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## Editorial.

### Educational Society.

Pursuant to resolutions adopted Friday the 5th at the close of the Teachers' Institute, by several leading citizens, calling for a mass meeting at Serrett's Hall, on Saturday the 13th, at 6 o'clock P. M., to organize permanently and confer and counsel as to the best course to be adopted to secure a High School for Iberia parish, quite a number of ladies and gentlemen representing the wealth, intelligence and moral worth of the community, met at the hour and place appointed. The meeting was not as numerous attended as could have been desired, and as its vast importance merited, but it was large enough and enthusiastic enough to demonstrate the fact of great sympathy with the cause and a determination to use every effort for making it a success. "Where there is a will there is a way," is an axiomatic truth pregnant with so much encouragement, that the most desperate ventures to the minds and hearts of even the lukewarm become easy of accomplishment when determination, vim and patient perseverance become the motive power. The absolute necessity for such a school is the fulcrum, and the knowledge of that fact the lever that must and will hoist the cause into its proper place in public favor. A half century, nay a century ago, the people of the New England States would in an hour's time raise the funds to erect an academy, where every branch of study necessary to fit a youth for Yale or Harvard, was taught, and that too when the assessed value of the property in the county or township where the academy was to be founded would not reach a half million in value. Shall it be told in Gath North or published in Ascalon South, that the Parish of Iberia which with its towns and villages is assessed at over two millions, and is really worth double as much, cannot get up a High School costing two or three thousand dollars, and that too when treble the amount is annually sent out of the parish or State to build up other sections. We have every inducement that the heart or mind can conceive of, to perfect as nearly as possible the schooling of our youths here at home, while the only motive imaginable for sending them abroad, can be but the indulgence of an expensive vanity, in reflecting or boasting that our boys and girls were educated five hundred or a thousand miles from home, and on their return, would import a better article than could be had here. Thousands have left the parental roof pure and virtuous and came back to it after thousands had been ravished upon what the fond father and doting mother believed to be the cultivation of their minds, adepts in every species of moral depravity. Let every parent anxious for the future welfare of his or her offspring, and every citizen desirous of promoting the prosperity of the community in which he lives, and elevating its moral standard, second the efforts being made to push forward the cause of education. On Saturday next, at 7 o'clock P. M., another meeting will be held, when

it is to be hoped that not merely the ardent friends of the cause, but the lukewarm and unbelieving will attend and hear what can be said in its favor.

### Why Not Follow Suit.

As our Police Jury manifest a disposition to retrench in expenditures where such a course can be prudently done, and reduce taxation to limits that will meet the exigencies of the public needs, we would suggest a modification of the existing practice in summoning witnesses in criminal cases, to conform to the plan pursued in St. Mary parish. The Police Jury there decided that no more than 4 witnesses for the State and 4 for the defense should be paid by the parish. Four witnesses on either side would be as good as four hundred, as each party would produce their best men. The State would not need more and the defence could have them *ad libitum*, by footing the bills for all over the 4 allowed by law. Retrenchment is the order of the day, and all parish money leaks ought to be stopped right away. One single cattle stealing suit has cost the parish \$400 for witness fees, and has just begun. It is time to put a stop to such wholesale plunder of the honest tax-payers of the parish. When our Police Jury meet they might make a note of the witness outrage matter, correct the evil by prompt action, and let its influence be felt and manifested in making up their budget for the coming year. Such a course would elicit from their constituents the hearty commendation of "well done good and faithful servants," which is surely more to be desired than a sulky acquiescence in their acts by a dissatisfied public. A needless waste of money is as culpable as a penny wise economy, and true wisdom lies in avoiding the extremes on either side, and keeping in the channel of a well defined and carefully weighed policy.

### Improved Agricultural Implements.

One of the most serious impediments to the development of the agricultural industries of this section of Louisiana among our small farmers is the lukewarmness, nay! almost aversion, shown for improved agricultural implements. Much of this apathy in regard to the introduction and use of labor-saving implements and machinery is the natural result of ignorance as to their merits and economical values, and this ignorance in its turn results from a lack of mental culture, sufficient to enable the farmer or cultivator to keep step with the march of improvement and spirit of the age. The enlightened mind is quick to appreciate any solid advantage offered by innovations upon time hallowed customs in any branch of business, and of course to profit by them, while more stolid and prejudiced will gaze stupidly at the car of progress as it goes whizzing by them. Progress among an industrious and thrifty people even where not blessed with much enlightenment, is to a great extent contagious, and where a few men of the right stamp are scattered about in a community and set good examples, the mass of their neighbors will be gradually infected and *non solum volens* be forced to imitate them. There are now men in our parish who will this season make with one pair of mules or horses, and the most approved farming implements, as much as will be made on other places and under the old system, with thrice the manual and animal expenditure of labor. Under such conditions, the uses of improved implements and machinery must crush all competition in the market dependant upon the old system. In the matter of cotton machinery, the Winship Cotton gin, self feeder and condenser and portable engine, manufactured at Atlanta, Georgia, and for sale by Mr. James A. Lee, has no rival for excellence, in the quantity and quality of the lint extracted from the seed, by the former, and the effectiveness and cheapness of the power supplied by the latter. To make a crop pay or offer a reasonable assurance of paying, it is necessary to get all from the ground possible with the least expenditure of time, labor and money, and fit it for market with the least possible loss of material, and the greatest economy consistent with the production of the best article attainable.

**Potatoes For Sale.**—50 barrels, by W. H. Crews, at \$2 per barrel.

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

## LOCAL NEWS.

**Tile Drainage.**—A quantity of tiles are now on the Court-House yard and will soon be put down to drain it.

**Military Inspection.**—Col. T. A. Fairies, Assistant Adjutant General of the State, has been spending the week in New Iberia, and next Saturday will make a military inspection of the Iberia Guards.

**A Correction.**—In mentioning the probable removal of Dr. F. D. Young from Abbeville to New Iberia, we should have said that his successors in Vermilion were his son, Dr. Frank F. Young and our esteemed friend, Dr. Clarence J. Edwards. Success to them.

**Practice Economy.**—In the household by purchasing your groceries and family supplies at J. C. M. Robertson's at prices below cost.

**New Saloon and Ice Depot.**—Mr. Jean Lasserre, well-known to most of our people, has recently rented the Two Lions place of business, where he has opened a nice saloon and an ice depot attached. He solicits the patronage of amateurs, and also guarantees to retail ice cheaper than the cheapest. Families should make it their headquarters for the cooling beverage.

**New Buildings.**—Despite the stagnation of business in most branches, the carpenters, painters and whitewashers are occasionally seen plying their vocations. The whitewash brush could be used to the advantage of dingy looking buildings much more than it is. Mr. Pierre Lebron is erecting two tenement houses on Weeks street, and will soon be ready for occupation.

Paducah Club Whiskey, equal to the best, for sale at A. Erath's.

**The Rains.**—For some weeks our farmers, except in favored localities, have been sending up petitions for rain, but the weather clerk was not in the humor to respond with any degree of liberality till Tuesday, when he seemed to be touched with some generosity, and invited nearly every section of the parish to partake of the much coveted refreshments. We hope all are now satisfied, or will be in a day or two.

**Corona Coal.**—Mr. A. Erath has taken the agency, from the Crescent City Coal Co., for the sale of the famous Corona Coal, and yesterday received the first car load, which he is now retailing at the lowest market price. This quality of coal is claimed to be unsurpassed, and our people now have the opportunity of testing it. To Mr. Erath's enterprising spirit is due the facility with which this fuel can now be obtained at any time, and we hope that he may be accorded the patronage that will make the business profitable.

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

**Reaping Machines.**—There are many new reaping machines in use, whose merits are canvassed more or less favorably by the public, as the users have found the one or the other best adapted to suit their wants, and that our friend Paul Decourt is the champion in the tonsorial art, is evinced by the fact that he has purchased out the Odillon Hebert establishment, or old Bazus barber shop, and will continue it under his management, while his brother, Albert Decourt, will continue his old stand. His reapers are as keen as Damascus or Toledo blades, and will harvest the heaviest capillary crop in half the time it took Dalilah to relieve Samson of his wig.

**Died.**—On Tuesday morning at the hour of 6 A. M., the Angel of Death entered the afflicted home of Mr. Felix Mestayer, and summoned the soul of the accomplished, the affectionate and beautiful Aspasia Mestayer, his second sister, to join the angelic choir about her heavenly father's throne. Just budding into womanhood, at the age of 19 years and 8 months, she was called upon to sacrifice all her hopes and anticipations of the future, and leave anguish and a void never again to be filled in the hearts of kindred and friends. During twenty-one days her sufferings were intense, and on Saturday last, the typhoid fever with which she was first attacked, was complicated by the appearance of pneumonia. Her remains were followed to the grave by all who could leave their homes, and the sympathies of our people will abide with the sorrowing family in their irreparable loss and sad bereavement. How true that in life we are in the midst of death.

Call for Paducah Club Whiskey, for sale at A. Erath's.

**An Old Timer Returned.**—We have been rejoiced to see again in our midst, one of the oldest representatives of *ante bellum* times on this side of the shadowy confines that divide it from eternity. This notable personage—for who in all this section of country does not know and reverence and love him—is Capt. Abe Smith. In company with his lesser half—we use the comparative degree of the adjective, not only because of the massive physique of our friend, but because of his well known rotundity and bulk of heart which in all the relations of life have been found to dovetail in and fit as becomes the workmanship of the great architect, Nature—

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AUG. ERATH, Sole Agent New Iberia.

A. L. Monot, Sole Agent Jeanerette, april-17

he has come once more to greet his friends and fellow-citizens, ere he is called upon to give an account of his stewardship before the great auditor of our earthly transactions. That his books will be found all right and his bondsmen, who constitute the entire community, feel easy on the subject of liabilities for delinquencies, goes without saying. May he long live to enjoy the well-merited esteem of his fellow-citizens, and when called to a better world, leave like Elijah to Elisha, a double share of his genial and philanthropic nature to his less liberally endowed fellow-men.

**It Is An Established Fact.**—That H. F. Duperier sells the best groceries at the lowest figures, and once more we recommend to our town and country readers to give him a call before purchasing elsewhere.

**Sanitary Measures.**—We are pleased to see that our energetic Chief of Police, H. Frank Stafford, is on the war path against nuisances, and is determined to abate them in so far as his authority in such matters extend. The sanitation of a town or city is one of the most important measures for maintaining the health of the inhabitants, and of course an auxiliary, if not the most reliable factor in promoting its prosperity. The healthfulness of a country or town has quite as much to do with its agrandizement, as its local advantages for trade and traffic, and as New Iberia is not so situated as to attract within her limits or concentrate within her borders the trade of a State, let alone the business of a continent, but possesses many advantages which if prudently utilized may make her the centre of a large commercial and mechanical population, prudence would seem to dictate the necessity for a rigid observance of sanitary precautions against the introduction of foreign diseases or the spread of local maladies.

**Ex-Sheriff Viator's Defalcation.**—In the case of the State of Louisiana, ex rel vs. Theogene Viator, (ex-Sheriff and Tax Collector,) et als., Judge Fred. Gates of the 21st Judicial District, last week rendered the following decree:

"It is ordered, adjudged and decreed, that plaintiff do have judgment against, and recover of Theogene Viator, the sum of five thousand six hundred and forty-two 28-100 dollars, with five per cent. per month interest on the sum of \$4,279.93 from Jan. 24th, 1884, till paid; and like interest on the sum of \$402.35, from May 6th, 1884; and like interest on the sum of \$960, from Feb. 5th, 1885, date of judicial demand. Further, that the legal mortgage be recognized as bearing upon and affecting all the real estate of the said Theogene Viator, situated in the parish of Iberia, from the date of the registry of his official bond, on the 16th day of April, 1880.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that plaintiff do have judgment against and recover of Paul A. Dupuy the sum of \$5,000, against Louis Delcambre the sum of \$7,000, against Leonidas P. Serrett the sum of \$2,000, of Washington B. Merchant the sum of \$2,000, of Sylvestre Romero the sum of \$2,000 and against Mrs. Aglae Hebert as administratrix of the succession of John G. Mestayer deceased, for the sum of \$2,000, with five per cent. interest from judicial demand on the 5th day of February, 1885, and all costs of suit to be taxed.

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**Homestead Entry.**  
LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, LA., June 12th, 1885.  
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge, or in his absence, the Clerk of the District Court at New Iberia, La., on 31st July, 1885, viz:  
GERARD BROUPOD,  
who made Homestead Entry No. 1767 for the E 1/4 of N E 1/4 Sec 27 Tp 13, S R 7 E, La. Meridian.  
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Toussaint Duplanty, Joseph Broupond, Desire Mayard, Andre Mayard, all of Iberia parish, Louisiana.  
C. B. DARRALL,  
June 17 Register.

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