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Local News.

—Grinding was commenced last week on the Key-store plantation.

—Dr. F. R. Martin of Breaux Bridge was in town Wednesday.

—Miss Elise Vautier returned to her home in New Orleans last Sunday.

—When will the brass band recently organized in this town get their instruments?

—Mr. James Simon left Wednesday for New Orleans on professional business.

—A club of the Farmers' Alliance was organized at Catahoula Cove, last week with 18 members.

—The public schools, throughout the parish, will open on Monday, the 23rd of November next.

—Several of the people from this place went to Loreauville last Sunday to attend the Pro-barbecue.

—Mrs. J. J. Mistrot and daughter, Miss Marie, of Marlin, Texas, were on a visit to Mr. B. Audibert this week.

—Mr. Valery Thibodeaux of Breaux Bridge was in town Monday, on business, and paid us an appreciative visit.

—Mr. A. V. Fournet returned home this week after enjoying the debates of the state central executive committee.

—Major F. T. Guilbeau and Miss Gabrielle Thomas of Breaux Bridge, spent Saturday and Sunday in town last week.

—Messrs. Chas. A. Thomas and Homer J. Mouton departed for New Orleans last Saturday, probably to pass the winter season.

—If you want a nice fit, go to J. O. Hebert & Bro., and get Tennent Stribling Shoe Co's best. They guarantee the fit every time.

—Several of our bicyclists made a trip to Loreauville last Sunday and took in the m-rting. They were well satisfied with their trip.

—Mr. Alfred Bourge, a native of this parish, but resident of New Orleans for 55 years, was on a visit to old friends here this week.

—Business is not as brisk as it should be at this season. It may be due to the late crops, which, generally circulate money early in this season.

—My wife has used Bradycrotine for headache with the best imaginable results. I state this without solicitation. J. W. Washburn, Abbeville, Ga.

—What has become of the two interstate building associations that were organized here about a year ago, have they turned out to be frauds?

—We publish this week, the promulgation of amendment to the Constitution, and commend its careful reading to our readers and the public in general.

—Mr. Gabriel Duerest and Miss Elodie Erwin, youngest daughter of Wm. Erwin, were married at the Catholic church, Tuesday evening the 20th inst.

—Since the violators of the Sunday law have been brought before the district court it is not only hard to get something from them on Sunday, but an utter impossibility. The Sunday law is now strictly enforced, not even the back door is open, and some of the 'regulars' find it hard indeed.

—The Store of Mr. Albert Gabriel, at Catahoula Cove, St. Martin parish, was burglarized Saturday night last. An entrance was effected by breaking the back door open, at about 8 o'clock while Mr. Gabriel was visiting a neighbor, and about 60 pounds of candy were stolen.

—The citizens of Catahoula Cove are taking steps to build a public school house, which is a needed necessity in that section. We hope they will succeed and establish a permanent school in that part of the parish, as the education of the children of that section has been totally ignored.

—Mr. J. M. Salles came very near meeting with a serious accident Tuesday morning last. He was in a cart to which a mule was hitched, and as he was in Bridge Street, waiting for the closing of the bridge which was then open for a boat to pass; a boy on a bicycle passed by him, the mule took fright, and had it not been for the timely assistance of those who were near by, he would have taken a plunge in the bayou, a height of 18 feet.

FRANCE and AMERICA.

[Communicated.]

A friendly relationship has ever existed between France and America; it has existed since the first peopling of America, as the French were among the first to colonize this country, they came over in 1524, explored all the Atlantic coast, and formed settlements in North Carolina, Delaware and New Jersey; they opened traffic and were very friendly with the Indians. Therefore, the French had first claim to America, by right of colonization, one of the greatest points in this relationship, is the colonizing of America by the French. The French were driven from America by the British, whom they have ever since disliked, I may say hated: When the American revolution began the Americans asked aid of France, who at first refused it, not thinking they were pursuing the right course. But at last, Feb. 6th 1778, the French recognized the independence of the Americans. And sent over aid. This was brought about by the unremitting labors of Franklin, who was a general favorite at the French court.

Through all the dealings of France with America, there is one thing of which she should feel proud, and that is the thought, that she helped to fight for the liberty of this grand and beautiful country, for this beautiful country of ours is one of the grandest of nature.

To the French may be given some great honors of the revolution, especially to La Fayette, and Count DeRochambeau, is this so, for to them may be given the honors of the surrender of Cornwallis, at Yorktown. La Fayette was a pure patriot, and like all French, he loved liberty, and hated the British for several years after the revolution. The French were very unfriendly towards the Americans, but at last they became peaceful and have ever since, been the firm friends of our country.

When we celebrated our one hundred years of American independence, the French had no mean place in all the exhibits, and various proceedings of that great occasion. On the morning of July 4th 1876, there might have been seen an arch, spanning Chestnut street vying in beauty and durability the Triumphant arches of the Caesars. On this arch were the beautiful and expressive words: "Welcome to Rochambeau."

Over one hundred years from the surrender at Yorktown, to the great procession at Philadelphia. There was a growing bond between the French and Americans. On this occasion the bond was specially emphasized and the works of 'La Fayette' re glorified. Not long since the great statue of liberty. A gift from the French people, was placed in a commanding position near New York. This great Emblem of fraternal feeling bears on its towering summit, a beautiful figure in whose hands, is the torch of liberty.

The special feature of the strong bond which binds the two great nations, both nations fully recognize the freedom of man, and are willing to record to them, all the liberties thus represented. It is this innate love of liberty that compels the two great nations to swear at one common altar.

They love liberty and are willing that all nations of the globe, should share its benefactions.

The greatest good to the greatest number is the motto of both.

On this broad humanitarian platform both stand and grow stronger together in their love for their liberty of all, and thus standing like the great statue. France has built in America.

They will beckon all nations to themselves, these two nations, are the exemplars for the world in the great cause of liberty, thus far in the world's progress they are the summary of man's best ideas of the freedom of all. And as such their lesson will be heeded, for as kingdoms and Empires change rulers, their tendency will be in the line of Democratic Republics.

A. E. J.

—Death has visited the household of Mr. and Mrs. Jules J. Mouton, of Duchamp's station, this parish, on Monday the 19th, and carried away their bright little JOSEPH DANIEL, aged 1 year and 11 days.

Mysterious Disappearance.

On Sunday the 11th inst., Mr. A. J. Wiltz, a prominent young gentleman of this place, agent for the Waters Pierce Oil Co., and also interested in a butcher stand in town, went to the Railroad office and took a ticket for Lafayette. Mr. Wiltz is a young man of about 19 years. He left without advising his mother or any member of his family, and did not even take any clothing, except those he had on, and when he took the train it was thought he was going to Lafayette, and would return the next day, or the day after, but after two or three days he had not returned and his mother and family began to be anxious and uneasy about him, they telegraphed to Lafayette to know if he was there, or had been there, but the news came that he never was in Lafayette. Telegrams were then sent to relatives in New Orleans to inform as to his whereabouts, and the only information that could be obtained was that he left the house of his grand mother in New Orleans, Tuesday morning the 13th inst., saying he was going to Louisville, Ky., this was the last heard of him.

The Waters Pierce Oil Co., was notified of their agent's mysterious disappearance, and Mr. F. A. Austin, of Marshall, Texas, the General Manager of the Company arrived here Tuesday, and said that Mr. Wiltz's accounts with the company were alright, that the company owed him some money.

Mr. Wiltz is a young man of good moral character, does not drink or gamble, never frequented saloons or other places of debauchery, and always paid strict attention to his business, and was the support of his widowed mother and sisters.

His sudden, and unaccounted for disappearance, has left his mother and family in a state of anxiety and uneasiness which is truly painful. They cannot account for his conduct, he has always been a dutiful son, full of love and affection for his mother and sisters.

We are really astonished at the escape of our young friend, but we hope that nothing serious has happened to him and that he will soon return to explain his conduct.

They Failed to Agree.

The state central executive committee closed its long and protracted session Saturday last. Much was expected from the committee, but little was done. A solution of the lottery question was watched with great interest by not only the people of this state, but by every state of the union. Several propositions were offered by both factions but they were not accepted. The greatest difference that existed between the factions is that the Pros had a clause in the proposition that would pledge the persons voting at the primaries to abide by the result. The Antis would agree it defeated to drop and withdraw their opposition to the amendment, but would not vote for it nor give it their support.

The amendment will be acted upon by the nominating convention, or will go directly before the people at the general election on the 19th of April next.

The committee has called the nominating convention to meet in the city of Baton Rouge, on the 16th of December, but has adopted no rules or fixed dates for the holding of primaries or conventions. It remains with the parish committees to decide whether they will call primaries or conventions, and the date on which same will be held, and also to adopt rules and regulations for the conduct of the primaries or conventions.

BARGAINS.

I am Selling Below Cost, my Entire Stock of Dry Goods, Notions, Hats, and Fancy Goods.

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B. AUDIBERT.

The White Primaries.

Through the proposition for the settlement of the lottery question by the white Democratic voters of the state failed to secure that unanimous sanction in the state cent at committee which was essential to its success, it has by no means been abandoned.

While it may not and probably will not come up again at the December meeting of the committee in Baton Rouge, there is every prospect that it will be presented to the Democratic state convention and that a strong effort will be made to secure the consent of that body to the plan.

The idea originates with liberaminded anti-lottery men, who say in its support that the convention would unquestionably have the authority, which the committee lacks, to make the question a party question and to provide this means of settlement. The convention is the party, they argue, and its behests are binding.

It is suggested that the election be held towards the close of February and under such rules as shall guarantee an absolutely free election and a fair count.

Serious Danger.

Threatens every man, woman or child living in a region of country where fever and ague is prevalent, since the germs of malarial disease are inhaled from the air and are swallowed from the water of such a region. Medicinal safeguard is absolutely necessary to nullify this danger. As a means of fortifying and accelerating the system so as to be able to resist the malarial poison, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is incomparably the best and the most popular. Irregularities of the stomach, liver and bowels encourage malaria; but these are speedily rectified by the Bitters. The functions of digestion and secretion are assisted by its use, and a vigorous as well as regular condition of the system promoted by it. Constitution and physique are thus defended against the inroads of malaria by this matchless preventive, which is also a certain and thorough remedy in the worst cases of intermittent and remittent fevers.

Startling Facts.

The American people are rapidly becoming a race of nervous wrecks, and the following suggests the best remedy: Alphonso Hompling, of Butler, Pa., swears that when his son was speechless from St. Vitus dance Dr. Miles' great Restorative Nervine cured him. Mrs. J. R. Miller, of Valparaiso, and J. D. Taylor, of Loganport, Ind., each gained 20 pounds from taking it. Mrs. H. A. Gardner, of Vistula, Ind., was cured of 40 to 50 convulsions a day, and much headache, dizziness, headache and nervous prostration by one Lottle. Trial bottles, and fine book of marvelous cures, free at T. J. Labbe's drugstore who recommends and guarantees this unequalled remedy.

—We are told that Mayor Broussard had a dog that died after a few days sickness, and after its death was hauled in the prairie by the Corporation cart. But it appears that the dog was not really dead, but only in a trance, and a day or two after, the dog returned home apparently well and unconcerned of what has transpired during its death-like slumber. This is no dog story, it was given to us by a young man of undoubted veracity, and we believe him.

Flower Pots.

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Sudden Deaths.

Heart disease is by far the most frequent cause of sudden death, which in three out of four cases is unsuspected. The symptoms are not generally understood. These are a habit of lying on the right side, short breath, pain or distress in side, back or shoulder, irregular pulse, asthma, weak and hungry spells, wind in stomach, swelling of ankles or dropsy, oppression, dry cough and smothering. Dr. Miles' illustrated book on Heart Disease, free at T. J. Labbe's Drugstore who sell and guarantee Dr. Miles' unequalled New Heart Cure, and his Restorative Nervine, which cures nervousness, headache, sleeplessness, etc. of drinking, etc. It contains 200 pages.

