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Advertisement.

FOR CONGRESS,

THIRD CONGRESSIONAL
DISTRICT,

Edward Simon,
of the Parish of St. Martin.

Democratic Nominee,

FOR CONGRESS,

Third Congressional District,
HON. EDWARD J. GAY,
of Iberville parish.

Democratic Nominee,

FOR JUDGE,

Twenty-first Judicial District,
JAMES E. MOUTON,
of St. Martin parish.

The Mass Meeting in Grande Pointe

The Democratic mass meeting and barbecue was a decided success in every way. The number of people present, including many ladies, were variously estimated at between 900 to 12000. Barring a few individuals who had imbibed a little too freely of corn juice and were in consequence boisterously happy, the most perfect decorum reigned. The meeting was called to order by Robert Martin Esq., presented the names of the following gentlemen for officers of the meeting: Mr. Arcade Patin, for President, and for Vice-Presidents, Messrs. Olivier Broussard, Solasby Roy, Olivier Thibodeaux, Antoine Broussard, H. U. Broussard, L. Guillard, Taylor A. Angele, C. Reis, C. Lastrapes, Eug. Calais and J. Numa Domengeau, the latter acting as secretary.

Hon. E. J. Gay, our nominee for Congress was the first speaker. He was cordially received and attentively listened to. He gave a clear and lucid report of his stewardship and showed to the satisfaction of the vast audience that he had not been idle and what he proposed to do for them if he is elected.

The other speakers were Gen. F. T. Nicholls, Hon. J. A. Breaux, Louis Guidry Esq., Hon. John Avery and Hon. L. A. Martinet. Their remarks were well received and will bear fruit. During the meeting, at intervals, the far-famed Breaux Bridge brass band discoursed sweet music. For the success of the meeting great credit is due to the indefatigable energy of the Hon. Armas Gillard, the popular President of the Parish Democratic Executive Com., and his assistants. This meeting proves what we have all along claimed that the democratic voters are solidly united and will give the nominees a grand support.

Congressman Frank Lawler made a speech last summer warmly praising the administration. He sent a marked copy of the paper containing the oration to Mrs. Cleveland. Calling on the President a few days ago, Lawler asked him if he read the speech. Yes, said the President laughing, "and I was amused at the way you sent it to me. Sure said Lawler. I knew you would never see it if I addressed it to you.

An Address to the Democratic Voters of the Parish of St. Martin.

As good citizens you have no doubt already made up your minds to vote at the election next Tuesday. It is of the highest importance that every voter, who has at heart the success of his party and the prosperity of his country, should go to the polls on the second of november and vote for the nominees of the party. Those nominees are men of integrity, capacity and fully equipped by nature to honor the position for which they are candidates—they are men fully identified with your every interest, being of you and are sound democrats. Two years ago your party elected the Hon. E. J. Gay, and he has served you faithfully. After his arduous services in your behalf, your representatives again, with a unanimous voice, call upon him to go back and complete those wise measures introduced by him for your benefit. He has heeded the command of his party and is a candidate for your suffrages. His experience, his social standing, his extended acquaintance with prominent men throughout the country gives him opportunities to serve you that is not enjoyed by the other candidates. As your nominee he has particular claims on you; as a man he is entitled to your consideration; as a faithful representative you owe him a dept of gratitude. Therefore, stand by him in this contest.

Do not throw away your vote by voting for the independent candidate. He has not the remotest chance of being elected. And even if, by chance, elected, the mere fact of being an independent would debar him from participating in the caucus of either party, where all local matters first receive consideration. He would thus be powerless to do anything for you, howsoever, willing he might be.

The Hon. J. E. Mouton, our candidate for the Judgeship, deserves your support—he is the standard bearer of our party. He is a man profoundly versed in the law; he will make an impartial judge; his election will bring peace in the district. He is known to you all.

Remember, every vote is a factor, and although you may think that your individual vote may not count much, it does.

A single vote once elected a Governor; a single vote once elected a Congressman. Therefore let every Democratic voter make it his first business to vote, next to see that his friends do not forget to vote, and to show by his example that he knows what is the obligation of a worthy citizen and a party man.

Vote for E. J. Gay.

Vote for J. E. Mouton.

Respectfully,

Armas Gillard, Pres.
W. D. Tally,
Jules Broussard,
Arcade Gauthier,
Felix Berard,
A. V. Fleming,
R. Martin,
Gustave Ledoux,
Cyprien Guidry,
Cha. Guttakunst,
S. Smith.

Members of the Parish Democratic Executive Committee of St. Martin.

C. A. Thomas, Secty.

Donovan, who jumped from the Brooklyn Bridge declares his intention of jumping over the Genessee Falls.

CONGRESSIONAL RACE.

Hon. E. J. Gay is riding a pure blood, C. B. Darrall is riding an old mule, and Judge Simon is riding the fence.

A GREAT REMEDY FOR CATARRH.

In another column of this paper will be found an advertisement of a Catarrh remedy, of which a sample is sent free to any sufferer of this terrible scourge. We know B. S. Lauderbach & Co., the proprietors, to be a responsible firm and those who write them will receive prompt attention and square dealing.

A Rare Chance.

We offer to our readers, and the public the grandest offer ever made in this parish. We will furnish the Messenger and The Mayflower, of Yarmouthport, Mass., an eight page family paper, for one year, for \$1.35.

Local Lights.

We will furnish the Messenger from now to the end of the year for 25 cts.

Be just, but trust not every one.

By your acts prove your faith.

There was a heavy frost Thursday morning, but it is not believed will injure the crops. What has become of the signal service.

The Messenger and the Mayflower of Yarmouthport, Mass., one year for \$1.35.

Bear your misfortunes with fortitude until after the election.

Mrs. Gov. L. A. Wiltz, of New Orleans, is spending a few days in town, visiting friends and relatives, and is the guest of her sister Mrs. W. B. Eastin.

Vote for the Democratic ticket and thereby elect good officers.

Beer on ice at 5 cents a glass at B. Audibert's.

Our young and popular friend, B. L. Fournet, has removed his store to the building at the corner of Main street and Rail Road Avenue, where he will be pleased to serve his numerous friends and the public, with fresh and cheap groceries.

Vote for Hon. E. J. Gay the laborer's friend.

Twenty-five cents will secure the Messenger, for the balance of the year

Our popular and efficient Deputy Sheriff, A. V. Fleming, took Vilmont Hollier and Maurice Marcel to the penitentiary Tuesday, to serve a term of five years each. They were both convicted of manslaughter at the the last term of court.

The Messenger will be furnished from now to the end of the year for 25 cts.

Judge Taylor Beattie the true white Republican denounces Darrall.

The Darrall meeting held in this town last Friday, was not very successful. Darrall was met at the train by the colored bras band, but the music produced no effect upon the colored people, as only about one hundred attended, and among whom were many Democrats. We do not believe that Darrall will have much of a show in this parish.

Hon. E. J. Gay is the people's choice and every true man will cast his vote for him.

Last Saturday evening, Joseph Huval, the son of our friend Flacide Huval, working on the government dredge boat, in returning home, got into an altercation with and shot and wounded a negro. The particulars are: Joseph met, on the public highway, a colored man and women in a cart. They got into a quarrel and whilst quarrelling the negro who was shot came up and put in his word and offering to fight Joseph. Joseph got off from his horse and advanced on him with a stick to strike him. The negro caught hold of the stick and jerked it from Joseph's hand. They then clinched, it is said, both falling, the negro on top and while in this position the shot was fired. It is reported in town that the negro is dead. This affair took place in St. Landry parish. We have not heard whether Joseph has surrendered to the authorities or not.

The laborer's friend Hon. E. J. Gay, will the laborers help themselves by voting for E. J. Gay.

Beer on ice at 5 cents a glass at B. Audibert's.

Vote for Hon. E. J. Gay, and protect your interests.

The Rev. Father Jan paid a visit to Breaux Bridge Thursday, for the occasion of the first communion of the children. Over one hundred and twenty five children made their first communion. The ceremonies were brilliant and imposing.

The same evening, the magnificent statue of the Sacred Heart of Mary, given by the Rev. Father Poche as a *souvenir de mission*, was inaugurated with brilliant and imposing ceremonies.

By voting for Hon. E. J. Gay, you protect your own interests.

We call attention of our readers to the advertisement of Worcester's Dictionary, in another column of this issue.

Will the people blindly vote for the carpet bagger, Darrall, against the Hon. E. J. Gay.

Hon. E. J. Gay is our choice, and also the people's choice, and will be elected by an overwhelming majority.

Married.

On Monday morning at the bride's father Mr. J. O. Halphen, were united in wedlock by the Rev. Father Jan, Mr. Walter Moriarty, of Charenton to Miss Fannie Halphen, of this town. The young couple left on the morning train the same day, for Charenton, their future home.

On Wednesday, at the bride's father, in this parish, were married, Mr. J. D. Parcell and Miss Leontine Savole, by the Rev. Father Jan.

The Messenger extends its best wishes to the young couples.

Next to being hanged an Indian hates work.

The oldest Democrat in Alabama is Thomas Garrett, of Baldwin county—119 years old. He is the father of 91 children, and has voted the Democratic ticket all his life.