

# THE ST. LANDRY CLARION.

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

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See estray notice in this issue.

Attention is directed to notice standing of the St. Landry Cotton Oil Co. calling for a meeting of directors.

All things considered the weather has for several weeks been ideal in this vicinity, though the farmers west of here claim that rain is badly needed just now.

Notwithstanding the many obstacles placed in the way, the getting up of the tax sales has been accomplished, and they will appear next week.

J. L. Fontenot, Deputy Assessor of the 1st ward, has completed his assessment, as usual for the last three years, increasing the same considerably.

Nothing new about town, except that a number of our veterans have donned the looks of youth by losing the growth north of the upper lip—our clerk of court not excepted.

Mr. R. R. Paugh, Assistant Organizer of the Red Men, was in town last week organizing a tribe here, and judging from the talk of those interviewed, we conclude that his success was proverbial.

Garrigue Andrus, an old Opelousas boy, was here this week visiting his parents, and other relatives and friends. He is, we learn, now located at Dallas, Texas. Always glad to see you; come again.

Owing to the editor's absence and the sudden French leave of the typist left to assist us on Monday morning last, we ask the indulgence of our readers in their perusal of the local and editorial departments this week.

Old Robert, Col. Breaux's carriage driver, says, "If you'll believe me, Mr. I ain't rid an inch on dat train in my life, kase I b'lieves it's safer ter walk," while Judy, his better-half stays in the dark rather than "fool wid them luektrik lights."

Mr. Homer Ventre, contractor, has just turned over to its owner, P. Del Baono, a handsome one-story store building 26 feet front by 50 deep. It is needless to say that it is already occupied, as houses intended for rental purposes here are generally spoken for in advance of erection.

The substantial as well as ornamental two-story, iron-clad glass-front store structure 40 feet wide by 74 deep and being completed in the hands of Mr. H. Ventre for Dardean & Corell will be a somewhat novel as well as handsome addition to the part of town in which it is located.

Masters Lawrence Larcade and Charles Dossman, who have been attending school at Bowling Green, Ky, took advantage of late excursion rates, and are spending a few weeks with relatives here. We are pleased to note from letters received from the faculty, that they have made most creditable records since their entry there.

After an absence of a year or so, your humble reporter enjoyed a visit to the Methodist church on Sunday morning last; not alone from the fact of its being a new and handsome modern structure, but from having enjoyed a most interesting sermon by Rev. Mr. Haney from a text which we understood to be "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he reap," the excellent attendant singing not to be overlooked.

"Car Just In." We have made arrangements to handle the Hammond Packing Co., Ltd celebrated meats and lards—loose packed and in cans. We will sell to the wholesale as well as to the retail trade. Market quotations received every day.

J. K. SANDOZ & BRO.

For Sale. One matured and several well-bred Jersey bull calves, at close figures.

About 40 head of light brahma chickens.

De Laval cream separators. Fine mammoth bronze turkey gobbler, will weigh 40 pounds when fat.

Don't write unless you mean business.

C. A. SAINT, Sunset, La.

Lost. On public road between Washington and Opelousas, a silver watch, five ounce case, Elgin works, elk stamped on back. Reward will be given.

## May Activities.

This is flower and plencing time. What do the schools propose to do about the matter? It is now in order not for one, but several of them, to advise the public by first arranging matters among themselves and then extending an invitation to the editors and their families to help destroy the surplus, in order that they may publish their elaborate programs, etc. And then the churches and Sunday-schools seem to be mum on the subject. Can it be possible that they, too, will suffer the would-be queen to go unceremonied and cry her eyes out for a lack of the usual quota of admirers that a pretty girl ought to have should she be the lucky one? What is the matter boys? It is surely not a lack of refinement in this age of polite advancement? It may possibly be that the girls are forced to resort to more artful and practical plans for captivating and capturing the youth of to-day. At any rate, the young folks had better wake up and bring matters to a climax before either a protracted or camp-meeting comes along and spoils it all. If the last named is to occur, we venture to suggest the idea of moving nearer the graveyard. There's to much picnic promending and wooing around the average camp-meeting grounds these days, any way! Ain't we right, friends?

## Opelousas Institute.

As a representative of the Clarion, we had the pleasure of being present on Thursday night last at the initial commencement exercise of this grand and worthy institution. The building was tastefully decorated with palmetto and ivy which were gracefully hung along the walls as the rays from the electric light bulbs peeped modestly upon the scene below. The stage, above which appeared the motto: "Qui Non Proffit, Deficit," was profusely decorated with ivy studded with rarer flowers and a background of green which contrasted well with the surroundings and varied costumes worn by participants in the features which were later on presented. The children displayed a perfect knowledge of their parts and in every instance performed them faultlessly and with a confidence known only to those who had been thoroughly trained for the occasion. The May Queen seemed to be the center of attraction, and we are quite sure that to no ruler was there ever such homage paid.

The address of welcome by the little tot, the speeches, oration, etc., were as select and well rendered as were those which at different periods interspersed the performance.

The music on the piano and violin which was occasionally interlarded was as the ruderst saying goes—"simply out of sight."

All things considered, the exercises at Institute Hall still accord to the Opelousas Institute the enviable reputation which it has always enjoyed.

[Owing to the fact that we have already delayed the publication of the paper as long as possible, we regret that we will this week be unable to publish the last night's exercises.]

Things in Bridgeville and what is now known as "The Branch," are moving along smoothly—no small amount of liquor included. The Assyrian element, with their fruit stands and catch-shops seem to be flourishing to a degree that can hardly be estimated, notwithstanding the failure of the crops last year and the poor prospects so far in this. In order to keep a supply on hand and sell goods profitably, some of them must in the language of an old-time Poydras dealer, have "a brother in Ny York vat steals 'em." We can't tell very much about that end of their honesty, but a representative of their race in this neck of the woods will lift a watch occasionally, if the opportunity presents itself.

## ELK SALOON,

L. J. DOSSMANN, Proprietor

OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA.

Finest and Best Equipped Saloon in Town

All leading brands of LIQUORS AND CIGARS ON HAND Has Its Own Ice and Beer Vaults.

OPEN ALL NIGHT.

## District Court.

District Court was in session last week His Honor Judge Lewis presiding.

Prior to its adjournment last Saturday, the 16th inst., the Grand Jury handed in the following:

### TRUE BILLS.

Osborn Dejean, wontonly killing a horse.

Henry Stephens, violating labor contract.

Aristide Fontenot, shooting with intent to murder.

Eugene Fontenot, having carnal knowledge of an unmarried female between the age of 12 and 16 years.

Artheleus Edward, assault with a dangerous weapon.

Jno. P. Williams, murder.

Aristide Guillory, stopping up natural drain on public road.

Manon Vige, larceny.

Robt. and Jno. P. Savant, petit larceny.

Eugene Granger, petit larceny.

Ferdinand Frete and Policar Pappillon, violating Act 31 of 1886.

Jos. Vaigle, selling liquor without a license.

Jno. Monitun, petit larceny.

Achille Vidrine, cutting with intent to murder.

Adam Gradney, carrying concealed weapons.

Bruno St. Andre, Jno. Bte. Lemelle and Antoine Simlen, disturbing a peaceable Assembly.

Rosie Williams and Lee Williams, murder.

Jos. Gasson Harrison, murder.

Urbain Manuel, violating Act 31 of 1886.

Anthony Bevins and Lena Banks, violating Act 31, 1886.

Willie Block, assault and battery.

Maxwill B. Fontenot and Marcius Deville, Jr., making an affray.

Maxill B. Fontenot, carrying concealed weapons.

Jos. Bob, violating Act 31 of 1886.

### NOT TRUE BILLS.

Walter Milton, abduction.

Foster St. Andre, stabbing with intent to murder.

Yalsin Simlen, slander.

Labidde Declaquette, assault and battery.

Angelas Guillory, slander.

M. Fontenot, petit larceny.

Jules Vidrine, carrying concealed weapons.

Jos. Bobs, slander.

S. Young, assault.

King Cole, murder.

William Love, assault and battery.

J. P. Salzan, assault and battery.

Julius Perrault and ———, slander.

## Stockholders' Notice.

In accordance with the provisions of Article 5 of the charter of this company, as amended, there will be a meeting of the Stockholders for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors of Seven Members to serve for the ensuing year. The meeting will be held at the office of the Company, from Nine A. M. to Four P. M. on Monday, June 1st, 1903.

PHIL L. ASHER, Secretary.

MAY 23, 1903.

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

A liver spotted pointer dog, was missed from my yard May 19th. Has a scar on top of his head, will answer to the name of Leo. Any person who will give me information that will lead to his recovery will be liberally rewarded.

D. M. FONTENOT.

## Taken Up

In Church Prairie, one sorrel horse, creole, aged about 6 years; has been ranging with my stock about 12 months, branded thus:

PHIL L. ASHER, Secretary.

Lost or Stolen. From the Branch Saloon, on Saturday, March 21, 1903, one sorrel Creole horse and saddle, about five years old, branded about thus:

A reward of five dollars will be given for its return. CROIX LEMELLE, Opelousas, La.

WARNING. No trespassing or hunting allowed on South Hope Plantation under penalty of the law. Z. T. YOUNG, SR.

WANTED—SEVERAL INDUSTRIAL persons in each state to travel for house established eleven years and with a large capital, to call upon merchants and agents for successful and profitable line. Permanent employment. Weekly cash salary of \$1800 and all traveling expenses and hotel bills advanced in cash each week. Experience not essential. Mention reference and enclose self-addressed envelope. THE NATIONAL, 334 Dearborn St., Chicago.

## For Sale.

The two properties near the rail road depot. Desirably located. Good rent derived. Apply to Mrs. C. Pactor, Opelousas, La.

Apr 25-4t

## For Sale.

The desirable property situated in the eastern portion of the town. Next new five-room cottage. Large yard. Apply to BERNADETTE PIRK.

Apr 25-4t

## For Sale.

Three young mules and a lot of farming implements. Apply at the Cooke Plantation, Mrs. D. M. Cooke, Washington, La.

## Estrayed.

One spotted bull, which has been ranging among my cattle for five years. No brand, but has end of one ear out, and C on the last and lowest bidder, under the supervision of Homer Savant.

Apr 25-4t

## Sale of Public Roads.

Notice is hereby given that the public roads of the 6th ward, on Bayou Boeuf from Garland to parish line, will be sold to the last and lowest bidder, under the supervision of Homer Savant.

Saturday, May 9th, 1903. at Whiteville, between the hours of 10 and 12 m. Bids and specifications to be seen on day of sale. The undersigned reserving the right to reject any and all bids.

HOMER SAVANT.

## For Rent.

C. Brand's bakery. Also suitable building for Restaurant and Grocery in connection; large stable etc. For particulars, apply to C. BRAND, Opelousas, La.

Graded Jersey Stock For Sale. Milch cows and heifers. Graded on College stock.

DR. T. T. TARTLTON, Grand Coteau, La.

Those who in April date their years. Diamonds shall wear; least bitter tears. For vala repentance—now.

Every woman, in justice to health and pocket-book, should try the "Perfect" Baking Powder. Once used always used.

The stomach is our best friend, and the next best is the "Perfect" Baking Powder. It is chemically pure and assists digestion.

P. T. Blacksher & Son.

NOTICE OF TABLEAU.

ESTATE OF PIERRE Z. FONTENOT. No. 1618, Probate Docket, District Court, Parish of St. Landry.

Whereas, Pierre Z. Fontenot Administratrix of the above named estate, has filed her final account, and has petitioned for the homologation of same; and whereas, the prayer of said petition has been granted by order of court, bearing date—

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

IN BANKRUPTCY. In the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Louisiana.

In the Matter of DAVID CONKLIN, In Bankruptcy. The creditors of David Conklin, in the Parish of St. Landry, and district aforesaid, a bankrupt, notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1903, the said David Conklin was adjudged bankrupt, and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the United States courthouse in Opelousas on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1903, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING. A regular meeting of the stockholders of the Opelousas Compress Co. will be held at the office of said corporation, at Opelousas, La., beginning at 1 o'clock, P. M., on Monday, May 4, 1903, and closing at 4 o'clock, P. M., on said day, for the purpose of electing five directors, to serve for one year from said date, in accordance with the charter of said corporation, as well as to attend to such other business as may come before the meeting.

Taken Up. By the undersigned, at Spring Prairie La., one black and white spotted heifer about two years old, has been with my cattle about one year. No brand visible. The owner is hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay costs and take same away.

The "Perfect" Baking Powder is made of pure materials tested by competent chemists and will not cause indigestion. Try the brand named "Perfect."

The purity of the Baking Powder named "Perfect" is a guarantee against sallow complexions caused by indigestion.

P. T. Blacksher & Son.

## THE LAFLER COMPANY, LTD.

Lot second-hand brick, on the Henry Lastrapes place. Apply to the St. Landry Irrigation and Development Company, Washington, La.

The owner is hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay costs and take same.

Two splendid properties on Court street, near Auditor Frazee's residence. Will be sold cheap. Apply to LUMENA LASTRAPES, or BLINK LASTRAPES, Opelousas, La.

Twenty head mules, fifteen to fifteen-and-a-half years old, five years and under, recently inspected and found sound by Dr. Stubbs. Apply to ST. LANDRY IRRIGATION & DEVELOPMENT CO., Washington, La.

Opelousas, one large sorrel horse, black mane and tail; light spot in forehead; one eye blind. The owner is hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay costs and take same.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the postoffice building until 2 o'clock P. M., May 11th, 1903, for furnishing fuel, lights, water, ice, miscellaneous supplies, washing towels, hauling ashes, and sprinkling the streets for this building during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, or such portion of the year as might be deemed advisable. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved by the Treasurer Department.

LOUIS DESMARAIS, JR., Custodian.

Sale of Land Near Opelousas. I will sell several tracts of land, adjoining to my home residence at Opelousas. They each contain twenty-five acres.

I will sell on terms of credit to suit the purchasers. All of price to bear eight per cent yearly interest, which interest to be paid annually, and start from sale.

I have cows to sell. HENRY L. GARLAND.

ST. LANDRY STATE BANK, OPELOUSAS, LOUISIANA.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES TO RENT. A general banking business transacted. Foreign exchange bought and sold. Careful attention given to collections. Money to loan on good security.

DIRECTORS: E. M. BOAGNI, J. Dietlein, J. J. Thompson, E. D. Estlette, Jos. M. Boagni.

ST. LANDRY COTTON OIL CO. Opelousas, Louisiana.

COTTON SEED MEAL AND HULLS. A Cheap and Economical feed for stock.

From this date Cash must accompany all orders.

St. Landry Cotton Oil Co. Opelousas, Louisiana.

Mules and Horses!!

The undersigned will keep on hand during the entire season an assorted lot of Mules and Horses which they will dispose of for Cash, or on liberal terms for part Cash, and acceptable paper for the balance.

FEED AND LIVERY STABLE. PHONE: Cumberland, 85; Bertha, 111.

HAAS & WALLIOR, Opelousas, La.

Graduate of The Chicago Veterinary College. Office—HAAS & WALLIOR'S Livery and Sale Pavilion, Phone, Cumberland 85; Bertha, 111.

EDW. L. LEWIS, M. D. C., V. S., VETERINARIAN. Scientific treatment of all domestic animals. Examination of Horses for Soundness.

RAPID GROWTH. The Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company has issued a statement of its business for the month of March, and the increase in the business is shown as follows:

Number of subscribers April 1, 1903 96,168

Number added during April 3,677

Number discontinued 3,029

Net increase for the month 848

Total subscribers April 30, 1903 97,016

NEW GROCERY STORE. We desire to announce to the public that we have opened a

FAMILY GROCERY STORE on north Market Street, near the Catholic church, where we will at all times have on hand a supply of

FANCY AND STAPLE GROCERIES. Goods Fresh—Prices Moderate. Free Delivery. Stove Wood Delivered. Cumberland Phone, 108.

Duflho Bros.