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LOCAL NEWS.

Coast Time-Table L. & N. R.R.

Until further notice passenger trains o the L. and N. railroad will arrive an depart as follows, running by standar time, which is the same as New Orlean time:

GOING EAST.

No. 4—Leaving New Orleans at 7:45 a.m. Arrives at Bay St. Louis, 9:50 a.m; Pass Christian, 10:07; Mississippi City, 10:33; Biloxi, 10:51; Ocean Springs, 11:00 a.m.; Scranton, 11:32 a.m.; Grand Bay, 12:09; Mobile 1:05 p.m.

No. 2—Leaving New Orleans at 8:25 p.m. Arrives at Bay St. Louis, 10:15 p. m; Pass Christian, 10:32 p. m; Biloxi, 11:15 p.m; Ocean Springs, 11:23 p.m; Scranton, 11:54 p.m; Mobile, 1:10 p.m.

GOING WEST.

No. 3—Fast Line Mail leaves Mobile at 9:45 a.m. Arrives at Scranton 3:50 a.m. Biloxi 4:35, Pass Christian 5:16.. Bay St. Louis 5:27, New Orleans 7:20.

No. 1—Leaving Mobile at 2:25 p.m. Arrives at Scranton, 3:50; Ocean Springs, 4:21; Biloxi, 4:30; Mississippi City, 4:34; Pass Christian, 5:13; Bay St. Louis, 5:25; New Orleans, 7:30 p.m.

H. G. DEMPY, Station Agt.

Local Notices 10 Cents a Line for Each Insertion.

—The mullet are fat and fine.

—The ducks are coming soon.

—The health of Scranton is good.

—The ship yards still have work for many hands.

—The free school opened Monday with a good attendance.

—Look out for the safe breakers. They are on their grand rounds.

—Mr. E. L. Silva, of New Orleans, was in Scranton yesterday.

—Miss Addie Clark, of this town, is teaching school at Three Rivers, in this county.

—The weather is warm with prospects of rain, which is very much needed.

—If you have anything to sell advertise it in the DEMOCRAT-STAR.

—Go to Jordy's Cheap Cash Store, in Scranton, Miss., if you want to get goods cheap.

—Mr. Thos. Jeffrey left this week for Algiers, La., his future home. We wish Tom success.

—Miss Jennie Clark, of this place, is engaged in teaching the public school at Orange Grove.

—Rev. J. W. Tinnin will preach at Zion Sunday at 11 o'clock, a. m., at Three Rivers at 3 o'clock, p. m.

—The Cheap Cash Store is the one that puts prices down and keeps them down, "and don't you forget it."

—Tuesday was a very quiet and *dry* day in Scranton. The managers of the election drank plain water. It is a fact!

—Elder O D. Bowen will preach Sunday in Scranton at 11 o'clock, a.m., and at Moss Point at 6:30 o'clock, p. m.

—Keep up the Cheap Cash Store in Scranton, and it will keep goods down to a living price, to suit the hard times.

—Jordy sells new green shoulders 6 and 6½ cents per lb; new green sides 7½ and 8 cents per lb; bacon sides 8½ cents per pound.

—We received a pleasant call Tuesday from our old-time friend, Mr. W. H. Smith, of Escatawpa. He was looking as cheerful and joyous as of yore.

—If you want nice, fresh soda crackers, ginger snaps, jumbles, or extra choice creamery butter, the Cheap Cash Store is the place for it.

—Tuesday was All Souls' Day, a feast or solemnity held by the Catholic Church to supplicate for the souls of the faithful deceased.

—Mr. Ed. B. Bragg, who has been at Ship Island Hospital all summer has returned to his home at Moss Point. He gave us a pleasant call Monday.

—At Jordy's Cheap Cash Store you can get good XXX family flour at $3.85 per barrel; choice roller process and roller patent white flour at $4.65 and $4.75 per barrel; extra fancy patent (first grade of flour made) at $5.50 per barrel.

—Remember at the Cheap Cash Store you can not only get groceries cheap, but hardware, tin and woodenware, crockery, glassware, notions, stoves, rope, paint, etc. All they have in stock is sold as cheap as in the city. Try it and you will see.

—The third lecture entertainment in the regular academy course will be given at the Academy Hall to-night at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. Thos. R. Markham, D. D., of New Orleans will deliver an address. Also, declamations, recitations and music by the students. The public cordially invited to attend.

SLANG.

The habit of using slang has grown to such an extent that it necessitates a new dictionary that is, if we expect to understand all that is being said to us. One not being familiar with the popular slang of the present day, would feel rather mystified to receive in reply to a civil question, "You bet your sweet life." And what are we to understand when we are told that a young man is a regular "masher," and a young lady is a "Jim Dandy," and we hear many other expressions that are equally as enigmatic to the unitiated. We don't condemn all slang, for such expressions fit so nicely that we wonder how we ever did without them. But there is danger of the English language being greatly marred by too free a use of slang, and it is better to discourage the use of it all together than to run that risk. For no well informed person can be at any loss, with the genuine words of the English language, to express all legitimate ideas and feelings, and to use profane language, or too much slang is an indication of low tastes an inferior understanding. A direct, pure manly use of our native language is an object all may cultivate in a greater or less degree, and it should be studied as an art.

Style in conversation is as important, and as capable of cultivation as style in writing. The manner of saying things is what gives them their value. "Speak little and well if you wish to be considered as possessing merit," is a good adage. Some persons render their conversation very tiresome by saying all that can be said on the subject, and others by a great multitude of words. But none is comparable to the deliberate talker who proceeds with much thought and caution, makes his preface, branches out into several degressions, finds a hint that puts him in mind of another story which he promises to tell when he is done, comes back regularly to the subject, cannot recall a name, holding his head, complains of his memory; the company all this time is kept in suspense. We ask to be delivered from coming in contact with such persons. Listening to any amount of slang is preferable. Some persons take such extreme pleasure in talking about themselves that they don't realize that it is excrutiating to the listener. Colton says: "When we are in company of sensible persons, we should be doubly cautious of talking too much, less we lose two good things, their good opinion, and our own improvement, for what we have to say we know, but what they have to say we know not."

—Buggies, wagons, carriages, phaetons, harness and saddlery at the lowest prices ever offered in the South for sale by F. A. Hodges & Co., Mobile, Ala.

—Dr. E. F. Griffin, quarantine physician, gave us a call Tuesday. He was looking as robust and healthy as ever. It is healthy out about Round Island. Quarantine restrictions have been removed against Ship Island.

—Mr. W. A. Henslee was elected last Sunday Superintendent of the Baptist Sunday School, vice Mrs. P. K. Mayers, resigned.

—We met Mayor J. A. Bousquet, of Biloxi, Wednesday at Noy's Hotel. He denies running away from Biloxi, but was called to New Orleans on important private business and took the last train from Biloxi before quarantine was declared against the place. He expects to return to Biloxi in a few days and set himself right before his people.

—Monday was All Saints' Day, which was celebrated by our Catholic citizens. It is also called All Hallows; a feast in honor of all saints. It is the greatest feast of the year. In the afternoon many visited the different cemeteries to view the decorations, which adorn the graves on All Saints' Day. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

—We received a very pleasant visit Tuesday from Mr. A. Mercier, senior of the popular firm of D. Mercier's Sons, of New Orleans. Mr. Mercier has his young sisters at school in the Catholic convent here. He expressed himself well pleased with the school and the healthfulness of the place. He enjoyed his visit very much, and we hope he will come again.

—Master Eddie Blake has returned home not looking as robust as usual. He has been engaged in the telegraph office at Bayou Lasale, La. He contemplates going to Bowling Green, Kentucky in a few days.

THE STAR LIVERY STABLES.

The Star Livery Stables of Mr. B. F. Pickett, is one of the land marks of Scranton, and it is a noticeable fact they are now being fitted up, cleaned, whitewashed and otherwise put in order as though no financial depression had ever been felt in our community. Through all the financial vicissitudes of the past seventeen years the Star Livery Stables have never varied in price, except in conformity with surrounding circumstances, and these prices have always been uniform without respect to persons. Good horses, nice comfortable buggies, neat and clean offices, warmed by stove in winter, prompt attention night and day, characterize the Star Livery Stables. Mr. Pickett has now, in connection with his stables a nice glass enclosed hearse, as nice as can be had in any country town, which he has fitted up so that our people may enjoy the luxury of a decent burial. With these reflections it must be seen that this institution is a public benefit, and deserves the support of the citizens.

For the Democrat-Star.

SEINES AND NETS.

Mr. Editor: We live in a country whose natural product is that of fish and oysters, and the reputation we sustain for producing the best the market affords is one that must be sustained. To sustain this reputation, and at the same time not to overdraw our account in this great and strongest of banks, requires something more than ordinary study. As simple as it may seem, there is a problem of economy to solve, and that is, how are we to obtain the marketable fish without this wholesale destruction of the smaller tribe? Some would say do away with the gill net, (that seems to be the idea of our legislators) others, do away with the seine, but I believe none have yet had the audacity to attack the cast net, because they know too well what that would amount to on the gulf coast, where no man could expect to support a large family without one, and where no man ought to be allowed to marry until he knows how to throw the same. The destructiveness depends entirely upon the size of the meshes. A seine with a three-quarter mesh, of course will catch smaller fish than one with a mesh of an inch and quarter, which is the usual size of the gill net, while three-quarter inches is the usual size of the mesh of the seine. Now, if any one will make a short calculation he will see which will catch the most small and unmarketable fish, thereby destroying the stock fish. I contend that the catch of the large ones is an economy in the raising of fish, for, as every one knows there is no greater cannibals than the large fish, for every large one will eat as many small ones in a day as would feed a Diego or Creole for a week. There is a seine, however, that should be entirely done away with, and that is the shrimp seine. There is seldom a haul made with one of these that does not destroy a half barrel of small fish. Now count, there is in the shrimp season about forty shrimp seines running here on the coast, and each one will make six hauls a day, which will make the nice little total of one hundred and twenty barrels of young fish per day, which are of no earthly use for the market. Will the fishermen stop and consider. OBSERVER.

Scranton, Nov 3, 1886.

WHAT THE NEW REGISTRATION SHOWS.—The new registration of Jackson county, shows that we have a total of 1,607 votes, and as it may interest some to know the relative votes of the different beats we will enumerate them: Beat 1, 128 votes; Beat 2, 109; Beat 3, 939; Beat 4, 357; Beat 5, 74. From these figures it will be seen that the member of the Board of Supervisors from Beat 3 represents 271 more voters than half the county. This is a terrible inequality, and is one that even goes beyond our representation in our county legislature, it goes into our political conventions as well. At some other time we will try and give the amount of taxes paid by each beat. There is 431 white majority in the county.

Drink Keystone Rye Whiskey, a pure, unadulterated whiskey, free from headaches. Only $1.50 per gallon. Also Freeport Rye, four years old, the best $2 whiskey in the United States. Sold only by Craft & Co., 75 and 77 Dauphin street, Mobile, Ala., sole agents.

—Julius, eldest son of Mr. George Frentz, accidentally shot himself Tuesday last. He was carrying a pistol in his pocket, and from some unknown cause, it went off, the ball just penetrating the fleshy part of his right thigh. Dr. W. A. Cox cut the ball out, and Julius is doing well. Boys should be careful how they handle firearms.

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New Prospect Camp Meeting.

Correspondent Democrat-Star.

Mr. Editor: This meeting commenced on Friday, October 22 1886, and closed on Tuesday following.

The meeting, in some respects was a very good one, although not as successful as some others which have been held at this Camp Ground. The attendance was not as full as formerly, occasioned by the sickness, which has been very extensive this year; besides some reports of yellow fever on the railroad had their effect in preventing some from attending.

The good order preserved without police can hardly be excelled. Not a single insance of disorder occurred. The singing was excellent, led by persons skilled in vocal music.

I think every one was satisfied with the pulpit and altar ministrations, except perhaps a few of the preachers themselves, who were haunted with the phantom, *failure*.

There were present twelve preachers and two exhorters. An unascertained number were converted and nine accessions.

It was a season of joyous communion of Christians, and a means by which a considerable number, both in and out of the church, heard the gospel preached for the first time in a year. This, however, is no commendation of camp meetings over ordinary means of grace, and certainly none of slack twisted professors and other neglectors, who wait for the annual convocation of the saints to be *quickened* and *warmed* up.

The fact is, there is too much dependence placed in camp meetings, to the neglect and failure to improve the God-appointed means of "spreading scriptural holiness through these lands." They are good in their place, but ought not, in the estimation of any, supercede the usual methods employed for the general good of the people, morally and spiritually.

Those noble hearted men and women, who spread their tables so bountifully for the free entertainment of all, present instances of great generosity as well as great purpose to accomplish good, but the strain is too heavy on so few. There ought to be many more of these or else relinquish the old system and adopt the new, which is far better—the self-sustaining plan. THOMAS PRICE.

[Official.]

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN.

TOWN OF SCRANTON.

Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session on the 2d inst. There were present Aldermen Nix, Allman and Goelzer. Alderman Huggins and Mayor Thompson were absent.

The mayor being absent Alderman Nix occupied the Chair.

The marshal's bond with the additional signature of Mrs. A Mansfield was approved.

Upon examination the petition of C. M. Cruzat to retail vinous and spiritous liquors was correct according to law and his bond was sufficient it was ordered that license be granted him.

Bill of Messrs. Mead Bros for 169 feet lumber for repairing bridges allowed and ordered paid. For hauling same 50 cents, allowed and ordered paid.

Bill of Chas Hudson for hauling four loads shells ($2.47) allowed and ordered paid.

Town marshal for feeding two prisoners one day 60 cents, allowed and ordered paid.

The salary of the Town marshal, $25, was allowed and ordered paid.

It was ordered that S. R. Thompson B. J. Jane be required to give new bondmen in place D. Mansfield, deceased.

Street commissioners in the matter of a petition of B. F. Pickett for the drainage of streets and lots ask for further time.

Alderman Allman was authorized to procure a blank for copying town ordinances.

There being no further business the board adjourned until next regular meeting. W. H. NIX, Mayor, pro tem.

A. GOELZER, Secretary.

MARRIED.

On Saturday, October 16, 1886, at 8 o'clock p.m., at the pastoral residence of St. Vincent's Church, by the Rev. Father O'Callaghan, Mr. BENJAMIN BARLOW and Miss VICTORIA BARNEY, all of Mobile No cards.—*Mobile Register.*

MARINE.

OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRAT-STAR, PASCAGOULA, Nov. 5, 1886.

Report for the week ending Nov. 5th.

ARRIVED.

Brbk Rosa Bonheur, Williams, 1391 tons from Colon to Hunter, 1st inst.

CLEARANCES.

Am sch W W Hungerford, Arey, 77 tons for Key West by master with 128,000 feet lumber, 28th ult.

Am sch Gov. Lowry, Davis, 39 tons for Key West by Irving with 41,000 feet lumber, 29th ult.

Am sch Margarethe, Kuckens, 42 tons for Key West by Dantzler with 42,056 feet lumber, 1st inst.

Am sch Rollin Sanfork, Davies, 93 tons for Key West by Dantzler with 110,818 feet lumber, 3d inst

Am sch May Flower, 12 tons for Key West by master with 10,000 feet lumber, 4th inst.

For Sale.

The "EDNA FARM," three-quarters of a mile from Scranton, on the Telephone road, containing 12 acres, dwelling house with six rooms, carriage house, stables and other necessary buildings Good water with abundant fruit, such as Grapes, Figs, Pears and Peaches. In splendid condition for Truck farming, etc. Also two other desirable residences. Terms reasonable. Apply to

R. P. BLALACK, Scranton, Miss.

August 20, 1886. 25-tf

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LAND NOTICE.

LAND OFFICE AT JACKSON, MISS., October 1, 1886.

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 the Judge or in his absence the Clerk of circuit court of Jackson county, at Scranton, Miss., on November 20, 1886, viz: McGrigor Bang, homestead No. 11074 for the west hf southwest qr, section 27, and northeast qr, northeast qr, section 33, and northwest qr northwest qr, section 34, township 5, south range 7 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Edmond Taylor, Jacob Overstreet, John Dollese and George Williams, all of Vanclerave P. O., Jackson county, Miss.

JAS. D. STEWART, Register.

October 1, 1886. 31-6t