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SPECIAL NOTICE.

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ROBERT S. STUART,
ap-26-ly. Rector.

Mr. Editor—You will please withdraw my name as a candidate for Clerk of Court.
ALFRED TETE.
August 27, 1879.

NAPOLEONVILLE, Aug. 21, 1879.
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the position of
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
of the Twentieth Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Assumption and Lafourche, subject to the approval of the District Convention of the Democratic-Conservative party.
WILLIAM E. HOWELL.

Mr. Editor—You will please announce that I am a candidate for
CLERK OF COURT
for this parish, subject to the ratification of the Democratic-Conservative party.
E. B. COX.

I am a candidate for
CLERK OF COURT
of the parish of Assumption, subject to the ratification of the Democratic-Conservative party.
RODOLPHE H. WEBSTER.
Napoleonville, August 21, 1879.
Editor of the Pioneer—Please announce
JOSEPH E. LE BLANC
as a Candidate for the office of
CLERK OF COURT
of Assumption parish, subject to the ratification of the Democratic-Conservative nominating convention.
MANY FRIENDS.

Mr. Editor—Please announce that I am a candidate for the office of
SHERIFF of the parish of Assumption, subject to the ratification of the Democratic-Conservative nominating convention.
Yours truly,
SIMON TRUXILLO.

Mr. Editor—Please announce that I am an independent candidate for the office of
CLERK OF COURT of the parish of Assumption at the ensuing election.
Dr. J. L. MATERRE.
Mr. Editor—Please announce that I am a candidate for the office of
Sheriff of the parish of Assumption, and that his name will be submitted to the next Democratic convention for ratification.
MANY VOTERS.

Dr. P. Guio, whose return from a recent trip to France was noticed in our last issue, informs us that he has effected a retrocession of his drug store, formerly located in Paincourtville, and has resumed business at the old stand, both in pharmacy and the practice of medicine. He further states that while in France he purchased an extensive assortment of fresh French medical and chemical products, for the purity and genuineness of which he will vouch. These medicines were procured regardless of expense, and through the assistance of his old medical friends in France were introduced into this country at comparatively low rates. We congratulate our Paincourtville friends upon having in their midst a gentleman, not only highly accomplished in his profession, but of high social moral and intellectual worth.

Why send to New Orleans for hay, corn, oats and brans when the same can be had as cheap at the Ferry Store?

THE JUDICIARY.

The new Constitution makes great changes in regard to our courts, the frequency of the sessions, and the salary of the judges. The office of Parish Judge has been abolished, and the number of parishes which now constitute the judicial districts has been diminished so as to greatly lessen the territory over which each judge presides. For instance, St. Landry, on account of its size and large population, constitutes one district; Assumption and Lafourche, another, and in some few instances three small parishes are grouped together. This arrangement will go far to remove the inconvenience of dispensing with a parish judge.

The salaries of the district judges have been reduced from five to three thousand dollars, which seems small by comparison; yet on consulting the State Register, we find that formerly the salary of the judges, with larger districts, were only two thousand five hundred dollars. In the new arrangement a district attorney will perform his own duties as well as those of the present District Attorney *pro tempore* (the latter office being abolished).

Four terms of the district court are to be held annually, two of which are to be jury terms, and the Legislature is required to pass a law to provide for the calling of special juries for the trial of criminal cases. This last authorization, or rather command, is a very important one, and must exercise a great influence hereafter in the diminution of crime and its speedy punishment. Experience teaches us that certainty of punishment has great terror for evil-doers, and speedy trials will prevent the escape of prisoners by the neglect of jailers and the disappearance of important witnesses.

An intermediate court, called the circuit court, to be composed of judges to be elected by the Legislature, will have a tendency to expedite business and diminish the labor of the Supreme Court. Under the present arrangement there is great delay in the settlement of suits, and the term so often heard: the law's delay, applies with peculiar force to the administration of law in this State.

It has been for many years a term of reproach to our administration of law, that it required so long a time before debts could be collected; and although the delay operated to the advantage of our citizens, yet, at the same time it also operated to their disadvantage with the capitalist who had money to lend.

Hereafter suits will be brought to a close in a shorter time, and parties who lend their money will be able to realize in a few months as in other States. We know very well that this may not be a recommendation with the debtor, portion of our community, yet we must fall back on what is right and just towards others, and not measure justice by a standard whose only accommodation is our interest and convenience.

By referring to our advertising columns it will be seen that a mass meeting of the Democratic-Conservative electors of this parish has been called to take place on the 9th proximo. A general rally of the Democrats is expected, as business of importance awaits their action.

OUR CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATION.

The following is the call of chairman Gates, which has been officially sent to the Executive Committees of the parishes of this District:

To the Executive Committees of the Parishes composing the Third Congressional District of Louisiana:
I have been officially directed, as chairman of the congressional committee of this district by the chairman and many members of the different parish executive committees, and by the members of the congressional committee, to request that when the executive committees in the twelve parishes issue their call for parish conventions to elect delegates to the State convention, that they include the congressional nomination, so that delegates from this congressional district who attend the State convention shall have been duly authorized to make the Democratic nomination for the Forty-seventh Congress for this district. Reasons of a political character, fully approved throughout the district and in the interest of the party, demand that this course should be pursued.

FRED GATES,
Chairman Congressional Committee, Third Congressional District of Louisiana.

It was deemed best at the meeting of the State Central Committee, in New Orleans, to have this communication read, to see if that committee claimed any jurisdiction in the case. They unanimously and rightfully decided that they had none; that district nominations for Congress were matters exclusively within the control of the District. And as our district has unanimously decided to make their congressional nomination at Baton Rouge, the matter may be considered conclusively settled.

Such a course for this District is eminently wise and proper, as we have ourselves read the reasons, to which the chairman refers in his call, and fully approve them.

PARISH COURT.

On the 26th instant Pierre Himel, colored, an old offender, living on Glenwood plantation, lately returned from Col. James Hotel, which is pleasantly located at the future Capital of Louisiana, was arraigned before Judge Carver on a charge of stealing a three-dollar pig from the plantation of C. Bourg & Co., and sent before the District Court. In default of furnishing a bond of \$150 for his appearance before that tribunal he was remanded to jail.

Madison McDuffy and Michel Hartman, also colored, were arrested, at the instance of Nelson Jones, for stealing a pistol and cross-cut saw, but discharged for want of sufficient testimony to substantiate the charge.

Mr. Maxime Dupaty has converted the old Ferry Store building into a feed store, one of the largest establishments of its kind in the parish, with sufficient storage capacity for all the corn, oats, brans, hay, etc., needed in this community. His capacious store-rooms are now filled with an abundant supply of feed and provender of the character heretofore expressed, which he offers at fair living rates. Max also buys corn in shuck, per-vine hay and all kinds of country produce, or receives the same on consignment for sale. The public has long since felt the want of such an establishment as this, which, under the able and discreet management of such a liberal and intelligent manager, cannot fail to invite a generous patronage.

Weather, Crops, &c.

On the 24th and 25th we had extremely hot weather, which was very oppressive after the unusually cool days and nights of the preceding week. The present week has been characterized by pleasant days and cool nights—real fall weather. Since the storm of wind and rain, on the 22d, mosquitoes have made their appearance in sufficient numbers to cause members of the household to retire early. Previous to that time, there were very few in comparison with former summers.

There has been but little rain in the lower part of the parish since our last issue, and although the plant cane is doing well, yet a good soaking rain would not be amiss. The showers this season have been unusually partial, and some portions of the parish have been much more favored than others.

Corn-gathering has commenced, and the yield of that planted early is good, better than the average. The crop of pea vines is magnificent on those plantations on which the rains have not been too heavy; and this is a good augury for the crop of next year, as we find the pea vine superior to any fertilizer sold in the market.

Planters are beginning to brag a little about the number of red joints found in the cane fields. We saw one a few days since with seventeen red joints, but the whole crop is not so forward. In fact, but little reliance is to be placed on "show canes" as a prospect for a large product. The plant exhibits one good sign of a fair yield: the stalks are of good size, and notwithstanding the slight fall of rain the joints are of even length, showing no signs of the growth having been checked.

The health of the parish is all that can be desired, and much better than suits the interest of physicians and druggists.

The Lafourche is quite low, and bids fair to go down, down, until you will be able to see the bottom. In fact, it is now at a good stage for the location of a railroad within its banks, the building of which the late Dr. Kittredge advocated in the Legislature of ante bellum days.

Isiah Prophet, colored, formerly Justice of the Peace for this ward and a prominent politician, died on Thursday last. He was a very presumptuous, ignorant man, but had perception enough to discover his defects and retired from the field of politics to the cane field, for which he was by nature and training better adapted, thus showing considerable sense and judgment. He was by no means a vicious or mean fellow, and we trust he will rest peacefully under the green, cold sod.

His Green Melon.

At the Central Market yesterday Elder Toots, of the Lime-Kiln Club, was noticed chewing away at a large hunk of green watermelon—so green that there wasn't even one black seed in sight. Some one who knew the old gent called out in surprise: "Why, old man, that melon's green as grass!" "I believe ye boss—indeed I does!" replied the Elder as he forced some more of it into his mouth. "But it will make you sick." "Wall, I 'spect it may, sah, but Ize got to take my chances. Dis am de fo'th watermelon dat has turned green on me, an'

Ize either gwine to blunt my taste for melyons altoget-der or aquire a taste for green ones. Can't a-ford to throw away any melyons dis time o' y'ar.—*Des Moines Free Press.*

PARISH OF ASSUMPTION, August 27, 1879.

To the Editor of the Pioneer:
As the time approaches for the contest before the nominating convention, for State officers, we, with many friends, would suggest the name of a citizen of the parish of Orleans for Governor—a man well qualified and worthy of the people's confidence: one who, in the past, has been firm in the cause he espoused—the cause of the people; and in his many contests with opposing factions stood steadily to the front the hero of the "Indianola," "Queen of the West," and "Albatross" fights (to which reference can be made to Generals Dick Taylor and Jos. L. Brent's history of the war), which occurred on Red river, in which such dauntless courage was exhibited as to receive the highest encomiums from his commanding officers.

When peace was finally declared, where was he to be found? battling at home for the people's cause. And when our own Nicholls was declared to be the people's choice as Governor of our State, what part was taken by our hero in the exciting scenes that followed? On the 9th day of January, 1877, he, and he alone, through his determined and decisive action, placed the present Supreme Court in power, notwithstanding the Legislature of our State, chosen by our own people, ordered an adverse course to be pursued. History has proven that by his firm and determined action, together with other patriots, was established the stability of the people's government.

Under the new Constitution new officers are to be selected, and "Old Fire," as he was familiarly called during the civil war, will be the right man in the right place. We refer to Col. THOMAS H. HANDY, as we feel confident he will accept the nomination if properly brought forward by his hosts of friends, and in our opinion no one will move the people with more enthusiasm. As the writer can judge, by his frequent intercourse with his country friends and many leading men of the Democratic party, many Republicans will support him, for the reason that through the ordeal that has passed in our late electoral contest, Handy has always been found to be courteous and gentlemanly to many of his bitterest opponents. In fact, he in all his acts has shown himself the people's friend.

Therefore, let us endeavor to elevate him to the highest position in our gift, showing that the people are not ungrateful in rewarding this hero of many battles, and to whom the people of this State are first indebted for placing the government, which we all love and revere more than life, in its present firm and solid basis.

Yours, respectfully,
FRIENDS OF LOUISIANA.

NOTICE.

A Mass Meeting of the Democratic-Conservative electors of the parish of Assumption will be held at Napoleonville on TUESDAY, September 9, 1879, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of selecting delegates to the State and Congressional conventions, to be held at Baton Rouge on the first Monday of October, 1879, and to the Senatorial and Judicial District conventions; and to appoint a Central Executive Committee of the Democratic-Conservative party for the parish.

All the electors of the Democratic-Conservative party of the parish are respectfully requested to attend.
L. U. FOLSE,
Pres. Dem.-Con. Cent. Com.
Parish of Assumption, August 28, 1879.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I will be at the following places during the following days for the purpose of registering all legal voters of the parish entitled to register and vote at the ensuing election in December next, viz:

1. At the Court House, in Napoleonville, from Monday, September 29, to Saturday, October 4, 1879, inclusive.
2. In the Upper and Lower Texas, on Monday, October 6, and Tuesday, October 7, 1879.
3. At Himel & Tallier's warehouse, on Wednesday, October 8, 1879.
4. At Labadieville, on Thursday, October 9, and Friday, October 10, 1879.
5. In Bruly Labadie, on Saturday, October 11, Monday, October 13, Tuesday, October 14, and Wednesday, October 15, 1879.
6. At Emile Vieknair's store, on Thursday, October 16, and Friday, October 17, 1879.
7. At Ursin Bourg's residence, on

bayou Sec, on Saturday, October 18, 1879.

8. At L. D. Badaux's store, on Monday, October 20, Tuesday, October 21, and Wednesday, October 22, 1879.

9. At P. F. Besse's store, Attakapas Canal, on Thursday, October 23, Friday, October 24, and Saturday, October 25, 1879.

10. At Zephirin Montet's warehouse, on Monday, October 27, and Tuesday, October 28, 1879.

11. At Plattenville, on Wednesday, October 29, and Thursday, October 30, 1879.

12. At Justilien Landry's store, in Bruly St. Vincent, on Friday, October 31, and Saturday, November 1, 1879.

13. At Mrs. Antoine Dalfres's store, near Baptist Church, on Monday, November 3, and Tuesday, November 4, 1879.

14. At Nicholas Le Blanc's store, on Wednesday, November 5, 1879.

15. At Paincourtville, on Thursday, November 6, 1879.

16. At Paul Acosta's store, in Bruly Dalfres, on Friday, November 7, and Saturday, November 8, 1879.

17. In Brulies St. Martin and des Oliviers, on Monday, November 10, and Tuesday, November 11, 1879.

18. At Pierre Part Bay, on Wednesday, November 12, Thursday, November 13, and Friday, November 14, 1879.

19. At Jean Puspser's residence, Belle river, on Saturday, November 15, 1879.

20. At bayou Droit, on Monday, November 17, 1879.

21. At Frank Frionx's, on bayou Four-mile, on Tuesday, November 18, 1879.

22. At Thomas Mason's, on bayou Long, on Wednesday, November 19, and Thursday, November 20, 1879.

23. At bayou l'Ours, on Friday, November 21, and Saturday, November 22, 1879.

24. At the Court House, in Napoleonville, from Monday, November 24, to Saturday, November 29, 1879, inclusive.

E. L. HERBERT,
Assessor and Registrar parish of Assumption,
Napoleonville, August 28, 1879.

SHERIFF SALES.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH COURT.

PARISH OF ASSUMPTION.

Désiré Arceneaux,
No. 723,
Elphège Mélangon

By virtue of and in obedience to an order of seizure and sale, issued in the above entitled and numbered case, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction, at the door of the Court House, Napoleonville, to the last and highest bidder, on

Saturday, September 6, 1879,

commencing at 11 o'clock A. M., the following described property, to wit: A certain tract of land situated in the parish of Assumption, on the right bank of bayou Lafourche, about four miles above the town of Napoleonville, measuring two arpents front on said bayou Lafourche, the depth thereto belonging, bounded above by the land of Wid. Adam Blanchard and below by land of Cordelia Mélangon, wife of Nicomède Blanchard, together with all of the buildings and improvements thereon and thereunto belonging.

Terms and Conditions: CASH, on the day of sale.
A. J. ECHEVERRIA,
Sheriff,
Napoleonville, August 2, 1879.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH COURT.

PARISH OF ASSUMPTION.

Succession of Aurore Marois, wife of Lucien Landry.
No. 1216.

WHEREAS, Lucien Landry, of the parish of Assumption, has petitioned the Court for Letters of Administration on the Estate of the late Aurore Marois, wife of Lucien Landry, 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 the said petitioner should not be granted. By order of the Court.
THOMAS DIVINE, Clerk,
Assumption, La., August 23, 1879.

CITY HOTEL,

CORNER OF RAILROAD AVENUE AND IBERVILLE ST.,
DONALDSONVILLE, La.
LEFEVRE, Proprietor.

The Bar is supplied with the best Wines and Liquors.