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Opera House Again.

The Clarion is in receipt of the following communication, to which it cheerfully gives space:

Opelousas, La., Feb. 8, 1905.
Editor Clarion:—I see in your last week's issue that I am prominently quoted as an endorser and stockholder in a project to build another opera house in Opelousas. Permit me to say that the use of my name in connection with this is calculated to mislead the public, and place me in a false position. I know enough about the opera house business to satisfy me that it is not a paying investment with only one opera house in town and would still be less with two. I wish to state that for this and several other reasons I repudiate the statement that I endorse the project and to say also that I am not a stockholder in the new opera house scheme. My understanding was that I was taking stock in the Jacobs News Co., which was over two years ago. Please give this communication the same publicity you gave the misleading article referred to.

Respectfully,
F. L. SANDOZ.

The Clarion wishes to state that it was not its intention to misrepresent Mr. Fred L. Sandoz, nor mislead the public.

The names published in last week's Clarion, including that of Mr. Sandoz, as stockholders in the Jacobs News Depot Co., were obtained from the Jacobs News Depot register.

We were made to understand that the projected opera house and the Jacobs News Depot were one and the same thing, and that stockholders in one were stockholders in the other.

The lower story will be occupied by the Jacobs News Depot Co. as a store building.

The upper story will be used as an opera house.

This is all we know about it. The public is invited to consult the list of stockholders at Jacobs News Depot, where Mr. Sandoz's name will be found registered.

The Freeze.

The Eastern and Southern states were in the grasp of blizzards, snow, sleet and rain, the past week. Commerce was sorely crippled, and the deaths among man and beast reached a high number.

The ice floes impeded maritime traffic considerably, and the financial losses were extensive.

Louisiana was one of the Southern States which suffered greatly, experiencing the severest weather known in years.

Here in St. Landry the weather man was especially unkind to us, Friday evening, at about 2 o'clock, a downpour of sleet ushered in Jack Frost.

Everything froze hard. Icicles reigned in their magnificence everywhere.

Before nightfall the wire fences about town presented the appearance of shimmering crystal palaces.

That night the accumulation of ice on the limbs of trees began to fell them, and all night and next day the noise of falling limbs made things strikingly similar to the bombardment of a fort.

The courthouse square, after the seizure, was a rather true prototype of a cyclone-struck piney-woods.

The pretty tress all over town, the pride of Opelousas, had to surrender some of their limbs to the Ice King.

In some instances giant trees succumbed.

Telephone and telegraph business was suspended for several days, and the town was thrown in darkness until Wednesday, February 1.

The systems suffered severely, especially the Bertha telephone line, which was for several days an almost complete wreck.

The thawing began Sunday, and then Opelousas was a sea of mud and slush. The streets were rendered almost impassable, and business was absolutely at a dead standstill.

The rain then set in, and the sun did not show its radiant face until Thursday.

The roads are now drying, and prospects are good for more propitious weather.

Up-to-Date.

The Jacobs News Depot Co. has made another stride forward.

This week they received a special mailing permit entitling them to send magazines, newspapers and similar periodicals, to out-of-town readers at the same price as sold at the town office, provided that persons will take them regularly.

Send in your name for three months' subscription to any magazine you wish to read, and see what prompt service you will receive.

Valentines! Valentines!

Tops, marbles and masks, in large varieties, at Jacobs News Depot Co.

Special Notice To Superintendents.

The Nineteenth Annual Convention of the Louisiana Sunday School Association will be held in Shreveport, March 21-23.

The membership of the convention is composed of the following: First, Pastors of all evangelical churches; second, four delegates at large from each parish association; third, one delegate for every twenty-five members of all Sunday schools.

I am informed by the State office that the railroads have been asked to give the usual reduction in rates and that the people of Shreveport will do the proper thing in the way of entertainment.

I am also informed that expert help of International reputation will be secured and that the convention, will in fact, be a great school of Methods in which many of the difficult problems of Sunday school work will be discussed.

Permit me to urge all superintendents to bring the matter before their schools at an early date and take such steps as may be necessary to secure a delegation to the convention. Yours in the work,
P. FOSTER, President.

Defective Weld Caused A Runaway.

A young lady thrown from a buggy and seriously hurt. This is what we will see in the papers next, if you continue to patronize the blacksmith who does not know his trade. You should be as careful in selecting your smith as your wife is in selecting her Doctor. When you need repairing of all kinds, from an engine down to a Road Cart, Evaporators—The Marcotte Fuel Oil Evaporator, a wonder, invented and manufactured and for sale by me. We also have on hand a fine line of fine cane syrup for sale. Call on us, we can please you.
ARTHUR D. MARCOTTE,
The Mechanic, Church Point, La.
Location: 1 mile west of Dixon Grove. 14-3m

The Return of Sherlock Holmes.

By A. Conan Doyle, will be printed in the Sunday Picayune. There are thirteen stories in the series. The first one will appear Sunday, Feb. 12, 1905. These are the finest short stories that Conan Doyle has written. Not to read them is to miss the literary sensation of the age. Purchase of your newsdealer. Daily Picayune, \$1 per month; Sunday Picayune, \$2 per annum.

St. Landry Convicts Pardoned.

The Governor has issued pardons to Ermogene Frank, Mark Frank and Edwin John, convicted June 19th, 1902, of assault by shooting at, and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of seven years.

They engaged in a general fusillade in the Big Cane section of the parish.

All are negroes.

Wanted

10 men in each state to travel, tack signs and distribute samples and circulars of our goods. Salary \$75.00 per month. \$3.00 per day for expenses. KUHLMAN Co., Dept. 8, Atlas Building, Chicago. Jan 21

Sale of Public Roads.

Notice is hereby given that public roads in the west end of the Eighth Police Jury Ward will be sold at public auction to the last and lowest responsible bidder, at Public Sale, on
Tuesday, February 21st, 1905,
And of the east end, at Numa Bertrand's, on
Wednesday, February 23, 1905,
at 10 o'clock a. m.

The undersigned reserving the right to reject any and all bids.
ALIBER MANUEL,
J. D. BERTRAND,
Police Jurors, 8th Ward.

Sale of Public Roads.

Notice is hereby given that public roads in the lower portion of the Second Police Jury Ward will be sold at public auction to the last and lowest responsible bidder, at Public Sale, on
Wednesday, March 15, 1905,
at 10 o'clock a. m.

The undersigned reserving the right to reject any and all bids.
ADRIANA GUIDRY,
Police Juror, 2d Ward.

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Wednesday, March 15, 1905,
at 10 o'clock a. m.

The undersigned reserving the right to reject any and all bids.
LOUIS D. STELLY,
Police Juror, 3d Ward.

FOR RENT.

A well-finished residence in the Garland addition of the town of Opelousas. Horse lot, stable and all modern improvements. The house is new. Apply to
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General Practice,
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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Please take notice that the State Auditor instructs me to charge 2 per cent. per month on all real estate after January 1st, 1905. Come forward and pay and save costs.
M. L. SWORDS,
Sheriff and Ex-officio Tax Collector.

Baton Rouge, Jan. 1, 1905.
To Tax Collectors:
Dear Sir:—Your attention is respectfully called to section 40, Act 170 of 1898, which requires that all taxes unpaid on the 31st day of December of each year, shall bear interest at the rate of 2 per cent. per month from said date. Yours respectfully,
PAUL CAPDEVIELLE,
Auditor Public Accounts.

NOTICE! NOTICE!

The following classes of persons, now doing business in the parish of St. Landry, are hereby notified that the license for the year 1905, their particular business or calling, is now due and collectible, and unless paid at once, will be collected according to law, with all costs and penalties attached thereto, to-wit:
Liquor Dealers, Liverymen, Drymen, Boarding-house and Hotel Keepers, Peddlers and Hawkers, Vendors of Pistols and Rifles, Rifle and Pistol Cartridges, Blank Cartridges and Blank Cartridge Pistols, Lightning Rod Vendors and all other callings subject to the payment of a license.

All parties delinquent in the payment of taxes on real estate will be charged interest at the rate of two per cent. per month on the amount of delinquent taxes.
M. L. SWORDS,
Jan 28-31 Sheriff, St. Landry Parish.

Mr. Dalley offered the following ordinance, duly seconded, and upon being read, was adopted, to-wit:
AN ORDINANCE.

An ordinance levying a special tax of five mills annually for the period of ten years upon the taxable property of the First Police Jury Ward of the Parish of St. Landry to aid in the construction of the Opelousas, Gulf & Northeastern Railroad.

Whereas, at a special election held in the First Police Jury Ward of the Parish of St. Landry on the 28th day of December, 1904, to take the sense of the property taxpayers and qualified electors in said ward whether a five mill tax shall be levied and collected upon the taxable property in said ward to aid in the construction of the Opelousas, Gulf & Northeastern Railway Company, annually for the period of ten years; and

Whereas, at said election a majority of the qualified electors and a majority of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said ward voting at said election, voted in favor of the levying of a five mill tax to aid in the construction of the Opelousas, Gulf & Northeastern Railway Company;

Whereas, under the provisions of Section Five of Act No. 202 of the Act of 1898 it is made the duty of Police Jurors in such cases to immediately pass an ordinance levying such tax; therefore, be it

Ordained by the Police Jury of the parish of St. Landry, in regular session convened: Section 1. That a tax of five mills on the dollar be and the same shall be levied on all the taxable property, situated within the First Police Jury Ward of the parish of St. Landry, on or before the 1st day of January, 1905, to be used in aid of the construction of a line of railway projected by the Opelousas, Gulf & Northeastern Railway Company.

Section 2. Be it ordained, etc., that said tax as herein provided for in section one be and the same shall be levied annually for a period of ten years, as follows: 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, and an aggregate amount for the whole ten years of Seventy Thousand Dollars.

Section 3. Be it further ordained, etc., that said tax shall be annually collected by the Sheriff and Ex-officio Tax Collector for the parish of St. Landry, at the same time that the taxes imposed by the State and parish are collected by him.

Section 4. Be it further ordained, etc., that said tax when collected shall be paid over to the officers of the Opelousas, Gulf & Northeastern Railway Company in the manner and under the provisions of the petition of property taxpayers and qualified electors in said ward, and in obedience to the provisions of the ordinance ordering said election to be held.

Section 5. Be it further ordained, etc., that this ordinance shall take effect on the 1st day of January, A. D., 1905.
Messrs. Gullory and Bertrand voting no.
W. F. CLOPTON, President.
Attest: J. J. HEALEY, Clerk,
Rooms of Police Jury, St. Landry parish, La., Dec. 28, 1904.

Mr. Dalley offered the following ordinance, seconded by Mr. Fruge, viz:
AN ORDINANCE.

Relative to the operation of traction engines on the public roads of the parish:

Section 1. Be it ordained, by the Police Jury of the parish of St. Landry, that traction engines shall be permitted to operate on the public roads of this parish, subject to the following conditions:

1. Previous to being operated on the public roads a road tax or license of ten dollars shall be paid by the owner or operator of such engine for the privilege of taking such engine on the public road, payment to be made to the sheriff and ex-officio tax-collector, who shall issue the proper tax or license receipts, which shall entitle the holder to run the engine on the public roads of this parish for the unexpired portion of the calendar year during which such payment shall be made. Said tax or license receipt shall always be in the possession of the operator of the traction engine when said engine shall be taken on the public roads and shall be produced and exhibited by him whenever required to do so by any officer or tax-payer of the parish.

2. For any injury that may be caused to the public roads or bridges by any such traction engine when operated thereon, the parish and road contractor or contractors or either of them may proceed in any court of competent jurisdiction either by suit in personam against the owner or operator of such engine or in rem against the engine itself at the option of the parish or such road contractor.

3. Any individual, corporation or firm that shall sustain any injury or damage, either in person or property through the operation of such traction engine shall have the same double right of action as is conferred upon the parish or road contractor in paragraph No. 2 of this section.

4. Should any traction engine be taken upon the public roads of this parish without the proper payments of the tax or license of ten dollars hereinafter provided for, the sheriff or any of his deputies shall be authorized to seize and sell such engine for the payment of said tax or license after ten days' advertisement in the official journal of the parish, and shall be allowed the same fees for such services as are allowed him by law for the execution of writs of fieri facias.

Section 2. Be it further ordained, etc., that the tax or license to be collected under this ordinance shall be distributed to the road funds of the several wards from which the payments are made.

Section 3. Be it further ordained, etc., that this ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage, and that all resolutions or ordinances in conflict therewith be and they are hereby repealed.

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



Another appeal to those who do not but should wear glasses. Unless you need them we wont sell them to you, but let us be the judge -- a graduate optician is more capable of answering that question.

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NEW ORLEANS.

Notice of Dissolution.

The firm of Dardeau & Correll was dissolved by mutual consent on January 10th. Mr. T. Correll retiring. The business of the firm will be liquidated by Mr. J. Dardeau, to whom all accounts due the firm must be paid, and who will settle all indebtedness of the firm.

O. DARDEAU,
T. CORREIL.

Referring to the above the undersigned beg to announce that the firm of O. Dardeau & Co., has succeeded to the business of Dardeau & Correll, continuing it at the same location and respectfully solicit a continuation of the liberal patronage accorded the old firm.

O. DARDEAU,
J. B. A. STAGG,
A. L. CASTILLE.

Opelousas, La., Jan. 24, 1905.

NOTICE is hereby given that an entry came on my premises on Sunday, Jan. 8, and on Monday I took him up and he is now in my possession. Description: 3/4 American, flea bitten gray horse, had footfall on right front foot, knee locked on back hind leg and short tail to hook. Owner will please come forward, prove property, pay costs and take same away.

ROBERT WILKINS' Plantation.
Jan 28-31

TAKEN BY the undersigned, in Opelousas, Louisiana, one bay gelding, 8 or 9 years old, and branded on left shoulder about thus:

SY
The owner is hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay costs and take same away.
DUPLECH LEBLANC,
Vatican P. O., La.
Jan 28-31

NOTICE. The public is hereby notified not to negotiate for two promissory notes of one hundred dollars each, executed in my favor by Prosper V. Digne, and identified by an act of sale before E. E. Vidrine, Notary Public, dated May 8th, 1903. Said notes having been paid in full, but originals lost or retained by me.
Jan 28-31 CELESTINE VIDRINE.

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