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duced the yearly subscription price of
its Weekly from \$1.50 to \$1 a year. It is
a splendid 16-page paper filled with the
best reading matter. Sample copy sent
free to any address.

Local News.

—Messrs. A. D. Roy and A. H. Guilbeau
of Arnaudville, were in town Monday.

—We assisted to a comedy in three acts
on the excursion train last Sunday that
was highly interesting.

—Quite a number of persons from this
place took in the Opelousas excursion
last Sunday and had a grand time.

—Mr. P. L. Chaudet of New Orleans,
and his daughter, are here on a short
visit, the guests of Mr. H. P. Fournet.

—We wonder what the town council
will do with its "market ordinance," leave
it stand on the books as an invalid mon-
ument?

—Our thanks are due to Hon. Andrew
Price, our efficient Congressman, for va-
luable public documents addressed to the
Messenger.

—Grayness, baldness, dandruff, and all
diseases of the scalp, and falling of the
hair can be cured by using Hall's Veget-
able Sicilian Hair Renewer.

—Capt. A. D. Blane of the steamer ex-
periment will make an excursion from
New Iberia and Loreauville to this place
for the entertainment to-morrow.

—"Cade station" cried a thin malic-
ious voice when the excursion train stop-
ped at Duchamp's station and several of
the passengers who were to stop at Cades
got down at Duchamp's.

—Ayer's Hair Vigor is cleanly, agree-
able, beneficial, and safe. It is the most
elegant and the most economical of toi-
let preparations. By its use ladies can
produce an abundant growth of hair,
causing it to become natural in color,
lustre, and texture.

—Our editor took occasion of the ex-
cursion Sunday last to visit Opelousas.
He was very well pleased with the trip
and extends his thanks to Brother San-
doz for his kind attentions. Opelousas is
still progressing and ere long will be an
important commercial point.

—"The Progressive League of America"
was organized in New Orleans last week.
It is a non-partisan organization and fa-
vors the lottery amendment. It proposes
to discuss matters in a calm and impar-
tial manner, and object to foreign inter-
ference in our political affairs.

—The roads from this place to Cades
are in a very bad and dangerous condi-
tion, and however, there are road over-
seers appointed for that section of the
parish; there is no reason why they
are not in a better condition than they
are at present. They should be repaired
before winter. The Terrasse which is ne-
glected, has several ugly holes that need
immediate attention of the overseer.

—Do not miss the grand Firemen's
parade to-morrow evening. The Hook
and Ladder boys, the "Vigilants" will
appear in their handsome and elegant
new uniform and will make a fine show,
and probably will captivate the hearts
of many of our fair maidens. At night,
at Duchamp's hall, the boys will give a
grand entertainment for their benefit,
which will be followed by a grand ball.

—Some of our excursionists of last
Sunday had two kinds of tickets, one from
Cade's to Opelousas and from Opelousas
to Duchamp's station, otherwise a cross-
tie ticket from Duchamp's to Cade's.
They had a first class cross-tie ticket but
had to go on a quite muddy and slippery
track, and when they reached the big
bridge over the coulee, had to take it on
"all fours" but got over safely. They
reached town at one o'clock Monday
morning, but notwithstanding this lit-
tle mishap, they are well pleased with
the trip, except the "cross-tie one."

—A special tax was paid for the fire
department, the culverts and the dig-
ging of wells, but we have not heard much
about the wells. Is the committee ap-
pointed for the disposition of said special
tax money dying, dead or what has be-
come of them; we know they have about
a year ago held one or two meetings and
when we inquired what was done we
were told the proceedings would be pub-
lished, but they never were. The tax-
payers would like to know what dispo-
sition was made of the money. Gentle-
men, we call for a statement of the spe-
cial tax money and would also like to
know what you propose to do about the
wells. The money levied and collected
for certain special purposes cannot be
applied to others. Give us a statement.

Spiritual Phenomena.

Of Which We Hear and Read so Much Nowadays.

"Search and thou shalt find, knock and
thou shalt be opened unto,"—bid us Jesus
the gentle Nazarene.

All spiritual gifts that have been at-
tributed to the prophets of the Old Testa-
ment stories, and Jesus of Nazareth and
his immediate followers as miraculous;
have not as supposed or believed by many
who are ill-informed—stopped with them
for good, which is a great error; those
gifts were not realized, when people for-
got and did not know how to comply
with the necessary condition, like any
other rule of creation; but they were
practiced by many as they are nowadays
in our country, in the Orient, India, and
China as well as among the American In-
dians and other tribes in other countries
under many phases. Although it must
be understood that some of the Bible sto-
ries are misunderstood and have been
exaggerated:—When Jesus awoke Lazarus,
he was not really dead, but in a death-
swoon or trance, for several days;
as of late has occurred frequently in this
country. But those who practice these
phases, among which is the communica-
tion with our departed loved ones, com-
ply also with the condition of such a
subtle rule of creation—necessary for
such phenomena and live besides an ex-
emplary life, as the writer in the "Ban-
ner of Light" under the title "The Spirit-
ual Facts of the Ages" by Dr. F. L.
Willis well proves; who concludes with
the following beautiful verses:

"Oh! most glorious truth!
Heaven encircles all. The blest immortals
Near us, divine with loves pure beauty stand;
Alluring us through faith's translucent portals
Into the better land.

The friends we mourn as lost have not depart-
ed:

They have but laid aside earth's disguise;
O'er your dark way they pour, oh! lonely heart-
ed,

The light of loving eyes.

The saints and seers who made the old time
glorious

Dwell beautiful within our human spheres;
Serenely the move, o'er doubt and pain victori-
ous;

Paul, Plato, John are here.

There lives no man, however crushed and lone-
ly,

Bonded with the gyres, immured in darkest
cell,

But with him, ministrant of influence holy,
Some seraph friend doth dwell.

Each wondrous thought of Truth, or Love, or
Duty,

Flooding with sunrise beams through minds
and hearts,

Inspiring us with Wisdom, and with Beauty,
Some Angel guest imparts.

No curtain hides from view the spheres eiy-
sian

But this poor of half transparent crust,
AND ALL THAT BLINDS OUR SPIRITUAL VISION
Is a 'pride' and HATE and LUST"

Seances or circles should be held at a reg-
ular stated hours and days once a week,
with sitters who are well adopted to each
other in harmony and thoughts; and
should be opened with a mild song or
music and with a like prayer as this:

Oh! our dear Father or Creator, Thou
great Spirit Jehovah, Whose word is love,
Whose rule is life, Thou Sacred and In-
finite Presence, Who art ever in the
midst of humanity, Whose being doth
enthral every form and object in exis-
tence, we Thy children, turn in aspira-
tion to Thee, hear our praises and
thanks-givings for life, beautiful life,
for the pleasures and the experiences of
time, for all those things that infinite
space doth afford of human conception
and study, for these are ours to under-
stand, to emulate and to achieve. Oh!
our Father, we say, if we will, go for-
ward exercising that potential energy
which Thou hast implanted within hu-
man life, to expand our natures, to study
the universe, to achieve greatness, at the
same time to develop like unto the an-
gels, who do Thy will in loving works
and kindly deeds.

Oh! we desire to come into sympathy
and co-operation with those wise and ho-
ly souls, who are ever at work doing
good. May we draw from their lives
and inspiration. May we receive pearls
of wisdom and of truth from such teach-
ers as return from worlds beyond, im-
bued with the desire and the thought to
do Thy will at all times; and may we
also, from the abundance of our aspira-
tion and the fullness of our hearts, give
forth unto those returning messengers

of light and peace that sympathetic fel-
lowship, that kindly welcome, that lov-
ing harmony of thought and spirit which
will be to them acceptable and helpful
in their tasks.

Unto this end, Oh! our All Father, we
desire to learn of Thee and Thy will.
We trust that our lives may be opened to
the reception of divine thoughts and that
we may endeavor to accomplish some-
thing day by day which will be helpful,
not only to our own unfoldment, but to
others likewise. May Angels of Light and
Love bring influence which shall bless
and uplift, and may there go forth from
our hearts to-day, and in all the days
that are to come, such a ministration of
peace and helpfulness as will be of assis-
tance to our kind. We ask Thy blessing
to rest upon us all, in heaven and on
earth, now and for evermore Amen.

True spiritualism, is not an obstruc-
tion to true religion, but a great promo-
ter for its growth and welfare.

Inquirer.

Big Pay For Harrison.

His Salary Mounts Up to the Big
Sum of \$132,500 a year.

"Taking one consideration with an-
other," the lot of the president of the
United States is not entirely an unhappy
one, so far as his domestic arrangements
are concerned, says a Washington cor-
respondent of the New York Star. He
has no occasion to bother himself much
about market bills, or rents, or servants,
or gas or plumbers' bills. With ordinary
prudence he can manage to pull through
on the allowance made by congress with-
out involving himself in debt, as Jeff-
erson and some of the earlier presidents
are said to have done during their occu-
pancy of the executive mansion.

A glance through the pending sundry
civil bill supplemented by the regular
legislative and executive appropriation
bill, discloses that Mr. Harrison is likely
to be able to make both ends meet at the
close of the coming fiscal year. As a
start, he has his salary of \$50,000.

There is a further sum of \$25,000 al-
lowed him to spend as he sees fit in re-
carpeting his rooms and making his do-
mestic apartments comfortable in the
matter of furniture.

Sixteen thousand dollars or there-
about is set aside to pay for his gas and
electric lights.

Three thousand dollars is allowed him
for coal.

To keep his green-house in order so as
to furnish him with buttonhole bouquets
and flowers to present to his friends \$7000
is appropriated.

A thousand dollars is allowed him for
his front garden and \$5000 for his back
garden.

If his kitchen pipes should happen to
burst in the winter there is a two thou-
sand, five-hundred-dollar plumber's bill
for him to draw upon. He has no ser-
vants to provide except a cook and scul-
lions and chambermaids.

Congress furnishes him with a steward
and everything else in the servant line
at a cost of about \$15,000.

He has not even to provide matches.
The appropriation for fuel and lights
distinctly specifies that it shall include
matches.

He has to buy his butcher's meat and
groceries and his wine, however, when
he gives a dinner party. Pretty well all
else is given him.

Lost there should be something over-
looked, a contingent fund of \$8000, which
he is at liberty to spend as he thinks
proper, rendering no account to anybody,
is added as a cap-sheat.

The total appropriations for the do-
mestic economy of mansion, excluding
the salaries of the private secretaries and
clerk engaged solely on official business,
foot up \$132,500.—Ex.

A BARGAIN! 58 ARPENTS

of high prairie land close to St.
Martinville, worth \$12 for sale at
\$5.50 cash per arpent.

Address R. Martin,
St. Martinville, La.

A few gentlemen met in Judge C. H.
Mouton's office Wednesday morning and
selected delegates to the Baton Rouge
Anti Lottery convention which met on the
7th inst.

Central Refinery Wanted.

The planters of this parish begin to
feel the necessity of a central refinery,
and on every side we hear of the willing-
ness of the small cotton planter to aban-
don the culture of that uncertain and
poor paying crop for the cultivation of
the cane to which their land is well
adapted if only they had a market for it.
The only market which is possible to
maintain a fair rate for the cane without
running any risk, is a central refinery
like the one which is being established
at Franklin.

We are confident if our farmers would
put themselves together and make an
estimate of the number of acres of cane
that could be cultivated in certain sec-
tions and present their advantages to
capitalists who are anxious to invest
their money where it will bring the lar-
gest revenues, we have not the least
doubt that before long we would see go-
ing up in our midst one or more of those
refineries which would certainly be the
property of our planters and the entire
parish.

Mr. Chas. L. Gauthier, a successful and
progressive planter, full of energy and
ambition, knowing the great advantage
that such an industry would be to his
section, offers to give the site for the
establishment of a central refinery to
any one who has the means and who is
willing to invest his money in a central
refinery in St. Martin parish, the "Sugar
Bowl of Louisiana." Mr. Gauthier's
plantation is situated about seven miles
from St. Martinville, on the west, bank
of the bayou Teche, in a beautiful sec-
tion, which is not subject to overflow.
Who will accept the offer of Mr. Gauthier
and give us a refinery.

Dr. F. R. Martin, a prominent phys-
ician of Breaux Bridge some time ago
made a like offer as Mr. Gauthier, to give
a site for a refinery on his beautiful
plantation a few miles above Breaux
Bridge, on the Teche. Are these not in-
ducements which are worthy of the seri-
ous consideration of the capitalists who
wish to place their money in paying in-
vestments?

We hope to soon see the offers of Messrs
Gauthier and Martin accepted and re-
fineries go up among us, which is a sure
source of prosperity and plenty.

For Your Stomach's Sake.

"Take a little wine for your stomach's
sake," is a celebrated piece of advice.
"Take a little Pe-ru-na for your stomach's
sake," is a saying that bids fair to be-
come equally famous. The stomach is at
once a most delicate and a most abused
organ, and between its delicacy and its
abuse, it is no wonder that it is constan-
tly giving its owner trouble. There is
no medicine that will hold the stomach
so promptly and so effectively as Pe-ru-
na. Its action is very simple, and it
leaves no bad effects whatever. Espe-
cially in summer time it is a valuable
remedy to have at hand. For hot weath-
er easily affects the stomach, and any
little imprudence in eating or disorder
of the system deranges it. Then it is
that Pe-ru-na will show itself to be just
what it is claimed to be—a general Tonic
and a corrector of Stomach Troubles
Try it. For sale by T. J. Labbe.

Neuralgic Persons

And those troubled with nervousness resulting
from care or overwork will be relieved by taking
Brown's Iron Bitters. Genuine
has trade mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

—The suit of the Corporation of St.
Martinville vs. Eugene Bertrand for vio-
lating or resisting the arbitrary and un-
lawful ordinance prohibiting the sale of
meat outside of the market house was
decided this week by Judge DeBlanc, in
favor of defendant. Mr. Bertrand is the
only butcher outside of the market house,
and believing as we did, that the ordi-
nance was unjust and unlawful, trampling
upon his rights to conduct his busi-
ness where he pleased, resisted the ordi-
nance, forcing the Corporation to bring
suit against him with the above result.
We are please to see that Mr. Bertrand
had the courage and determination to
resist what he believed was wrong, un-
just and arbitrary, and we congratulate
him on his victory in this case.

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS

Cures Indigestion, Biliousness, Dyspepsia, Mala-
ria, Nervousness, and General Debility. Physi-
cians recommend it. All Dealers sell it. Genuine
has trade mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.