

The Bossier Banner.

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BENTON, LOUISIANA,
THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 28, 1900.

Kill That Bill.

A bill for an election to decide upon the removal of the parish site from Benton to Bossier City was introduced in the House by Hon. L. T. Sanders Tuesday. It is to be hoped that the bill will never become a law, and we do not believe it will. It should be promptly killed in the House, and the people of this parish, who have had enough parish site contention for a generation at least, should be spared the trouble and annoyance of another useless and bitter contest. A majority of the people of this parish are opposed to the removal of the parish site, and should the issue be forced upon them, will so express themselves at the ballot box. They are not willing, just for the fun of the thing, to throw away a new and excellent Court House and jail, and bankrupt many citizens, simply for the benefit of a few gentlemen who expect to, or hope to, build up a town for their profit, which must necessarily render others homeless, and wreck them financially. Gentlemen of the General Assembly, kill that bill, which ought never to have been heard of, and let the long-veiled people of this parish have peace once more. Some of us have grown gray in strife over political issues and parish site removal contests, and we feel that we are fairly entitled to own our homes the remainder of our days in peace and security.

There are hindrances to progress in every noble purpose and ambition of life. He that would achieve success and honor; he that would do a good deed or be a good man; he that would mount upward to God, is met at every turn by difficulties and obstacles. It is true that every avenue to honor, usefulness, manliness, is barred, obstructed, while every avenue to dishonor, unmanliness, is wide open. The world is unfriendly to goodness or greatness. Weeds grow naturally—briars and thistles need no care; but wheat and grapes must be cultivated. Ignorance is a natural inheritance; knowledge must be achieved; vice is inherent; virtue must be fostered; this is a universal experience.

The history of the struggle for Southern independence abounds with names of great men who left the imprint of their noble lives upon "the sands of time," and as we read of their heroic deeds and wondrous achievements, our admiration of them is unbounded, and in history and song their immortal names will be handed down to future generations. Indeed, long after the brave and tender spirits of those who have gone before and those who survive them have winged their flight to a better sphere, their names will live on to inspire the present and coming generations to a nobler, higher and better life.

There is no glory in war unless waged for liberty. War is a curse both to the victor and the vanquished. The path to glory lies in bringing blessings, not curses to mankind; and conquest, disguise it as you please, is robbery. It is only the crafty scheming of rulers and exploiters that sets men to fighting one another. They are the only ones who have any interest in wars of conquest and expansion.

The wireless telegraph, the jawless pugilist and the brainless campaign speaker, are fast coming to the front.

Yellow journalism would be more dangerous if it had more sense.

To shirk a manifest responsibility is to incur inevitable suffering.

In everything it is the best that

News Notes.

Heavy rains in Cuba have caused yellow fever to spread. Four Americans were killed and seven wounded in ambush, near Tien Tsin by the Chinese. Count Muravieff, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, expired suddenly at St. Petersburg last Thursday.

After taking 1000 ballots without result, the Democratic congressional convention in session at Newport, Ark., adjourned until yesterday.

Sheng, director of telegraphs, reports that the foreigners in Peking are safe, but that all the legations have been burned, save the British, Austrian and Russian.

Last Thursday the Republican National Convention at Philadelphia nominated William McKinley for President and Theodore Roosevelt for vice President, after which the body adjourned.

The National Committee of the Republican party re-elected Senator Hanna chairman for the next four years, and decided to establish headquarters at Chicago and New York, as in the campaign of 1896.

Chairman Hanna announces the names of the five members of the new executive committee of the Republican party as follows: Henry C. Payne of Wisconsin, Joseph H. Manley of Maine, N. B. Scott, of West Virginia, Harry D. New of Indiana and George T. Shoup of Idaho.

State News.

Land which was bought for seventy-five an acre a few years ago in Calcasieu parish sold last week for \$14 an acre.

Six convicts cut their way out of jail at Amite City Saturday night. Two of them voluntarily returned to jail yesterday.

Six burglars bound and gagged Mrs. Hilda Cole, an aged woman living near the Canal street cemeteries, New Orleans, and robbed her of \$2100.

The Indianapolis News, which was an enthusiastic McKinley paper in 1896, prints a letter from its Havana correspondent in which he says: "The real facts are that the present administration lacks the foresight to discover, the courage to denounce and the ability to bring to justice the real thieves and political parasites, both civil and military, that have disgraced our occupation of the island."

Mansfield Journal: While the legislature has not passed many bills to date, it has done the best thing that could have been done—it has killed a number of the most senseless ones that could have been thought of. A legislator, we take it, is something like an editor, who can at times be best judged, not by what he writes, but by what he does not write.

Atchison Globe: It is a sign of weakness to venomously hate people.

Good Comradeship.

It may have been only a cheerful word, A grasp of the hand in meeting, But if hope revived at the message heard, Or courage came from the greeting, How fine to think of a soul waxed strong, Of a burden lightly growing, Because you happened to come along When life made its dreariest showing! For this is the true good comradeship In the life we live together. That holds to a friend with a firmer grip The rougher the way or weather; That sings to gladden the hearts of all, Till, with the echoes blending, The tranquil shadows of twilight fall, And the road has reached its ending. —St. Louis Republic.

Nothing But Leaves.

Nothing but leaves! The Spirit grieves O'er a wasted life; O'er sins indulged while conscience slept, O'er vows and promises unkept, O'er repining from years of strife— Nothing but leaves. Nothing but leaves! No garnered sheaves Of life's fair ripening grain; We sow our seeds; lo! larvae and weeds— Words, idle words for earnest deeds— Then reap with toil and pain, Nothing but leaves! Ah, who shall thus the Master meet, Bringing back with withered leaves? Ah, who shall at the Saviour's feet, Before the awful judgment seat, Lay down for golden sheaves Nothing but leaves? —LUCIA EVELINA AKERMAN.

Atlanta Constitution: We are going to forgive the Filipinos, and buy their little rifles, if they'll promise to be good hereafter, and say their prayers, and pay taxes.

N. O. Picayune: "A general gossip soon becomes to believe what he says, and he only lasts until a better liar comes along."

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Taken up on Riverside place and estrayed by John Rouse on June 26, 1900, one small sorrel mare and colt branded on left shoulder with letter P. No other mark or brand. Colt looks to be two or three months old. Both appraised at \$12. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property and pay charges, or the same will be sold at Benton, La., on Saturday, August 4, 1900. R. C. STINSON, Justice Peace, Ward 2.

Sheriff's Sale.

Heirs of S. Levy, Jr., vs. Leon M. Carter, Syndic. No. 6634. In District Court, Bossier Parish, La.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale issued in the above entitled suit, and to me directed, I have seized and will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House, in the town of Benton, La., within the legal hours for sale, on Saturday, August 11, 1900, the following described property, to-wit:

That part of section 24, township 19 North, range 14 West, and that part of sections 19 and 20, township 19 North, range 13 West, lying south of an east and west line commencing on the bank of Red River, in section 24, township 19 North, range 14 West, 3 1/4 links north of the quarter section corner between sections 19 and 26, running east through fractional section 24 and sections 19 and 20 to a corner on west bank of Williams Bayou, and containing 378 acres, more or less, as per survey made by C. McClanahan in March, 1887, together with all buildings and improvements thereon.

Terms of Sale—Cash, without the benefit of appraisement, to pay and satisfy the sum of five thousand dollars, with 8 per cent interest per annum from March 1, 1892, and four thousand dollars, with like interest from November 1, 1892, and all costs of suit, including five per cent on said sum and interest as attorney's fees.

A. R. THOMPSON, Sheriff. Benton, La., June 21, 1900.

Application for Administration. Succession of Mrs. Rene S. Welham, deceased.

In District Court, Bossier Parish, La. Notice is hereby given that Joannes Smith has this day filed his application to be appointed administrator of the succession of Mrs. Rene S. Welham, deceased. Now, this is to admonish all persons concerned, that if opposition be not made thereto within the time prescribed by law, the said applicant will be appointed administrator of said succession as prayed for.

Given under my official signature and seal of office, at Benton, La., on this, the 19th day of June, 1900.

B. A. KELLY, Clerk.

Notice

I will be at the Court House after June 1st for the purpose of making corrections and otherwise arranging the assessments for 1900, where all may see me and attend to any matter pertaining to same.

H. H. MONTGOMERY, Assessor.

Ordinances

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOSSIER LEVEE DISTRICT, MAY 24, 1900.

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A TEN MILL TAX ON ALL THE PROPERTY IN BOSSIER LEVEE DISTRICT SUBJECT TO TAXATION FOR LEVEE PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR 1900. Be it Ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the Bossier Levee District in special session convened, That a District Levee Tax of ten (10) mills on the dollar of its assessed valuation be and is hereby levied on all property situated in the Bossier Levee District, subject to taxation for levee purposes, for the year 1900.

An Ordinance Levying a Local Assessment of Five Cents per Acre on every acre of alluvial land within the Bossier Levee District for the year 1900. Be it Ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the Bossier Levee District in special session convened, That a local assessment of five cents per acre on each and every alluvial acre of land within the Bossier Levee District for the year 1900, be, and is hereby levied.

An Ordinance Levying a Local Assessment of \$60 per mile on Railroads within Bossier Levee District for year 1900. Be it Ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the Bossier Levee District in special session convened, That a local assessment of sixty dollars per mile be, and is hereby levied, for the year 1900, on every mile of railroad situated within the Bossier Levee District.

An Ordinance Levying a Special Assessment of Fifty Cents per Bale on each Bale of Cotton raised within the Bossier Levee District for the year 1900. Whereas, The funds to raise from the ten mill District Levee Tax, Five Cents Acreage Tax and Sixty Dollars a Mile Railroad Tax are not sufficient to locate, construct and repair levees, so as to prevent disastrous floods, Be it Resolved and Ordained by the Board of Commissioners of the Bossier Levee District in special session convened, That a Special Assessment of Fifty Cents per Bale be, and is hereby levied on every bale of cotton produced in the Bossier Levee District on land subject to taxation in said District during year 1900.

J. W. JETER, President. T. N. BRADEN, Jr., Secretary. May 31, 1900. June 23

Judgment.

No. 4305. In District Court, Second Judicial District, Bossier parish, La. In this case, by reason of the law and evidence being in favor of plaintiff and against defendant, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed, that there be judgment in favor of Annie E. Middleton against defendant, H. P. Middleton, dissolving the community of acquets and gains heretofore existing between them; a separation of property be and is hereby decreed, and the said Mrs. Annie E. Middleton is entitled to the free administration of her estate, and the enjoyment of all her future earnings and acquisitions, with the right to acquire and hold property for her own exclusive right and benefit.

This done, read and signed in open Court, this April 11, 1900. J. L. WATKINS, District Judge. Judgment filed April 11, 1900. R. B. HILL, Deputy Clerk.

Homestead Entry No. 7457. Department of the Interior, Land Office at Natchitoches, La., May 30, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the District Court, at Benton, La., on July 19, 1900, viz: Homestead Entry No. 7457—Martin Stephens—for the northeast quarter of southwest quarter and northwest quarter of southeast quarter of section 9, township 20 North, range 12 West, Louisiana Meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Louis Moore, Robert Stewart and Robert Jennings, of Alden Bridge P. O., La., and Robert Payne, of Midway P. O., La. J. ERNEST BREDA, Register, June 7, 1900.

Syndic's Sale. S. J. Zeigler vs. No. 4067. 1st Judicial District, Parish of Caddo.

By virtue of a writ of sale issued by said Honorable Court, I will sell at public auction, on Saturday, the 7th day of July, A. D., 1900, at the principal front door of the Court House, in Benton, La., between the usual hours of sale, the following described property situated in the Parish of Bossier, surrendered by S. J. Zeigler to his creditors, viz: Lots 15, 28 and 29, Stockwell Subdivision, Bossier City.

All the right, title and interest of said creditors as assignees of S. J. Zeigler in the town of Benton.

An undivided half-interest in the east half of section 7, township 23, range 13.

Terms of Sale—Cash, without the benefit of appraisement.

LEON M. CARTER, Syndic of Creditors of S. J. Zeigler.

Sheriff's Sale. Joannes Smith vs. No. 4325. In Second District Court, Bossier Parish, La.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale issued in the above entitled suit, and to me directed, I have seized and will proceed to sell, at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House, in the town of Benton, La., on Saturday, July 21, 1900, the following described property, to-wit: West fractional half of west fractional half of section 34, and east half of northwest fractional quarter of section 34, township 22 North of range 14 West, containing 193 acres, more or less, situated in the Parish of Bossier.

Terms of Sale—Cash, without the benefit of appraisement, to pay and satisfy the sum of \$200, with 8 per cent per annum interest thereon from the 1st day of June, 1899, and all costs of suit, including 5 per cent on said sum and interest as attorney's fees.

A. R. THOMPSON, Sheriff. Benton, La., June 14, 1900.

Stray Sale.

Taken by L. C. Biggs and estrayed before W. M. Vickers, Justice of the Peace, ward 6, Bossier parish, La., and will be sold at Bellevue, La., within the legal hours of sale, on Saturday, June 30, 1900, one roan and white pony, roached mane; branded on left shoulder; 13 hands high. Appraised at \$15.

The owner is requested to come forward, prove property and pay charges, or the same will be sold according to law.

W. M. MORROW, Constable.

Homestead Entries.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Natchitoches, La., May 31, 1900.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Clerk of the District Court, at Benton, La., on July 19, 1900, viz: Homestead Entry No. 6598—Cicero Alford—for the northwest quarter of section 34, township 20 North, range 11 West, Louisiana Meridian.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joannes Smith and A. R. Thompson, of Benton P. O., La.; Dave Grandison and Frank Davidson, of Bellevue, La.

Viz: Homestead Entry No. 6124—Mary S. Miller, widow of Robert L. Miller, deceased—for the northeast quarter of section 32, township 20 North, range 12 West Louisiana Meridian.

She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: J. G. Curry and C. I. Crouch, of Linton P. O., La.; W. S. Clark, of Benton P. O., La.; H. W. Vaughan, of Midway P. O., La. J. ERNEST BREDA, Register. June 7, 1900. July 19

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Estrayed before J. C. Bell, Justice of Peace, ward 1, by G. P. Bishop, and will be sold at Magenta, Louisiana, within the legal hours for sales, on Saturday, the 16th day of June, 1900, one black mare, about 13 hands high; right forefoot and left hindfoot white; blaze in face extending from above the eyes to the top of the nose; without mark or brand; about three years old; unbroken. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property and pay charges, or the same will be sold according to law. H. T. CAHILL, Constable.

\$20 Reward.

A reward of \$20 will be paid for the capture and delivery to me of Jim Porter, white, sentenced in District Court, May 17, 1900, to work the public roads for six months. Age 19 years, weight 175 pounds, blue eyes, has rough warty hands and a scar on right forefinger, and wears a number 9 shoe.

R. M. MILLER, Road Commissioner, First District.

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