours For Trade, BENNETT'S Bargain Store, Landry St., near Shute's Drugstore.

meeting for further investigation—motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Darby—Duly seconded, Celeste Bourque was ordered placed on the indigent list.

On motion of Dr. Foster—Duly seconded, the following road overseers were appointed for the eighth ward: Christoval Bellow, from Mose Dorsey's gin to T. Todd's place.

Babe Tweedell, from Tweedell's bridge to Josephus Brown.

On motion of Mr. Haas—Duly seconded, that the tax-collector be and is hereby authorized to refuse to the following parties, amounts paid by them through double assessment for the year 1899, to-wit:

Clark, K. J. Jefferson, Maison, \$4.54; Phoebe Randall, \$4.38—motion carried.

The report of committee appointed to examine the books and records in the clerk and recorder's office and tablet at last meeting, was taken up and upon motion of Mr. Savant, the report was received and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Haas—Duly seconded, the report of committee appointed to build bridge across the Neziqne, near Augustus L. Fontenot, be received and accepted, committee discharged and the sum of two hundred dollars ordered credited to Justilien Devillers, out of the 7th ward funds—motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Fontenot—Duly seconded and carried, the report of committee appointed to sell contract for building bridge over Petite Passe bayou, be tabled until next regular meeting.

Mr. Haas in the chair.

On motion of Dr. Clopton—Duly seconded and carried, the report of committee appointed to lay out public road from the colored church to Bayou Sackett, to the land of the estate of Mrs. C. G. Reynolds, 4th ward, be received and accepted, and the road declared a public road, as follows, and without cost to the parish, to-wit: Said road to commence at the public road known as the Sackett Landing road, at a point known as the colored church, and to run along Grand gully at its junction with bayou Sackett, thence down the south bank of bayou Sackett to the lower line of the lot belonging to the estate of Mrs. C. G. Reynolds; said road measuring thirty-five feet in width from the bank, full stage of water, in bayou Sackett.

On motion of Mr. Haas—Duly seconded, the Police Jury adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Mr. Haas—Duly seconded and carried, that the report of committee appointed to lay out public road from Presbyterian church on the Atchafalaya river to G. L. Berger's place on bayou Current, be received and accepted, and the road declared a public road as described, and the committee discharged.

Resolved further, that an additional appropriation of fifty dollars, together with a previous appropriation of twenty-five dollars, be made for the purpose of bridging Fish bayou, on the above road, and that the above appropriation of seventy-five dollars be placed to the credit of C. W. Havard, chairman of committee, for the payment of said work.

On motion of Dr. Clopton—Duly seconded and carried, that a committee composed of Wesley Budden, A. Cushman and W. Sylvester, be appointed to have three bridges repaired on road from Sylvester's to Waxia, at lowest possible cost to the parish.

On motion of Mr. Darby—Duly seconded, that whereas, on the 9th instant, a resolution was offered by Mr. Sandoz and applied, to take the sense of the voters of the parish of St. Landry, on the 6th day of November of this year, and whereas, in petition presented to this body requesting that a road tax be levied on the tax-payers; therefore, be it

Resolved, that said resolution be and is hereby expunged from the minutes—motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Haas—Duly seconded, that the President be and is hereby authorized to issue warrants in favor of the Parish Treasurer for pay court expenses for the November term of 1900.

TAKEN UP by the undersigned at Grand Coteau, one small Creole bay mare, about six years old; has been on my place 2 years. Branded about thus: M I

The owner will please come forward, prove property, pay costs and take same. JAMES WALKER, Grand Coteau, La.

PARTITION SALE. There will be sold at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, without appraisal, at J. G. Lawler & Co.'s livery stable, on

Saturday, November 3d, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:

18 head of gentle horses; 2 omnibuses; 2 surreys; 7 buggies; 4 drimmer wagons; 1 two-horse wagon; 1 spring wagon; 9 double sets of harness; 3 single sets of harness; 10 head of O. L. C. hogs; and other articles belonging to the estate of the deceased, at Plaisance, at 11 o'clock a. m., on

Tuesday, November 27th, 1900, the following property belonging to the above estate, to-wit:

A certain plantation with all the buildings and improvements thereon, situated at Plaisance, St. Landry parish, La., being the last residence of the deceased, containing one hundred and twenty-nine acres (129) bounded as follows: north by the bayou of Landry, south by Eraste and Amas Reed, east by public road and west by Antoine Landry; and twenty-one (21) arpents of woodland, in 1/2-acre-aux-Pailles woods, bounded as follows: north by D. F. Dupre, south by Numa Dupre, east by D. J. Dupre and west by one lot of 18 head of horses; one lot of 4 gentle mules and two wild mules; 17 heads of horned cattle; one-half interest in one Creole Jack; one lot of hogs; 1 lot of household goods and bedsteads; 1 lot of tools; 1 saw; 1 gun; 1 Singer sewing machine; 1 lot of glassware and crockery-ware; 1 clock; two kitchen safes; 1 dining table; 1 bedstead; one lot of farming implements; 1 sulky cultivator; 1 wagon; 1 old wagon; 1 buggy and harness; 1 buggy pole; 1 lot of tools; 1 saw; 1 wheelbarrow; 1 grindstone; 1 vice; 1 saddle; 1 branding iron; 1 lot of sugar cane; about 200 bushels of corn; 1 lot of potatoes in the field; 1 lot of fence posts.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS—Movables cash; immovables in three or more cash at the option of purchaser, and the balance in two equal annual installments, payable in one and two years from the date of sale, with 8 per cent per annum interest from the day of sale until paid, and with attorneys fees clause in all the above. The amount sued for in case of suit to enforce collection. Special mortgage and vendor's privilege to be retained to secure payment of price.

W. A. REED, Administrator.

AN ORDINANCE. An ordinance to amend and re-enact an ordinance, entitled, "An ordinance relative to driving carts and wagons fast over the bridges within the corporate limits of the town of Opelousas, La., in any other part than an ordinary walk, and providing penalties for violating same," adopted April 30th, 1888.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the town of Opelousas, La., that, an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance relative to driving carts and wagons fast over the bridges within the corporate limits of the town of Opelousas, La., in any other part than an ordinary walk, and providing penalties for violating same," adopted April 30, 1888, be and is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 1. Whereas, the large number of bridges required in the corporate limits of Opelousas, necessarily entails heavy expenses on the corporation treasury; and the driving of carts and wagons at a faster gait than an ordinary walk tears up said bridges, making it necessary for the town authorities to regulate the same.

Be it ordained, that it shall hereafter be unlawful for any person or persons to drive any cart or wagon within the corporate limits of the town, faster than a slow jog or trot, or over any bridge within the corporation faster than an ordinary walk.

That it shall be the duty of the constable, or any special officer, to arrest any person or persons who violate the provisions of this ordinance, and to take possession of and impound said vehicle and team.

Section 2. Be it further ordained, that for the violation of said ordinance, it shall be the duty of the mayor or the board of aldermen, or any justice of the peace, trying to fine the offenders not exceeding two and 50-100 dollars, or five days' imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of mayor, or justice of the peace, and double said fine and imprisonment for any subsequent offense.

Section 3. Be it further ordained, that it shall also be lawful for said constable to retain any vehicle or team impounded until payment of any fine and costs incurred under this ordinance.

Section 4. Be it further ordained, that it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to drive, or ride, on any wheeled vehicle in or on the streets of Opelousas at a greater rate of speed than six miles per hour, and any person or persons so violating this ordinance shall be fined in a sum not exceeding two and 50-100 dollars and costs, and in default of payment of fine, to be imprisoned in jail for a term of five days, or both, at the discretion of mayor, or justice of the peace, during case.

B. A. LITTELL, Mayor. W. R. COCHRAN, Clerk.

Opening... Fall Sale! Our Fall Stock is in, and in Variety, Price, Etc., we have never had the Equal.

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- WE HAVE BLACK CASHMERE, 21 grade, double with, at 25¢
" " J grade, worth 50¢, double width, at 35¢
BLACK HENRIETA, all wool, 36-inch wide, at 60¢
" " finer quality, worth \$1, at 75¢
" " best made, fine as you wish, at 1.50
BLACK BAPTISTE, 40-inch wide, never sold in town before 1.00
" CREPONS, nice quality, 3 different styles, at 75¢
" " nicer grade, 3 styles, at 1.25
" " still nicer, 4 styles, at 1.50
" " finer yet, 2 styles, at 2.00
PLAIDS, "all the go," sold last year at 20¢, only 15¢
WOOLEN DRESS GOODS FANCIES, only 3 styles, at 10¢
" " double width, nicer quality, at 20¢
" " from above grade on up to 2.00
OPERA FLANNELS, in most desirable shades, only 65¢
SERGES and other Flannels, in all shades, most complete ever handled, and prices at Cheap Value.
NEAR SILK LINING, 14 colors, no remnants, in full pieces, cheap at 20¢, our price 12 1/2¢

NOW when it comes Staples in COTTONS, COTTON-ADES, &c., We still have about 10 bales, or 200 pieces left, which we can sell below what they can be bought at today. We have cotton AS LOW AS 4-CENTS.

LADIES' CHILDREN and MEN'S SHOES, fine or coarse, cheap or high, our line is Complete and our Prices are Right.

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- Nice Fine \$10 Suit for \$4.65
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Belts. Thirty Styles, from the cheapest to the best, from the staple Blacks and Tans to the Latest Novelties. We have them as low, for a full length, as 10¢

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Shirt Waists. Do you need a nice one? We have them, starting at 25¢

Skirts. We have them also. Nice Mercerized Silk ones, as low as 1.50

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Corsets. We can sell you both the 4-Hook short, as well as the G-Hook long, and have some as low as 20¢

Ladies' Jackets. This year we are handling them for the first time. We run the line up to \$6.50, and have them as low as 1.75

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