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## A Monument.

Our beloved and venerable Father Jan is now dead, and although we are certain that he is enjoying in the Kingdom of his Father, the delights of a long, faithful useful and devoted life, and his glories are the highest in the Kingdom of the just, it is now our duty as a mark of appreciation of his good advices, his faithful services, his charities and saintly devotion, to erect in front of the church he has so conscientiously served for 36 long years, a marble shaft or monument, that will outside of our hearts, and to our children and future generation, perpetuate the memory of a saint who has east aside all the glories and honors of this world and sacrificed his life to his children, the people of St. Martin parish.

We now suggest to the citizens of this parish to meet at a specified place and time, and select a committee that will devise ways and means to raise the funds necessary for that purpose, and adopt a plan for the proposed monument.

## Noble Work.

We understand that some ladies of our town have temporarily organized a relief committee, for the purpose of assisting some poor people of this town, who are in needy circumstances. This is a noble action on the part of the ladies, and should receive help and encouragement from the whole community. The needy are very few in our midst, and unknown to the people, and should not be allowed to suffer in a community as charitable as ours. Let the ladies ascertain who are the needy, and call upon the people, and they will receive.

## Sisters School.

We are requested to announce to the public that the schools of the Sisters of Mercy will re-open on Tuesday the first of September. Parents will do well to make a note of this and prepare their children so they are sure to attend on the opening day, and cause no delay in the formation of the classes.

The School of the good Sisters of Mercy are too well and favorably known to need any comment on our part—we simply request parents to seriously consider the importance and necessity of giving to their children, in these days of progress, a solid business education, which will lead them to a business and useful life, and be an honor to their parents in their old days.

## New Railroad Scheme.

Mr. Charles Delhomer, Mayor of Breaux Bridge, who is now in town, has agitated a possible railroad enterprise that would prove of great convenience and advantage to St. Martinville and the upper portion of St. Martin parish and of considerable importance to New Iberia and the many planters between here and St. Martinville.

It would be the taking up of the present branch, running from Cade's Station to St. Martinville, and laying it from New Iberia to the latter town and then continue it to Breaux Bridge and even Armandville, following the bayou. That the people may know that this is not a vague scheme, it is only necessary to state that it is a recent expression from

Morgan Railroad officials, that they have seriously thought of this project. Hence, it may only be necessary for the people interested to show a desire of having the new route and ascertain what assistance they could render that would be acceptable to the Company, and that would induce them to go on with the undertaking. One of our good citizens has volunteered to interview the Railroad Officials on the subject, and as soon as we know the result, it will be made known through our columns.—N. I. Enterprise.

Is it probable that this branch will be extended to Breaux Bridge and Armandville, but we do not see any probability of changing the present branch from Cades to New Iberia, as the change would not offer the least advantage to the company, and the trains run from here to New Iberia on the present road as well as they would on the projected one.

\$100 to \$300 a month can be made working for us. Agents preferred who can furnish their own horses and give their whole time to the business. Spare moments may be profitably employed also. A few vacancies in towns and cities. B. F. JOHNSON & CO., 1013 Main street Richmond Va.

## Physicians Have Found Out.

That a contaminating and foreign element in the blood, developed by indigestion is the cause of rheumatism. This settles upon the sensitive sub-cutaneous covering of the muscles and ligaments of the joints, causing constant and shifting pain, and aggregating as a calcareous, chalky deposit which produces stiffness and distortion of the joints. No fact which experience has demonstrated in regard to Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has stronger evidence to support than this, namely, that this medicine of comprehensive uses checks the formidable and atrocious disease, nor is it less positively established that it is preferable to the poisons often used to arrest it, since the medicine contains only salutary ingredients. It is also a signal remedy for malarial fevers, constipation, dyspepsia, kidney and bladder ailments, debility and other disorders, see that you get the genuine.

Are you distressed with an overloaded stomach? Are you troubled with headache, dizziness or constipation? Does your head swim? One dose of Bailey's SALINE APERIENT will give you relief.

## DIED.

Tuesday the 23rd. inst. at 3 p. m. Frederic, son of P. L. Fournet and Edmee Monge, aged 14 years, after an illness of two days. He was buried the next day from the catholic church. The Messenger extends its hearty sympathy to the family in their sad affliction.

THE beautiful crimson blush of nature, without paint, can be imparted to the pale cheeks of a sickly and feeble woman by the use of that great female tonic ENGLISH FEMALE BITTERS.

Farmers and others who have a little leisure time for the next few months will find it their interest to write to B. F. Johnson & Co., of Richmond, whose advertisement appears in another column. They offer great inducements to persons to work for them all or part of their time.

## Local Lights.

B. Audibert is the champion, he keeps the nicest and coolest beer.

The will of father Jan was probated this week.

The tall grass on the church lot is a disgrace to the town.

Our merchants are now doing a lively business.

Mr. E. Bertrand is having that part in front of his hotel put in fine shape.

The criminal term of our District court convenes on Monday the 5th. of September.

The Cotton Oil Mills and ginnery will probably commence operations next week.

Rumors has it that a new drug store will be opened in this town in the near future.

We are informed that the entertainments given at Breaux Bridge last Saturday and Sunday, were highly successful.

Where are you going Jack? why, at B. Audibert's for a glass of that nice beer!

Mr. W. E. Satterfield of New Iberia, shipped this week, the first barrel of new syrup, it was classed fair and sold at 75 cents per gallon.

We have in the Messenger office a beet raised by W. G. Erwin, a planter living about seven miles above St. Martinville which is the boss of all the beets, it has a circumference of 42 inches, and weighs 40 pounds.

The Know-Nothing party is being thoroughly re-organized in several States, it will probably reach Louisiana before long, and perhaps the Whigs will come to the surface too. What happy time for the politicians and wire pullers, eh?

We direct the attention of our readers and especially the travelling public to the card of Mr. E. Bertrand, in another column. Mr. Bertrand opens a first class hotel on the first of next month. Mr. Bertrand is an expert in that line, and a first class caterer.

Sheriff T. L. Broussard was informed by telegraph last Monday that Richard (alias Dick) Delahoussaye, against whom he had a warrant, had been arrested in Texarkana, Ark. Deputy Sheriff A. V. Fleming left for Texarkana the same day and returned yesterday evening with his prisoner.

Those who think St. Martinville is a dead town would be greatly surprised to see the large amount of freight which is received daily at the Morgan depot. The people here do not display monuments of humbug but do a genuine and solid business and on a solid basis.

We had occasion to converse with some of our friends of the fourth and fifth wards, this week, and we were gratified to learn that our popular and efficient Sheriff, T. L. Broussard, is gaining popularity every day, and will be a formidable candidate—the people of the old fourth and old fifth know how to appreciate a good thing when they have it. Sheriff Broussard is the most popular man here, and will be given a hearty support by every citizen who has at heart the welfare and prosperity of our parish.

Messrs. Bush & Levert are now building a railroad from the St. John Plantation to the Catahoula plantation, a distance of about 3 or 4 miles, to carry the cane from latter plantation to the St. John which is admirably situated in a rich country, and with the advantage of the railroad, if pushed as far as Lake Catahoula a few miles further, it would make the St. John the best location of the State for a "central refinery."

The campaign is now fairly opened, and it is necessary that the names of the candidates be kept constantly before the public, by advertising in their local papers. Our rate for Parish Officers is \$10.00, and Ward Officers \$5.00. The candidates like very much to see their names in print, and should at least, help defraying the expense of publishing said local papers.

Mr. G. R. Platt now stationed on the church place takes beautiful pictures for 25 cents.

Will some of the city papers answer the following questions? Were the Big Four expelled from the Ring or did they leave the Ring on their own accord, to enrol under the Standard of Gen. Nicholls, and did Gen. Nicholls or his friends make any alliance or compromise with the Big Four? We want square and direct answers.

Beer! Beer! always on ice at B. Audibert's.

Our popular young friend and lawyer E. G. Voorhies, of this town, who was recently admitted to the bar after passing a brilliant and creditable examination, has this week removed with his family to Lafayette, which place he will make his future home, and practice his profession. Voorhies is a young man of exemplary conduct and character, and we bespeak for him in his new home, a large and remunerative practice.

Miss Rosa Himel who spent a few weeks in town, with her friend Miss Mathilde Renaud, left for home Wednesday.

We have on our table, a copy of the St. Martin Democrat dated January 12th 1867, which was published by T. Bienvenu. In looking over the paper, our eyes fell upon the market reports, of which we extract the following interesting quotations: Cotton from 28 to 34 cts. per pounds, sugar "open kettle" from 7 to 11 1/2 cts. per lb., molasses at 50 to 68 cts. per gallon, and flour, of which our old friend, Mr. J. Oger, had a large stock on hand, at his same old stand, was quoted from \$10.50 to \$15.25 per barrel. Quite a change from the present quotations.

The only place to get nice and cool beer is at B. Audibert's.

Rev. Father Baudequin, of Grand Coteau, who was here since the death of our venerable Father Jan, left for Grand Coteau Monday, leaving us without a priest, which was hard on the people, as for the 36 years Father Jan officiated in our church, he missed but three times. Well, we are orphans now, and have to do the best we can.

When the above was written we did not expect to have a priest here before to-day, but we are happy to state that Rev. Lamie of New Orleans arrived here Wednesday evening, and will we suppose remain until an appointment is made.