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SPECIAL NOTICE.

Divine service will be regularly held in Christ Episcopal Church on the first Sunday of every month at 11 o'clock in the morning and 4:30 in the evening, and on the third Sunday at 9:30 P. M.
 ROBERT S. STUART,
 Rector.

The PIONEER wishes its subscribers a happy New Year and many returns of the same.

Owing to want of space, we forward several new advertisements to the French page.

Those of our good citizens who attended midnight mass Christmas eve went in Summer and returned in Winter.

The Lafourche is still rising at an increased rate. The Henry Tete and the Assumption made their trial trip Tuesday, both leaving with good loads of sugar and molasses.

A large supply of groceries, canned meats and fruits, wines, liquors, etc., has just been received at the Ferry Store, and the cry is, "Still they come." Call early and secure the best.

We were mistaken in stating in our last number that the Belle had been withdrawn and the Laura L. Davis substituted in her stead. Messrs. Webre and Blanchard are running both of them.

Among the many names mentioned prominently in connection with the speakership of the next Legislature, we notice with pleasure that of the Hon. JOHN S. BILLIE, of Lafourche, who has represented our sister parish in the Lower House for the past ten or twelve years. Mr. Billie has always been a sterling democrat, under every and all circumstances. As a conscientious, able and faithful public servant he has no superior in the State. We therefore vote for Mr. Billie for Speaker of the next House of Representatives.

A shooting affray took place in Napoleonville last Sunday, which came near ending in the death of one of the combatants. Two of our sable colored friends, Just. Maurice and Paul Jones, were disputing over an old grudge when the first drew a dirk and made a thrust at the other, inflicting a slight wound on his hand. Wishing to return the compliment, Jones drew forth his playful little revolver and deliberately fired twice at his assailant, one shot taking effect in his left arm. The row would not have here had not the Sheriff and his deputy, who happened to be near at hand, interfered and arrested both the combatants, who were subsequently released under bond to appear before the District Court in February. The cause is attributable to too much corn in a liquid state.

"BULL-DOZING."

Sir Roger de Coverly in the olden time was asked his opinion about a certain matter by a companion, and turning around he said, "My friend, there is a good deal to be said on both sides of that question," and we are brought to the same conclusion when we think of the words which head this article.

The term is of comparatively recent origin, and derives its popularity from its supposed fitness to political affairs in the South and its use in forcing voters to lay aside their own opinions and adopt those of their opponents. The name which we affix to a violation of law, though it may catch the popular fancy and hold on to it for a term of years, does not add to or detract from the amount of wrong inflicted on the individual.

In the large factories of the North and East the practice of controlling voters at the polls has been in vogue as far back as our memory runs, but it was brought about not by direct violence or threats of bodily harm, but by an intimation that the place occupied by the workman would be taken away from him unless his political opinions coincided with those of his employer. In fact he was threatened with the loss of the situation by which he made a support for his wife and children, a threat of much greater significance to him than the chance of receiving bodily harm. Yet, this being among a different people and in a different latitude has never been called "bull-dozing," because it is common and not to the interest of the masters to make the thing notorious or unpopular by giving it a bad name.

One reason why Republicans fancy the name so applicable to Southern people, is its association in their minds with "bull-whips," which tickles the public ear in their section and tends to keep alive the prejudice against us engendered in the ante bellum days. This is rather a serious charge to make against a christian community when better feelings should be enlisted in behalf of their Southern brothers, and who should tax their ingenuity to do away with the asperities and bitterness brought on by the late war.

But to return "to our sheep," we have "bull-dozers" among us, and their work is seen at each election. Few colored men vote according to any preconceived idea of what is right or wrong anterior to the election—they are brought to the polls, a ballot is placed in their hands and they deposit it in the box in presence of those who are placed there as sentinels to watch them, and they are watched so closely that it is next to impossible to vary the programme, but this violation of a private and valuable privilege is practised by the colored men themselves on men of their own color. This is not all; they are abused and often ill-treated if they vote the Democratic ticket, to say naught of the frowns and social ostracism of the members of their church.

It is a wearisome and difficult matter to break into this solid phalanx, yet in some parishes it has been done effectually by the Democracy, particularly in those parishes remote from New Orleans, in which the influence of carpet-bag leaders has died out. There was yet another reason for this change during the re-

cent election: there was no Kellogg at the helm to give money, make fair promises and send his understrappers in the country to bring up the voters to support the radical ticket.

This field has been thoroughly waked, and the product has been so large from the use of stimulating fertilizers, that the soil for some time past has been gradually showing signs of exhaustion; the last election has exposed the thorough impoverishment of the political soil, and the nomination of a decent man to head the ticket failed to elicit any satisfactory response from the masses of the colored voters.

In the sugar parishes, in which the colored people have majorities, but little impression has been made on their ranks; they are held together by city influence (Custom House) and the ambition of certain leaders of their own color, who manipulate them for their own purposes and profit and are well paid with money or office for the performance of their of this duty. The masses are told that they are supporting the friends who helped them in their need, a debt that seems to increase in volume as time progresses, and with the good will of the leaders compounds annually and never can be liquidated.

The Republican writers ignore this "bull-dozing," which inures to their advantage, but look on the same act if resorted to by the Democrats as the most horrible of crimes. This state of things with the spread of education will gradually pass away, and the time is not far distant when the colored voters will be qualified to think and act for themselves.

The some influences which have been operating in other parishes will gradually spread and the colored voters will cease to be treated as beasts of burden and led to the shambles to have their political rights sacrificed for the pecuniary profit of those who use them.

An exchange tells a dime novel story in a few words. A young man who was engaged at the Theatre Comique in Quincy in 1874 turned tramp, and was found in Leadville about a year ago. He then turned prospector, bought an interest in an old claim and went to digging. But he struck no paying dirt; got out of money; got discouraged; got drunk; got into jail and got into the chain-gang. Then his luck changed. Minerals was struck on the claim, and a party of capitalists gave him \$30,000 for his interest.

Proceedings of the Board of School Directors of the Parish of Assumption.

The Board of School Directors of the parish of Assumption, met in extra session on Monday, December 22d, 1879.

Seven members and a quorum present.
 Mr. H. H. Carver presented his commission as a member of the Board appointed in the stead of Dr. R. E. Beasley deceased, and on motion of Mr. LeBlanc, duly seconded, Mr. Carver took his seat.
 On motion of Mr. Truxillo, Mr. Carver was elected President pro tem.

Mr. Auguste Boudreaux, the Parish Treasurer, presented his bond as Treasurer of the School funds and the securities being satisfactory to the board the bond was accepted and, on motion of Mr. Hebert, Mr. Auguste Boudreaux was acknowledged Treasurer of the School funds for this Parish, vice August Dupré, resigned.

On motion of Mr. Truxillo, the chair appointed Messrs. L. U. Folse, Auguste Boudreaux and R. H. Websters experts to examine the books of Mr. August Bulow, the former School treasurer and they were authorized to call on the Secretary of the Board for all necessary papers

and documents to facilitate their investigation.

The District Attorney pro tem. was called upon to report what determination he had taken in regard to the resolution of September 10, 1877, authorizing him to institute action against those school treasurers who have failed to render satisfactory accounts of moneys rec'd by them belonging to the school funds during their respective terms of office.

The District Attorney pro tem reported that in anticipation of further informations from the Board he had as yet taken no action.

On motion of Mr. Truxillo, it was then resolved that the District Attorney pro tem. commence proceedings before the Courts without delay against said treasurers, and on further motion, it was resolved that the Board employ Walter Guion attorney, as adjunct to the District Attorney pro tem. to further said prosecutions.

On motion of Mr. LeBlanc, it was resolved that the school treasurer be authorized and instructed to reserve as contingent fund an amount of \$150, and the balance of money on hand to be turned over to the teacher's fund and be distributed forthwith among teachers now holding claims for last school session.

On motion the board adjourned to the next regular meeting.

JOS. E. LEBLANC, Secty.

NOTICE.

There will be a special Jury term of the Hon. the 15th Judicial District Court, in and for the Parish of Assumption, held at Napoleonville, commencing on Monday, February 9th, 1879.

THOMAS DIVINE,
 Clerk of Court.

LIST OF JURORS

Drawn for Service in the 15th Judicial District Court, Parish of Assumption, at the Term commencing February 9, 1880.

FOR FIRST WEEK.

Edward Pike	Nicholls Blanchard
J. R. J. Gauthreaux	John Hebert
Stephen Jones	J. K. G. Kirtledge
Eugene Gracovilla	Justilien Barbier
Emile Thibodaux	F. H. Perkins
Wm. B. Ratliff	Thos Grant
Gervais Dangle	Amaéd Bourg
Edric Aucoin	J. F. Fernandez
Edouard Martin	Oscar Aucoin
Humphrey Weather	Vilcot Barbier
James Briscol	Nma Pedeaux
Aleide Daigle	Auguste Hernandez
Drauzin Pugas	Ulger Foise
J. B. Neizeroff	Adrien Pothier
Justin Landry	Ignace Bernocheux
Leon Hebert	Yvonne Landry
Duffosard Mallere	Tenace Frank
Frederick Dease	Camille Brevaux
Ozmed Daigle	Augustus Fletcher
Anatole Cancienne	Telemac Terrabonne
M. C. Fernandez	Jordan Ricks
Chas. P. Davis	C. Bonamour
Anatole Aucoin	Maurice Landry
Aleide Piret	Clouphas Melancon
J. A. Leftwich	Townley Young

FOR SECOND WEEK.

L. O. Comeau	A. Franklin Pugh
P. C. Fuzende	Engene Leze
E. J. Vicknaie	Napoleon Martinez
Edmond Fernandez	Emile Pointson
Hypolite Fives	Nma Faltman
L. D. Truxillo	Leo Folse
Severin Grappus	John Dufresne, jr
Ignace LeBlanc	Augustin Bernard
Albert G. Himel	Camille Daigle
Zephirin Montel	Joachim Ruiz, jr.
Firmin Preaux	Antoine Truxillo
Alfred Himel	Nathan Sewell
N. Z. Boudreaux	Rodolphe E. Hebert
Octave Himel	Richard King
Edgar Himel	E. T. Dugas.

SUCCESSION SALES

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH COURT.

PARISH OF ASSUMPTION.

Succession of Auguste Bayle.
 No. 1195.

By virtue of and in obedience to a decree of sale rendered by the Hon. the Parish Court of the parish of Assumption, on the 9th day of December, 1879, in the above succession, I will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder, at the late residence of Auguste Bayle in the village of Paincourtville, on

Saturday, January 17, 1880, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 3 P. M., the following described property, belonging to said succession, to wit:

A certain town lot, together with all the buildings, improvements, rights and privileges thereon and thereunto belonging, situated in the village of Paincourtville, parish of Assumption, State of Louisiana, bounded in front by a public village street, in the rear by lot of Mrs. L. J. Landry, toward the Southeast by a public village street and on the other side by lot of the Monni Carmel Convent of Paincourtville, formerly belonging to Widow Andre Dupré.

Also one lot of household furniture, one horse cart, etc., etc.

Terms and Conditions—CASH.

E. P. HELLUIN,
 Auctioneer.
 Parish of Assumption, December 12th, 1879.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH COURT.

PARISH OF ASSUMPTION.

In the matter of the Succession of Pierre Boudreaux and wife.
 No. 1199.

By virtue of an order and decree of sale rendered by the Hon. Parish Court of the parish of Assumption in the above succession, dated December 26, 1879, and a commission to me directed, I will sell at public auction to the last and highest bidder, at the residence of the late Pierre Boudreaux and wife, in Brulé Labadie, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, on

Saturday, January 31, 1880, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M., the following described property, to wit:

10. A certain tract of land, situated in the parish of Assumption, on the right bank of Bayou Lafourche, in Brulé Labadie, measuring three arpents and thirty-five chains, more or less, front on the forty-arpent public road by a depth of forty arpents, bounded above by land of Louis Talbot and sons and below by lands of Ernest Naquin, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and everything thereunto attached and belonging.

20. Another tract of land, also situated in the parish of Assumption, in the rear of Brulé Labadie, in the place known as "Bayou Sec." being a piece of swamp land, having a front of seven arpents on a depth of fourteen arpents, bounded towards Bayou Lafourche by lands now or formerly of P. L. Cox, above by lands supposed to belong to the Citizens Bank of Louisiana and below by lands belonging to Joachim Mirre, together with everything thereon and thereto attached and belonging.

Terms and Conditions:

One-third of the price of adjudication CASH, and the balance payable in one and two years respectively from the day of sale, to be represented by the notes of the purchaser, made in coupons in number and with good and solvent security in solido to the satisfaction of the administrator of the succession of Pierre Boudreaux and wife, and to bear interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum from their respective maturities until paid. Said notes to be secured by special mortgage and vendor's privilege with the pact de non alienando upon the above described property until the full and final payment of the same in principal and interest, and also ten per cent. thereon for attorney's fees in case of the institution of suit for the recovery of the same or any part thereof.
 Napoleonville, December 26, 1879.
 E. P. HELLUIN,
 Auctioneer.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH COURT.

PARISH OF ASSUMPTION.

Succession of Aurore Marois, wife of Lucien Landry.

No. 1216.

By virtue of and in obedience to a decree of sale, emanating from the Hon. the Parish Court in and for the Parish of Assumption, State of Louisiana, to me directed, I will offer for sale at public auction to the last and highest bidder, at the residence of Lucien Landry, the surviving husband of the late Aurore Marois, situated in Brulé St. Motin, in this Parish, on Saturday

The 10th day of January, 1880

between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. the following described property, viz:

1.—A certain tract of land situated in the Parish of Assumption in the State of Louisiana, on the bank of Grand Bayou, being in the North East quarter of section No. 5, in Township No. 13 south of range No. 13 East, in the South Eastern District of Louisiana, west of the Mississippi River, and containing about one hundred acres, said tract of land being bounded on the south side by land belonging to Mrs. Eugenie Landry, widow of Maxile Landry, and it being a part of the same tract of land acquired by Lucien Landry of A. F. Hickman, by act of sale passed before Enzebe Bonney, Notary Public for the Parish of Orleans, on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1860.

2.—Another tract of land or plantation situated, lying and being in the Parish of Assumption, on the right bank of Bayou Lafourche in Brulé St. Martin, measuring seven arpents, more or less, front or toward Bayou Lafourche, on a depth of fourteen arpents, more or less, bounded above by land belonging to Anatole Landry, and below by the public road leading to Grand Bayou, together with all the build-

ings, improvements, rights, ways, privileges and appurtenances thereon and thereunto attached or belonging, excepting, however, the lot of ground sold by Lucien Landry to the Most Rev. J. N. Perche, Archbishop of the Catholic Diocese of New Orleans, as per act passed before Wm M Marks, Notary Public on the —th day of —, 187—, this being the same tract of land or plantation acquired by Lucien Landry of Ceolfrido Trabon, as per act passed before Albert P. Lauve, Notary Public, on the —th day of 187—.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

One-third of the price of adjudication CASH, and the balance payable in one and two years from the day of sale, the purchaser to furnish his promissory notes by coupons if desired, payable to his own order and by him endorsed, at the office of the Recorder of the Parish of Assumption, said notes to bear interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum from and after their respective maturity and in order to secure the full and punctual payment of said notes as well as the eventual interest they represent and the attorney's fees in case it shall become necessary to institute legal proceedings for the recovery the amount of said notes or any part thereof, which attorney's fees are hereby fixed at ten per cent on the amount sued for, the property thus sold and adjudicated to remain specially mortgaged and hypothecated with vendor's privilege and the clause de non alienando.

E. P. HELLUIN,
 Auctioneer.

Parish of Assumption, Dec. 28th, 1879.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH COURT.

PARISH OF ASSUMPTION.

Succession of Constant Verret.
 No. 1185.

WHEREAS, A Dufosard Rousseau of the parish of Assumption, has petitioned the Court for Letters of Administration on the Estate of the late Constant Verret, 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.
 A. ROYRA, D'y. Clerk.
 Assumption, La., Dec. 18th, 1879.

GOOD NEWS!

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