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COTTON MARKET

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Shreveport Market.
 The market closed steady.
 Receipts 52 bales.
 Low middling 11 3-8
 Middling 12
 Good middling 12 3-8

Shreveport Receipts
 Stock on hand Sept. 1.....1,267
 Received this day .. 52
 Rec'd previously133,819 133,871
 Total stock to date.....135,158
 Shipments to date114,677

Net stock on hand 20,481
 Same day last year 25,710

Comparative Statement.
 This yr Last yr.
 Since yesterday 52
 Same day last year 484
 Thus far this week 1,006 433
 Thus far last year 2,461
 Since Septembe 1.....133,871 123,307
 Net stock on hand..... 20,481 25,710

Local Receipts.
 This week
 Saturday 1913 1912 1911
 Monday 334 619 0
 Tuesday 228 204 126
 Wednesday 207 178 41
 Thursday 185 976 126
 Friday 52 484 138
 Total 1006 2888 554

A LIVELY SESSION.

The Chamber of Commerce and the Endorsement of the Proposed Extension of the Traction Company's Franchises.

The session of the Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday afternoon was livelier than usual. Indeed, at times it was in a sense eruptive. There was issued a call to each director that "the proposed ordinance granting the Shreveport Traction Company a new franchise will be placed before you for endorsement."

At this meeting the president, W. E. Glassell, was in attendance and presided. He made plain his objection to the conditions of the proposed ordinance of the Traction Company. In this objection he was sustained by Mr. F. H. Gosman, a director who suggested that the proposed ordinance be submitted to a committee. It was urged that the Chamber of Commerce should let alone the proposition, which had a saving of politics. The secretary was requested to read the ordinance, which provoked strenuous opposition. Hon. G. W. Jack, a director, joined in the discussion. He queried why the dates of the extension of the several franchises have not been specified in the ordinance.

He received for answer from Director A. Querbes that the Council would fix the dates in the ordinance. Director Bolinger alleged that Mr. Jack was trying to split hairs. The objectors to the endorsement were in a hopeless minority. The endorsement was urged by Director Querbes, and as a final the endorsement prevailed and the meeting was adjourned.

As reported by the Journal those present were W. E. Glassell, F. H. Gosman, Sam Guy, Isaac Barron, A. C. Steere, Sam Mason, J. B. Atkins, R. R. Emery, W. A. Robinson, L. M. Howard, A. Querbes, G. W. Jack, S. H. Bolinger, L. N. Brueggerhoff, A. J. Peavy, W. K. Henderson, M. A. McCutchen, Geo. T. Atkins Jr., and E. L. McCollin, a minority of the directors, who can not bind the majority not attending.

The friction arising from this proceeding was so tense that President Glassell had announced his intention of resigning, but he has been persuaded by his friends to remain as the head of this organization, and he has yielded to their wishes.

It is being heralded that the proposition of the Traction Company has been endorsed by the State Fair and Merchants Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Shreveport Golf and Country Club and the Real Estate Exchange, and the Country Club, but as aforesaid by a minority of their membership, which is not binding.

The specific objection to the endorsement is that it is not in the province of the Chamber of Commerce to commit its members to the support of an enterprise which is owned and operated for the profit of individuals. With equal propriety any private enterprise or any corporation could urge an endorsement of any of their propositions by the Chamber of Commerce, of the State Fair Association, the Merchants Association or other organizations.

In brief, as viewed by the Caucasian, the functions of the Chamber of Commerce are to promote the commercial interests of the city and the manufacturing and the agricultural advancement and the development of this section of the State, to encourage business men of other sections to visit and make investments in this city and the territory adjacent, and not to endorse the proposed ordinances of private or corporate enterprises the purpose of which are to influence the community to their approval.

MARDI GRAS DAY.

Maskers Are Many—Good Order Prevailed.

Mardi Gras day in Shreveport was observed by crowds of maskers of all degrees of humanity. There were costumes grotesque and picturesque and all styles. The sidewalks in the afternoon and night were crowded with spectators. There were no accidents, and general good order prevailed.

The Railway Service.

Unquestionably the railway service which is best for Shreveport is in the arrival and the departure of trains, local or regular, that will induce the people from the country to come and trade, arriving from and returning home the same day.

The Mardi Gras Ball.

In the Times issue of yesterday there is given a report of the Mardi Gras ball in the words quoted:

"A disgusting spectacle, replete with pitiful indecencies, tawdry, brazen, arousing in the casual observer a feeling of wonder that humanity could sink so low, was that 'Mardi Gras Ball' on Texas street last night, to which the wonton denizens of the district moved almost en masse.

"Weaving weirdly through a packed crowd of spectators and participants, the room reeking with tobacco smoke, the poor women of the underworld, with grim, set faces, presented a pitiful appearance. Half bald, some of them, brazen in their absence of clothing, with gaudy costumes hurriedly patched together for the occasion, the scene was not one to cause amusement or provoke any laughter.

"Rather was it a sad, a senseless, a sorrowful scene. Thin faces, with lines around the mouth as hard as flint, countenances that one might expect to see behind prison walls, littered the dancing crowd."

It is conceded that at a ball on Mardi Gras, which is opened to the public, that dissolute characters obtain admission, but while on Mardi Gras there is given to maskers a great license for deportment, any infraction of the generally accepted rules violative of common decency should have been suppressed.

On this score the Times laments: "The feeble attempt at gorgeous costuming fell flat with the poor reason for it all. A show of diamonds here and there only made more apparent the pitifulness of it all. It was a flare-up at gayety that sizzled and went out by reason of its very absurdity, its tawdriness, its futility. As an institution it should be abolished in the interests, not only of common decency, but of the poor women themselves. They made a sorry sight in the eyes of every one."

To say the least, the suggestion that the Mardi Gras Ball should be abolished is senseless.

On Mardi Gras night there were several balls which were conducted in the full keeping of every social requirement afforded the greatest pleasure to the attendants, but a ball with "the poor women of the underworld," with "grim set faces" (not visible if masked) in a room reeking with tobacco smoke, could not have been merry, and yet the enthusiastic dancers and the attendants were all merry and joyful.

From the reading of the report of this Mardi Gras ball many people whose homes are beyond the limits of Shreveport may have been horrified, but such balls are tolerated under the license conceded on Mardi Gras.

However, such a ball, if it be as reported, should have been and hereafter should be limited within the confines of the restricted district.

Change of Schedule.

A change in the time card of the Kansas City Southern will become effective on Sunday next, February 9, as follows:

Train No. 4 arrives at 8:30 a.m., instead of 7:50 a.m.
 Train No. 12 leaves at 7 a.m., as at present.
 Train No. 10 leaves at 12:25 noon, as at present.
 Train No. 2 arrives at 5:35 p.m. instead of 6:30 p.m., and leaves at 6 p.m. instead of 6:55 p.m.

The above trains are north-bound. The south-bound trains are as follows:

Train No. 11 arrives at 10:15 as at present.
 No. 1 arrives at 11:50 a.m., and departs at 12:10, as at present.
 No. 3 arrives at 6:05 p.m. instead of 11:40 p.m., and leaves at 11:30 p.m., as at present.

It will be noticed that the oil field special has not been changed, officials of the road having assured local oil interests that the contemplated change would be dispensed with at a conference here some weeks ago.

THE INGRAM SUIT.

Verdict of the Jury Is for Plaintiffs for \$10,000 Damages.

The case of W. T. Ingram and his wife against the Kansas City Southern Railway, tried in the District Court, Judge E. W. Sutherland, was closed yesterday. The verdict of the jury is against the Kansas City Southern Railway. The verdict for the plaintiffs is for \$10,000.

The gist of the suit is that on the morning of July 4, 1912, Clarence Ingram, aged 3 years, son of the plaintiffs, was standing at the company's depot at Mooringsport, sustained injuries by being struck by a truck used in handling trunks and freight. This truck had been left too near to the edge of the platform, and on being struck by the train was hurled against the child, who died several days afterward at a sanitarium in Shreveport from the injuries he received.

The plaintiffs' attorneys are Blanchard, Barret & Smith, and Alexander & Wilkinson for the defendants. An appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court.

A New Idea in Pardons.

New Orleans States: Gov. Foss of Massachusetts has evolved a new idea in the way of granting pardons to convicts. A few days ago he sent to the pardon board a recommendation that it release Cardenio F. King, a "get rich quick" promoter who is serving twelve years for his dishonest schemes. Gov. Foss finds that King's health has been so undermined by the disagreeable atmosphere of prison life that other imprisonment is likely to cause his death; that King should be paroled, but that he should be kept under the supervision of a physician, who shall report at intervals upon his condition. If King recovers his health Gov. Foss believes he should be taken back to prison to serve the uncompleted term of his sentence.

Whether or not the Governor of Massachusetts had in mind the case of Charles W. Morse, the New York banker, who was freed from the Federal prison at Atlanta by President Taft, in the belief that he was dying, is not explained, but he certainly does not furnish much inducement for King to recover his health. If the price of getting well means a return to his cell for seven or more years, it is altogether likely he will take care to be "sick" the rest of his life.

Additional Claims Against General Sicles.

It has been reported from New York that two more executions against Gen. Daniel E. Sicles were received by Sheriff Harburger Tuesday calling for an aggregate of \$8,557.75 to be satisfied out of the property of the aged civil war veteran before the claim of \$23,476 of the State of New York in the monument fund can be collected in that way.

In the ordinary course of legal procedure the execution against General Sicles in favor of the State could not be obtained until a week from this coming Monday, and not then if General Sicles files an answer to the suit. It is not believed that an answer will be made, and if this is the case the State can go into court at any time after twenty days from the time the summons was served upon the veteran and get judgment for the full amount.

The execution which subsequently would be issued would be the third to be satisfied out of the property of the general. The two executions which were received today are in favor of August Hecksher, who has a claim for \$8,015.82, and the National Bank of Orange County. The execution obtained for the bank is \$541.93, and is directed against P. D. Dumont and the civil war veteran. There is nothing in the papers on file in the sheriff's office to show the cause of these claims.

Shreveport May Carnival.

There is being planned by a committee of the Merchants Association a carnival which is to be held in this city in May next. An elaborate programme is being considered. In this enterprise all interests should join. The festival should be made so attractively successful that it will become permanent.

At about the time fixed for this carnival the Louisiana Press Association will convene in Shreveport. If possible the programme should be so fixed as to include the press association in the festivities. From the press there will be given a boosting of Shreveport that can not now be measured.

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A MARDI GRAS.

One of the Youngest and Yet the Most Original.

On the sidewalks and streets on Mardi Gras day there were exhibited many disguises, but the most unique and original was that of Albert, the 2-year-old son of Mr. J. H. Brefflehl of the Boston Shoe Store. He was masquerading as a granger with straw hat and overalls and beard and held in his hand a whip. Although only two years old, he was filled with the enthusiasm of the day. He was the jolliest of the jolly and not only the exposure of all eyes, but pedestrians stopped and gazed upon him with unrestrained admiration.

He looked so quaint, walking or standing on his little legs with his pants almost over his shoes and his straw hat almost covering his ears. If there had been offered a prize for the best and most original masquerader, Albert Brefflehl would have been listed as the successful contestant.

Beginning of Lent.

Yesterday was Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, which is observed religiously for forty days in commemoration of Christ's passion. The festival of Easter will occur on Sunday, March 23, which is the earliest date of this event in a century. The lenten season is observed principally by Catholics and Episcopalians, with revotional exercises and with a regular course of fasting.

Held on a Serious Charge.

W. H. Oyster, aged 28 years, is in the parish jail on a serious charge. His sister is his accuser and as alleged his crime is incest. His sister is married, at least has been married since the act alleged.

Accidentally Shot.

C. W. Tuttle of Vivian, aged 35 years, and a driller, is at the North Louisiana Sanitarium. He was shot accidentally in the abdomen by a pistol which was on a table where a game of dominoes was in progress. It is not explained how the pistol was discharged, nor why the weapon was on the table. It is doubtful if Tuttle will recover.

Weather Forecast.

Local forecast for Shreveport and vicinity: Unsettled, probably rain tonight or Friday; not much change in temperature.

River Stage.

Denison 0.4, fall of 0.1; Arthur City 6.5; White Cliffs 4.6, fall of 0.1; Fulton 7.9, fall of 0.5; Ringo Crossing 0.0; Finley 3.0, fall of 1.0; Spring Bank 7.8, fall of 1.0; Shreveport 3.9, fall of 0.9.

River Forecast.

An important change or fall will occur at Fulton during the next 48 hours, and the fall will continue at Shreveport.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by John Deamos three miles north of Blanchard, Caddo Parish, La., and estrayed before the undersigned authoritarily, one blue and white spotted yearling about two years old; marked with over-bit in right year. No other marks and no brand. The owner will come and prove property and pay charges or the same will be sold at Blanchard, La., on February 17, 1913, according to law. E. SOLOMON, Justice of the Peace, Third Ward, Caucasian, January 12, 1913.

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