

Jury Venire.

THE STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Judicial District Court.—Parish of Lafourche.

It is known and remembered, that on the twenty-ninth day of the month of January, in the year of our Lord, One thousand, nine hundred and two,

Pursuant to written notices issued by the Clerk of said Court, in and for the Parish of Lafourche, and addressed and given to each of the Jury Commissioners in and for said Parish, as by the said Clerk's certificate hereto annexed more fully appears; W. H. Frost, Henry Riviere, Jos. M. LeFort, Thomas J. Knobloch and Jno. S. Seely, Jury Commissioners, were appointed as such for the parish of Lafourche, under the provisions of Act No. 13 of the General Assembly, approved July 13th, 1898, and promulgated by publication in the Official Journal of Louisiana, July 24th, 1898, and all duly sworn and qualified as such Jury Commissioners in and for the said Parish of Lafourche, met at the Clerk's office, at the court house in the Town of Thibodaux, in company with Charles J. Barker, Clerk of said Court, ex-officio Jury Commissioner, duly sworn and qualified as such, then and there in the presence of Messrs. Thomas A. Riviere and Emile Legendre, two competent and disinterested witnesses of lawful age, competent to read and write the English language, residing in the Parish of Lafourche, and summoned by the Clerk of said Court for the purpose of proceeding in accordance with Section 4 of said Act No. 13 of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana of 1898, to examine the general venire list on file in the Clerk's Office, and having struck therefrom the names of such Grand Jurors and regular Jurors as have served, as well as the names of others who are known to have been removed from the Parish become exempt or disqualified for the present year after which were supplemented the original list and the ballots in the box, with the names of the same number of grand and competent men from the qualified jurors of the Parish, as were struck from the box and erased from the list, so as to keep the number of names on the general venire box and on the original list at the original standard, one hundred contained therein; each said name so placed in the general venire box having been written by the Clerk of said Court on a separate slip of paper together with the number of the ward or place of residence of such person.

And immediately after completing said venire list, we selected therefrom the names of the following twenty citizens, good and competent men, possessing the qualifications to serve as grand Jurors as prescribed by Section 1 of said Act, taken from different parts of the Parish, as far as practicable, to serve as grand Jurors at the session of court beginning on Monday, March 10th, 1902, and until discharged according to law, to-wit:

- GRAND JURY. Ward. James Dill 1 Paulin Guillot 1 Thomas Henry 1 Thomas Guillot 1 Henry Braud 1 A. P. Galenne 1 E. J. Braud 1 Joseph Claudet 1 Leudroy Pitre 1 Alexandre Fertuit 1 Elvise J. Barrios 1 Abdon LeBlanc 1 Robert C. Seely 1 Alexandre Toups 1 Mrs. Martinez, Jr. 1 Etienne Hebert 1 Clay Falkout 1 Alfred Mars 1 Joseph Lathrop 1

And having so selected the above named persons as grand Jurors, the name of each was written on a separate slip of paper by the Clerk in the presence of the commissioners and witnesses, and all the slips so containing the names and number of the ward of each grand Juror were placed in an envelope by the commissioners, which envelope was sealed, signed and endorsed and labeled, "List of Grand Jurors", and placed in the jury box as hereinbefore stated.

After which we proceeded, after the venire contained in the general venire box had been well mixed, to draw from said general venire box the names of thirty persons to serve as petit Jurors the first week of the session of said court, beginning on Monday, March 10th, 1902, the names being drawn from the box one at a time by Henry Riviere, one of the said Jury Commissioners, in the presence of the other Commissioners and of the witnesses, and the names so drawn are as follows:

- FIRST WEEK. Ward. Fuma Mire 1 Louis Naps 1 Joachim Landry 1 George Plaisance 1 Joseph Knobloch 1 Emile Cantrelle 1 Bartholomew Schuppert 1 Jos. J. McDonald 1 Emile Lathrop 1 Etienne LeBlanc 1 E. P. Pugh 1 Victor Mathere 1 E. F. Gaudin 1 Glenn Bourgeois 1 Albert Chauvin 1 Emile Leche 1 J. B. LeFort, Jr. 1 Douglas Thibodaux 1 Joseph France 1 Ray Chasson 1 Glenn Bourg 1 Emile Bergeron 1 Philip Bourgeois (son of Norbert) 1 Alex. P. Hebert 1 Etienne J. Toups 1 Augustin Bourgeois 1 L. Bourgeois, Jr. 1 Albert Guidry 1

Having placed the names of the foregoing thirty persons so drawn as petit Jurors for the first week of the said court in an envelope, we have sealed and endorsed and labeled it, "List of Jurors No. 1", and the said first week of the session of court which we proceeded to draw from the said venire box to serve as petit Jurors for the second week of the session of said Court beginning on Monday, March 17th, 1902, the names being drawn from the box one at a time by Henry Riviere, one of the Jury Commissioners, in the presence of the other commissioners and of the witnesses, and the names so drawn are as follows:

- SECOND WEEK. Ward. George Boudreaux 6 E. Mathement 10 A. Pierre 10 Robert Pessi 9 Joseph LeBlanc 22 Knut McDermott 22 Emile Knight 22 Robert Toups 9 J. Hunter 9 Thomas Leonard 4 Chauvin 4 Emile Godchaux 4 Charles Aribat 4 Forest 4 Bourgeois 4 Falcon 4 Bourgeois 4 Bourgeois 4 Rodrigue 4 Dupre 4 Thibodaux 4 Glover 4 Riviere 4 Barbeck 4 Guyot 4 Dantin 4 Bellanger 4 Boudreaux 4 J. Jullien 4 Jullien 4

Having placed the names of the foregoing thirty persons drawn as petit Jurors for the second week of said session of Court in an envelope, we sealed and endorsed and labeled it, "List of Jurors No. 2", to serve for the second week of the session. And thereupon we have placed the said two sealed envelopes, together with the sealed venire containing a list of grand Jurors selected as hereinabove set forth, in a box provided for the purpose, labeled, "Jury Box", which was then sealed and locked, and placed in the custody and keeping of the Clerk of said Court, for use at the next ensuing session of court, and subject to the orders of the District Judge. And the said general venire box was also sealed and locked and delivered to the said Clerk of Court as the custodian thereof; all in the presence of the said witnesses.

In Faith Whereof, we have signed this process verbal of the drawing of the Jury, made at the time, on the day, month and year first above written, in the presence of the aforementioned witnesses.

(Original Signed) H. W. Frost, Henry Riviere, J. M. LeFort, Jno. S. Seely, Thos. Knobloch, Jury Commissioners. C. J. Barker, Clerk of Court, ex-officio Jury Commissioner. E. J. Legendre, Thos. A. Riviere. Read and filed January 29th, 1902. (Signed) C. J. Barker, Clerk of said Court. "A true copy." Clerk's Office, Thibodaux, La., Jan. 30th, 1902. P. J. ACCOIX, D'y. Clerk of said Court.

Superintendent's Report.

To the President and members of the Parish Board of Directors of the Parish of Lafourche.

It is well, at the end of one school session to review the work that has been done to further the cause of education in this Parish.

There were forty six white and eleven colored schools in operation during the session.

The Parish owns twenty five school houses, patrons own twelve, which are used free of charge for public purposes, and this Board pays rent twelve school houses. Inasmuch as the Board has the free use of twelve school buildings, it has been our policy to make whatever repairs were needed, at our expense. During the course of the past year, it has been possible for the Board to build but one school house, that at Lubin Bergeron's, on Bayou Blue.

Sixty two white teachers and thirteen colored teachers were employed. The average salary for white teachers was \$34.73 for white males, \$32.44 for white females, \$31.66 for colored males and \$32.50 for colored females.

The enrollment shows a gratifying increase over the preceding year, and so does the average attendance. These are the figures:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Total enrollment, white, 2205; Total enrollment for 1900, 1944; Increase, 261; Total average attendance, white, 2069; Total attendance in 1900, 1936; Increase, 133; Total enrollment, colored, 1550; Total enrollment for 1900, 1448; Increase, 102; Total attendance, colored, 459; Total attendance in 1900, 418; Increase, 31.

Two public examinations were held during the year, the last one in October. At the latter examination, the third grade teachers were subjected to the ordeal, with the result that a number passed successfully, that is, attained the percentage required for a certificate, while a number of others made a good percentage, entitling them, in the opinion of the Board, to situations under the School Board until they could have another opportunity to become certificated teachers.

It has been my aim as Superintendent to raise the standard of the teaching corps of the Parish, and for this purpose, monthly institutes were conducted during the year, with the most gratifying results. So much interest has been manifested in these institutes by the teachers that it is my settled determination to continue holding them during the session that is just about to begin.

The State Teacher's Institute held by Prof. Chambers, last February was a source of great advantage to the teachers who assiduously followed the instructions upon their art as given by one of the foremost educators of our State. Beginning on the 17th of February, Prof. B. C. Caldwell, President of the State Normal School will hold the annual Institute for the present year, and the teachers have a rich treat in store for them in the lectures that will be delivered by the able President of the State Normal School.

A teacher's Library has been established, at an expense of less than twenty five dollars, through the liberality of the School Board. The excellent works on education that the library contains have been already largely used by the teachers, and the assistance derived from these books has been invaluable to those who read the books. I have a certain amount of money collected from the examinations at the last examination. I would suggest that the Board allow me to invest this money in additional works for our teachers' library. As this fund would go under the law to the expense of holding the monthly teachers' institutes, and as there will be but slight expense attending the holding of these institutes, it would seem that we could make no better disposition of this fund than to buy more books for our library.

A Parish Superintendents' convention was held in New Orleans in October, and it was my privilege to read a paper on the occasion. The most practical thing accomplished by the convention was the naming and appointing of a committee to frame a new school law, to be presented to the General Assembly at its coming session in May. As the present school laws are very defective, the necessity

of a new law which shall take the place of the old statutes is apparent. We need a school law that shall embrace the very latest improvements on the subject. The Parish Superintendents, who know the wants of their respective localities better than any others will convene in Baton Rouge some time during the sitting of the legislature, and will hold their annual convention for the purpose of assisting in the presentation of the projected new legislation. It is confidently thought that with the assistance afforded by the Parish Superintendents the members of the Senate and House will be able to pass an act that will be among the best school laws ever adopted by any legislature.

I have visited over thirty different schools during the course of last session, and would have continued my visits, had not the funis at the disposal of the School Board become exhausted. What with the multifarious duties attached to the office, including the reception of orders on every conceivable subject connected with the schools, the carrying on of a large correspondence on school matters, the holding of two examinations, with the attending investigation of the answers to questions, and the grading of the applicants, the holding of the monthly institutes, and the visiting of the schools, I can say that I have no idle moments with which to reproach myself. The whole year has been a very busy one, but as I received the kind co-operation of the members of the School Board, at all times, and as the duties of the office were congenial to my tastes, I can look back to my administration of the public schools of the parish during the year, 1901, with none but the pleasantest of recollections.

I herewith submit in detail the condition and needs of each school in the parish under the jurisdiction of the Board, in order that this may be placed of record and that the people who contribute to the payment of the taxes with which the schools are carried on, may know exactly what has been accomplished with the means under the control of the Board.

ANGELLOZ SCHOOL. This is the first school on the right descending bank of Bayou Lafourche, about five or six miles above the town of Thibodaux. Mr. O. S. Fremia was the teacher for the past session. The school is held in a building belonging to Mr. Oscar Angelloz, and the Board pays a monthly rental for the use of the building. A large yard, with abundance of shade trees shelter the children during their hours of recreation. Enrollment: boys, 24, girls, 17, total, 41. Average attendance: boys, 14, girls, 11, total, 25.

ARIEL SCHOOL. This school is established on a lot donated by the late Prosper Toups and is on the upper line of Ariel plantation. The school house was erected by the Board. It has no ceiling and, moreover, there are holes in the sides of the building and in the flooring, and although there is a stove in the room, it gives very little heat owing to the above facts. The building ought to be provided with a ceiling overhead and the cracks in the weatherboarding and flooring should be repaired. Miss Celeste Guedry was the teacher. Enrollment: boys, 19, girls, 14, total, 33. Attendance: boys, 11, girls, 9, total, 20.

BARILLEAUX SCHOOL. This school was taught for six months by Miss Sarah Williams, who resigned in order to be married, and Miss Bonnie Higginbotham was then appointed to succeed her for the rest of the session. The Board pays rent for the school house, to Mr. F. L. Barilleaux. Enrollment: boys, 15, girls, 19, total, 34. Attendance: boys, 6, girls, 11, total, 17.

BATON PILON, OR RATHBORNE SCHOOL. About ten miles from Thibodaux, in what is known commonly as "Yankee Camp" there is a school house of generous dimensions built by the School Board, on land that was donated for the purpose. Miss Marie L. Munch was the teacher. The building, though new was far from comfortable on cold days, for the reason that the flooring had shrunk, leaving wide cracks in it. A good stove was in the house, but afforded no heat worth mentioning. I had the flooring replaced by good tongued and grooved material this session, and now, the children attending can be sure of reasonably comfortable conditions. Enrollment: boys, 22, girls, 17, total, 39. Attendance: boys, 18, girls, 13, total, 31.

BAYOU BLUE, OR DAIGLE SCHOOL. About twelve miles from Thibodaux, on the banks of what was formerly a natural stream, but which is now overgrown with trees and grass and the noxious water hyacinth stands a school house, which was erected on a lot donated jointly by Orville Thibodaux and Leudroy Daigle. The yard is small and the building is in need of repairs. I noticed that there were large cracks in the walls and in the floor and that the front gallery needed repairs. There is no ceiling in the house. Miss Emma Letet was the teacher. Enrollment: boys, 23, girls, 15, total, 38. Attendance: boys, 16, girls, 9, total, 25.

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