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GOVERNOR FOSTER'S APPOINTMENTS.

A Lad Drowned—Re-elected Hospital Surgeon—New Union Depot at Shreveport—Plantation Work Resumed—Took a Dose of Poison.

Plantation Work Resumed.
The weather having apparently cleared off near Thibodaux, La., planters are busily engaged in manufacturing their cane into sugar; but few will finish before the holidays.

A Lad Drowned.
James Simmons, Jr., the young son of James Simmons, engineer on a tug boat plying in Bayou Plaquemine, was drowned at the Indian Village Friday night. The body was recovered Saturday morning.

New Union Depot.
Work on the new water depot at the Kansas City, Shreveport and Gulf Railway at Shreveport, will begin in a few days. The grading of the ground for the depot is being pushed forward; and work on the handsome union station will commence shortly.

Fire at Shreveport.
A fire occurred Thursday morning about 6 o'clock in Algade, on Hope street, Shreveport. A residence owned by Mr. McNulty and occupied by Mr. E. L. Best, was entirely destroyed. There was no insurance on the building and only \$100 on the furniture.

Re-Elected Hospital Surgeon.
At a meeting of the Charity Hospital board, at Shreveport, Dr. T. E. Schumper was unanimously re-elected surgeon for the next four years. Dr. Schumper has been surgeon and general superintendent of the hospital for the past four years and his reelection is a deserved compliment.

Government Foster's Appointments.
Gov. Foster made the following appointments for the parish of Pointe Coupee: J. D. Wiggins, police juror for the fifth ward, vice B. A. Dyrries, resigned; Archie Levy, inspector of weights and measures; Henry Lehman, constable for the second ward, vice Seaman Titus, resigned.

The Largest Raft.
A dispatch from Des Allemands says: One of the largest rafts that has ever been brought to the Louisiana Cypress Lumber Company, Harvey's canal, from bayou Boeuf, by the tug Joseph Bathbone, Captain B. Gardner, passed Des Allemands this week. The raft contained 4,700 sticks, scaled 1,700,000 feet of lumber.

Ward 2 of Caddo to Have an Election.
The citizens residing in ward two of Caddo parish, Friday petitioned the police jury that an election be ordered on local option in that ward. The police jury have so ordered, and an election will now take place to decide whether the ward goes dry. The application of the fifth ward for the same purpose has been withdrawn.

Shreveport Cotton Oil Company.
The first consignment by the Shreveport Cotton Oil Company has been secured by the Shreveport and Houston railway. It will consist of 50 cars of cotton seed meal and oil destined to Rotterdam, via Galveston. The company was chartered in August last and the mill put in operation recently has been doing a thriving business.

A Dose of Poison.
Saturday night, about 7 o'clock, George Mooney, laborer, aged 28 years, swallowed a poisonous drug at his home, at 914 First street, New Orleans. No cause can be assigned for the deed, and Mooney will say nothing about the affair. Dr. Venzie was called, and finding that the man swallowed poison, suggested the calling of the ambulance. The students worked on Mooney, and left him out of danger.

Think They Have an Express Robber.
J. N. Wallace, supposed to be Geo. E. Ross, was arrested at Baton Rouge last Friday night, by Chief of Police Hare and Deputy Sheriff Miller. He is supposed to be the man wanted in Kansas City, Mo., for the embezzlement of \$1,500 from the Pacific Express Company, and for whose arrest a reward of \$200 is offered. Wallace had been in Baton Rouge about two weeks, seemed possessed of plenty of money and paid his bills promptly. He had no baggage at the hotel and refused to make any statement. The officers think they have the right man.

Claims Against the City.
In the United States circuit court in the case of F. L. Ferrandis vs. the City of New Orleans, Judge Parlands granted petitioner Ferrandis leave to

file petition and claims. He was also permitted to join the complainant on paying his prorata of the costs to participate in the benefits of any decree to be rendered therein. The petitioner says he is the owner of claims against the City of New Orleans to the amount of \$6,000 and over. These claims are for the years of 1881, 1884 and 1886, and are given in detail in the list accompanying the petition.

New Italian Consul.
The Chevalier Magenta, who hereafter will represent Italy in the capacity of consul, reached New Orleans Saturday morning. He came by way of New York from Rome. The chevalier was until recently stationed at Philadelphia, an interior town of Turkey. He is a man of middle age, and has been in the consular service since early manhood. The posts he has occupied from time to time have carried him to many parts of the world—South America, Europe and Asia. He was made a knight of the Italian Legion of Honor, in recognition of his diplomatic abilities. Mr. Charles Papini, secretary to the consulate, since the resignation of the last consul has been filling the post. The new consul took charge Monday.

Tonnage Dues on German Ships.
Collector Wilkinson, at the New Orleans custom house, has received from the treasury department a copy of the proclamation of President Cleveland, imposing tonnage dues on German ships, in retaliation for similar dues imposed on American vessels by Germany, and instructing him to take measures for the collection of the dues at that port on and after January 2, 1897, as provided by section 1 of the act of June 19, 1896. The dues were suspended by President Cleveland in 1888, but since then Germany has put dues on American shipping and this measure is intended to even up things. There is considerable German shipping at the New Orleans port and the dues will increase the revenues at the port.

Decision on Imported Patna Rice.
The question of the duty to be levied upon imported "Patna" rice, which has caused much contention between merchants and the customs authorities, has been settled by a decision rendered Friday by J. Wheeler, of the United States circuit court of the New York district. The test suit was brought up by the United States against the firm of Talmage & Son, of New York City, upon an importation after the passage of the Wilson tariff act of 1894. The latter measure altered the rice paragraph in the act of 1890 and defined uncleaned rice as rice free of outer hull and still bearing the outer cuticles. The "Patna" rice was free of the outer hull and inner cuticle. The government contended that the rice paragraph of 1894 was intended to cover all imported rice in any and every condition, and that the rice in controversy was cleaned rice within the meaning of the statute. The importers claimed that it was not cleaned rice of commerce. Judge Wheeler held that the specific description of rice in the act of 1894 was intended to cover all imported rice, and that the commercial understanding as to rice must give way to the statutory definition, and judgment was rendered for the government.

New Chinese Minister Not Acceptable.
The government of Germany has notified the Chinese government that the selection of Hwang-Tsun-Hsien as minister of China at Berlin, as announced from Peking, on Nov. 24, is not acceptable to Germany, for the reason that Germany had not previously been consulted in the choice of minister to succeed Han-Ching-Cheng at Berlin, and because Hwang-Tsun-Hsien is not of sufficiently exalted rank. As a precedent to this objection to the appointment of Hwang-Tsun-Hsien, the German government has pointed to the fact that China made a similar objection to the appointment of ex-Senator Henry W. Blair, of New Hampshire, as United States minister to China, claiming he was persona non grata because of his outspoken criticism of China, her methods, and Chinese labor.

Lizzie Borden to Marry.
For a number of days there has been circulated in Fall River, Mass., a rumor that Lizzie A. Borden, who was tried and acquitted for the murder of her father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Borden, was about to be married to Orren Gardner, of Fall River, an adjoining town. Miss Borden's friends decline to make any statement regarding the marriage, but the maker acknowledges making plans for Miss Borden, but she is not for a wedding trip. Her father, whose name has been associated with Miss Borden's name and a sister, is at present at Cole's Station, near Fall River.

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