

THE MESSENGER.

Which Pays The Best.

Notwithstanding the adaptability of this section to the raising of fine stock those engaged in this branch of industry can be counted. Its costs but little more to feed and take proper care of blooded stock than it does for scrub, so says a gentleman who has experience in the matter.

But, due to free grazing grounds, where stock is permitted to roam and multiply without any care whatever, has tended, in a large measure, to draw attention away from the profits that would accrue by raising fine stock.

These open prairie lands will be taken up, sooner or later, thus compelling those who depend on them for their stock, to seek other modes, and when this day comes, there can be but doubt that the business will receive that notice necessary to make it remunerative.

A gentleman who has been raising blooded stock for the past few years, told us, that he is perfectly satisfied with his venture, and was only sorry that he had not commenced earlier. Let our farmers reflect on this.

A Worthy Man.

There is a colored man living on a farm owned and paid for by him, situated a few miles west of this town, whose industry has been well recompensed. After the war this man had not a thing to his name. He went to work with commendable energy and to-day he has a good home. To reach his present position in life, required strenuous efforts and many obstacles had to be overcome, but a strong will and persistency he has succeeded. When last seen, (by a friend who communicates these facts to us) he had on a suit of clothes, spun and made by his wife from wool and cotton that he raised. His underclothing was made at home, from cotton grown in his field. Everything that he eats, with but few exceptions, is raised on his farm. He has cattle, horses, hogs, chickens, etc., and his cotton crop is the money crop, not depending on it for the necessities of life. This year he has realized a nice sum from his cotton cultivated and raised by himself and a boy. He has all the corn and potatoes that he needs. Is it necessary to add that himself and family live contented and happy? This man's name is Joseph Grange.

A Moss Factory.

The report is current and generally accepted as true that we are to have a moss factory in town. It appears that arrangements are being made for the machinery and appurtenances and that it will soon be in operation. An enterprise of this kind ought to pay. Green moss can be gathered, near here, at a small outlay and we don't believe the cost would be heavy to convert it into fine marketable moss. There is a moss factory in Morgan City and if we hear is so, those who put it up have had no cause to regret the investment.

We would like to see this factory erected, for, as the Picayune says, "the day is past if ever there was such a time when the mere business of buying and selling

can maintain a city or gather any considerable aggregation of population. People must have employment and in manufacturing industries alone is there any hope for them. Where ten men are required to handle a bale of cotton in all the processes of selling and shipping more than a hundred pair of hands are concerned, in spinning and weaving it.

Oak Staves.

The demand for oak staves in New Orleans is fair. We copy from the Times Democrat:

Staves in flats and by rail \$100@150 for pipes as they run and for hhd. 45 ins. from \$70@80 per M. according to quality For export delivered to vessels the following are the prices ruling: Extra pipe staves 60 ins. 5x1 1/4 \$210@215 extra pipe 60 ins. 4 to 5 inches by 1 1/4 @ 1 1/2 \$185@190; oil \$125@180; extra pipe culls \$95@105; extra hhd. 48 ins. \$130@135; light hhd. 48 ins. \$80; extra claret 40 ins. \$100@110, light claret 40 ins. \$55; extra bbl. 33 ins. \$75; light bbl. 32 ins. \$— Staves are sold per commercial M of 1200 pieces.

There are no reasons why the getting out of oak staves should not be made a profitable industry here. In the vicinity of Lake Catahoula are any number of gray oaks which would split well and could be worked into staves at very little cost and labor. The prices as will be seen are fair and there is always a demand to supply.

Consumption Cured.

An old physician retired from active practice having had placed in his hands by an East India Missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung affections after having thoroughly tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, feels it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. The recipe sent free to all who may desire it with full directions for preparing and successfully using. Address naming this paper. Dr. M. E. Cass, 210 Grand Street, Jersey City, New Jersey.

The scene between Edmunds and Blaine at the funeral of ex-President Arthur illustrates the manly dignity of Senator Edmunds of Vermont to great advantage. Mr. Blaine exhibited that petty personal feeling which he has manifested in his treatment of all political opponents. The two met in the presence of attendants on the honored dead, with conventional courtesy. Mr. Edmunds extended his hand and Mr. Blaine refused it turned his back and left the house without looking upon the body of the ex-President. No wonder Mr. Wm. E. Chandler told Mr. Blaine he had made a great mistake. It was an instance of insane rage wholly unbecoming a competitor for the Presidency, a poor sample of American manhood.—N. O. Chronicle.

The Scientific American published by Munn & Co., New York, presents weekly to its readers the best and most reliable record of various improvements in machinery while the scientific progress of the country can in no way be gleaned so well as by the regular perusal of its pages.

Local Lights.

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

Thanksgiving day was enjoyed by the public officers.

Last Thursday the cold wave struck us and it goes without saying that indoors by a good fire was generally observed.

A list was in circulation seeking signatures memorializing Congress to have Bayou Plaquemine opened.

Sun Baptiste a negro living on the Kystone plantation cut a negro woman on the head with a pocket knife.

We now have nine prisoners in the Parish jail, seven under charge of murder one for rape and one for assault and battery, all negroes.

P. J. M.—wants to know why the government will not sell two stamped envelopes and a postal card for five cents. Now Uncle Sam, explain or tremble.

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

It was reported about town that the little steamer Mary V Alice had sunk somewhere near Portage Guidry. It was said at the same time that the owner had gone to work to raise her. We presume she is now afloat and ready for work.

Circuit Court opened last Tuesday with Judge Moore on the bench, but due to the illness of the wife of Judge Clegg, preventing Judge Clegg from being in attendance, court was adjourned to the 29th instant.

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Mr. C. E. Schrenks, artist Photographer, from New Orleans, is now located in this town, in the building lately occupied by Mr. J. B. Ferran, opposite the Catholic Church. Mr. Schrenks is now ready to execute all kinds of work in his line, and guarantees full satisfaction. His pieces are moderate.

T. J. Boasso ex-chief of aids of New Orleans, who was convicted and sentenced last year to 14 years in the penitentiary, for marrying Miss Mary Catherine Kuhn, with a forged marriage certificate. And John Sonnat, convicted in the parish of St Landry, and sentenced to the penitentiary for life, made their escape last Saturday night by breaking a hole through a brick wall two and a half feet thick.

The Str. Queen City was in port last Wednesday having come up from New Iberia where she had been tied to the bank for some time past, because of the low water in Old River which had stopped navigation. There being enough water in the mud-hole, with a strong current making a safe and it is believed a permanent channel she has resumed her trips between this place and New Orleans.

Mr. Arcade Patin is having a saw mill put-up near his place and will be ready to begin work at an early day. A gentleman from the neighborhood told us that by the fact of the admirable location of the mill and the facility for getting trees that Mr. Patin will be able to place lumber throughout that section at a lower rate than it is now selling for.

Deputy Sheriff Amede Champagne, last Monday, brought to town to be jailed, four negroes, charged with murder. From what we could learn, it seems, that during a ball, a few miles above Breaux Bridge, the lights were put out and a general fight took place. One negro was shot in the head and killed for which the prisoners were arrested and two or three others were badly backed with knives.

Chinamen in some places on the Pacific coast are supplying themselves with arms, it is noticed. One gunsmith sold seventeen Winchester rifles to Chinamen in one week.

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.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.—PARISH OF ST. MARTIN. 21st Judicial District Court

No. 8722.

Victorine Pitt wife of Emile Ambroise & als.

Versus.

Clemence Pitt and her Husband Zenon Pierre.

By virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias in the above entitled and numbered suit and to me directed by the Hon. 21st. Judicial District Court of the State of Louisiana, in and for the Parish of St. Martin dated the 18th. day of October A. D. 1886. I have seized and will proceed to sell at public auction to the last and highest bidder at the Court House door in the town of St. Martinsville between the legal hours on

SATURDAY the 18th. DAY OF DECEMBER A. D. 1886.

It being the third Saturday of said month the following described property to wit;

The undivided one seventh of a certain tract of land situated in the Parish of St. Martin measuring about forty superficial arpents, and together with said land the undivided seventh of all the buildings and improvements thereon erected. The said tract of land is bounded north by Magenta plantation South by land of Michel Gabriel, East by property of Pierre Pitt Jr. and West by Vendor. Said land having a front of two arpents by a depth of twenty arpents starting from the boundary of Pierre Pitt Jr., and coming to the boundary of Vendor.

Sold to satisfy said above mentioned writ.

Sheriff's office this 13th day of November A. D. 1886.

T. L. BROUSSARD, Sheriff.