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If you are so unfortunate as to be seized on you have the right to name the paper wherein your property shall be advertised. This paper will do it at one-half the price the Enterprise charges.

The Shreveport Carnival is fixed for April 3rd, 4th and 5th, and a much better time is promised than if the weather had permitted its occurrence in Feb'y. An effort is being made to secure an address from that matchless orator, W. J. Bryan, on one of the days.

That our American composers are equal in many respects to those of foreign countries, is something which the singers and players of this country have yet to learn, and it is the laudable purpose of the publishers of the works enumerated in the attractively written, printed and illustrated brochure, "Laurel Winners," to teach our native musicians this wholesome truth.

Such a work as "Laurel Winners" and such compositions as it enumerates and describes, do credit to their publishers and deserve the attention and interest of all true Americans.—Musical Courier.

Public Economy.

The 55th congress is drawing to a close. It has been a memorable congress and has done many great things. But it has shown no disposition to economize. The expenditures in all directions have been greater than ever and our treasury has been exhausted. There will be a deficit and new loans will be necessary and new debts will be piled up.

In the midst of these fearful assaults on the public purse, nobody seems to think of economy. The spirit of profligacy and extravagance has spread to states and cities. Salaries are being increased all along the line. What are the people going to do about it? Pay-day is sure to come. Poverty is the child of debt. What shall we do? It seems to us that public economy should be the battle cry of the future. This is the platform for the people. They must not become so absorbed in their other contests as to forget the necessity of protecting the public treasury. They must not forget what Gladstone said, that deficit is the greatest enemy to prosperity and liberty.—Monroe Bulletin.

There was a large and enthusiastic meeting held here last night by the citizens of this and Bossier parishes, looking to the establishment of an independent telephone line between Natchitoches and Shreveport via of this place. The first steps that will take place towards the formation of this new enterprise will be the dissolution of the old telephone company known as the Knox Point & Shreveport Telephone Company, which owns a line now from Shreveport to Grand Ecure, and then all of the members of this old Co., as well as many more will form themselves into a new corporation to be known as the Shreveport, Red River & Natchitoches Telephone Co., limited. There is a meeting called at this place for March the 9th, at which time they hope to have everything in order to enter into a permanent organization. This new enterprise has plenty of capital behind it and we feel safe to say that they will command their share of the public patronage.—Coushatta Citizen.

The Planters Oil mill at Monroe was destroyed by fire last Sunday. It was situated near the Iron Mountain depot, and was one of the largest plants of its kind in the South. The loss is estimated at about \$150,000. Mr. Jno. P. Parker, well known to our people, is President, and one of the largest stockholders.

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Cotton Factories.

On Saturday last Mr. H. H. Hargrove, in response to an invitation, addressed the Farmers' Club in Arcadia, his theme being "Cotton Factories." In his speech he detailed the factory enterprise and the prosperity of the Carolinas, and awakened a great interest in the people.

A special from Arcadia says: A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Hargrove and the Picayune for the enterprising efforts for the building up of Louisiana and for Mr. Hargrove's speech. A committee, consisting of Messrs J. P. White, J. A. Brower, B. Capers, Jas. Brice, William Cogher and G. W. Richardson, of which Mr. Jas. Brice was elected chairman, was appointed to solicit subscriptions and organize the movement. One gentleman offered to take \$1,000 of stock, and others displayed much interest. There is a good prospect for a cotton mill at Arcadia. The movement will extend to each ward of Bienville parish, through sub-committees, and thus be brought in close contact with the whole people.—Shreveport Caucasian.

Hurrah for Arcadia! Her enterprise and thrift will be richly repaid by the spending of over \$1000 a week from the hands employed at this factory, to say nothing of the factory price she can give for cotton, and the factory price she can sell cloth at, saving freights both ways, and then the actual profits on the investment.

Arcadia is the first town in North Louisiana to follow in the way Shreveport is travelling to prosperity, but several others will join her soon. Wonder if Natchitoches will be one.

Natchitoches is larger and richer and older (some little) than Arcadia. Natchitoches parish is much larger and wealthier than Bienville parish, and could build a cotton factory with one half the effort, and needs one much worse because of poorer transportation facilities.

But our "official organ" hasn't room to mention it for describing card parties and chicken salad, and our leading men are too busy drawing salaries and scheming to enlarge them or hold on to them. So all our great natural advantages must remain idle, our great products shipped elsewhere for manufacture at an enormous profit to somebody else, and our progressive men put their capital in enterprises away from home.

W. B. Stille of Robeline, subscribed \$1000 to Shreveport's cotton factory, and no doubt he would have preferred to invest it in one at home, while perhaps a dozen of his neighbors would have joined him in a home enterprise.

But then we have the "Round Table" club, the "Merry Sixteen" and the "As you Like It," shouldn't we be happy? If the turkey dressing, the saltines and the "piping hot chocolate" hold out, surely we've no right to kick. And it will certainly hold out for our royal families, if we continue them in office and the people continue able to pay taxes.

Democratic Committee.

The Caucasian's Washington correspondent says: Every member of the committee named by Senator Jones to advise with the Democratic National committee during the preparation for next year's campaign, is not only a staunch advocate of the renomination of Col. Bryan, but also of the re-adoption of the Chicago platform. Senator Jones will be chairman of the advisory committee and his associates will be the following gentlemen: Senator White of California, D. J. Campan of Michigan, Norman Mack of New York, the widely known Buffalo editor; ex-Governor Atgeld of Illinois, and ex-Congressman George Fred Williams of Massachusetts. The headquarters of the advisory committee will be in Washington.—Shreveport Caucasian.

The Standard Oil Trust owns a national bank in New York. When the trusts get a little stronger they will doubtless create banks of their own, and may ultimately drive the old line, genuine bankers out of the business. Such a development would be logical and would make them the supreme rulers in the commercial as well as the industrial world.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Dem.

Mob Law.

This space contained a fictitious narrative of the humorous order, intended, and so stated in the heading, to criticize the Enterprise's news columns, along the line we have been following for the past month.

Yesterday evening after about half the edition had been printed, folded and laid on the desk for mailing, several copies having been handed out to passing subscribers, C. V. Porter stepped into the office and with the remark, "Brian, you have gone too far," began to gather up the papers. We told him that it would be an easy matter for him to get out an injunction and stop the issue, but he said he didn't need any law, or words to that effect, and started out with the papers. We told him those papers were our property, and we couldn't suffer them destroyed, and closed with him in a scuffle, during which the papers were dropped on the floor. We stepped back to the table and picked up a column rule to drive him out of our office, but found he had anticipated us with a 41-Colts, and standing on the steps with his gun in one hand and throwing the papers out with the other, he abused us with foul language and dared us to come further, on penalty of death. Being unarmed and not having a gun of any description in the house, we stood and watched the proceeding with about as much complacency as we would a toboggan slide. When he had finished he took a large handful round on 2nd street toward the Courthouse, and returning with several accomplices took the balance out of the street and carried them away, and it is said, made a bonfire of them.

Half an hour or so later, the Sheriff came in and told us that while he indorsed what Mr. Porter had done, he had made every effort and had succeeded in restraining the crowd from further and personal violence, but warned us that the matter had better be dropped, and if a similar thing recurred he would not be responsible for the consequences, or words to that effect.

We have heard that this mob violence is justified by the plea that the article in question reflected upon many of the good ladies of our town, but nothing was further from our intention. We stated plainly at the head of the article that it was a parody on the news columns of the Enterprise, which we thought was a subject for legitimate criticism. We thought our purpose along this line was perfectly clear from this article as well as previous issues. We deny to any man a higher appreciation and respect for the ladies of this town, and could we feel that we had reflected upon their good name, a thousand apologies and retractions would not satisfy us. But such is not the case, this is only a pretext to cover the venting of political hatred and intolerance of long standing.

We were born in 40 miles of this place, and our ancestors on both sides in the State, we had made our home in this town and bought property here, even after we had become fully convinced that we had no political rights here, but now we find that we have no property nor personal rights here.

It would be the veriest farce to appeal to the courts; that has been fully demonstrated in the past. The only defense of these sacred rights for us lies in repudiating the teachings of a sainted father, a christian mother, our life long religion, the laws of our country, and take up and carry arms, take human life or give it, and become a bandit and reprobate.

We decline the remedy and give up. If no more of our property is destroyed until we can dispose of it, and our life is extended we shall shake the dust of fair Natchitoches off our feet.

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See our Specimens of Job Work before placing your orders.
Read the Populist.

The Daily Picayune is doing a laudable work for the cotton growers as well as the business interests of our State in its efforts to secure the building of cotton factories in the cotton-growing sections. At its own expense this paper sent a staff correspondent through North and South Carolina and other portions of the South where cotton factories have been established, printing full reports of the correspondents personal investigations, covering organization, cost, management, profit and results of the building of such factories.

Finding them uniformly prosperous and highly profitable, the Picayune now proposes to embody all this and much more valuable information in a pamphlet for free distribution, hoping thereby to start the building of cotton factories in every town in the cotton regions of the State. The effort is already bearing fruit. Shreveport has about raised the stock for a \$100,000 mill, and Arcadia has held a meeting and begun work. Natchitoches should be the next town to start the work. We produce enough cotton within a radius of 15 miles of the town to run a larger mill than Shreveport is building, and we have to pay enormous freights to get it out, and similar to get our cotton goods back, all of which would be saved by a factory at our door.

We will have a lot of these interesting pamphlets on hand by the 15th inst. for free distribution, and will be pleased to have our friends call in and get one.

McEnery's Vote on the Treaty.

Such close administration sheets as the Baton Rouge Advocate and Natchitoches Enterprise are doing all they can to belittle Senator McEnery for his vote on the Spanish treaty, and otherwise. Certainly from all that is obtainable from public prints Senator McEnery is persona non grata to Governor Foster and his few adherents. Some of the staunch Foster organs even take the position that McEnery has proved of too much value to the State in the Senate for him now to be withdrawn, even to be Governor and the cry is almost general that a "new man" must be selected—always, be it understood, that Foster names the "new man."

From what the "common herd" is permitted to know it appears that the statement that Foster is said to have made, "that if McEnery wants to be Governor he will have to get out and hustle for it" is correct, and not only will he get no administration support but will even be antagonized by that faction. McEnery's vote on the treaty is approved by all unprejudiced men. While the President's actions as to the Philippines are not universally admired nor approved, certainly the best interests of neither the United States nor the Philippines could have possibly been conserved by a defeat of the treaty, thus woefully discrediting and hampering the government and giving undue encouragement to the badly misguided Filipinos. While the President must have a policy as to the Philippines it is certainly not a clear one to the public, but the adoption of the McEnery resolution by the Senate makes it pretty clear that that body is not in favor either of final annexation or of the adoption of any legislation inimical to American interests, sugar or otherwise; and the adoption of the resolution may aid the President materially in formulating his policy inasmuch as it will enable him to gage the sentiment of the Senate at least.

In casting that vote Senator McEnery rose above party politics, which is a deadly offence in all Fosterite eyes—something for which they can imagine no reason, find no excuse. Likewise that vote strengthened McEnery with men who are not party-mad, and if in due time he decides to become candidate for governor it will not prove to have cost him any supporters.—The Tribune.

W. H. JACK. ANGUS FLEMING.

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NATCHITOCHEES, LA.
Will practice in any of the State and Federal Courts. jan6'99.

NOTICE.

I hereby give notice of my intention of entering under the homestead laws of this State, the South-half of North-west quarter and West-half of South-west quarter of Section 9, in Township 11, North, Range 5, West, containing one hundred and sixty acres.
J. P. FRANTOM.
Jan. 13, 1899.—6t.

JOB WORK.
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Chas. H. Fletcher

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Homestead Notice.

I hereby give notice of my intention to enter under the State Homestead law of Louisiana, the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 6, Township 11, North of Range 5, West, La. Meridian.
G. W. PIERCE.
Dec. 30, 1898.—6t.

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