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**JOB PRINTING** Neatly executed at this office. Funeral Notices a specialty.

### Narrow Minded Prejudices.

One of the most serious drawbacks to harmony and concert of action in the selection of men for official positions, results from petty race and faith prejudices. Prejudices of the kind can never gain or retain a foothold in well balanced minds, but find a soil congenial to their development and growth where ignorance is the substratum. Crafty men, ambitious of official preferment, make it their business to fan such prejudices in weak minds to promote their own selfish ends. Thus we hear daily Americans, as they call themselves, sneering at Creoles, and vice versa Creoles cursing Americans, and yet both are to all intents and purposes Americans, it matters not what tongue they may speak. There is no American language, and Creoles and Americans when speaking the English language are using the idiom of another people. Sectarian prejudices in matters of faith operate largely on narrow minds. Catholic, Methodist, Baptist and Israelite in some instances seem disposed to give each other side thrusts as opportunity offers and prejudice prompts. That place hunters and office mongers should pretend to such prejudices and sedulously endeavor to sow and cultivate them in the minds of their intended dupes is not to be wondered at, but surely men who wish well to themselves, to their families, their friends and their town, parish or State, should cast such silly prejudices to the idle winds, and in selecting men for official positions simply ask themselves is a man honest, is he capable and if his official acts are to exert political influences, are his views on political subjects in accord with our ideas of propriety.

The citizens of Jeanerette will in a few days, and those of New Iberia in a few weeks, choose their municipal officers for the coming year, and we do hope that all narrow minded prejudices will be cast aside, and that for the good of the whole and not in the interest of cliques and bigots, they will choose men of standing, of intelligence and social weight, regardless of race or faith prejudices. Be he Jew or Gentile, American or Creole, foreign or native born, if but fitted for the position, elect him to it. Unless we bury these prejudices in the tomb of the Capulets, five years will not pass over our heads before we will be in a mire as deep as the one from which we have just emerged.

### Newspapers of To-Day.

People generally, and even those who may be termed steady readers and close observers, have but a faint conception of the magnitude and influence the press of this country has attained. From a careful examination of the advance pages of the 1885 edition of the American Newspaper Directory, just issued by Geo. P. Rowell & Co., of New York, it appears that there are 14,147 newspapers and periodicals published in the United States and Canada; of those of the United States has 12,973, an average of one paper for every 3,867 persons. In 1884 the total number of newspapers was less by 823 than at present, and while the gain this year is not so marked as in some previous years, it is still considerable. Kansas shows the greatest increase, the number being 78, while Illinois follows with a gain of 77. It is curious to notice that New York, the scene of so much political activity during the last campaign, should have only about one-third as many newspapers as the State of Pennsylvania. As an index to the comparative growth and prosperity of different sections of the country, especially the Territories, the number of newspapers forms an interesting study, and may well engage the attention of the curious.

### The Outlook For Crops.

We have now nearly reached the last day of April, and with the advent of May, the last of the Spring months, we may conclude that all or nearly all the staple crops are planted and most of them above ground and in process of cultivation. There may be some cotton and corn land still remaining to be seeded down, but not much. We believe April has been on the whole quite favorable for plowing and planting, and all our planters are aware of the advantage to be derived from an early start.

The prospect for cane and corn is all that could be expected if not desired, but the cotton, we are informed, although it came up well, is dying out from some cause in certain localities where partial rains have been too frequent.

Our farmers should bear in mind the probability of a great war in which our principal customer—England—will be engaged, it may be for years, and not overdo the thing in cotton planting, but look well to "the main chance" in raising all the food supplies possible. All the land not already devoted to cotton should be put in corn and fed to hogs and beeves if the market prices are not sufficiently remunerative.

That a heavy demand upon the West for grain and meat supplies to meet the requirements of the embroiled nations, will cause an advance of prices in this country follows as logically as the effect follows the cause, and the shrewd farmer who keeps himself posted as regards what is passing around him at present, and the effects likely to result from existing causes is the one who has the best chance to distance the hounds of adversity and reach the goal of prosperity in safety. People must eat, and food is consequently more of an actual necessity than raiment. We can patch and mend and make a shift to get along with far less of clothing than we ordinarily use, but food we must have of some kind to nourish the body and keep up the vital energies for the demands of business of every kind. Corn is never a drug here and fat hogs and beeves always find a ready sale at any time and at remunerative prices. The present indications point to lower rates for cotton possibly for several years to come, and higher prices for food supplies, and hence the prudent farmer should look well to his grain crops and keep a wary eye upon his beeves and hogs, if he would have both ends not only meet, but overlap at the end of the year.

### LOCAL NEWS.

**Dev Berries.**—The first of the season—were offered for sale the past few days, and from this time on will be plentiful.

**Another Cottage.**—Mrs. Emile Soulier will have Mr. C. W. Georga erect another cottage adjoining the one now in course of construction corner of St. Peter and Church streets.

**Ice Cold Soda and Vichy Waters** at the stand at Meastayer's Drug Store—opened yesterday, with syrups made of pure fruit juices, from which can be had the best soda ever sold in New Iberia.

**Still in Danger.**—The little daughter of our fellow-citizen, Mr. B. Laplene, so severely injured by the sliding of timber from the car of the Morgan Railroad, over the fence into his yard, is still in a very critical situation from hemorrhages, owing to internal injuries.

**Alabastine.**—A cheap and good substitute for paint, at A. Erath's.

**Out On Bond.**—Rodolphe Sandoz, convicted at the last term of court of assault with intention to kill, and sentenced to the penitentiary for 18 months, having been granted a rehearing by the Supreme Court, is out on bond and will be tried again at the coming term in May.

**The Weather.**—While many sections of the United States have been within the past week visited by cyclones and unprecedented floods of water, doing immense damage to crops, fences, bridges and buildings, causing in some instances loss of life to both man and beast, we have been blest with gentle showers almost daily, and our crops are in a smiling humor.

**The Excursion Train.**—A large number of our citizens from both country and town start to-day for New Orleans to honor Louisiana Day at the Exposition to-morrow. There is here also a heavy delegation from our sister town of St. Martinsville. When our people desired the branch road of the Morgan line to that place to connect here, it met with much opposition from the citizens of our sister town, and they are forced to come here to enjoy the benefit of excursions. As the matter is now arranged, the Salt Mine engine which only arrives here at 9 A. M., has to go to St. Martinsville for the accommodation of those who wish to go, or ship to the city. This causes much delay in getting from that town to New Orleans. New Iberia, and not Oude's station should have linked the two towns together, and we imagine the folks of that ilk begin to think that way themselves, after the inconveniences they have experienced.

Callahan & Lewis, steam cistern factory, New Iberia, La. Send for price list

**Iberia Hotel Arrivals.**—Albert M. Levy, Hiram Gohn, J. N. Quin, New Orleans; M. F. Smith, Houma; M. T. Higginbotham, Lafourche.

**A Superb Soda Fountain.**—The patrons of those delicious warm weather beverages, Soda and Vichy waters, can enjoy them in perfection at the Meastayer drug store, where the purest syrups, made from the choicest fruits are used to flavor the sparkling liquids, and our polite young friend, Mr. M. V. Hebert, will be always on hand to wait upon thirsty customers.

**No. 1 Sold.**—The hand engine formerly belonging to Fire Co. No. 1, has been sold conditionally to Jeanerette. Its prime cost was \$750, and our sister town is to have it at the expiration of one year for \$250, or return it in as good order as it is delivered in. It is thought that it has saved the town of New Iberia since its purchase \$50,000, which is a good investment for the \$500 sacrifice in the sale of it.

**Another New Trial.**—In granting a new trial to Severin Ransom, the negro rapist convicted and sentenced to be hung, the Supreme Court says: "Where the record does not show that an indictment was returned into court by the Grand Jury, the verdict and sentence will be set aside and the case remanded." A similar decision was rendered in the Rodolphe Sandoz suit. Our court officials will have to brush the dust from their legal glasses as it is rather expensive to the parish to do so much work over again, besides being fatiguing to those who have to perform it.

**A Large Planting of Rice.**—Messrs. J. B. Morson and J. Marine are going into the rice culture on a large scale on the Nelson place as it is called, some two miles below New Iberia, west bank. They have put up pumps for throwing large streams of water into canals for irrigation, they have over four hundred acres planted and most of the rice up and will soon plant the balance of the land to complete the 500 acres. It is a new industry, and considerable venture around here, and we most cordially wish the gentlemen all the success their enterprising efforts merit.

**New Iberia No. 1.**—There was a very exciting time here yesterday afternoon and evening over the launching and christening of a snug little craft, which was christened after the most approved Bacchanalian style the "New Iberia No. 1," with champagne as the liquid principle of the ceremonies. The invited guests had a gay time of it, but although we were honored with a free ticket to the banquet, a press of business would not allow of our accepting what under other circumstances would have afforded us much pleasure. Mr. Frank Delbuono is the owner, and Mr. Michel Delbuono will run the little craft in such lines of business as promise to yield the best results.

**Avery Plows** and latest improved agricultural implements at A. Erath's.

**"Cobi" Mignes Lands in the Penitentiary.** Information reached here yesterday by telegraph and was furnished us by Deputy Sheriff Chas. A. Judice that Cobi Mignes had been arrested in the parish of East Feliciana recently, was tried yesterday at Clinton, convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for the term of two years for horse stealing. He was sailing under the alias of John Peterson, but was recognized by an ex-resident of this place now at Clinton, who informed the authorities of that place that he was a fugitive from justice from this parish for cattle stealing and jail breaking and this Sheriff W. E. Woodward to communicate with Deputy Judge; who, however, can only await for his turn to come after Cobi will have served out his term, when he will possibly be re-arrested and returned to do service for the State. In escaping from this place he deserted a young wife and three children whose unfortunate lot makes them pitted by the community.

**The Interior Fitting Up of the Court-House.**—The main hall of justice in the Court-House building has been fitted up in a style unsurpassed by anything in the State. The stand for the judge is neat and elegant in design, the desk for the lawyers is a beautiful piece of workmanship, and there are six benches, three on either side for jurors and witnesses, with chairs for the members of the bar and the officers. There are also twelve benches, six on either side for the audience. The benches have backs to them and are made of strips of pine two inches wide for bottom and back and handsomely varnished. They are so constructed as to afford comfort to the occupant while presenting to the eye something at once useful and ornamental. The fixtures are the work of those skillful and energetic mechanics, Messrs. Callahan & Lewis, and is evidence that we need not go out of New Iberia to find good workmen in any branch of business. In fact the entire structure, one of the most complete in this or in any other State, is the workmanship of citizens of New Iberia, and both may be equally proud of the fact, that we have such an edifice and that our citizens furnished the money and the mechanical skill to make it a success.

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**The Circuit Court.**—Judges Moore and Clegg presiding, has been in session at this place since last Monday.

**For Town Constable.**—The voters of New Iberia will find in our columns to-day the name of Mr. Achille Bessan, who has so long served them as Chief of Police. He wishes to again be chosen for the office, and expects that his fellow-townsmen will regard him as the right man in the right place, and the one that ought to be kept there, but if another is preferred, he will be soled with the reflection, that one worthy to fill the position has been found among his friends and fellow-citizens.

**Saw Mill Tied Up.**—Owing to the light demand for lumber the saw mill of Messrs. Gall & Pharr has stopped this week with a large amount of lumber on hand, for which there is now no demand.

The saw mill of Messrs. Broussard & Decuir has for some weeks been running with a half force, and the owners will probably find it necessary to halt also. They have some two and one-half million ft of lumber on the yard, and even at reduced rates for employees, and running on slow time, they can see no inducement to continue. Both mills will probably resume work as soon as orders come in for lumber.

**Oil Mill to Stop.**—The Oil Mill and Soap Factory of Messrs. Gates & Barnard, will also close up in a few days, and over one hundred laborers will be thrown out of business. It is a sad state of affairs, but there seems to be no help to it, as the crisis is upon us and we must face it as we best can.

### For Chief of Police.

I take pleasure in informing my friends that I am a candidate for re-election to the office of Chief of Police of the town of New Iberia, election to be held in June next, and hope they will accord me their support as in the past.

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ap18-1f FREDERICK VEAZEY.

### Billiard Tables For Sale

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Succession of Aladin Louviere.—No. 443,

21st Judicial District Court, Parish of Iberia, State of Louisiana.

All persons concerned will take notice that Eleonore Ransonnnet, widow of Aladin Louviere, deceased, has on this 29th day of April, 1885, filed in this District Clerk's office, an application to be appointed administratrix of the above entitled succession and of the community which existed between them, and to present such legal opposition as they may have hereto within the legal delays, otherwise she will be appointed and confirmed as administratrix of said community and of said succession, and invested with authority to administer and finally settle the affairs of the said community and the said succession.

Witness my official signature this 29th day of April, 1885.

ALEX. DEVALCOURT,

Deputy Clerk.

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