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NOTICE.

All hunters and trespassers are hereby notified to keep off the Norgress Plantation under the penalty of the law. Oct. 1 3 m. J. D. Collins.

COME! COME!!

There is a Bargain at Gab. Gardemal's Emporium. The finest and most assorted stock of Hats and shoes of the season. dec 3

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LOUIS J. VOORHIES,

Attorney-at-Law and Notary Public.

ST. MARTINVILLE, : : LA.

Will practice and promptly attend to collection of claims in St. Martin and adjoining parishes. July 16, 1 y

Notice to Tax Payers.

St. Martinville Nov. 9th. 1887.

The tax payers of St. Martinville are hereby notified and requested to call at the office of the undersigned Collector at the Court House and pay their Corporation taxes for the year 1887. A. BIENVENU—Collector

Notice.

I have in my possession a white and black sow not marked except the end of tail cut. The owner is unknown to me and as said sow has caused me much trouble and damage, I wish the owner to claim property and pay damages. Jan 9 '88 Honore Bastien Jr

For Representative,

W. A. BIENVENU,

Subject to Democratic primaries of the parish of St. Martin, by request of his FRIENDS

For District Judge.

We are requested to announce

C. HOMER MOUTON,

as a candidate for Judge of the Twenty First District.

St. Martinville February the 7th 1888. To the voters of the 21st judicial district of the State of Louisiana.

Although I have never considered the office of District judge as a political office, in as much as my political friends, have, through the representatives of the party of which I have always been an humble member, thought proper to order a primary election to be held on the 1st day of march next to decide who shall be the candidate for judge of this district at the next election. I cheerfully submit my claim to the result of that election or to any other such election which may be ordered and held for that purpose. C. H. Mouton.

For Sheriff.

We are requested to announce

T. L. BROUSSARD.

as a Candidate for Sheriff subject to the Democratic primaries.

For Sheriff.

We are authorized to announce

OMER MARTIN

of Breaux Bridge, as a candidate for Sheriff of this parish at the next election Subject to Democratic primary elections

JAMES E. MOUTON,

is a candidate for the office of JUDGE OF THE 21st JUDICIAL DISTRICT, subject to the Democratic party nomination whether by primaries, convention of the people, or by recommendation of the Bar in the District.

For District Attorney.

At the request of his many friends, we announce

LOUIS J. VOORHIES.

as a candidate for District Attorney of the 21st Judicial District, subject to the Democratic primaries.

For Assessor.

By virtue of the resolution of the Parish Executive Committee of the 5th. inst. ordering candidates for the office of Assessor of this parish to submit their names to the Democratic voters at the primaries to be held on the 1st of March next, and at the request of my friends, I announce myself as a candidate for said office at said primary election. DAVID REES.

Democratic State Ticket.

FRANCIS T. NICHOLS of Orleans for GOVERNOR.

JUDGE JAMES JEFFRIES of Rapides, Lieutenant Governor.

HON. W. H. PIPES, of East Feliciana, State Treasurer.

JUDGE WALTER H. ROGERS of Orleans Attorney General.

COL. JOSEPH A. BREAUX of Iberia, Superintendent of Public Education.

HON. O. B. STEELE of Union, present incumbent, State Auditor.

HON. LEONARD F. MASON of Concordia, Secretary of State.

Local Lights.

B. Audibert is in love with the "Belle of Anderson.

There was a heavy frost Monday.

The District Court adjourned sine die, Saturday last.

The weather was quite cold Tuesday, the thermometer fell to 47 degrees.

The fire boys will not celebrate the fourth of March to-morrow.

Would I have known of Dr. Dromgoole's English Female Bitters years ago; after ten years of torture with a terrible female disease, a few bottles cured me. Letter from a patient.

When your girl goes back on you call for the Belle of Anderson, at B. Audibert.

Planters are availing of the fine weather and are busily engaged preparing their lands for another crop.

The rains of last week have caused the bayou rise nearly ten feet. The Breaux Bridge packets are now making regular trips, and carry large amounts of freight.

Mrs. E. Landry who has just received a large stock of fine ladies shoes, proudly boast that she can fit from a No. 1 to a No. 12 foot in a most elegant style, and at prices way down.

The Catholic Knights of America, and those wishing to join the organization are requested to meet at the College Hall, at half past three o'clock to-morrow evening.

Nothing equals Dr Dromgoole's English Female Bitters for the cure of all female complaints irregularities, such as leucorrhoea or whites prolapsus, green sickness, monthly suppressions or excess, hysterics nervous debility, etc.

Several ladies were given subscription lists, who will call upon the people of the parish, and we hope they will in the face of the fair sex, open their purse and show their liberality.

The Sisters have in charge the performance and bazar for the monument of Father Jan, which will be given on Easter Sunday, and promise something grand, as they do nothing by half.

Mr. Felix Voorhies also, we are in has put two theatrical pieces in rehearsal for the same purpose.

We would like to know what has become of the brass band. We have not heard the sweet sounds of the brass instruments for nearly four months; is it not time to reorganize it?

Mayor Gab. Gardemal has proclaimed the Corporation election which will take place on the 5th. day of April.

We would suggest that the people should select five good men who are interested in the town affairs, and who do not meddle in politics.

Every voter should register. the Registrar will be in the different parts of the parish as announced elsewhere. The lines of the wards have been changed since the last election, and it would be necessary that every voter be registered in his present ward, to avoid trouble and confusion. on the day of election.

We would like to know the authority of the Parish Executive Committee if they have any, some say the resolution ordering the Police Jurors and Assessor to submit their names to the primaries for recommendation to the Governor is not binding upon the Democrats; others say, or do not recognize the power of that body to adopt resolutions and call primaries for the Judicial district officers at the same time as parish officers. It seems to us they have full authority or nothing at all.

Edward Bouligny, the lunatic who was kept in jail here for several weeks and who at the request of his relatives had been turned over to them, and who mysteriously left for parts unknown, was taken back here last Sunday by two deputy Sheriffs from Texas, and turned him over to Deputy Sheriff A. V. Fleming, who sent him to his family.

Miss Clarisse, the charming daughter of Capt. Anthonor Domengeaux, had a narrow escape from drowning last week.

Miss Clarisse was a passenger on the Steamer Danton, and while on the roof caught her foot in the stair case, lost her balance and fell in the bayou. She was promptly rescued by one of the employees of the boat, and received no injury.

The Republican Parish Executive Committee met in nominating convention, at Breaux Bridge, Saturday last and nominated for Sheriff, Hon. Gab. Gardemal the present Mayor of St. Martinville for Clerk of Court, the convention endorsed A. V. Fournet, the present incumbent; and for Representative nominated V. Rochon. All the nominations were made unanimous. The Convention did not take any action in the matters concerning the Senatorial and judicial Districts; but have postponed these matters to some future time.

Several wealthy gentlemen from the north were in town this week, prospecting a view of buying residences to pass the winters here.

Now is the time

to use Hodges' Sarsaparilla with Iodide of potash, the great purifier for the blood. A certain cure for rheumatism, scrofulous affection, and all diseases peculiar to females. Renovates and invigorates the system. Physicians recommend it. Take no other. Rangum Root Medicine Co., Manufacturers, Nashville, Tenn. \$1 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Monumental Funds.

Collected up to date.

Acknowledge last week	\$127.00
Pierre Damare	25.00
Hypolite Barras	5.00
Robert Martin	10.00
Clairville Melancon	.50
Herville Hollier	.50
Total	\$ 168.00

The Courts.

The following criminal cases were tried at the last term of court.

William Wade, for conspiring with other parties to commit burglary—acquitted.

Clebert Robert, for cruelty to a domestic animal; convicted but strongly recommended to the mercy of the court, was sentenced to one hour in the parish jail, and one dollar fine.

James Scott for assault with a dangerous weapon—acquitted.

Belizaire Antoine, for murder—acquitted.

Calvin Howard, for petty larceny; pleaded guilty and sentenced to imprisonment in the parish jail for a period of two months.

T. I. N. C.

Don't suffer any longer, but use Tanner's Infallible Neuralgia Cure, the only infallible cure on earth for all forms of neuralgia and nervous headache. Rangum Root Medicine Co., Manufacturers, Nashville, Tenn. 50 cent per box. Sold by all druggists.

Washington Letter.

Washington D. C. Feb. 13th. 1888.

To the Editor of Messenger.

A greater effort than ever is being made to defeat the Bell Telephone patent. This time it is before the Commissioner of Patents and is with the view of extending the monopoly rather than destroying it. Roscoe Conkling for the Bell people and Bob Ingersoll for the contstants have for a whole week been arguing the legality of re-opening an interference proceeding between, Bell, McDonough and Gray. If the motion is granted and priority of invention is decided against Bell a patent will be granted to the successful party and it will have 17 years to run.

The Commissioner of Agriculture has not decided what action he will take on the petition of Congressmen to remove Statistician Dodge. He recognizes the ability of the officer and is loth to remove him, but it is likely that Mr. Dodge will hand in his resignation to save the Commissioner any embarrassment.

The National Museum is continually making additions to its zoological department without expense. People from all parts of the country are sending specimens as gifts and the large number received show the great interest taken in the establishment of the garden by all our people. The last specimens received were two nearly grown black bears from Texas, sent by J. J. E. Landberg. Congress will soon be called on to appropriate for another building constructed specially for this object.

The capitol is so small for its uses and in order to accommodate all its employees it has been found necessary to rent buildings adjacent thereto. The House Committee Accounts has just completed a lease with Ben Butler for two rooms in his handsome granite mansion on the corner opposite to the Capitol. The rent to be paid is \$50 a month for each room, and \$300.—will be expended in furnishing them. Uncle Sam is generous in all his expenditures where the accommodation or convenience of M. C.'s are concerned.

With the view of reducing the expenditures in the Government Printing Office action is being taken in the Senate to be followed by action in the house to cut down the number of Public Documents printed. Senators and Members are entitled each to a number of copies of every public document printed and many of them are of so little value that the distinguished gentlemen in Congress cannot get rid of them in other words their constituents won't have them. Senator Vest says that the other day he offered 450 volumes to a junk dealer for \$8 and would have given them to him for nothing if he had not offered that sum for them. This is cited merely to show how the people's money has been wasted in unnecessary printing.

Such slow progress is being made with the work on the new National Library that Congress has become very impatient and the Senators are raising a big rumpus over it. Senator Voorhies the Chairman of the Library Committee defends the Commission and claims that the whole delay has been caused by the rejection of worthless cement. It is likely however that much faster progress will be made in the future.

The Branch Road.

In answer to a petition addressed by the business people of this place to the Southern Pacific Company not to remove the engine and crew from here and have it run in connection with the Salt Mine Branch as last year, Judge James E. Mouton received the following answer: New Orleans Feb. 29, 1888. Jas. E. Mouton, Judge 21st Jud. Dist. St. Martinville, La.

Dear Sir. Mr. Hutchinson has referred to me, your favor of Feb 8th with accompanying petition from the inhabitants of St. Martinsville and vicinity. It is our aim always to give the patrons of our road, the best accommodations that we possibly can, consistently with a fairly economical attention to the interests of the Company.

During the months of dull business when work at the salt mines and at St. Martinsville is slack, one engine and crew can do the work and we could not, without a ruinous waste of money, devote the time of a locomotive and crew entirely to the St. Martinsville Branch. I think I explained this matter to you personally before, but to show you at what a loss the train is maintained on the St. Martins Branch, I beg to quote you our passenger earnings for the months of June, July and August 1887.

June	\$ 71.30
July	80.55
August	69.55

Total \$ 221.40

This you will observe is an average of about \$2.20 per day, which is just about sufficient to pay the wages of the fireman. The wages of the train crew, the cost of fuel, etc., remain as sheer losses of the Company.

Trusting that this exhibit will convince you and the signers of the petition that we are compelled to do such things and do not do them by choice, I remain Yours truly, J. KRUITTSCHNITT Asst. Manager.

The gentleman seems to forget that this branch does a tremendous freight business, besides is paid a handsome price to carry the mail; and had not the passengers both ways to wait at Cade's from 3 to 4 hours for the trains on the Main line, the amount of travel would be four times what it was in June, July and August of 1887, as in summer an ordinary horse can make the trip from here to New Iberia in one hour and a half, while by train, if it run as last summer, will take from 4 to 6 hours—Passengers could even come from Cade's on foot and be 3 hours ahead of the train.

We believe if the trains were run on this branch regularly without delay, the company would have no reason to complain.

At the time of going to press Friday noon no return could be had of the election of Thursday, as some of the returns were sealed in the boxes which will be opened to-morrow.

We will in our next issue publish the officials returns in full.

The Belle of Anderson Whiskey is the best. Audibert keeps it.