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FRIDAY, April 2, 1897.

Congress passed an act this week making an emergency appropriation of \$250,000 for the protection of the Mississippi river levees, which are now strained to their utmost, several crevasses having already occurred.

Are You Overflowed?

Cane river has all the water in its channel now that we would ever want to keep there with Locks, and we have not heard of any one on its banks or its tributaries being at this time overflowed.

And we confidently believe that the Kisatchie is still running down stream, notwithstanding the water now in Cane river.

From our intelligent and well-informed friend, Mr. Alphonse Prudhomme, we learned much of the topography of the Cane river and its tributaries, Old river, Bayous Natchez and Derbanne, the Kisatchie and confluent, and the lakes through which they pass.

That information we systematize as follows:

1st. Cane river has 36 feet of banks here, 42 feet 6 inches at his residence, 13 miles below here, and necessarily more at its mouth at Colfax.

2nd. Once or twice during the century just closing, the Kisatchie has poured water enough into the Cane river when full, to make it run up stream, but the latter channel has deepened since the last phenomenon of this kind, and it has not reoccurred in about 20 years.

3rd. All the lands that overflow are on Old river, Bayous Natchez and Derbanne, and the Kisatchie, whose channels are necessarily higher than that of Cane river, as they all empty into it.

4th. Not many years ago the Kisatchie ran out of Lake Acasse through Bayou Derbanne, into Cane river at Derry, while now it has cut its way direct from the lake into Old river, which seems to be so much lower that the Kisatchie has not only nearly drained the lake, which was once 10 feet in water, but has cut itself a channel through the bed of said lake, its waters reaching Cane river through Old river.

The resultant facts follow that the Kisatchie has two outlets where it formerly had one, and a 10-foot lake empty for a reservoir, where it was formerly full, and that the bed of said Kisatchie must be considerably higher than the bed of Cane river—quite probably higher than the top of any Locks we should want to put in that river.

Now as no one claims overflow in Cane river, but some fear overflow of the back lands by Kisatchie water, we see the utter impossibility of Locks in Cane river aggravating the present overflow situation in the least.

The information which my friend gave as reasons for the fear of overflow, seem to me proofs that overflow is not to be feared.

But as stated to Mr. Prudhomme, what we want is a full and impartial examination by the Board of Engineers, and if they determine that it will increase overflow to any considerable extent, we will give it up.

The Bosses Sustained.

After nearly 6 weeks since the Jones vs. Freeman case was argued before the Supreme farce (court) that travesty upon justice handed down a decision sustaining the action of the lower (very low) court.

In the lower court there was an infamous steal of evidence into the record which won the case and covered up the infamous steal of the offices last April, when the thieves had to call in the State Militia to protect them from the fury of outraged white citizens of this parish.

There are in this parish honest Democrats—some having held high judicial position—who are ashamed for their party's sake, of this decision. And the Supreme court itself would not, as it could not, give a reason for its disgraceful decision.

This decision only confirms the belief that our courts are as rottenly partisan as the veriest political caucus, and that it is worse than folly to carry to the courts a case either political or that could be in any way twisted to a political advantage.

Had this belief been as well-grounded 12 months ago as it is now, there would have been a little blood-shed had the thieves stood their ground.

The occupant of the Sheriff's office is a much better man than the dirty schemers who put him in office, and would have long ago given up what did not belong to him, but for the demands of his associates and a party of which he must be ashamed.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the skill and ability with which our lawyers, Messrs. Jack & Fleming, handled the case. Their brief to the Supreme court, which was written by Col. W. H. Jack, is pronounced by all who saw it, a masterly argument and a decisive victory over the pusillanimous slop which was all the able lawyers on the other side could dish up, so weak was their cause.

Probably the country will thrive and prosper, the Democratic party grow in the affections of the people, and their reverence for and obedience to the laws of our country increase under such maladministration, but we fear not.

Only the warring of factions keeps the Republican party from sweeping Louisiana now, and some day an iron hand like Mark Hanna's, backed by unlimited boodle, will take hold of the factions and weld them into a solid phalanx and bear down upon the Democratic party, the pride of whose strength, the sturdy North Louisiana farmer, will not rally to its support, nor will self respecting people soil their garments in its defense.

We are a Democrat in every honest sense of the word, but we can't belong to the party of that name because we would be supporting the scoundrels who dominate it, and there would be no way for the world to distinguish us from them. Many others feel that way, hence the decimated ranks of the Democratic party.

Another pillar and bulwark of the Democratic party has been released from the penitentiary. This time it is L. O. Desforges, the convicted boodler and traducer of his wife's sister. The party can therefore congratulate itself upon at least a temporary growth.

Our neighbor, the Enterprise, came out this week on Allfools' day, which probably accounts for its editorial on the Jones-Freeman case.

Next to the joke of the circus clown is the funny remark of the store keeper that it is too dull to advertise. The first thing that Byron Nugent did when he opened store in Mount Vernon, Illinois, was to contract with the local paper for three columns of advertising space and 25,000 hand bills a week. To-day Nugent is a wealthy merchant, and the men he outstripped in business are there yet. Some have been closed out by the sheriff and others are still waiting for the times to get better so they can advertise in the local paper and have a few "dodgers" printed.—Capital Item.

A serious difficulty occurred last Friday evening between the teacher of the Clarence school, a Mr. Sutton, and one of his pupils, a Mr. Clark, about 18 or 19 years old. The lad, who had been punished about a week previous for some offence, and had vowed revenge, struck the teacher on the back of his head with a desk leg, fracturing, it is thought, his skull.

Mr. Chas. Unter, one of our best business men, leaves Sunday for Kansas City, and thence to New York, where live his parents, brothers and sisters, whom he has not seen since 14 years, when he left them in Germany, a slender youth. He will, of course, buy a new stock of goods while on this trip.

Improvement of Cane River.

The people of Natchitoches just now are in a fervor of excitement over the prospect of having permanent navigation secured for Cane river by means of a system of locks. The cost of the project is said to be only about \$1000 per mile, say \$50,000 for permanent navigation all the year. This is a mere bagatelle in comparison to the benefit it would be to a vast area of rich and fertile country, thickly settled and having large and varied mercantile and agricultural interests. The matter is being urged before Congress, and great hopes are entertained of favorable action. It seems to us, however, that even in the event of the government failing to make an appropriation, the city of Natchitoches could well afford to take the matter in hand and push to completion for the benefit it would be to her own business interests. As Colfax is situated at the mouth of Cane river, an increase in the river traffic would be bound to also add to our commercial importance as a shipping point.—Colfax Chronicle.

Glad that it will help you, neighbor, and glad to have your help in getting it.

An effort is being made by the people of Natchitoches and Cane river valley to secure permanent navigation in that stream by means of a system of locks. The plan is feasible, as the stream is fed by innumerable springs. It would increase the trade of Natchitoches and prove of immense benefit to the planters in that unrivalled fertile valley.—Shreveport Times.

The Louisiana Populist, the able and earnest advocate of industrial development is urging the people of Natchitoches to place locks in Cane river.—Monroe Bulletin.

Thanks, neighbor, help us.

Our neighbor, the People's Demands of Colfax, has improved its appearance very much since it got rid of an old second-hand outfit, which it had used till it could do better.

People's Party National Convention.

We received a lengthy letter from Chairman Butler in which he asked our opinion as to the advisability of calling a national convention of the People's Party for next summer. We replied as follows:

Monroe, La., March 24, '97.

Hon. Marion Butler, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir—As a member of the People's Party National Committee, I heartily endorse the proposition to hold a representative conference or convention this summer at Chattanooga, Tenn.

Our party needs such a re-union. I also heartily endorse your views relative to our papers carrying on an educational campaign on the financial and transportation questions. The convention which I advocate will give a strong impetus to the important movement outlined by you.

I have the honor to remain Yours very truly,
A. A. GUNBY,
Member National People's Party Committee.
—Monroe Bulletin.

There are so few Republicans in Louisiana that the scramble for "pie" is not likely to be very rushing.—Shreveport Journal.

What they lack in putting up a first-class rush will be more than made up by Democrats, who seem to like Republican pie as well as any other.

A man named Hayne living at Campiti has invented a cotton-seed huller which is cheap and can be attached to gins. There's millions in it.—Monroe Bulletin.

The business man who doesn't keep his business before the public is standing in his own light. The way to let people know what you have got and where you keep it, is to advertise in the LOUISIANA POPULIST.



Mr. J. Alphonse Prudhomme was in town Tuesday, and kindly favored us with his views on the Lock question. His knowledge of the country to be affected is extensive, and while he thinks navigation desirable, he fears overflow for back lands on Old river, Kisatchie and its tributary lakes, which contingent we discuss elsewhere.

Mr. J. C. Clark, the Jeweller, has had his front nicely painted, his shop neatly trimmed inside, and his new goods so tastily arranged therein that it is pleasant to look in as you pass.

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Parish of Natchitoches, State of Louisiana, 2nd Justice Court.

By virtue of a writ of F. Fa. issued by W. F. Robertson, Justice of the Peace of the 10th ward, and to me directed, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction at the residence of the said Edmond Hull, in the 10th ward, to the last and highest bidder on

Saturday, April 17th, 1897,

the following movables, to-wit: One Bedstead and 3 Chairs, 2 Mattresses, 3 Quilts and 4 Pillows, 1 Sheet and 1 Washstand, 1 Table, 1 Armchair, and 1 Heating Stove.

Seized as the property of Edmond Hull.
Terms of Sale:
Cash—subject to appraisal.
FRANK VALLEY,
April 2, '97. Constable, ward 10.

W. X. MOSELEY,

SURGEON & PHYSICIAN,

NATCHITOCHES, LA.

Office at CITY HOTEL.

Estray Notice.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Natchitoches.

Estrayed before me, the undersigned authority, by Volme Moreau, living two miles and half from Marco, one Steer, described as follows: About 7 years old, red and white pie, marked swallow-fork and under-bit in the right, and smooth crop and split and under bit in the left. Branded EJS on right hip. Appraised at nine dollars by Louis Rachal and A. O. Moreau, conjointly with the undersigned Justice of the Peace, this 20th day of February, 1897.

W. F. ROBERTSON, J. P.
march 28-8 d.

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