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## Chicot Notes.

Jan. 9—Hello! Happy New Year to all.

Have you got rid of your headache? 'Twas awful, wasn't it, brother?

The Rock Island Civil Engineers have moved to Chicot, and are all occupying a house belonging to Mrs. A. Moore.

H. L. Erlich, Esq., attended a meeting of the school board at Opelousas last Saturday.

An elaborate affair was given at the hospitable residence of Mrs. Rev. Thomason on last Monday. It was called a "Hen Party," and quite a crowd attended. Mrs. Thomason was the recipient of a number of hens, besides other gifts.

Miss Lyons and Miss Cox, two young ladies from the Bayou Chicot Lumber Co., after spending the holidays at home, have returned to school at San Antonio, Texas.

While candidates for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor are bobbing up in numerous sections of the State, don't forget that Little Bob Broussard, of Iberia, and Hon. James J. Bailey, of St. Landry, are going to make it warm for their opponents.

Dr. J. E. Hawkins and Dr. Geo. Buchoe paid Oakdale a visit last Thursday.

To the gratification of all concerned, our popular school teacher, Miss Lillian Daniels has returned, and is at her post of duty.

Mrs. H. L. Erlich has peas and Irish potatoes fully matured in her garden, besides numerous other vegetables that are rarely grown here during the winter months.

Railroad men, tie men, hardwood men, stove men, etc., are seen on our streets nearly every day, attending to their various duties.

Charlie Chappelle, who at present is engaged in estimating timber, says that he heard quite a racket in the woods one day last week, and running to see what it was, met the sight of an immense eagle engaged in a fierce battle with a wild turkey.

Capt. Sam Haas, with the exception of a very few days, has been absent from home nearly all the fall and winter.

Major Frank Wharton and Mr. C. M. Richards, of Gold Dust, visited Chicot last week.

Farmers are already preparing to make the crop of 1907, and from what I can learn, a greater quantity of fertilizer will be used this year than ever was before.

Mr. Elmus Campbell, a prominent citizen of the western portion of the parish, gave us a bright and early call on Friday morning.

Jake, of Ville Platte, here is to you and your coming little city.

## CHICOT.

### Cabbage-Head Monster.

Mr. J. J. Mistrot, who conducts a truck farm on the eastern limits of the corporation of Opelousas—at the old "White Hall" place—sent us a specimen of his cabbage crop on last Tuesday, and at the risk of having our veracity questioned, we will give the dimensions and weight, which was forty-four inches around the waist in the former and twenty pounds in weight!

It was a monstrous king of the cabbage tribe, white and firm and when cooked tender and deliciously flavored. The young man who brought it told us that Mr. Mistrot planted two acres in cabbage, on which he made 4000 head, and that the specimen brought to us was no exception to the general run of the crop. He has disposed of 3000 head on the local market, and is not at all worried about the other 1000 remaining on his hands. When asked if any had been shipped to other markets, the young man said that this had not been necessary, as a ready market had been found right here in the city. Mr. Mistrot plants five acres in vegetables, and has found it hugely profitable.

## Proceedings of the Police Jury.

Opelousas, La., Jan. 7, 1907.

The Police Jury met in regular session this day with the following members present: Dr. Clopton, President; Messrs. Stelly, B. L. Lafleur, Halphen, Muller, Bertrand, Haas, Guillory, Dailey, Savant, Deshotel, Manuel, Durio, Adrasde Lafleur.

Received from Mr. J. B. Deshotel, the sum of ten and 50-100 dollars, realized from sale of old lumber, 5th ward, the said amount to be turned over to the parish treasurer.

Motion by Mr. Deshotel—That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to contract with any bank or banks, within this State, to act as fiscal agent for the parish of St. Landry, for the year 1907, and the contract to be ratified by the Police Jury at its next regular meeting. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Halphen—The Police Jury adjourned until 1:30 o'clock p. m.

## EVENING SESSION.

The Police Jury met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Dr. Clopton, President; Messrs. Stelly, B. L. Lafleur, Adrasde Lafleur, Halphen, Muller, Deshotel, Dailey, Savant, Manuel, Clopton, voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Adrasde Lafleur—That a committee composed of Messrs. Polin L. Fontenot, Austin Foret and J. R. Vidrine be appointed for the purpose of investigating the road between the lands of Jean Vidrine and the Armand Brignac old place, and report at next regular meeting the proper and probable cost of reconstructing said road. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Muller—That an appropriation of fifteen dollars be made out of the 5th ward internal improvement funds, to dig out ditch leading from State road across land of Robt. Zernotte, and that Mr. Robt. Zernotte be appointed a committee of one to have the work done.

Messrs. B. L. Lafleur, Adrasde Lafleur, Halphen, Muller, Deshotel, Guillory, Savant, Dailey, Manuel, Clopton, voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Deshotel—That an appropriation of fifteen dollars be made out of the 5th ward internal improvement funds, to dig out ditch leading from State road across land of Robt. Zernotte, and that Mr. Robt. Zernotte be appointed a committee of one to have the work done.

Motion by Mr. Savant—That an appropriation of eighty dollars be made out of the 5th ward internal improvement funds, to repair bridge over Bayou Boer, known as the Baldrige bridge, the contract to be let to the lowest bidder by the following committee: Messrs. Leon Campbell, J. H. Baldrige and Robt. Elliott; and that the said committee receive the work when completed.

Messrs. Durio, Vidrine, B. L. Lafleur, Adrasde Lafleur, Halphen, Bertrand, Deshotel, Dailey, Savant, Manuel, Clopton, voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Manuel—That the petition from citizens and land owners of the 8th ward praying for a change of road which starts from Raoul Manuel's and runs to E. Dejean's crossing, be received and tabled until next regular meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. A. Guillory—That the tax collector be authorized to refund to Mr. Stothens Guillory the sum of one and 50-100 dollars, collected from him as a railroad tax on property situated in the 8th Police Jury ward, instead of in the 1st ward. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Deshotel—That the following schedule be and the same is hereby recommended by the Assessor, as the schedule on property valuation for the parish of St. Landry for the year 1907, to-wit:

## SCHEDULE OF VALUATIONS PLACED UPON LANDS BY THE ASSESSOR FOR 1907.

FIRST WARD.			
North of Opelousas.	Open Land \$12.00	Wood	\$4.00
Bellevue	" " 8.00	"	4.00
Bayou Teche	" " 12.00	"	4.00
Little Teche	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Prairie Haas	" " 10.00	"	5.00
Prairie Laurent	" " 12.00	"	5.00
The Coteau	" " 12.00	"	4.00
SECOND WARD.			
Seconde Croche	" " 10.00	"	4.00
Grand Coteau	" " 10.00	"	4.00
THIRD WARD.			
Bayou Teche	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Bayou Fausser	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Prairie Laurent	" " 10.00	"	4.00
Prairie Des Femmes	" " 10.00	"	4.00
FOURTH WARD.			
Big Cane	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Waxia	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Courtaubean	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Alchataway Bros.	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Morrow	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Palmetto	" " 12.00	"	5.00
FIFTH WARD.			
Bay, Beauf East Bank to Ph. Line	" " 12.00	"	5.00
Bayou Beauf West Bank	" " 12.00	"	5.00
West Bank Courtaubean (Hill Land)	" " 10.00	"	4.00
West Bank Courtaubean (Hill Land)	" " 10.00	"	5.00
Grand Prairie	" " 8.00	"	2.00
Platte to Whiteville	" " 6.00	"	3.00
Prairie	" " 8.00	"	3.00
SIXTH WARD.			
Bayou Cocodrie East Bank	" " 12.00	"	4.00
West	" " 7.00	"	3.00
Elm Bayou	" " 12.00	"	4.00
Pine and Timber	" " 10.00 & 4.00	"	4.00
Pine Prairie and Chicot	" " 4.00	"	3.00
SEVENTH WARD.			
Ville Platte Prairie	" " 5.00	"	3.00
Chatsigner	" " 7.00	"	3.50
Bellevue	" " 8.00	"	3.00
Blue Cove	" " 7.00	"	3.00
Lane aux Pailles	" " 5.00	"	3.00
Little Mamou	" " 5.00	"	3.00
Big Mamou	" " 5.00	"	3.00
EIGHTH WARD.			
Lower Mamou	" " 5.00	"	3.00
Faquetale	" " 5.00	"	2.50
Laneaux Bourbeux	" " 7.00	"	3.00
Upper Mallet on East Side	" " 8.00	"	3.50
Power Mallet on West Side	" " 8.00	"	3.50
Plaquemine Point	" " 8.00	"	3.50
Swamp Land in the Levee District	" " 5.00	"	3.00
Swamp Land outside Levee District	" " 5.00	"	3.00
Croche horses	" " 20.00	"	30.00
American	" " 40.00 to 70.00	"	30.00
American	" " 40.00	"	30.00
American	" " 50.00 to 80.00	"	30.00
Cattle	" " 1.00	"	1.00
Hogs and sheep	" " 10.00	"	10.00
Old Wagon	" " 10.00	"	10.00
New Wagon	" " 20.00	"	10.00
Old buggy	" " 10.00	"	10.00
New buggy	" " 20.00	"	10.00

Improvements, stock-in-trade and all other property at 50% of its actual cash value.—Banks and other corporations on a basis of 80% of its real value.

Motion by Mr. Adrasde Lafleur—That a committee of five, composed of Messrs. Raymond Chapman, Ernest Soileau, Cleophas Deville, R. Deshotel and Damon Chapman, be appointed to lay out a public road as prayed for in the petition from tax-payers of the 7th ward, between the boundary lines of the land owners from Mrs. Wm. Reed's southwest corner on the road leading from Ville Platte to Chatsigner etc., and the said committee to report at next regular meeting. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Manuel—The Police Jury adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Jan. 8th, 1907.

The Police Jury met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Dr. Clopton, President; Messrs. Durio, B. L. Lafleur, Adrasde Lafleur, Muller, Bertrand, Haas, Deshotel, Dailey, Savant, Manuel, Stelly.

Quorum being present the body adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Jan. 9th, 1907.

The Police Jury met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: Dr. Clopton, President; Messrs. Durio, B. L. Lafleur, Adrasde Lafleur, Muller, Bertrand, Haas, Deshotel, Dailey, Savant, Manuel, Stelly.

Motion by Mr. Deshotel—That the Tax Collector be authorized to refund the sum of forty-five cents to Theodore Tizant, amount paid by him through double assessment year 1906. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Savant—That the petition from citizens of Caney Creek, 6th ward, praying for an appropriation to build a bridge be received and tabled until next regular meeting. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Dailey—The Police Jury resolved itself into a committee of the whole to examine and approve claims.

Mr. Dailey in the Chair.

M. L. Swords, feeding prisoners Dec 11 1906 to Jan 7 1907 \$211.95

M. L. Swords, attendance on District Court 10 days in Dec '06 30.00

M. L. Swords, paid W. U. and Cumb Tel. Co. messages 18.00

M. L. Swords, feeding 4 hounds Dec 1906 16.00

M. L. Swords, trimming trees on Court House square 35.00

M. L. Swords, delivering ballot boxes 4th ward election Dec 19 1906 15.00

M. L. Swords, expenses to New Orleans for leas and party to identify prisoner Wash Baptiste 36.35

M. L. Swords, expenses to Lafayette after prisoner Wash Baptiste 6.50

M. L. Swords, arrest mileage etc of Westley Johnson 25.85

M. L. Swords, conveying 18 convicts to penitentiary Dec 18 06 137.05

W. E. Higginbotham, conveying prisoners from Opelousas to Arnaudville 6.00

R. E. Soliman, repairing 18 convicts from Rosa to Opelousas 2.50

Cumberland Tel. Co. service Nov 1906 3.00

H. O. Leaud, repairing over clerks office 5.50

F. J. Dethien, repairing adding machine 1.50

H. B. Harmon, hauling Erast Dupre, labor on Court House square 40.05

W. F. Clopton, per diem and mileage on canvass election returns of 4th ward 12.20

Louis Lacoste, sheriff feeding etc prisoner Wash Baptiste 8.00

Capt R. Merideth, jail fees of prisoner 7.00

W. A. Robertson, typewriting forms for lists of voters and tally sheets 4 ward election 10.00

Opelousas Merc Co. sundries for Sol Lavergne, repairing 56 chairs 28.00

J. S. Evans, sundries 7.65

J. S. Evans, window panes and glass 25.70

H. Bodemuller, ledger index warrant and claim books for Police Jury office 49.25

H. Bodemuller, books etc for clerk's office 73.00

H. Bodemuller, stationery for sheriff's office 6.70

Y. Andrepon, recording lines 4.50

St. Landry Clarion, publishing proceedings ordinances etc Nov 24 to Dec 29 1906 68.30

Childs & Mason, wrench and Town of Opelousas, water and lights jail 32.20

Town of Opelousas, water and lights Court House 14.40

Cumberland Tel. Co. service 1906 3.00

A. Lafleur, juror on inq 2.00

L. W. McGee, juror on inq 2.00

W. F. Keegel, " " 2.00

L. F. Keller, " " 2.00

Thaddeus Tate, " " 2.00

E. Amey, " " 2.00

M. A. Wilkinson, " " 2.00

St. Landry Lumber Co. lumber 1.80

F. T. Bourdeau, plows and shovels 1.00

T. C. Gibbons, lumber 5 ward 4.08

Cyrille Soileau, hauling lumber and building bridge 5 ward 4.00

Motion by Mr. Savant—That the sum of thirty-five dollars be credited to Mr. J. E. Bacon, for repairing the bridge on Boggs's front as per committee report on the 5th ward funds. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Muller—That Mr. D. Durio member of the Police Jury be appointed a committee of one to have the old matting removed from the Court House steps and the said steps cleaned, and new matting replaced on same. Motion carried.

Motion by Dr. Clopton—That an appropriation of seventy-two dollars be made out of the contingent funds for the payment of the members of election, for the election held in the 4th Police Jury ward, on Dec 18th 1906; and that a warrant be issued to the Parish Treasurer, for payment of said claims on approval of same by M. L. Swords, sheriff.

Messrs. Stelly, Adrasde Lafleur, Halphen, Muller, Haas, Deshotel, Dailey, Savant, Manuel, Clopton, voting yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Deshotel—That the petition of Messrs. P. T. Blacksher, Clement Hollier and others as the establishment of the road known as the Opelousas and the Little Teche road, be received and tabled until next regular meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Haas—That the petition of Mr. Edward McDaniel, of the 6th ward, praying for a claim on public road near his place from Boggy Bayou to or near the Cedar Trees, be granted as prayed for in said petition; provided that said change be made without cost to the parish. Motion carried.

On motion of Mr. Deshotel—The minutes were read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Manuel—Duly seconded and carried. The Police Jury adjourned until the first Monday in February, being the fourth day of said month.

W. F. CLOPTON, President.

J. J. HEALEY, Clerk.



## New Stock at old Stock Prices

In order to get rid of it before time for another season's stock. All suits now in stock of New Pattern and Styles. Sale continues until the new immense stock is sold.

## BENNETT'S Bargain House,

Landry Street, near U. S. Postoffice.

secutively, beginning with the year 1907, upon the land property situated within the limits of said district subject to the State tax, and to meet the payment of said bonds as may be issued by the Commissioners of said district.

The ballot to be voted at said special election shall be in the following form, to-wit: Those in favor of authorizing the Commissioners of said District to incur debts and issue negotiable bonds as hereinabove set forth and in favor of the special tax herein provided, shall contain the words:

"For authorizing the Commissioners of the Bayou Mallet and Plaquemine Drainage District to incur debts and issue negotiable bonds to the amount of seventeen thousand dollars payable in twenty years, bearing five per cent per annum interest, said interest and one of said bonds payable annually, and for a special annual contribution and acreage tax of ten cents per acre for a period of twenty years on all lands situated within the limits of said district, to be used in effecting the drainage of said district and to meet the payment of such bonds as may be issued by the Commissioners of said district and interest thereon."

And those against shall contain the words, written or printed thereon:

"Against authorizing the Commissioners of the Bayou Mallet and Plaquemine Drainage District to incur debts and issue negotiable bonds to the amount of seventeen thousand dollars, payable in twenty years, bearing five per cent per annum interest, said interest and one of said bonds payable annually, and for a special annual contribution and acreage tax of ten cents per acre for a period of twenty years on all lands situated within the limits of said drainage district, to be used in effecting the drainage of said district and to meet the payment of such bonds as may be issued by the Commissioners of said district and interest thereon."

We do further order that the said election shall take place at the following precinct and place:

Plaisance, at Edgar Landry's.

And we do hereby name and appoint the following named persons to serve as commissioners and clerk of election, at the said election:

Commissioners: S. J. Gosselin, Edgar Landry, R. E. Roberts; Clerk: Anatole Landry.

S. L. HEBERD, L. J. DOSSMANN, E. L. LOEB, Board of Supervisors.

Land Office at New Orleans, La., December 20, 1906.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to hold public sale, to-wit: the claim, and that said proof will be made before E. M. Little, U. S. Commissioner, at Opelousas, La., on February 19, 1907, viz:

THOMAS YOUNG, H. E. No. 2585, for the W 1/2 of W 1/2 sec. 1, T. 5 S., R. 1 W., L. 4 Mer.

He names the following witnesses to prove the validity of his claim, to-wit: Pierre Guillory, Armaigne Guillory, Jean M. Vidrine and Adrasde Vidrine, all of Eunice, La.

WALTER L. COHEN, Register.

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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at Thelma's New Year, on Monday, January 14, 1907, the following described property, to-wit:

Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1907, at 11 o'clock a. m., the following described animals, to-wit:

One brown cow and calf; cow branded about thus:

Terms Cash.

G. DEKEELEGAUD, Justice of the Peace.