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Practice in the Courts of the Fifteenth Judicial District, in the adjoining parishes and in the Supreme Court.
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Will practice in Assumption and Assumption.

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Will give prompt attention to any business in the city, and in the Parishes of Assumption and Lafourche.

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Will practice in the Parishes of Assumption, Assumption, St. James and St. John the Baptist.
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Will attend promptly to all business entrusted to him in the Third and Fourth Judicial Districts.

STRAYED.

Taken up on the 13th day of July, 1877, a
Dark Sorrel Mare,
with a white spot on the nose and forehead, and four feet black, branded on the left shoulder A.F.
BEN BENJAMIN, JR.,
Justice Peace 2nd Ward,
Parish of Assumption, July 17, 1877.

Notice to Teachers.

The examination of applicants for Teachers of the Public Schools of this parish, will take place at Napoleonville—for males on Monday 13th inst., and for ladies on Thursday the 16th inst.
WM. M. MARKS,
Pres. School Board.

BRICKS! BRICKS!!

The undersigned, having enlarged their BRICK YARD with the intention of carrying their business on a larger scale, solicit as heretofore the patronage of their friends, and are now prepared to deliver Bricks at all landings between Donaldsonville and Thibodaux at prices and conditions to suit purchasers.
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DUGAS & TRUXILLO,
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Constantly on hand a supply of
TYLE BRICKS.

BODLEY Bros.,

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DEPOTS:
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Cane carts, Mule carts,
Bagasse Carts, Rice carts,
Tow carts, Small carts,
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Axle grease, (the best made) Spokes, Felloes, "Wheeling Nails," etc., etc.
ALL WORKS FULLY WARRANTED
Mr. R. H. WEBSTER, Napoleonville,
will keep a stock of Carts and Axle Grease

NOTICE.

The Assessment Roll of the parish of Assumption has been this day deposited by me with the Recorder of the parish of Assumption.
Any person who may feel aggrieved by any assessment, must make an appeal in writing to the undersigned, stating particularly the correction desired within thirty days from the date hereof.
EMILE L. HEBERT,
Assessor.
Assumption, La. August 15, 1877

LAFOURCHE STAGE

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.
The Stage carrying the United States Mail leaves Napoleonville daily (Sundays excepted) at 6 o'clock A. M., arriving at Donaldsonville at 9 o'clock.
Returning, leaves Donaldsonville on the arrival of the train from New Orleans and takes passengers to all points on Bayou Lafourche to Napoleonville at reasonable prices.
For passage, apply at the Washington Hotel, Napoleonville, and City Hotel at Donaldsonville.

MRS. M. ISRAEL & CO.,

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STATE OF LOUISIANA.
PARISH COURT.
PARISH OF ASSUMPTION.
No. 1166.

Succession of
Jean Baptiste Landry, fils.

WHEREAS, Roseline Simoneaux has petitioned the Court for Letters of administration on the estate of the late Jean Baptiste Landry, fils, deceased intestate,
Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern to show cause within ten days from date of this notice why the prayer of said petitioner should not be granted.
By order of the Court,
THOMAS DIVINE, Clerk of Court
Assumption, La., August 31, 1877.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH COURT.
PARISH OF ASSUMPTION.
No. 774.

Succession of Mathilde Bourg,
deceased Wife of
Louis Folse, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and all persons interested in said succession to show cause within ten days from the present notification, if any they have or can, why the provisional account presented by Louis J. Folse, tutore of said succession, in the matter of the minors Mathilde Folse, Alice and Agnes Hanson, should not be homologated and approved and the funds distributed in accordance therewith.
By order of the Court,
THOMAS DIVINE,
Clerk of Court.
Assumption, La., August 31, 1877.

CITY HOTEL,

CORNER OF RAILROAD AVENUE AND
IBERVILLE ST.,
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The Bar is supplied with the best Wines and Liquors.

An Imposter.

An individual calling himself J. R. Mason is traveling through this country, and when he gets short, which seems often to be the case, attempts to impose on the Masonic lodges to procure charity of them. He is not a Mason, and we hereby publish him to the world as a liar of the first class, and an imposter. He is about 5 feet 8 inches high, has dark grey hair, blue eyes, is about forty or forty-five years old (may look older than he is, due to dissipation); carries himself erect; is a Doctor; talks finely on most subjects.
All papers friendly to the Order will please copy.
Arcola, Washington Cy., Miss.
Pass him round.

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Official Directory.

Fifteenth Judicial District.
[Comprising the parishes of Assumption, Lafourche, and Terrebonne.]
District Judge..... Taylor Beattie
District Attorney..... Seymour R. Snaor
Regular terms of District Court in Assumption Parish open on first Monday in May and first Monday in November.

Eighth Senatorial District.

State Senators..... Hon. F. S. Goode
..... Thos. A. Cage

Parish Officers.

Representatives..... George Drury
..... Jonas Hughes
Parish Judge..... Alfred Tete
Clerk of the Court..... Thos. Divine
Recorder..... George Washington
Tax Collector..... August Bilew
..... J. C. Thise
Sheriff..... A. J. Echeverria
Coroner..... John Hickman
Parish Physician..... Dr. R. R. Beasley
Public Administrator..... Hiram H. Carver

POLICE JURORS.

Wm. W. Pugh, President; Thos. D. Cox,
W. B. Ratliff, Emile Tallien, David Levy,
John Webre, Moses K. Hite, Bazile Graves,
Levy Williams.

Speculation as to the Speakership.

Commercial Enquirer—
The friends of Congressman Saylor now claim that he has the inside track for the Speakership, and it certainly does seem that his chances are more encouraging than they were a few weeks ago. At any rate he has gained strength in the West, particularly in Illinois, where he is second choice after Morrison.

Blackburn, of Kentucky, has gained strength in the South, and will present a stronger front than many of his opponents anticipate. It is admitted that he is not as good a parliamentarian as any of his competitors, as he once entertained a motion to adjourn the House while it was in Committee of the Whole; but there is a strong feeling in favor of the recognition of the South because of the fact that the services of that section to the Democracy in the last campaign were rendered for the practical advancement of the Northern wing of the party. A careful survey of the situation, however, develops the fact that Saylor, Randall and Blackburn will each show leading strength in the order named, with the probabilities in favor of Saylor, unless Randall is able to carry off the prize on the first ballot in caucus, which is not anticipated.

It was at Orange Courthouse during the war. Generals Early, Ewell, and D. H. Hill sat on the back seat. The chaplain of some regiment was drawing the ghastly picture of a sinner's death before the assembled soldiers. He summoned all the dead soldiers and passed them in review. "Suppose," said he, "all the army of dead could now file before you in their grave-clothes what a warning each pale face would speak! and how would you receive it?" General Early leaned over to Ewell and whispered, "I'll conscript the last one of them!"—*Sunday Delta.*

The French rarely shake hands, and only with friends with whom they are on intimate terms. In this case they give the left hand, near the heart. Both hands given at once is a graceful salutation, and presupposes an unusual amount of cordiality; but, if not impromptu, it has the effect of affectation rather than genuine heartiness.

A Chicago pork-packer, whose pew rent was raised to twenty-five dollars, exclaimed:
"Great Caesar! here's a nice state of affairs—the Gospel going up and pork going down. What's to become of us?"

Poetry.

Written for the PROGRAM.]
FAITH, LOVE AND HOPE.

And most we part, all friendships must we sever,
And slowly count the minutes to our tomb!
Is death one fate, although this life forever
Bids nothing else but loneliness and gloom!
Then speed thy way,
Brook no delay,
O hugging Time, unto thy silent doom.

The roses fade, the brightest hope will wither;
For hope, nor love, nor faith find here a rest.
The dewdrops that at morn in sunshine glit,
The sun himself he sucks them to his breast:

Death wraps us all
Mute in his pull—
Is there a home for patients to be blessed?
Faith, love and hope, born in eternal regions,
Guide us to yonder world through life and grave.

Where, with the blessed—O were their number legion!—
We may be waited by a gentle wave
To that bright home
Where angels roam,
To dwell with them from storms and troubles safe.

How the Alphabet is Formed.

One of the principal difficulties in learning the English language is the inexplicable manner in which most of the words are spelled, the twenty-six letters of the alphabet vying with each other to represent the forty or forty-two sounds of the language in the most bungling and disorderly manner.

Be the capacity of a child ever so good, yet he must spend years in learning these "curiosities of literature," while a foreigner can only master our noble language by a vast expense of labor, patience and time.

The Protean nature of the vowel sounds is familiar to all. A few amusing examples will show that the consonants are nearly as bad:

B makes a read broad, turns the ear to a bear and *Two* into a tomb.

C makes limb climb, hanged changed, a lover clever and transports a lover to clover.

D turns a bear to lead, a crow to a crowd and makes anger danger.

F turns lower regions to flower regions.

G changes a son to a song and makes one gone!

H changes eight into height. K makes now know and eyed keyed.

L transforms a pear into a pearl.

N turns a line into linen, a crow to a crown and makes one none!

P metamorphoses lumber into plumber.

Q of itself hath no significance.

S turns even to seven, makes love shove and word a sword, a bear a spear, makes slaughter of laughter, and curiously changes having a hoe to having a shoe.

T makes a bough bought, turns here there, alters one to one, changes other to tother, and transform the phrase "allow his own" to "tallow this town?"

W does well, e. g., hose are whose, are becomes ware, on wou, Owen woman, so sow, vie view; it makes an arm warm, and turns hat into—what?

Y turns far into fur, a man to many, to to toy, a rub to a ruby, ours to yours, and prob pudor, a lad to a lady.—Moses Paterson.

A grocery man in Hoboken failed the other day. "How much can you pay?" said a friend. "Do you think you can pay fifty cents! Mein Gott! No, that's too much. In New York they are only paying twenty-five per cent."