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SATURDAY MARCH 20th. 1886.

Tackle Our Advice, Zeno!

If there is any one thing more than another that we feel ourselves fully qualified to give, and full measure at that, it is advice—on that score we are solid. In fine, we are simply chock full of advice—it oozes out of us, so to speak, with that copiousness, which even the volume of perspiration running over a negro standing before a hot furnace door in the month of August, is as nothing in comparison. Consequently, imagine our elateness when we were offered the following opportunity to let her flow:

(No Date.)

Mr. Editor: Which do you consider the best gymnasium manufactured. I mean one that will afford the most healthful recreation and at the same time thoroughly develop the muscles. Please answer in your paper.

ZENO.

The best and simplest gymnasium, Zeno, in the world—one that will give you "thorough" exercise and that can be purchased at most any of our town stores, is made of a flat piece of steel, notched on one side, fitted tightly into a frame. Here is how you must put it in operation: After being greased on both sides with a bacon rind, rub it, with plenty of elbow grease, into a sick of wood laid lengthwise in a saw buck.

Try it, Zeno, and let us know how it works?

The Home Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

The above company organized to-day, and elected the following officers, to serve for the term of one year.

Albert Woodley, President;
J. W. Francois, Secretary;
Gustave Rosemond, Treasurer;
Albert Boutte, Foreman;
P. L. Rosemond, House-keeper;
Honore Denis Commissioner.

MEMBERS.

Briblo Basquin, Louis Gabriel,
Joassin Babin, Joseph Jones,
Alexandre Ledee, Louis Ambroise,
Joseph Louis.

On motion of Mr. Boutte, seconded by Mr. Denis, it was resolved that the President should appoint a committee of three, to frame the constitution and by laws of the company.

The following committee was appointed:

Alexandre Ledee, Chairman
Briblo Basquin,
Albert Boutte.

The meeting was, adjourned to meet March 20th. 1886.

Albert Woodley, Pres.
J. W. Francois, Sec.

St. Martinsville, La., March 14th. 1886.

State News.

Jeannerette has a reading room.

A new railroad is spoken of to run from Bunkie, via Evergreen, to Marksville.—[Lake Charles Echo.

Last Thursday night the Young Ladies Military Company gave a drill at Fricke's Opera House, and acquitted themselves satisfactorily to all present.—[Lake Charles Commercial.

An attempt at murder was made one night last week, in Amite City, upon the person of W. P. Kinchen, an estimable young man. He was waylaid on one of the Main streets and shot through the arm. No object except robbery can be assigned. The assassin has not been detected.

The Literary and Social Club of Abbeville recently organized is progressing finely, having already about 37 members. On next Tuesday night they will meet to elect their officers under their constitution just adopted.—[Meridional.

The creation of the 9th. Ward leaves us without a Justice of the Peace and Constable, we hope that some good men will be appointed, the people have stood the abuses of the present ones long enough let them skidaddle.—[Jeannerette Item.

The farmers of this parish by all means should raise their own horses and mules. They can do it as well as not. "Where there's a will, there's a way." We know some farmers here that have been successful in raising stock, and why not others? There certainly is no money in cotton at 7½ cents per pound, and the quicker all our farmers get out of the old rut of raising cotton, and nothing but cotton the better for them.—[Alexandria Town Talk.

Rechristening an Ohio Town.

Philadelphia Times.

When an Ohio town changes its name there is fun and no mistake. There is a small town out that way called Tiltonville and its tax payers, in order to get a borough charter, found they would have to get another name. They adopted Belvidere but reconsidered the motion and dropped that name for the virtuous reason that it had been suggested by a saloon keeper. Then they hit upon Auburn, but had to let that go because Ohio already has one Auburn. Finally they got around to politics and the Democrats held a meeting and declared the town named Grover. The Republicans kicked and demanded another meeting

at which Democrats should not do all the voting. The other meeting came off and so did a free fight, in which the Republicans were driven out with revolvers. The Democrats remained in the school house all night and went home to breakfast cheerin' for the new town of Grover. As Grover is not a bad name, after all, the chances are that Tiltonville is Tiltonville no more and that peace resigns in the new borough.

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