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To Our Friends and Patrons!

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PAUL W. DANIELS

Welsh and Ikeville, Louisiana

TASTY DRESSERS!

Will find in my store the style, the quality and that exclusiveness they so much desire. I have just received a line of the latest shapes and colors of hats, neckwear, shirts, ties and gents' furnishings, the most up-to-date in town. :: :: :: :: :: ::

J. S. GERSON, WELSH, LOUISIANA.

A SENSATIONAL "ELOPEMENT."

"Society" Agog Over the Marriage of Two of Its "Young" Members.

The Orange (Texas) Tribune of October 26 contained a half column account of a highly sensational elopement, according to that paper, of two persons from Welsh. With a few exceptions the account, which we publish below, was true. The "estimable young lady of Welsh," however, instead of being "Miss Katie Bell Rose," was, before the genial and accommodating judge performed the ceremony, Mrs. Bell Plumb, the mother of three children who now reside with their father, Dwight Plumb, in this city. There was no opposition, however, to the match.

Below is the Tribune's account of it: R. B. Gardner, an expert rice thresher, well known to the rice farmers of the Louisiana belt, and of late operating at and around Crowley, and a young man of good repute and industry, had for a year or more loved Katie Bell Rose, an "estimable young lady" of Welsh, in the fine old parish of Calcasieu. "Miss Rose" reciprocated the affection of her admirer, although for some reason her friends objected to him. In the face of this objection she promised to be his wife, and the couple delayed their marriage, hoping that by and by the opposition to it might cease, and the wedding bells could then ring merrily.

But time brought no change in the disfavor with which "Miss Katie's" people looked upon the suit of the faithful and persistent young manipulator of the rice separator. In fact, it became more positive and annoying to him. He fumed under it and bore with it for a year; then seeing that it was working to the visible unhappiness of his betrothed, he resolved to assert himself. He did. He telegraphed last evening from Crowley to Miss Rose at Welsh to pack her trunk and meet him at the station there on the arrival of No. 9 on the Southern Pacific.

When Miss Rose received the tele-

PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL.

School Building Accepted and Many Bills Disposed Of.

HALL OF COUNCIL CHAMBER,

Welsh, La., Nov. 1, 1904.

Council called to order in regular session by H. A. Davidson, mayor pro tem. Members of the board of trustees present: John H. Cooper, C. P. Martin and S. W. Day. Absent: Frank Cotton.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were taken up and approved:

W. H. Loy, tank.....	\$ 32 00
J. M. Hall, Marshal.....	75 00
McCoy & Moss, atty fees.....	140 63
L. E. Robinson for Bond Co.....	12 50
O. F. LaRue.....	23 45
H. A. Davidson, cash paid	
Charter Oak Co. & sundries	129 49
Peter Johnson, street work.....	29 76
Labit Lumber Co., lumber.....	204 37
Total.....	\$ 647 37

On motion duly seconded and carried that all bills endorsed by Finance Committee be allowed and paid.

Moved and carried that the bill of the Welsh Printing Co. be allowed \$3.50 be allowed.

Moved and carried that the bill of McGinnis & Reimers for extras be laid over.

Moved and carried that Professor Read, principal, be authorized to purchase supplies for the school as per statement submitted.

Moved that the school house be accepted with the reservation and conditions agreed to by the contractors, viz: That should any latent defects develop or become apparent, caused by imperfect workmanship or material or through not being constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications, the said defect or faults are to be removed by the contractors without expense to the town; and that the mayor be authorized to make the balance of the payment as soon as the defects pointed out by the architect be remedied. Motion carried.

Moved and carried that the bill of

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MARTIN BROTHERS,

Dry Goods, Notions, Etc. Welsh, La.

RICE SACKS

9 oz. Sacks - - - 8 1-2 cts.
CRESCENT SEWING TWINE.

WM. P. RUSSELL, JR.
At Bell's Store

Aladin Vincent Divested of Property.

The largest judgment ever awarded in the district court of Calcasieu was that last Thursday of J. G. Gray vs. Aladin Vincent. The amount involved, including attorney's fees, court costs, etc., amounted to about \$230,000.

In reference to the suit the Lake Charles Press says:

The Vincent suit has been before the courts for several months and it was generally thought Mr. Vincent would make arrangements satisfactory to all parties, thus avoiding seizure; the events of Thursday disprove this idea. The writ of seizure includes all the lands of the defendant stretching away from the town of Vinton to the Sabine river and containing between ten and twelve thousand acres, mostly pasture lands. In the seizure is included "Hominy Hill," the home residence of Mr. Vincent, with the fine dwelling house and numerous outbuildings, barns, stables, etc. Deputy Huskey also seized more than one thousand head of cattle, horses, etc. Jerry Caruthers has been appointed keeper over the property till further orders of the court.

In the Rice Belt.

Estherwood Call: A lone Italian family rented 40 acres of land adjoining J. C. Nickerson's land near Lafayette and put it in cotton. With one little mule team he will make 35 bales of cotton, worth at least \$70 per bale. See what can be done with cotton, the great money crop, a little gold mine within itself.

Take a spin in a Moon Bros. buggy and you will ride in no other. Welsh Carriage and Implement Co.

Ereux on the Local Crop.

S. Locke Breaux, who was here last week looking after his interests in and around Welsh, gave out the following interview to the Record in Jennings:

"I have been looking over the rice fields in the vicinity of Welsh and Jennings and must say that the crop is getting along as well as was expected, under the favorable weather that we have been having for the last two or three weeks. And the buyer knows what he is going to get when he buys the rice.

"The market is holding out first rate and the better grade of Honduras is selling at a good value. My impression and idea is that a wise man should turn his goods into money as the occasion offers, without pressing to sell.

"Speaking in a general manner, I should say that I am going back to New Orleans much better satisfied as to the ability of the average planter to pay his debt and swing high.

"I know we are all blue about the low price of rice but frankly I must say that if we made a better grade of goods, there would be more money realized for the same amount of effort. Altogether its not so bad but that might be a great deal worse."

Miss Katie Balshaw, a pretty young girl of Estherwood, left on Wednesday of last week ostensibly for Crowley on a shopping tour, but it proved to be a wedding tour instead. At Crowley she met Frank Montague, whom she loved against the wishes of her mother, and together they eloped to Orange, Texas, and were married. Orange was the gretna green of two Louisiana couples that day.

gram she confided in Mrs. Litchfield, with whom she was staying, and Mrs. Litchfield, sympathizing with the young people, bustled around and helped the girl get her trunk ready, as there was not much time before the arrival of the train, and the two got to the depot without any of the opposing friends of the girl knowing anything of what was in the wind. The train brought the eager Gardner. He was quickly joined by Miss Rose, and the two came on to Orange.

This morning Judge J. J. Winham was called upon at his office in the courthouse by two anxious but beaming young folks, the same being R. B. Gardner of Crowley and Miss Katie Bell Rose of Welsh. If his honor had not been officially a marrying man even, he would have known what that couple wanted, and he soon had them made man and wife, and with his marriage certificate in his pocket, and his bride on his arm, R. B. Gardner of Crowley stood ready to bid defiance to all opposing forces.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner called at the Tribune office this forenoon to make sure that we were going to print all the news of their runaway match, and they certainly were merry over the thought of how crestfallen the aforesaid friends would be when they received copies of the Tribune containing the news. In order that they might not fail to receive such copies, the happy bridegroom ordered one sent to each of them.

Ring up Prentice & Prentice for anything you want in either staple or fancy groceries.

J. A. Petty, for superintending work and material on school building, be referred back for correction.

Moved and carried that the street commissioner have the closets at the school house cleaned.

Moved and carried that the street commissioner be authorized to contract with and hire a janitor for the school house, and the wages paid no to exceed \$20.00 per month.

On motion seconded and carried that the secretary be, and is, instructed to open up a correspondence with the Ladies' Aid Society of Rayne in regard to a new organ they have here in Welsh and desire to sell, and purchase same provided the teachers pay half the price, which is not exceed \$42.

Moved and carried that the secretary be authorized to draw a warrant in favor of A. Rigmaiden, parish treasurer, for the amount of school money in the town treasurer's hands.

Moved and carried that an insurance of \$6,000.00 be placed on the school building.

Moved and carried the bill of C. P. Martin of \$180.00 for insurance on school building be allowed and ordered paid.

Motion to adjourn was carried.
SAMUEL BLACKFORD, Sec'y.

C. A. Austin informs us that his rice crop next year will be 140 acres less than that of the present season. The 140 acres, he says, will be utilized as pasture for his carload of Herefords. Mr. Austin is another who thinks within a few years every farm will have a field of cotton, corn and oats as well as rice.

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A. M. ARTHUR, Welsh Office in Martin Building Cor. R. R. Ave and Adams St.

PHILIP COVERDALE, Welsh.

National Rice Milling Co.

HENRY KAHN, President,

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Stock Thrive on Rice.

Probably the finest lot of farm teams, including both mules and horses, that come to Crowley are those owned by J. M. Jeter, who raises rice near the Ferre relief. The twenty mules and horses owned by Mr. Jeter are all sleek and well-fed, and at the same time active and powerful animals. One team of Kentucky bred horses is an especially fine pair, and it is always remarkable for its fine condition. Mr. Jeter was recently asked to explain the method of feeding that kept his stock in such good condition.

"Ground rough rice," was the sententious reply. "I have been feeding this team more or less on ground rice for six years, and during the past year rice has formed their exclusive diet. I work on my farm twenty head of horses and mules, and are all fed on ground rough rice. I clubbed in with a neighbor last year and bought a small feed mill capable of grinding twenty sacks a day and operated by horse power. About 500 sacks of rice were ground last year in this mill by myself and my neighbors. This year I am saving 400 sacks of rice for feed, and in my immediate neighborhood I am told a large quantity will be held out for this purpose.

"The feeding of ground rough rice to stock of all kinds has been entirely successful with us, and we find it much cheaper than buying corn and oats. Bushel for bushel I regard rice as a better feed than either corn or oats. I know nothing about the scientific test, but I know what the practical results are.

"As to the cost of feed compared with corn and oats here is the way I figure it. A sack of rice has a feeding value equal to five bushels of oats. Five bushels of oats cost now \$2.50. To this must be added fifteen cents a sack for hauling the oats home. I therefore estimate that when a rice farmer exchanges red rice for oats or sells his red rice and buys oats with the money, he must get \$2.65 a sack for his rice in order to break even on the transaction. Even in the best years there is some rice on every farm that will not bring that much.

"I feed rough rice to my hogs, but do not grind it. The rice is scattered on the ground, instead of being fed in troughs. This compels the animals to eat slowly and they are thus able to grind it sufficiently. This method of feeding also gives the poultry a chance."—Crowley Signal.

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