

The Pelican

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We have had the pleasure of a visit from Captain Ernest F. Fellows, of Colonel J. C. Denis's regiment, now forming in New Orleans for the war, who came for the purpose of soliciting one or two companies from this Parish to complete the organization. We learn from him that this fine corps is in a fair state of an early completion.

Of the personnel of several of the field and line officers composing this Regiment, we can state that Colonel Denis is a distinguished Louisianian, well known as a merchant, a citizen and a soldier. He has formed good and lasting acquaintances in our parish, at a time when commerce reigned supreme. Colonel Denis's services in the 10th Louisiana Regiment are well appreciated and form a proud record; his untiring zeal in the promotion of the military organization of his native State is highly commendable and prompt us to pen this short sketch.

Lieut. Col. Hewitt of the 2nd Kentucky regiment who lost his command at Fort Donelson, comes next to Colonel Denis. That well drilled officer was severely wounded during the memorable fight around the Fort, and we see him ready again to face the storm that has not yet ceased to threaten us.

Major A. Phillips is a young and talented lawyer of New Orleans; he has for the past ten years been in the office of Christian Roselius Esq. Major P., in company with the patriotic officers, Captains Fellows, Hewitt and Conrad, has been for the past year in active service in Virginia.

These few names of officers, with whom we are acquainted personally or through the press, are a sufficient proof of the respectability of Col. Denis's Regiment. They are all identified with the great interests that are now at stake, and they know full well that it is our own hands that have to secure for us and our children the blessings of independence. And since all would be lost should we not muster all the energies we possess during this mighty struggle, why then hesitate to respond to the cry of anguish of the country.

Exclusively for Cash—All sorts of goods and things necessary to the sustenance of man are getting every day more and more scarce, not only in this Village but throughout the whole Country. To live it requires money, without which our grocers are deaf to our supplications. Such being the case, we therefore, resolve, from this date, not to publish anything, except notices for successions, or to perform any kind of Job work without the orders be invariably accompanied with the cash. We would prefer, under the circumstances, do little, but have that little remunerated. The Pelican, 'tis true, is doing good business but nearly all upon the books, when in the meantime we are furnishing.

The Town Council of our Corporation has resolved to issue a new series [B] of small notes of the denomination of one dollar, fifty cents, twenty five cents and ten cents, for an amount of \$2,700. The want of change was severely felt and the first issue had proved insufficient. These notes offer ample guaranty, for they are not thrown upon the circulation without a corresponding deposit be made in current money, which is, as it has heretofore been, intrusted into good and safe hands.

The Town of Opelousas has also ordered a new issue for an amount of five thousand dollars.

A PUBLIC OUTRAGE.

In the month of April in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and sixty two and of our Independence the second, men are found in this country that have already inaugurated scenes the most outrageous against the security of our State government. As if the task of driving the enemy from our borders would appear insufficient, it remains also for us to provide against those who at home, are found adverse to the established tribunals. That position is painful and intolerable. We make this declaration: Our situation as a people is such at present not to allow us to deal slightly with public offenses when committed; and those, as in the case of a number of men from a neighboring District on Thursday last, that dare to drive away the officers of our Courts in the exercise of their duties, from the place of their sittings, deserve the severest punishment. Judging by what happened in our town on Thursday last, the only law now recognized is *mob law*. The law of the land no longer exists; the sanctity of its tribunals polluted by an excited crowd. The Court of Assessment for our Parish has suffered a public outrage when in the performance of their public duties and it remains to be known what course our Civil or Military authorities will take to re-establish order and security, two objects without which no society can live.

Confederate States War Tax.—Our readers will probably be interested at finding in the following table the amounts of property assessed in our Parish and the Tax to be paid thereon. We are indebted to our obliging friend, Mr. A. D. Coco for a copy of the same.

Real Est & Im. Val.	\$2,860,255	Tax	14,301 00
234 slaves	8,681 78		18,158 00
Merchandise	86,135		430 67
Cash on hand or on deposit	40,928		204 63
Cattle, horses etc., for sale or hire	9,191		45 95
Gold watches	12,566		62 83
Gold & silver plate	3,146		15 73
Pianos	8,389		41 93
Pleasure Carria.	36,263		181 31
Money at Int.	302,761		1,513 80
Total	\$7,110,404	Tax	\$3,541 49

We find the following in a late Exchange. With whiskers thick upon my face, I wear my fair to face. She told me she could never love a "bear" faced chap like me. I shaved them clean, then called again. And thought my troubles o'er. She laugh outright, and said I was More "bare faced" than before.

A lady at her marriage, requested the organ to give out to be sung by the choir the hymn commencing— "This is the way I long have sought, And inward because I found it not."

A rash young man in this city has threatened to apply the Maine liquor law to his sweet heart, he intoxicates him so.

Police Jury.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH OF AVOUELLES.

On this the 29th day of March A. D. 1862 the Police Jury of the Parish of Avoyelles, met at the Court House in the town of Marksville.

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:

- 1 Ward J. P. J. Aymond,
- 2 " Ludger Barbin, (abs.)
- 3 " Joseph J. Bardelon,
- 4 " L. K. Branch,
- 5 " John Ewell,
- 6 " J. A. Robert Jr.,
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Hon. L. K. Branch in the chair. E. F. Cochrane having resigned his office of Clerk of this body it was resolved that L. H. Couvillion be appointed in his place.

Art. 1st. On motion of M. Robert Jr. Resolved That the Parish Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue bonds signed by the President and countersigned by the Treasurer for the sum of seventy five dollars to any and every man enlisting in the cavalry service of the Confederate States for the period of three years or for the war, said appropriation being in accordance with Resolution No. passed at a former meeting of this body.

Be it further resolved That similar bonds be issued for the sum of forty dollars to any and every man enlisting in the Infantry service of the Confederate States of America for the period of three years or for the war.

On motion of J. J. Bardelon, Art. 2d. Resolved That the account of Mr. Celestin Moulin and Alexandre Monteban amounting to \$650. Dollars be accepted and paid said amount being for the repair of the Bayou du Lac Bridge. Be it further resolved that the Clerk of the Police Jury be authorized to draw warrants for the same of 50 to 75 dollars payable out of the taxes of the year 1862.

Resolved That A. P. Couvillion be

appointed Road overseer in the place of David Mayeux as D. Mayeux has Volunteered and is going to war.

Art. 3d. On motion of Mr. Aymond, Resolved That the account of Charles Gérard for making a plank fence around the Jail be accepted and paid the same being for the sum of \$264 30.

Art. 4 On motion of John Ewell, Resolved that the sum of thirty thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the support of families of Volunteers that may require the aid of the Parish during the absence of any such Volunteer as may be shown by the committee herein after to be appointed.

Be it further resolved that the sum of twelve dollars per month be allowed to the head of each family and three dollars per month for each child or dependant from the age of one to twelve years or to twelve years or to any other person who from old age or infirmity are incapable to support themselves.

Be it further resolved that a committee be appointed in each Police Jury Ward whose duty it shall be after having taken an oath before any Justice of the Peace faithfully to discharge the duties herein imposed upon them which oaths shall be deposited with the parish Treasurer, to ascertain the number of families and members thereof subject to the provisions of this ordinance in their respective Ward and make due return thereof to this body at its next meeting.

Be it further resolved that said Ward committee be hereby authorized to draft on the Parish Treasurer for the amount to which each family is entitled under this ordinance which draft shall be payable to the order of said family and signed by at least two of said committees said drafts shall certify that it is for the support of the family and state the month for which it is given.

Be it further resolved that the Treasurer pay no such draft until each committee file in his office the oath as herein required.

Be it further resolved that said committee be required to report to this body at their each regular sessions the amount they have drawn for on the Treasurer and in whose favour.

Resolved That the following named persons shall be named as a Committee for the 1st Police Jury Ward.

- J. P. J. Aymond, François Bottovy, C. Voorhis and William Compton.
- 2nd Ward—Marcelin Bardelon, Valéry Ledoux, Laste Dozat.
- 3rd Ward—Zénon Mayeux, Martin Rabalais, Bruno Grémillion.
- 4th Ward—W. H. Bassat, C. C. Rush, St. Ville Couvillion.
- 5th Ward—J. P. Frith, J. H. Marshall, John O'Quinn.
- 6th Ward—W. R. Talafierro, J. P. B. Kirk, John Rabalais.
- 7th Ward—H. N. Bordelon, Trévillie Jeanson, J. L. Woods.

Be it further resolved that all laws or part of laws contrary to these resolutions be and they are hereby repealed.

Art. 5. Resolved that the parish treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the account of A. Lafargue amounting to one hundred and nine dollars and fifty cents out of any funds not otherwise appropriated.

Art. 6. On motion of Mr. Robert, Resolved, That a tax of three hundred per cent be levied on the State tax of the year 1861 payable and collectable in the year 1863 and 1864 for the purpose of supporting families of Volunteers who have enlisted or volunteered in the Confederate States service or the service of the State of Louisiana.

Art. 7. On motion of Mr. H. Decur, Resolved, That the Parish Treasurer should be required to issue Parish bonds to the amount of thirty thousand Dollars signed by the President of the Police Jury and countersigned by the Treasurer said bonds to be payable and redeemable out of the taxes of the year 1862 and 1863 bearing eight per cent per annum interest from their maturity for the purpose of the support of Volunteer families.

Be it further resolved that the Treasurer shall issue six thousand dollars quarterly and shall endeavor to negotiate said bonds in the City of New Orleans.

Art. 8 On motion of Mr. Ewell, Resolved, That the families of the volunteers in the State and Confederate service residing within the corporations of the Towns of Marksville and Mansura are not included in parish aid for their support.

Art. 9. On motion of Mr. Ewell, Resolved, That any person who shall cross more than twenty five head of cattle across the Bayou Du Lac bridge at one time shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars, to be collected before any competent court.

Be it further resolved that any person informing against persons violating the above resolution, shall be allowed one half of the fine when collected from parties violating the said resolution.

Art. 10. Resolved, That the committee's time to report on the account of P. P. Normand Sheriff be extended to Sat-

urday 12th April 1862. On motion the Jury adjourned to the 12th day of April 1862.

L. K. BRANCH, President.
L. H. COUVILLION, Secretary Pro tem.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

PARISH OF AVOUELLES.

TOWN OF MANSURA.

7th Meeting.

The Town Council in and for the Town of Mansura, met at the usual place of its sittings, on the 18th day of March 1862.

Were present: J. C. Desfossez, Mayor; C. Dimarguis, L. Drouin, E. Jefferson, S. Siess, Aldermen; V. Prosdame, absent.

Art. 1. Be it Resolved that the Corporation Taxes for the year 1861 be fixed at \$133 50 per cent, upon the State Taxes for the same year; and that the licenses for the year 1862 be fixed as in the following, to wit: For each and every Doctor within the Corporation limits \$ 10 For each and every Dentist 10 For each and every Apothecary 10 For each and every Notary Public 10 For each and every Hotel or Restaurant keeper 10 For each and every Coffee House or Grog Shop 100 For each and every Beer House 50 For each and every billiard table 20 For each and every ten pin alley 10 For each and every Circus or Show 100 For each and every peddler with a four wheel vehicle 50 For each and every peddler with a two wheel vehicle 30 For each and every peddler with a horse 25 For each and every peddler on foot 15 For each and every store keeper 15

Art. 2. Resolved That J. J. Guérineau be accepted to fill the place of P. A. Durand, the present Secretary of this Board (should he leave under the requisition,) until the next regular elections for this Corporation.

Art. 3. Be it further resolved, that the salary of the Treasurer for one year, be paid him [the Treasurer] by the Treasurer of the Corporation from the first money in the Treasury; and that the sum of \$37 25 being a balance for one year's salary due the Constable, be paid him, also, out of the first funds in the Treasury.

Upon motion, the Council adjourned
J. C. DESFOSSEZ, Mayor.
L. H. COUVILLION, Secretary.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE FROM ABOVE.

—Our latest mail news from above is the following, from the Memphis Avalanche of Monday, 31st ult.:

Mississippi River.—We have nothing of importance or interest to communicate from Island No. 10, New Madrid, or Fort Pillow.

Corinth.—We have no news from this locality of any importance since our last issue. We do not believe an attack so near at hand, on the Tennessee river, as we did a few days ago. Buell is loitering on Duck river near Columbia, with his main army.

Jacksonport, Arkansas.—We have nothing late from this military post. We may soon expect to hear of decisive movements in the West. Gen. Jeff. Thompson has gone to his command west of the Mississippi river, and soon the Federals may expect him in their front, center and rear. Celerity will mark his movements west of the Mississippi; all the spades, pecks and axes have been kept for West Point operations east of the "Father of Waters."

Regiment of Volunteers for the War.

Headquarters at New Orleans.

Colonel: J. C. DENIS, late of the 40th Reg. of Louisiana;

Lieut. Col. HEWITT, late of the 2nd Reg. of Kentucky;

Major: A. PHILLIPS, made 1st Campaign in Virginia;

Capt: E. F. FELLOWS, R. M. HEWITT, CONRAD, etc., made 1st campaign in Virginia. The organization of this Regiment will be complete in a few days, and Volunteers from the patriotic Parish of Avoyelles, are earnestly solicited to come and fill the ranks of this Corps of Louisiana's Defenders. Col. Denis expects that his call will be responded to by Avoyelles faithful sons, and that Company parties will, at once, hurry to join him. Under his command, the soldier will find comfort and protection; in all his wants he will be attended to with the most watchful care. Come, rush to the rescue of our sacred soil, polluted by the invasion of a Pandæ; his hand is already at work upon the borders of our fair State.

By order,
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\$25 REWARD!!

Stolen from the subscriber on the night of 30th inst. A certain Bay horse, with black mane & tail man; foretop quite long slightly hump-backed moves stiff other marks if any not remembered.

I will pay the above reward to any one delivering said horse here to me.
S. J. GORTON.
Atchafalaya, La. March 31th 1862.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Parish of Avoyelles.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT.

Succession of Lydia E. Ormann, deceased. WHEREAS, George J. Huly of the parish of Point Coupee, has filed in the clerk office of said Court, a petition praying to be appointed administrator of the above entitled succession,

Now, therefore, all persons interested herein, are hereby notified to show cause, if any they have, within ten days from the publication hereof, why the petitioner's prayer should not be granted.

Clerk's office, Marksville, this 5th day of April, 1862.
L. H. COUVILLION, Clerk.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

The firm of Durand Roguet & Co. is this day dissolved. All persons indebted to the late firm are hereby notified to make no payments, except to the undersigned, who will carry on the liquidation at the same place of business No 12 Carondelet St. New Orleans.

ADOLPHE ROCQUET.
LEOPOLD ROCQUET.
New Orleans, 13th March 1862.
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STATE OF LOUISIANA.

7th Judicial District Court.

Parish of Avoyelles.

Succession of Joseph A. Cocke, deceased. BY virtue of an order of the honorable the Court of the Seventh Judicial District in and for the parish of Avoyelles, State of Louisiana, to the undersigned, administrator of the said succession, will be offered for sale, at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, on

THURSDAY, 10th April 1862.

between the hours of 10 A. M. & 4 P. M. at the residence of Franklin A. Robert, at Bayou Choupique, the following described property:

- 5 mules,
- 1 Gray horse,
- 1 Colt,
- 15 Head horned cattle,
- 62 " hogs,
- 1 Horse wagon,
- 1 Buggy & harness,
- 9 Ball ploughs,
- 1 lot farming utensils
- 572 pounds Bacon,
- 100 " Lard,
- 600 Bushels Corn,
- And various other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS & CONDITIONS.

The Hogs, Bacon and Lard, for CASH. The other property payable on the 1st day of March 1863.

Purchasers to furnish their notes with two good and solvent securities, in solid, to the order and satisfaction of the Administrator bearing interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum after maturity until final payment.

Marksville, March 29th 1862.
ALANSON G. PFARCE, Administrator.

Militia Men Attention!!

The Marksville Militia Company, will, from this date, meet for drilling every Saturday at 2 o'clock P. M. upon the ground in front of the late residence of Masters. Days of Reviews excepted.

By order,
B. A. ROBERTS, Captain M. M. C.

Military Notice.

All Recruits belonging to Company G, 1st Regiment Louisiana Cavalry, will report themselves, ready for departure at Normand's Landing, by 10 o'clock A. M. Monday, the 7th of April next 1862.

By order of
Captain FENELON CANNON, Recruiting Officer.

CAMP MILES,

19th March 1862.

J. MARSH and THOMAS WILLIAMS, having been mustered into the Confederate States Service, are hereby notified that unless they report for duty immediately or forward a reasonable excuse for their absence they will be reported and treated as Deserters.

By order,
B. M. HOONE, Capt. Co. B. Miles Artillery.

H. & L. TAYLOR,

LAWYERS.
Will attend to any business entrusted them in the Seventh and adjoining Districts. Office at Marksville.