

# THE ST. LANDRY CLARION.

"Here Shall The Press The People's Rights Maintain, Unawed by Influence and Unbribed by Gain."

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### Injoined Again.

The Bradford canal people seem to be in hard luck.

Bradford and his people are trying to build a canal through this parish. They have machinery on the grounds, and in actual operation, costing thousands of dollars. And yet they can not proceed with the work, because, forsooth, there are two injunctions preventing them from doing so.

Before the machinery arrived an injunction was issued by a party owning a piece of land on what is known as the lateral canal. The tract was bought one evening and the injunction issued the next day. The mammoth machinery arrived on the ground, and the work on the main canal began Monday.

Thursday evening another injunction, on the grounds that Mr. Bradford was "impecunious and financially irresponsible," and therefore not responsible for any damage that he might do on a right-of-way that he had purchased and paid \$1200 for, was granted upon petition of Mr. F. M. Wardelle.

And now the work is at a standstill.

The vast machinery, the large crop of workmen, are idle, at an enormous expense.

And all because Mr. Bradford, who is at the head of this machinery, men, experts, etc., is "impecunious and financially irresponsible," for the damages that may be done in case the canal is not constructed on a right-of-way for which he paid cash.

Really it does seem strange that an enterprise meaning so much to this country should be checked on every turn it makes in this manner.

This is a mighty primitive and short-sighted way of building up a country.

It is a splendid way to drive capital away from our doors, for it is silly to contend that Mr. Bradford hasn't capital back of his enterprise. He has spent over forty thousand dollars on the scheme, and has now a good sum of money, sent here by New York capitalists, to his credit in one of the local banks in Opelousas. This we get from a bank official.

We believe firmly that Mr. Bradford is in a position to build the canal he contemplates. He is actually building it.

We also firmly believe that Mr. Schell will build the canal he contemplates.

Both these canals will be of vast benefit to our parish. It will build it up and make of it what it should be.

Therefore, he who arrays himself against either of these canals; who does anything to impede their progress; is an enemy to his country; an enemy to progress, to development, to enlightenment.

We can not figure it any other way.

A stiff wind, with rain and lightning, gave the inhabitants of Opelousas a considerable scare Thursday evening. The storm began at 8 o'clock and lasted about one hour. A light wind in Opelousas seems a hurricane, on account of the number of trees. The moaning of the huge oaks, as the limbs boughed and bent and broke, made things decidedly "scary." No damage was done except the blowing down of a few fences.

Dr. C. F. Boogul is having a large stable built on his place, recently acquired from the Robertson succession. He is also having his land possessions in the Pontchartrain district made inhabitable (for ducks and Atchafalaya catfish). Doc, the outlet system won't do over there; that Morganza levee has to be strengthened; that's the only way you can prevent any improvements you may build there from merrily floating its way to the Courttableau.

The schools in the sixth ward will close on next Monday the 23d. This is the only ward in the parish which will close so early. All others will run seven and eight months, except the seventh ward, which will close at the end of this scholastic month. The term this year has been a successful one—the best for many years—both in point of length and results.

The schools will be run on an average of seven months, against a little over five months last year. This is due to the more liberal appropriation by the State, and the large collection of fines by the court, as well as the closing of schools in communities where they were not needed.

### General Jumel's Report.

The annual report of the Adjutant General of Louisiana has just been issued.

The State National Guard is given as follows:

"Two Battalions of Artillery, three Troops of Cavalry, one Naval Brigade, one Regiment of Infantry, one Separate Company of Infantry, one Battalion of Infantry and one Company of Signalmen, with an aggregate strength of two thousand five hundred and fifty (2,550) officers and enlisted men, located as follows:

Battalion Washington Artillery, New Orleans.

Battalion Louisiana Field Artillery, New Orleans.

First Regiment of Infantry, disbanded December 18, 1902, New Orleans.

Naval Brigade, New Orleans.

First Troop of Cavalry, New Orleans.

Signal Corps, New Orleans.

Second Separate Company of Infantry, Gretna.

Second Troop Cavalry, Mansfield.

Third Troop Cavalry, Lake Charles.

First Battalion Infantry, Headquarters Monroe.

Company "A," St. Francisville.

Company "B," Opelousas.

Company "C," Mansfield.

Company "D," Monroe.

Company "E," Winnfield.

Company "F," Crowley.

This report is brought up to Dec. 31, 1902. Since then two commands of 70 men each are to be added, that at New Iberia, and the last one added to the service being the Barrett Guards at Alexandria. Companies "G" and "H."

The report contains a detailed account of the movements of the S. N. G. in the trouble at Richland parish in May 1902. Then follows the full account of movements and the orders issued in the street carmen's strike in New Orleans in October, 1902. The reports contain the official reports of the several departments under military department, including the naval reserve and the detailed statistical tables covering all the branches of the department.

Representative A. D. Morris, of Schuyler county, says the Kansas City Journal, had an experience in the House the other day that was somewhat mortifying to him for a short time. He had been writing a letter to his wife. In his haste to prepare an amendment to a resolution that was pending he mistakenly wrote it on the back of a sheet of paper in the letter and sent it to the clerk's desk.

He arose at the same time and said: "Mr. Speaker, I wish to offer an amendment." "The gentleman from Schuyler, Mr. Morris, wishes to offer an amendment," said Speaker Pro tem. Duncan. "Read it Mr. Clerk." Clerk Jeff Pollard, with a quizzical expression began in an unusually loud clear voice: "My dear Maggie, I find myself awfully lonesome here without you." "Hold on there, Mr. Clerk," yelled Morris, "That's not right. That's the wrong side." The House held its sides to laugh, while Morris sank into his seat with a very red face and clerk Pollard turned the paper and began to read the resolution.—EX.

The number of men employed as teachers in the public schools of this country, according to United States Commissioner of Education Harris, is slowly but steadily decreasing. In 1870 41 per cent of the teachers were males, and in 1900 the percentage had fallen to 20. The reason for the abandonment of school teaching by men is that it does not pay well enough.

Russia is about to augment her squadron in the Pacific by two formidable battleships. Besides the battleship Slava, which is shortly to be launched in the Baltic, and is being hurried forward for service in the far East, the battleship Tzarevitch, now building in Toulon, is also destined for the Pacific station. Within a short time a crew will leave Cronstadt for Toulon to make delivery of the vessel and to bring her round to the Baltic to undergo her steam and other tests, after which she will be dispatched to the Pacific.

### Good Times for the Rich.

Harper's Weekly.

A gentleman's gardener came to him one day last month and desired audience. Said he: "You use me well, sir; I have nothing to complain of; but the undergardener bought a house two years ago, expecting to be able to make payments on it. I think perhaps, sir, you would think it well to give him some help." The gentleman assented, and agreed to increase the undergardener's pay by a sum which the gardener thought would be sufficient. Then said he: "How does it go with yourself, James? Do you get along well?" "Oh, I get along, sir; I have been able until lately to put aside part of my wages. I cannot do that just now, but I am hoping for better times." The obvious moral of this true tale from real life is that the times are not equally good for all persons, and that those whose incomes have long been fixed are not embarrassed by the riches which are advertised to be inundating the country.

### Current News Notes.

Gen. Booth says the American is more religious than the Englishman.

The lowlands between Camden, Ark., and Monroe, La., are under water.

Crevasse water west of the Lafourche is encroaching on truck farms.

Sir William Van Horn will erect the largest hotel in the world at Havana.

A novel demonstration of the harmlessness of French duels was given in Paris.

The French Ministry is passing through another crisis over the religious orders.

Dr. Loeb contends that it is not improbable that life will be created in the laboratory.

The Independent American Mechanics' Union has been formed to fight union labor.

The Jews are excluded from the benefits of the Czar's decree proclaiming religious freedom.

The fatalities in the hurricane which swept over the Society Islands are known to be 600, and may reach 1000.

A movement at Alexandria, La., to bring the Jennings and Northern Railway Company to that place is on foot.

Joseph Villa is under arrest at Biloxi, Miss., charged with the murder of his wife. The suicide theory had been at first accepted.

Cardinal Gibbons considers the recent manifesto of the Czar of Russia the most important and beneficial movement in the twentieth century.

A series of religious services will be held at the Presbyterian church in this place, commencing Friday evening, the 27th, at 7.30 o'clock and 11 o'clock on Saturday, and again at night. Also on Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock, after which the Holy Communion will be administered.

By THE PASTOR.

### Israel Guillory's Bridge, a distance of 8 1/2 miles.

ROADS TO BE WORKED UNDER SECOND CONTRACTS, NOT GRADED.

1st. From Ville Platte Corporation to ward line on road leading to Chataignier, distance of 3 1/2 miles.

2d. From J. J. Jossman's old place to meet ward line 7 miles on the other side of Point Frozin, distance 1 1/2 miles.

3d. From Israel Guillory's Bridge on road leading through Mamou, a distance of three miles.

4th. From the said three miles as per item No. 3 above, to run a distance of 6 1/2 miles.

5th. From Ville Platte Corporation to meet ward line on Bayou Chicot road, a distance of 5 miles.

6th. From N. E. Piquet bridge to meet main public road leading to Gustin Belaire above Dr. Vidrine's place, distance 3 1/2 miles.

7th. From Wm. Barker to main public road Ville Platte and Opelousas to Frilote Bridge, by Adam Belair Fontenot, distance 2 miles.

8th. From quarter of a mile above S. Gaubert's bridge, to ward line on, to Anatole Enselier, distance 9 miles.

9th. From Octave Gaubert's bridge to A. L. Prange's bridge on Nez Pique, distance 5 1/2 miles.

10th. From Ville Platte Corporation to ward line at bridge near M. Lazarro's place, and thence to Public Road, leading to A. Laragne, between A. H. Landry and A. E. Butler's place, distance 8 miles.

11th. From Arce Fruger to Oriere Manuel, or sufficient length to make 3 miles on road leading to Prairie Boade, distance 3 miles.

R. L. DEROUEN,  
Member Police Jury, 7th Ward.

### SUCCESSION SALE.

ESTATE OF ZELIA FUSILLIER.

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

By virtue of an order of the Hon. E. T. Lewis, judge of the 18th Judicial District Court, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, State of Louisiana, there will be sold at public auction to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned administrator, or duly qualified auctioneer, at the last residence of the deceased, at Port Barre, on

Tuesday, April 7, 1903,  
at 11 o'clock a. m., the following property belonging to the above estate, to-wit:

A certain tract of land with buildings and improvements thereon, being the residence of the deceased, situated at Port Barre, containing one hundred acres, more or less, bounded north by Bayou Courtableau, south by lands formerly of R. Doshotels, east by lands of the estate of the deceased, and west by the same property acquired by Antoine Forêt from Dr. Vincent Bogani, Nov. 27th, 1876, as appears by act duly recorded in Conveyance book D, No. 2, page 588, of files of Recorder's office, St. Landry Parish.

Another tract of land situated at Port Barre, in this parish, containing fifty-seven arpents, being the last residence of dec'd, bounded north by Bayou Courtableau, west by land formerly of Victor Bourdin, now lands of Estate, east by lands formerly of heir of Charles Close now Landry Lahaye, south by land formerly supposed to belong to the heirs of Baldwin, being the same property acquired by Antoine Forêt Feb. 17, 1873, from Victor Bourdin, as appears by act passed before A. P. Williams, and duly recorded in Alton book E, page 171, of files of Recorder's office, St. Landry Parish.

Also three arpents of land forming now part of the above described piece, saving one-half arpent front on Bayou Courtableau and running a sufficient depth to give three arpents, acquired as the first piece hereinafter mentioned.

One bay horse; one mare and colt; nine head of horned cattle; five head of hogs; poultry including iron; agricultural implements; one old buggy; about 1500 shingles; one grind stone; one lot of blacksmith tools; set of harness; about 20 barrels of corn; corn sheller; about 8 barrels cotton seed; empty barrels; about five barrels peas in shell; three baskets; one wagon; one flat boat; lot of shingles; pliers; one large pot; one tub; one stove; Kitchen utensils; two rice cutters; four beds and bedding; three armors; one Cane Knife; one bureau; one sewing machine; one dozen chairs; one shot gun; one clock.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Movables, cash on day of sale. Immovables, one-third cash on day of sale, and the balance represented in two installments, payable Jan. 1, 1905 and Jan. 1, 1906; the purchasers to give their notes payable to the order of the administrator, bearing eight per cent interest from day of sale, with clause of ten per cent attorney's fees in case of suit, or if placed in the hands of an attorney or collector for collection, and to be secured by special mortgage and vendor's lien and privilege on the property sold until full and final payment of said notes and interest.

ALBE BÉSTRAND,  
Administrator.

### Notice of Tableau.

ESTATE OF GUSTAVE HOLLIER.

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

Whereas, Olympe Lahaye, administratrix of the above estate, has filed her final tableau of said estate, accompanied by her petition praying for the homologation of same; and

Whereas, the prayer of said petition has been granted by an order of court bearing date

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given to all parties interested to make opposition to said tableau to file same in writing in my office, within the time required by law why the said tableau should not be homologated and confirmed.

H. E. ESTORGE,  
Clerk.