POLLOCK, LA., }
Feb. 14th 1895. }

H. L. Brian.

Dear Sir:—The LOUISIANA POPULIST pays its weekly visits to this place and I see letters from all parts of the country save this. So I will write you a few lines to let the people know that we are still on the land and among the living.

The heavy hand of affliction is pressing us very hard indeed and it is pressing every bit of socalled democracy out of the people and making Populists out of tnem.

They are not coming to us from a party standpoint, but because the People's party voices the popular thought of the American people.

They begin to think they could make a few silver dollars of some use to themselves.

They have begun to see the danger of National banks.

They also say they don't care so much about owning the railroads, but they say the railroads are about to own them, and they begin to want to "split the difference" with them.

I want to say right here that if the Populist demands were enacted into law, it would not be long until every person could have a home that wanted it, and there would not be so many families out in the snow which is now two inches deep on the ground.

There are a great many families who have no home and but very little of anything at present to live on.

I want to say that I was called away from home a short time ago to attend to some business in another parish, and I spent the night with one of the pleasantest families I have ever met. Mr. A., his wife three girls and one boy, four of as fine children as I ever looked upon but the hand of affliction had been playing its part in that home and the father and mother and children did not have clothes enough to keep them warm in the mild days of November, and they had just enough to eat to keep them from starving.

I asked how he had been voting and he told me that he had voted the democratic ticket all the time.

I asked him what he thought of the Populist demands, and he told me he knew nothing about them. I explained them as best as I could and promised to send him some reform literature to read, and the man seemed to be very hopeful.

I inquired of the neighborhood and found that it was in the same condition as this man.

This convinced me of the necessity of sending both literature and men to lecture in places where the people are not educated in the reform movement.

Educate and elevate them and not until them will the light of freedom begin to shine and the chains of bondage be broken.

Yours for reform,
A. W. STEWART.

Making Gamblers of the Youths of the City.

The Baton Rouge Truth, in a well considered article on "Making Gamblers of the Youth of the city" says: The editor of this paper is by far more a sinner than a saint, but with an experience of all phases in the life of a man of the world has no hesitation in asserting that greater danger lies to youth in the euchre tables of respectable families than in those of the lager beer saloon or barroom. Young men or women are flattered in the first instance by finding themselves in a social circle composed of the youth and beauty of the land, where the sin of gambling is hidden by the glint and glitter of social etiquette and the seal of approvals is affixed by the best society. From the barroom the minor is debarred by law as well as by its disreputable surroundings and by public opinion, and unless his feelings of self-respect are blunted by contact with the evil ways of life he will not enter, to gamble at least. And adds: "How can these teachers of youth hurl anathemas against the gambling hell or the club rooms while encouraging children to contract evil habits in their own parlors?"

CHARTER.

STATE OF LOUISIANA. }
PARISH OF NATCHITOCHES. }

Be it known and remembered, that on this the 26th day of September, 1894, before me Charles H. Levy, a Notary Public in and for the parish of Natchitoches, duly commissioned and qualified, personally came and appeared the undersigned persons who in presence of the attending witnesses declared that availing themselves of the provisions of Act No. 36 of the Legislature of this State, approved June 29th, 1888, and those of the general laws of this State relative to the organization of corporations, they have formed and organized themselves and those they represent into a corporation for the objects and purposes herein set forth, which they accept as their charter.

ARTICLE I.

The name and style of this corporation shall be the NATCHITOCHES PUBLISHING COMPANY, (LIMITED,) and by that name it shall have power and authority to exist and enjoy succession for the period of ninety-nine years, commencing at this day and date.

ARTICLE II.

The domicile of this corporation shall be the city of Natchitoches, in the parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, where all legal process shall be served upon the president of this corporation, or in his absence, the secretary or business manager.

ARTICLE III.

The purposes of this corporation is to do general job printing, publish a newspaper, and to do a general publishing business.

ARTICLE IV.

This corporation shall have power and privileges, to-wit: It shall be capable in law to purchase and receive, hold and enjoy lands, houses, and property of any kind whatever. It shall have the right to sell said property; sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded; contract and be contracted with; to borrow money, and for that purpose, to mortgage and hypothecate real estate, and to establish by laws for the government of this corporation.

ARTICLE V.

The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at Five Thousand Dollars, divided into Two Hundred shares of Twenty-five dollars each, with liberty to commence business when the subscribed stock reaches the sum of Five Hundred Dollars. No stockholder shall be held liable or responsible for any of the contracts of this corporation, in any further sum than the unpaid balance due to the corporation on the shares of stock held by him.

ARTICLE VI.

No one person shall hold more than twenty shares of stock, and each share shall be entitled to one vote.

ARTICLE VII.

At least fifty per cent of all subscribed stock shall be paid in cash and the balance to be secured by personal note of the share holder, payable twelve months after date, unless the necessities of this corportion should require earlier payment, and in no case can a stockholder be called upon to pay in more than twenty-five per cent of his original stock at any one time, and only then after twenty days notice, given in some paper published in Natchitoches parish, Louisiana.

ARTICLE VIII.

All corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of five Directors, three of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Sam'l. J. Henry, Marion F. Machen, William H. Areaux, William H. Latham and Hardy L. Brian, shall constitute the first board of directors, who shall hold their offices until the 26th day of September, 1895, and until their successors in office are duly elected. The board of directors shall be elected on the 26th day of September in each year, by the stockholders who may vote either in person or by proxy; said board to be chosen from among the stockholders, and to hold their office until their successors are duly elected by a majority of the votes cast; a vacancy from any cause shall be filled by the remaining directors from among the stockholders. The board of directors shall meet on the day of their election, or as soon thereafter as practical, and elect of their number a president and secretary, and employ from among the stockholders an editor and general business manager of the publishing business, and such other employees as may be necessary, and fix their remuneration; they shall have power to alter or amend all by-laws, rules and regulations requisite for the management of the business of the corporation.

ARTICLE IX.

All profits of this corporation shall be applied first to the payment of operating expenses, the remaining profits to be declared a dividend to the stockholders.

ARTICLE X.

This act of incorporation may be changed or amended, or such corporation may be dissolved with the consent of three-fourths of the stock-holders present at any general meeting of the stockholders convened for such purpose after thirty days notice in any paper published in Natchitoches parish.

ARTICLE XI.

Whenever this corporation may be dissolved either by limitation of its charter or otherwise its affairs shall be liquidated by the three existing board of directors.

Thus done and signed by the parties hereto, together with me, said Notary, in the presence of attesting witnesses, on day and date above written.

SAM'L. J. HENRY.
per E. J. Gamble.
M. F. MACHEN.
W. H. AREAUX.
W. H. LATHAM.
H. L. BRIAN.

[ATTEST:]
A. C. MCCLUNG.
FRANK GARZA.

CHAS. H. LEVY,
Notary Public.

Having examined the foregoing charter and finding nothing therein contrary to law or good morals, I hereby approve same.

PHANOR BREAZEALE,
District Attorney, 10th Judicial District.
Oct. 2, 1894.

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