

We are authorized to announce Mr. MICHEL MALPIEN as a candidate for member of the Board of Police in place of Mr. E. S. Clement.

The DEMOCRAT 3 months for 50 cents.

New shirts of all sorts at J. Bloch's at low prices.

There are several cases of mumps in town.

See notice of house for rent in another column.

Get your Neckwear at J. Bloch's. He has a full stock.

Order your oysters, crabs and fish from Vilaseca; delivered at domicile.

An interesting and finely illustrated article on the World's Fair appears on an inside page.

Nice spring suits for men and boys—just received at J. Bloch's, at rock-bottom prices. Stop and look at them.

Begin the new year right by subscribing for the DEMOCRAT, the best and newest paper in the parish. Only \$2 per annum—3 months trial trip 50 cents.

J. B. Sandoz has an extensive assortment of buggies, carriages, &c., and his prices are probably a little lower than the lowest. Better see him about it.

Editor Hieks of the Shreveport Progress and Editor Chevis of the Baton Rouge Advocate fought a bloodless duel with pistols near Shreveport on Tuesday, then made friends.

Goodbye, a colored convict who escaped from the parish jail some two or three weeks ago, was arrested at Shreveport last week. Deputy Sheriff Read went after him, returning with him on Friday, the 24th.

Prof. Mayer takes photographs by the new instantaneous process and in any kind of weather. Drop in and see specimens of his elegant work at his well appointed gallery on Main Street, near J. Meyers & Co.'s warehouse.

If you want a good plow, call at Jos. Bloch's. He is the sole agent for the sale of the Oliver chilled and steel plow, and he will surprise you with quality and prices. Every plow guaranteed.—Cassidy sulky plows will be sold for \$42.50.

FAST TIME.—We received on the 28th ult. the Washington Argus and the Franklin Vindicator of the 23d; the Baton Rouge Truth, Advocate and Capital Item of the 25th, and the Alexandria Town Talk and Marksville Review of the 25th.

Assessor Swords informed us the other day that the Beuf and Atchafalaya Levee Board had increased the taxes in their district from 5 mills to 10 mills, and asked us to break the news gently to the people living or owning lands in that district. We sympathize with them.

Charley Peferkorn has succeeded B. F. Megley in the saloon business and desires to inform the old habitués of the house and the balance of his friends that no trouble nor expense will be spared to keep the establishment up to its high standard in every respect. He invites them all to drop in and see him.

If you want fresh oysters on the half shell or cooked in the very best style, drop in the saloon next to M. Finberg's, opposite the Court House. Everything about the establishment looks neat and bright and clean, and the attendants are prompt and attentive and quite au fait in their vocations.

Call at the new carriage repository of J. B. Sandoz, at Perrodin's Hall, and see his fine assortment of vehicles of all descriptions—gigs, buggies, phaetons, carriages, hacks, etc.—to suit every taste and pocket, and harness of every kind from the cheapest to the best. Price his goods before purchasing elsewhere. You may save a snug sum by doing so.

The DEMOCRAT begs to remind our merchants, planters and business men throughout the parish that it is prepared to fill out any order for bill heads, note heads, letter heads, bread and other tickets, and in a word, for any order in the job printing line, at short notice and at fair and reasonable prices. Our facilities for turning out neat and cheap job work are unsurpassed and people requiring anything in that line will but consult their own interests in giving us a call and seeing for themselves what bargains they can make. Give us a trial.

Now let our town and parish authorities make another resolute effort for an artesian well. They should remember that the experiment already made has cost them nothing, and that therefore they can just as appropriately make another effort as when they made the first. Let them bear in mind the familiar lines of George P. Morris—no John A.:

Try, try again.

We need water here. A supply of it would reduce the rate of insurance, enable proprietors and the town authorities to keep down the terrible dust we so often have on our most frequented streets, and would supply the visiting citizens, the poor of the town and thirsty animals with pure and cooling draughts of thirst-quenching water. Don't delay. The warm season will soon be upon us. Cholera too may come among us. There is every reason why the legislative authorities, both parish and town, should co-operate in furnishing water.

Then, in addition, we could induce capitalists to put up an electric plant midway between Opelousas and Washington, we might hold up our heads and rightfully claim that we are not behind the age or lacking in the progressive spirit of our day.

What is home without a first class sewing machine. The White Sewing Machine will give you longer and better service than any made. See ad. in this issue.

The St. Landry Democrat

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OPELOUSAS, LA., SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 1893.

NO. 8.

A Rice Mill at Last. Opelousas will have a rice mill soon. The contract for the building of the foundations has been awarded to Mr. S. M. Peters by Mr. Thompson, of New Orleans, and in two months it is thought the mill will be in operation. We bid the enterprise God-speed, for had such a mill been erected six months ago, it might have been worth very many thousands of dollars already to our disappointed rice planters. We now say to them—Be of good cheer; the near future will be brighter. Tupper has forcibly said:

"Never grieve gloomily, man with a mind, Hope is a better companion than four; Providence, ever benignant and kind, Gives with a smile what we ask with a tear. Look to the right, All will be bright; Morning is ever the daughter of night."

Telephones.

We have a telephone at last, with its office in the Opelousas Hotel, at the corner of Court and Bellevue streets. The line to this place was completed and put in working order in the early part of the present week. The people of Opelousas can now speak audibly to any one at Suwet, Carencro, Arnaudville, Lafayette, St. Martinville, New Iberia, Abbeville, and possibly Franklin and Morgan City. This is as it should long since have been. We have had a telegraph line in operation here for some years which has not given satisfaction. We will not venture to say more, although we might particularize if so inclined. The telephone must prove more convenient, for more than one reason—one being that the office is in town, and therefore more easily accessible; another is that each person may speak over it for himself—and that, too, directly to the person addressed—and receive the answer immediately. We hope the line will be extended at once to New Orleans. As soon as it was finished to this place, it was carried to our sister town of Washington. Henceforth we may have a private word with our neighbors, ad placidum, and they with us.

The O. F. I. Entertainment.

The Opelousas Female Institute is very fortunate in having an organ for daily use in the school, and the teachers and pupils are determined to have one. It is highly important that all children should be taught to sing, both as an accomplishment and as a pleasure to themselves and others. Singing is a pleasure-giving, health-giving exercise, and with the help of the new organ every scholar will have an opportunity of learning to sing. An entertainment for this purpose is now being arranged by the teachers and pupils of this school, which will be given on the evening of March 10th, at 7:30 o'clock sharp, in the Institute hall. The exercises will consist chiefly of a new play, "The Woman's Exchange of Simpkinsville," dramatized from an article in a leading February magazine. This drama is serio-comic in nature, and deals with Southern life in an intensely realistic and interesting style. A drill by twelve young ladies, songs, tableaux, &c., will complete the program. The small admission fee of twenty-five cents will be charged, and it is earnestly hoped that the friends of the Institute will avail themselves of this opportunity of spending a most enjoyable evening and aiding the school in its laudable undertaking.

The Situation in Rice.

The N. Y. Shipping and Commercial List of Feb. 25 closes an article on the rice situation as follows: It is barely six months since the crop movement of the country fully began; if during that period there have been placed 120,000,000 pounds, at equal rate 120,000,000 will be required for the next six months or a total for current year of 240,000,000 pounds. Some few claim the crop will be larger than above estimate, but it is quite probable that any increase of crop will be more than offset by increase of demand. At equal rate of movement, the present crop will fall short of requirements fully 15,000,000 pounds, and that this is believed in practically attested by orders now going forward for Foreign rice to meet the deficiency. We have stated some of these facts before and if the planters and factors had the courage which should have been derived from knowledge and intelligence, they would have forced the miller, and all other intermediaries between the miller and the consumer, to pay much higher prices than have been realized. Rice, like any other product, is governed by the law of supply and demand, and so long as these are nominally equal, the price will be about the same. The price is fixed at the point at which similar grades can be imported in foreign. Foreign of quality suitable for the trade of the United States cost to-day, duty paid, 4 to 5 cents per bushel. This is of good grain, and probably the cheapest rice in the Southwest. Without entering into detail, it is a fact that ordinary prime domestic rice—line rice—is richly worth at milling centers 25 to 40 cents per bushel, or, say, \$2.50 to \$3.50 per barrel of 162 pounds weight.

O. F. I. Roll of Honor.

The following names appear on the honor roll for the week ending Feb. 25: Nannie Randle, Mabel Sandoz, Etta Pearl Truman, Susie Thompson, Nettie White, Regina Loebe, Belle Dupre, Neffa Barr, Katie Brown, Flora Traylor, Estelle Sandoz, Belle Smith, Eleanor Daniels, Ada Allen, Lessie Simmons, Josie Blanks, Belle Cottingham, Edith Phillips, Grace Malone, Julia Blanks, Piony Rudhomme, George Elms, Willie Clifford, Victor Phillips, Charlie R. Settoon.

The glory of life insurance is that it clothes the individual with the strength of an army against fate, while it does not impair his independence. The savings banks give no contingent right in the common fund beyond the actual deposit and its own interest. Do not delay, but insure now in the Home Life Insurance Co. of New York, Clements & Lewis, agents.

Fresh parched and ground coffee always on hand at Vilaseca's.

Personal.

Mr. Marks Finberg has gone to St. Louis.

Mr. T. C. Chachere of Acadia spent Thursday and Friday in town.

Dr. T. Chachele and wife of Plaquemine were in town on Tuesday.

Maj. Wharton of Chicot was entertaining the boys here on Thursday.

Mr. Godefroy Dupre, a leading planter of Plaquemine, was in town on Wednesday.

Dr. J. H. Parker, one of Ville Plate's most popular citizens, was here on Monday.

Miss Mary Little has returned from New Orleans after spending several weeks there.

Miss Marie Simon left on Sunday last for a two weeks' stay in St. Martinville.

Mr. Octave Fontenot, of Washington, was shaking hands with his numerous friends here on Wednesday.

Mr. P. Starg, a leading merchant of old Grand Prairie, was in town on Wednesday and favored us with a call.

Messrs. Leonce Dupre, L. J. and Ferdinand Derbes, P. and Frank Zernot, of Washington were in town on Thursday.

Dr. B. E. Clark, president of the police jury of Acadia, accompanied by his wife, spent a couple of days in town this week.

Messrs. E. J. Going and R. Boudreau, two of Washington's sterling citizens, were in town on Monday and gave us a pleasant call.

The Knights of Pythias Supper.

From the interesting budget of Opelousas news furnished the N. O. Delta by its bright local correspondent, we extract the following account of the banquet given last week by Jefferson Davis Lodge No. 98, K. of P.: Monday night the Knights of Pythias celebrated their second anniversary by a magnificent banquet at the Philadelphia Hotel. Besides the elegant silver and cut glass there was quite a profusion of beautiful evergreens and choice flowers woven into garlands, horseshoes, anemons, hearts, and every imaginable design that could please the most fastidious taste. Those skilled in the art of beautifying and placed on the decorations committee were Mrs. K. V. Johnson, Mrs. J. T. Skipper, Mrs. M. R. Wilson, Miss Alice Lavache, Miss Gabrielle Hebrard, Miss Fannie Jacobs and Mrs. J. M. Ware. Supper was served in courses. Everything was so skillfully managed that all were well attended and had no time to become impatient at the least delay. The songsters were dainty little bouquets of natural flowers. Mr. J. J. Thompson was called on for a toast. He arose gallantly from his seat and addressed the ladies. While extolling woman, a casual glance observed the many lovely faces coyly concealing to screen themselves behind delicate kerchiefs, went far to say that they were well pleased with the toast. Mr. Thomas Isaacs was next called. He made a few pleasant remarks, drank to the success of the "Knights," then called Mr. J. T. Skipper to redeem him. Mr. Skipper replied: "If that's the case you are a lost man!" nevertheless, his words were eloquent, bright and humorous.

Dr. Saizan, although still suffering from his wounded foot, was present and gave a very fine address on "Knights of Pythias" at the last delay. The songster, W. C. Perrault, on "Good of the Order." He handled the subject as usual, with the utmost precision, and with a beautiful language. During the short discourse called for the champagne glasses to be refilled and all drank to the health of the order.

Cleveland's Cabinet.

Mr. Cleveland has announced the completion of his cabinet. It stands as follows: Secretary of state, Walter Q. Gresham of Illinois; Secretary of treasury, John G. Carlisle of Kentucky; Postmaster general, Wm. S. Bissell of New York; Secretary of war, Daniel S. Lamont of New York; Secretary of navy, Hilary A. Herbert of Alabama; Attorney general, Richard Olney of Massachusetts; Secretary of the interior, Hoke Smith of Georgia; Secretary of agriculture, J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska; Counting Mr. Carlisle as a southerner, the south faces well, getting three members. New York gets two, the west two and New England one. Outside the other members of the cabinet do not enjoy national reputations in the craft, but they are all regarded as first-class men and are full possibilities—especially Mr. Lamont and Mr. Herbert. The latter gentleman is regarded as admirably fitted and equipped for the navy portfolio, having been for four years chairman of the house committee on naval affairs.—Monroe Telegraph-Bulletin.

Forty Barrels a Day.

Harris & Bugno, Erin, Tenn., manufacturers of the celebrated Erin Lime, say they have great faith in Drummond's Lightning Remedy for Rheumatism. One of their principal coopers was laid up with Rheumatism until induced to take Drummond's Lightning Remedy. After taking two bottles he went to work, and has since been making Forty Barrels per day. If your druggist has not got this, send to Drummond Medical Co., 48-50 Maiden Lane, New York, and they will send you full particulars. Agents wanted.

To Subscribers.

Our subscribers will find printed below the address on their paper the date up to which they have paid. Those who find themselves in arrears are requested to forward us the small amounts due. Some owe for several years. If there be any who do not intend to pay, they should at least apprise us of the fact.

The merchants of Opelousas should invite trade from abroad and retain every dollar's worth of the home patronage. There is but one way to accomplish this, and that is by judicious advertising. The DEMOCRAT is the medium.

Beauregard.

The death of Gen. Beauregard removes from the world of the living the last really great and commanding figure of the war between the states. He was one of the full generals of the Confederate army and probably had not a superior among them, but a fatal chain of circumstances followed him which denied him the opportunities that his genius merited and his ambition coveted. He had thought to master the art of war. His matchless defense of Fort Mifflin and his brilliant victory at Manassas proved it, and the world at once recognized in him the greatest military engineer of the age and a field commander of superior caliber. Superceded at Manassas, transferred to the west as second in command, promoted by the death of Albert Sidney Johnston on the glorious field of Shiloh from a bed of sickness, the chief of staff he followed him from the firing of the first gun at Fort Sumter until the surrender with Joseph E. Johnston in North Carolina. The south mourns him, however, as one of her bravest and best and history will accord him the position that his merits and commands.—Monroe Telegraph-Bulletin.

Presidential Amenities.

New York Recorder. President-Elect Cleveland acknowledges the receipt from President Harrison of a cordial, pleasant note inviting him to dine at the executive mansion immediately before his inauguration. This is the second courtesy of the kind extended to Mr. Cleveland by a Republican executive. In 1885 Mr. Cleveland was, a few days before he assumed the duties of his office, invited to dinner in the White House given by President Arthur. It was the very first entertainment ever given in the famous banquet room. Four years ago Mr. Cleveland was invited to dine with Mr. Harrison who returned the compliment. The two great parties, victors and vanquished, will heartily commend the observance of these social proprieties by their two foremost chieftains.

These amiable relations between the outgoing and incoming presidents have not, however, been steadily uniform. Joly Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson made final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the District Court at Opelousas, La., on Wednesday, March 23d, 1893, viz: JOHN BOND.

Who made Homestead Entry No. 1422 for the south 1/2 of southeast 1/4, N.W. 1/4 of southeast 1/4, S. E. 2 west, Louisiana meridian. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Wm. McMillan, A. M. Godwin, D. W. Parnell and Richard Odum, Jr., all of St. Landry parish, Louisiana.

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Who made Homestead Entry No. 1421 for the south 1/2 of southeast 1/4, N.W. 1/4 of southeast 1/4, S. E. 2 west, Louisiana meridian. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jean B. Gullory, Martin Lemouire, Louis Bello and Denis Roussay, all of St. Landry parish, La.

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Who made Homestead Entry No. 887 for the south 1/2 of southeast 1/4, N.W. 1/4 of southeast 1/4, S. E. 2 west, Louisiana meridian. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Etel Savore, Francois C. Aguilard and Theophile Young, all of St. Landry parish, La.

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Toll same as regular in New Orleans. Rice should be packed in strong bags. Mark bags plainly so shipment can be identified. Bags returned or accounted for.

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