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LAKE CHARLES, LA.

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Newspaper Laws and Regulations.

- 1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered wishing to continue their subscriptions.

OUR LOCAL ADS.

We take great pleasure in calling the attention of the public to our advertising columns, feeling satisfied that the mere mention of their names will be a guarantee to our readers that their promises will be fulfilled.

Kaufman & Bloch come forward in a three-quarter column advertisement, which, liberal as it is, prevents them from doing more than merely mentioning the names of their several departments.

Go to M. J. Rosteeff if you desire right treatment; his line of goods is unsurpassed by any, and his clerks put in practice the time-worn aphorism, "showing goods is no trouble."

The Cheap Cash Store of E. Kaiser & Co., still maintain their grip on the affections (or purses) of our country visitors this house, short as has been its stay among us, has, by untiring energy and shrewd business tact succeeded in building up a trade which promises to be as enduring as it is lucrative.

The Drug Store of J. C. Munday, on Ryan street, is too well known to require more than a casual mention; his stock is being constantly replenished with the purest drugs and chemicals; physicians prescriptions receive prompt attention, and (what is more important to country folk) all orders are answered without delay.

If you are going to erect a dwelling, a store, a stable a fence, a anything constructed of lumber, don't forget that O'Brien & Blair are the bosses, and can point to their past work, all over town, which has given satisfaction, and cannot point to a single instance in which they have failed to come to contract.

The Haskell House, W. H. Haskell & Son proprietors, proposes to make you more at home than if you were really there. If they fail, we are authorized to charge double for their advertisement.

King's Restaurant is a pleasant resort for visitors to our town who desire a meal at any hour, and without delay, at a reasonable price.

D. B. Lyons knows exactly where to buy the choicest beef, pork, mutton, etc. Knowing this, his patrons will also know where to purchase the best, as cheap as the cheapest.

Summer, they say, has arrived, but, with the patent refrigerators possessed by Messrs. George, Costello, Kinder and King & Lyons, no one need fear hot weather. A gentleman from Barnes' Creek, noted for his staying qualities when telling the truth, informed us that he took a thermometer in his hand, a dollar in his vest pocket, and the above saloons in rotation, on one of the warmest days we have experienced this year, he drank and walked, and walked and drank, until his breath became frosty, and the thermometer fell into the gutter; the Boys put back forty-five cents in change in his pocket and placed him under a reflector until he got back to temperature. This may be slightly exaggerated, but we feel confident the thirsty population cannot do better than to give the above gentlemen a call.

Just before going to church tomorrow, or to see your girl, drop in at Frank Maise's tonsorial saloon, and we will be answerable to you if the affable Frank does not make you feel and look well.

The professional cards of G. A. Fournet and A. J. Kearney, attorneys at law, and of Dr. J. C. Munday, surgeon and physician, will also be found in our advertising columns, their names are household words throughout our parish and district, and comment is unnecessary.

The U. S. Mail steamer, Ramos, is making regular trips to and from Calcasieu Pass, thus affording travelers a splendid opportunity of visiting our sister parish, with small outlay.

Attention is called to the law card of Hon. Geo. H. Wells, which appears in another column. Mr. Wells is too well known to need any recommendation from us.

Read the advertisement of Jos. Voltz, in another column.

PERSONAL.—Hon. A. J. Kearney, Dist. Atty., and F. A. Gallagher, Esq., are in Opelousas, attending the Supreme Court.

Rev. M. Kelly, will leave next Monday for New Orleans, on business in connection with the Catholic church, he will be absent about ten days.

Hon. S. D. Read and daughter returned, Thursday evening, from a trip in the pine woods.

C. H. Moore, Esq., formerly of Moore & Swinford, of Orange, Texas, now of A. J. Perkins & Co., of Galveston, is in town, he is as full of business as an egg of meat.

A. J. Perkins, Esq., returned, a few days since, from an extended trip in the West, visiting, among other places, St. Louis and Chicago.

Sam Watson, the genial representative of the staunch hardware house of J. S. Brown & Co., of Galveston, is in town.

J. S. Disbrow, Esq., general manufacturer agent, of Galveston, is around among the mill men.

E. Engelke, Esq., from the house of E. Engelke, of Galveston, is at the Haskell House.

O. T. Schindler and lady returned, yesterday, from a short visit to Galveston.

J. A. Kinder and family returned from the Sulphur Mines, where they have been spending some time.

D. H. Lyons, our efficient sheriff, with his young bride, Mrs. M. A. Hayes and Mrs. M. M. Jessen, all from town, are rusticated at the Sulphur Mines.

"An' he lay six long wakes in the hot month of August, an' his only cry was wather, wather." It has been more than six weeks since we had rain enough in this neighborhood to wet the hair on the top of Chihuahua dog's head. In consequence, cisterns are getting nearly, and in some instances entirely, empty; wells are low and afford a scant supply of water. The coulees and marshes, in the prairies, are entirely dry, and every evening the streets of our town are filled with cattle from the prairie coming to the Lake for water. We hear of rain in several sections of the parish, where there is nothing growing to be benefited, but in those neighborhoods where the largest farming interests of our parish lie, there has been no rain to do any good. We fear the crops of our parish, as well as those of our sister parishes, will be very materially damaged, if not, in some instances, entirely lost.

NEW NEWSPAPER.—Mr. John McCormick, of our town, will soon commence the publication of a weekly six column paper, to be called the "Lake Charles Commercial." The press, type and printing office furniture, are new, and Mr. McCormick is an excellent practical printer, of many years experience. We are informed that the initial number of the Commercial will be issued early in July. In the meantime we will be pleased to furnish our new contemporary with the use of our exchanges.

The above highly complimentary notice, written in anticipation of the publication of the COMMERCIAL, is from the pen of the obliging Editor of the Lake Charles Echo. True to his word, he has generously permitted us to glean plentifully from the abundance of his exchanges, and, if we are able to present this week a full sheet of interesting matter to our readers, we owe it largely to his kind assistance.

Read Harris, accused of the murder of Pascal Pajo in the year 1877, and who has been ever since a fugitive from justice, was brought to our town Tuesday morning in charge of the sheriff of Orange County, Texas. We are informed that a requisition had been in the hands of the Texas officials for more than a year and that, if Read Harris had not been arrested before this, it was not from any want of due diligence, either on the part of our State or Parish officials.

We intend to make the COMMERCIAL the live, representative paper of the parish of Calcasieu. Our success will depend a great deal upon the people of the parish. We only ask to be encouraged as we shall deserve. If our course suits you, fellow-citizens, help us by your subscriptions and advertisements, and efforts to get others to subscribe and advertise. Correspondence solicited from all sections of the country, on local or general topics, and particularly on crops.

We had the pleasure of meeting Mr. A. Wahlstab, representing the "W. J. Lemps Brewery" of St. Louis. Mr. Wahlstab has made arrangements to ship a car load of Lemps beer, *o'ice*, to our enterprising townsman, W. C. Fricke. A former shipment made to this place proved to be bad beer, but the next is guaranteed to be O. K.

That most pious, obliging and genial representative of the popular firm of Schmidt & Ziegler, wholesale grocers, New Orleans, is a frequent visitor of our Lake City. We have yet to hear of the first instance where Mr. Belleq has failed to give complete satisfaction to those who favor him with their orders.

RELIGIOUS.—Preaching tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m., and at 8 p. m., at the First Baptist church, by Elder G. R. Scott, of Franklin, La.

In an exchange we find the following paragraph, which is well worthy of consideration:

"No town can get along without the help of the press, and a liberal support of the paper is no charity business, but that which capital invested for a hundred per cent. income. But treat the press poorly, and the result will be the other way, because reading people are not fools; they judge a town and its business men from the paper that goes out therefrom. When people become accustomed to reading a paper it is like a family friend and visitor; they feel a sympathy for and support it, and so do their sympathies and partially extend to the advertisers patrons, while they take it for granted that those who do not support the press do not care for their patrons or support."

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

Items of Interest to All.

The heat has swooped down like the Assyrian upon Senacherib. New York seems a furnace seven times heated, in which the tone and temper of the populace are sorely tried. External influences are terribly infectious, though Grace was granted to patiently await the removal of malarious debris. Yet despite the sanitary condition of streets and atmosphere, the great mercantile Mogul moves its juggernaut of progress ahead as though no prostrate votaries were ground to atoms 'neath the grinding pressure.

Business is unusually active; the streets and stores are alive with novelties of every quality and kind.

HYGIENIC UNDERWEAR.

To begin at the beginning, it speaks much for the progress of the age that certain preliminary garments upon which the health of the wearer depends, are now regarded solely from a sanitary standpoint. The days have gone by in which the human figure was tortured by constrictions because of the false assumptions of style, which should ever be the synonym of comfort.

Mrs. A. Fletcher, No. 6 East 14th street, New York, will send to any lady who desires to have it, a small pamphlet in which the new system of underdressing is so illustrated and elucidated as to put its efficacy beyond all question. She is really a benefactress to her sex, and one of woman's heavy burdens falls to the ground in lifting her intellect to the comprehension of this new order of things, and the great relief occasioned by this simple and effective method of underdressing.

NOVELTIES IN SILKS, &c.

The silks, satins and broadcates on exhibition at the well-known houses of Lord & Taylor, are exquisite in color and combination. The unique designs resulting from an experimental test, are the exclusive property of this reliable firm, and their patterns cannot be procured anywhere else, either in Europe or America.

The garnitures designed to accompany them are of the costliest order, and the fit just simply perfect. This, of course, involves a corset of the best make—light, durable and flexible.

THE CORALINE CORSET.

The enterprising firm of Warner Brothers have recently introduced a new material for boning corsets called "Coraline." Being more pliable than whalebone, it bends more readily with the movements of the body, so that a corset so boned is a real luxury to the wearer. Its principal advantage, however, consists in its durability, as it is impossible for it to break from any ordinary wear in the corset. Ladies accustomed to find nearly every whalebone in their corset broken after a few days' wear, can readily appreciate the advantages of this substitute. It is meeting with a very large sale, and is giving excellent satisfaction, as the writer hereof can attest from personal use.

Sharpless & Sons, of Philadelphia, have inaugurated a new feature in their well-known, reliable and perfectly organized establishment. In connection with their forty departments of dry and fancy goods, and the manufacturing of costumes, wraps and undergarments, they have created a Mail Order Department, and an extensive Purchasing Agency, through which they will furnish, as ordered, every thing necessary for household comfort or personal use. Correspondence is solicited, information given, and price-lists and samples are sent when application is made for them; all communications to Sharpless & Sons must be addressed to 801, 803, 805 and 807 Chestnut street.

The elegant dinner given by Mr. Styles to a dozen gentlemen representing leading food firms of New York, was an event worthy to be chronicled, inasmuch as the bill of fare was made up of edibles prepared entirely after new and improved methods by which the quality of all products, whether of earth, sea or air, is greatly improved, and the cost materially diminished. The meats employed were put up by the St. Louis Beef Canning Company, who comprise in their operations the greatest amount of skill as yet eliminated. Operating as they do from one of the great centres of the American cattle trade, their facilities are unlimited and their exportations immense. The commerce in this form of portable provision is an important source of revenue to the country at large, yet not the less convenient to consumers at home are goods of this brand, because known to every market in the world.

A MUSICAL WONDER.

At No. 831 Broadway we can find the organette, or automatic musical cabinet, which is really one of the wonders of the age. That desirable pleasure in the home or the temple of worship, can be procured without having to employ...

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EVERY NEW SUBSCRIBER

-TO THE-

New Orleans Weekly Democrat,

And every old subscriber renewing, will receive, in addition to the Weekly, two valuable presents—an elegantly illustrated Almanac for 1881, printed on fine tinted paper, full of most interesting reading matter and selections, and illustrated throughout with the finest engravings. The book will be an ornament to any one's parlor table. Also, a work valuable to every farmer and stockman, Dr. Kendall's "Treatise on the Horse"—a most complete exposition of the subject of disease of the horse and their remedies. The work is illustrated with over ONE HUNDRED ENGRAVINGS. This work is considered the most practical and valuable work published on the subject. These will be mailed, postage prepaid, on receipt of subscription.

These books will be furnished only to those whose subscriptions are paid in advance, but every subscriber, whether at full or at club rates, will be entitled to them.

These books are not offered as premiums to induce subscriptions to the WEEKLY DEMOCRAT. It can easily stand upon its own merits as

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The LAKE CHARLES COMMERCIAL and the New Orleans WEEKLY DEMOCRAT will be sent one year, postage prepaid, for the sum of \$3.00, and in addition each subscriber will receive, postage free, the valuable books mentioned, which, from examination, we can vouch for as being fully as valuable and interesting as represented. Send in your money and names, and get the choicest present, for the least money, ever offered.

Hotel Arrivals.

HASKELL HOUSE.—Chas. Miller, C. M. Richard, A. J. Berrier, West Lake Charles; W. H. Cunningham, H. Hampton, T. H. Hampton, Bayne Station; W. R. R. J. C. Zimmer, Vermillionville; G. W. Michale, E. M. Davis, Orange, Texas; J. M. C. Lee, N. O.; W. A. Jenkins, Clinton, Miss.; H. Moore, Galveston; Capt. Ben. Moore, S. Mail Str. Ramos; Capt. W. H. Smith, Esq., A. J. Perkins; E. Thompson, M. Nicholson, Sam Watson, B. Engolke, B. F. Disbrow, Galveston; Frank N. Hamner, N. Y.; L. V. Touhy, City; E. A. Lever, N. O.; G. Roger Scott, Franklin, La.; E. Oren, New Iberia, La.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining unclaimed in the Lake Charles Post Office, June 31, 1881.

Ladies' List.

Ewing, Melissa Mrs. Green, Carrio Mrs. Foreman, Rosalia. Holbrook, M. Z. Mrs. Hollingsworth, A. Virginia. Reeves, Ann Mary Mrs. Reeves, Mary Miss. Seal, Mary Mrs. Winfrey, Liddia Mrs. (Col).

Gentlemen's List.

Anderson, A. Andings, Martin, Barres, W. Blanger, Joe. Batias, Demmonville, Banj, Chas. J. Boettel, J. Ballard, W. L. Bailey, John. Campbell, B. F. Clark, J. W. Cooper, Albert B. Carl, J. B. Coompan, Lucien. Dugas, Galos, Donavan, D. O. Dassinbret, J. Douhaou, D. W. Dobbertin, F. A. Capt. Frue, W. F. Harris, Alfred. Houston John. Hubbins, Louis, Harrington, H. H. Hall, E. Harper, Thos. Ites, H. S. Jackson, Gill, King, I. F. Kirkwood, Wm. Krouse, J. L. Lorie, J. S. Lee, W. S. Lee, Henry, Sander, George, Lassus, G. Moore, F. D. Meda, Jos. Moss, Albright (col), Moadl, Ed. F. More, White Willie, McMannon, D. S. Neal, James F. O'Sullivan, D. Perkins, W. H. Pendleton, T. M. Rigley, J. W. Reeves, B. Richards, E. W. Schindler Charley. Seal James H. Slaydon, E. A. Summers Thomas, Twomey, Wm. Thomas, Jerry, Thompson, J. Thompson, J. A. Thompson, Geo. H. Welch, Albert, Williams, A. Hiram, Williams & Pharr, Wright, W. H. White, J. S.

Parties calling for any of the above letters will please say "Advertised."

W. H. HASKELL, P. M.

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O. I. C.

MILLIONS IN IT—DON'T GRUMBLE! JUST IN TIME TO SAVE MONEY!

At last I have found the right man in the right place for Good and Cheap Work!

If you want any work done in the line of Roofing, Guttering or repairing, or a good assortment of his own manufactured hardware, or any old stove repaired, you go to the JOB, VOLTZ'S Tin Shop, back on Ryan street, between Hill and Pine streets, opposite F. A. Gallagher's residence. Sign of the Big Coffee Pot. July 9, 1881—Jv.

St. Louis Type Foundry,

115 & 117 Pine St., DEALERS IN PRINTING AND WRITING PAPERS, CARDS AND CARD BOARD, TAGS, ENVELOPES, Printing Inks, Bronzes, &c.