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NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For President:
GROVER CLEVELAND,
of New York.
For Vice President:
ALLEN G. THURMAN,
of Ohio.

Kuete Nelson, a Minnesota Republican, voted for the Mills bill.

Sickness will prevent any of the MERIDIONAL corps of attending the convention of Northern men to be held in New Orleans on the 7th instant.

An artesian well is being bored in Galveston which is supposed will, when finished, yield from 400,000 to 500,000 gallons of water daily, the contractor to receive \$80,000 for the work when completed.

Arrangements have been made in New Orleans for the reception of the Archbishop elect Janssens. The committee of reception are to meet him at Convent station, fifty miles above the city, on the Mississippi Valley Route, and then escort him to New Orleans.

We received this week the first number of the "South Western Lumber World," published at New Orleans, in the interest of manufacturing industries and the trade of the Southwest generally. It is a well edited and neatly printed journal, and will, no doubt, prove a valuable enterprise to the interests of the Southwest. It is published monthly at \$1 per year.

An immigration movement was recently inaugurated at Houma, and the prospects of raising the necessary funds to defray the immediate expenses are said to be beyond a doubt. Vermilion parish is quiet on this subject, at least from all appearances. We have good lands and plenty of them, but unfortunately we have no railroad to this place, which makes travel and freight expensive compared to other sections.

The steamer Edward J. Gay, which was recently destroyed by fire at New Orleans, is said to have been worth in the neighborhood of \$100,000, but was insured for only \$25,000. Thus another one of our floating palaces has passed away. Those on board barely escaped with their lives. The *Picayune* truthfully remarks: "There are only left a few of the great pilots and river mariners of the olden time. The day will soon come, apparently, when there will not be a man in the land who ever stood on the deck or bossed the crew of the floating river palace."

We are pleased to notice that Attorney General Rogers is making a rigid investigation of the irregularities by which act No. 69, of 1888, better known as the "concert saloon act," was tampered with to the interest of the concert saloons. This is as it should be, for if the law-making powers of the State are subject to the whims and wiles of a few petty enrolling clerks, we may as well repudiate the idea of popular government and the form of a constitution. This incident smacks so strongly of the "ways that are dark and vain," which were such striking features of radical rule in this State, that it can not pass unchallenged. The *Times-Democrat* is informed that the law will be enforced as it was passed by the legislature, without any reference to the sections omitted by the enrolling clerk. This certainly is the only honest course to pursue.

Vermilion Parish.

The crops of this parish at present most generally cultivated are sugar cane, cotton, rice, broom corn, tobacco, sorghum, grass, corn, oats, sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes, peas, etc. All these grow well, and besides these many other crops will no doubt do well, when once tried. These crops are easily cultivated and yield a fair return, and profit to the farmer for his care and toil. Sugar cane will yield, on new land, from one and a half to two and a half and even three hogheads of sugar per acre, according to the season. This sugar will bring in the market from \$40 to \$50 per hoghead, according to price and quality; besides the sugar there will be about four barrels of molasses, worth from \$12 to \$15 per barrel, made on the same acre. Twenty dollars per hoghead will be about the cost of making up, shipping and selling the crop. Cotton is more of an uncertain crop here, and varies from one half a bale to one bale per acre, worth from \$40 to \$50 per bale, according to the market fluctuations. Rice is profitable. The crop is easily raised, and produces from fifteen to twenty barrels per acre, in the rough, and worth about \$3.50 per barrel, besides the straw which makes excellent forage for cattle in winter. Broom corn is a profitable crop, and grows finely here. A man who understands the business would do well to raise broom corn and make it up into brooms.

Tobacco does well here, and the fine Cuba or Havana may be produced in this parish, by renewing the Havana seed each year. One great desideratum of this region is the want of a more tender and nutritious grass, like the red clover of the Northern and Middle States. Our native grasses are as good as the South affords, but for fine stock and dairy purposes, they are not what is required. The white clover has been tried and grows well here. All the other crops mentioned above do well and are grown profitably here.

Among the fruits that flourish here may be mentioned the peach, pear, plum, and a few varieties of apples. Of sub-tropical fruits, the orange, fig, banana and pomegranate do well. The mesquite and the almond also do well. All the varieties of grapes flourish. Strawberries, blackberries, dewberries are fine. The walnut, hickory nuts, pecan, almond, hazelnut, chestnut and chinquapin also grow to perfection. The cultivation of any of these fruits and nuts, on a large scale, could not fail to be profitable. We can see no reason why, with proper skill, all the finer qualities of grapes could not be grown here to perfection, and wines made from them of as fine a quality as those of Italy, Greece or Spain. The Southern grape contains more sugar and makes a stronger wine than the Northern grape.

Dairing might be made a very pleasant and profitable business, in the neighborhood of all the principal towns. With good cows and meadows, with an abundance of turnips and sugar cane, to feed on during the fall and winter, together with the high price of butter at home, a handsome profit would be the result.

Hedges are the proper thing for a prairie country, and many farmers in this parish are planting hedges of the osage-orange, chickasaw rose and pyracantha, all of which do well. A good osage orange hedge will, after a few years, furnish the farmer with an abundance of fuel, of the very best kind. Fences are made generally of either plank or pieux. Everybody knows what a plank or board fence is. A pieux

fence is what in some countries is called a post and rail fence. Pieux are broad strips or rail of cypress, about eight to twelve inches wide and one inch to one and a half inches thick, and nine feet long. Some of the heart timber is split out narrower and thicker, which serves for the posts.

The Crowley Signal indulges in some uncalled for abuse of Senator Avery, whom he accuses, among other things, of having "strove hard and long to nuseat C. C. Dusen, purely because he was a McEnery supporter." Senator Avery may have made mistakes, but we know his opposition to seating Dusen was based on the belief that he was not honestly elected. We of the third congressional district think sufficiently well of his statesmanship to favor his election to congress this fall.

We are pleased to learn that the police jury of Acadia parish, at its last meeting, accepted the report of the road committee tracing a road from Crowley to Bayou Queue Tortue, at Jacob Hays' ground bridge, where they have located the bridge. A committee will soon be appointed by our police jury to trace a road from the public road leading to Abbeville to Hayes' bridge, thus giving direct communication between here and Crowley.

From the Crowley Signal we learn that Major J. J. Hannan, who has the contract for building eighteen hundred feet of trestle work over Bayou Plaquemine, entertains friends and visitors right royally at his camp. The police jury of Acadia, at its last meeting, gave him a vote of thanks for the prompt and satisfactory manner in which he executed his contract for building the courthouse.

Our talented young friend, Arthur M. Escudier, former editor of the *Iberia Farmer*, has a fine article on the "Creoles," in the last issue of the *St. Bernard Progress*, written in his usual trenchant style.

Prescription of Accounts.

Act No. 78 of the late session amends article 3538 of the Civil Code, so that it will read:

The following actions are prescribed by three years:

That for arrears of rent charge, annuities, alimony, or the hire of movables and immovables.

That for the payment of money lent. That for salaries of overseers, clerks, secretaries, and of teachers of the sciences, who give lessons by the year or quarter.

That of physicians, surgeons and apothecaries for visits, operations and medicines.

That of parish recorders, sheriffs, clerks and attorneys for their fees and emoluments.

That on the accounts of merchants, whether selling for wholesale or retail.

That on the accounts of retailers of provisions, and that of retailers of liquors, who do not sell ardent spirits in less quantities than a quart.

That on all other accounts.

This prescription only ceases from the time there has been an account acknowledged in writing, a note or bond given, or an action commenced.—City Item.

When such prominent personages as Rev. Dr. Cuyler, of Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church; Rev. Dr. Lyman Albert, of Plymouth Church; Rev. Dr. Storrs, of the Church of the Pilgrims, and ex-Mayor Low, all of New York, besides many other leading Republicans, desert the standard of Radicalism, it seems a strong argument in favor of the present administration.—Donaldsonville Chief.

The disappearance of the small-pox epidemic has been officially announced at Havana, St. Jago de Cuba and Cienfuegos, whilst several new cases have been reported from Matanzas and Manzanilla.

Oriental combinations of color are in vogue.

A Beautiful Seal Skin Cloak

Is a becoming garment to a lady. If she has an elastic step, an air of grace and modesty, and the glow of health on her cheek, she will always command admiration. Without these, no woman can appear to advantage. With sickly countenance, painful gait, and listless air, she is an object of pity. How many American women daily drag out a wretched existence, ignorant of the blessing of perfect health! All her weakness can be cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, the great specific for prolapsus, leucorrhoea, ulceration and unnatural discharges. The only medicine sold by druggists, under a positive guarantee of giving satisfaction, or money refunded. Read guarantee printed on its wrapper.

Dr. Pierce's Pellets, or Anti-bilious Granules; in vials, 25 cents; one a dose.

After all, what does a man live for if it is not for his family. A million dollars would not buy his weakest and most helpless child. Shall he not consider what their destiny is to be after he is dead and gone? Who is to take care of them when he ceases to labor, or who will help them to ready money so they may get a start at helping themselves? A benefit certificate in the Knights of Honor helps, and helps at the right time, too.

The copper mines of San Fernando and Santa Rosa Company at Santa Clara seem to be progressing; after suffering so many disappointments and overcoming many obstacles, the mines are now in a fair way of production and several lots of copper in bars have already been remitted to Cienfuegos and thence will be shipped to the United States.

Laziness travels so slow that Poverty soon overtakes him.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Twenty-fifth Judicial District Court.
Parish of Vermilion.
No. 214.
Parker Foreman
vs.
Edward Foreman et al.

To Edward Foreman, Benjamin Foreman, Volney Foreman, Elmina Foreman, widow of Athanas Meaux, Louisa Foreman and her husband Erasmus Perry, Lucinda Foreman, Henry Foreman, Asa Foreman, Jr., Celestine Foreman and Susan Spell, of the parish of Vermilion, Asa Foreman of the parish of Iberia, Isaac Foreman of the parish of Lafayette, and Parker Foreman, Jr., of the parish of Calcasieu.

You and each of you are hereby notified that the plaintiff in the above entitled and numbered case will proceed, either in open court or at chambers, at Abbeville, La., on Tuesday, September 25, 1888, at 10 o'clock a. m., to revive and re-establish the title and sale under private signature duly authenticated and recorded in the year 1881, by which he acquired the interests of the aforesaid parties in and to the following described lands, to wit:—The Southeast quarter and the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, of section six, in township eleven, south of range three east, containing one hundred and ninety-four 85-100 acres, as per official survey; at which time and place you will be present if you see proper. SMEDS & WHITE, Attys for Plaintiff. Abbeville, La., August 4, 1888.

NOTICE.

Land Office at New Orleans, La. July 30, 1888.
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 the District Court, at Abbeville, La., on Saturday, September 22, 1888, viz: Paul Lapointe, who made Home Entry No. 725, for the E 1/4 of Sec. 10, T. 11, S. 2 E. 2.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Stafford Morgan, Alexandre Abshire, Jules Campbell, Thos. I. Hoffpauir, all of Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.
THOMAS J. BUTLER, Register. August 4, 1888.

NOTICE.

Land Office at New Orleans, La. July 24, 1888.
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 the District Court, at Abbeville, La., on Saturday, September 8, 1888, viz: Demas Leblanc, for the Heirs of Jules Leblanc, Sr., who made Home Entry No. 583, for the NW 1/4 of Sec. 3, T. 12, S. 3 E., S. W. Dist. of Louisiana.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Ernest Montagne, Guy Deblanc, U. E. Montagne, Theophile Abshire, all of Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.
THOS. J. BUTLER, Register. July 28, 1888.

Constable's Sale.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.
Parish of Vermilion.
First Justice's Court.
Homer Lemaire
vs.
Theogenic Richard.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued by the Hon. First Justice's Court, in and for the parish of Vermilion, in the above entitled and numbered suit, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, for cash, with benefit of appraisement, at the office of the First Justice's Court, in this parish on
Saturday, August 4, 1888, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., and continuing from day to day if necessary, all the rights, titles, interests and demands of the defendant, in and to the following described property seized to satisfy said writ, to wit:
Three tricolor horses.

ELLAS BROUSSARD, Constable. July 21, 1888.

Louisiana State Fair

AND SHREVEPORT EXPOSITION (third annual fair) takes place at Shreveport, La., November 5th to 10th inclusive. \$25,000 in premiums and prizes will be awarded. Liberal premiums for parish exhibits. The only fully equipped fair grounds in the State. Interesting programmes each day. Some of the finest race horses in the United States have already been entered. For premium lists and general information address
M. L. SCOVELL, Secretary, Shreveport, La. July 14, 1888.

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AUX SOURDS.

Une personne guérie de 23 années de surdité et de bruits d'oreilles par un remède simple en enverra gratis la description a quiconque en lera la demande a NICHOLSON, 177 MacDougal Street, New York. July 7, 1888.

FOR SALE.

Fifty barrels first quality open kettle molasses, cheap for cash, for terms apply to W. L. VANSLYKE. Abbeville, La., Feb. 18, 1888.

CARRY THE NEWS TO MARY!

Fifty Dollars Given Away in Prizes
—AT THE—
SIGNAL STORE

O. BOURQUE, Proprietor.

To every cash sale or collection of one dollar a free ticket will be given, which will entitle the receiver to a chance on the following prizes:

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| 1 Parlor lamp valued | \$12 00 |
| 1 Chamber set | 10 00 |
| 1 40 pieces tea set | 10 00 |
| 1 Chamber set | 5 00 |
| 1 Nickel clock | 3 00 |
| 1 Lady jersey | 3 00 |
| 1 " " " | 2 00 |
| 1 Tin set | 1 50 |
| 1 Doz. heavy goblets | 1 00 |
| 1 Pair figures (bisque) | 1 00 |
| 1 Pair flower vases | 1 00 |
| 1 Doz. nappees | 50 |

OPHELIA BOURQUE.

Abbeville, April 21, 1888.

Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Parish of Vermilion.

25th Judicial District Court

No. 209.

L. C. Jacob

vs.

Francois Chappuis.

BY virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued by the Hon. 25th Judicial Dist. Court in and for the parish of Vermilion, in the above entitled and numbered suit, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell at public sale, to the last and highest bidder, for cash, without benefit of appraisement, at the court-house door in this parish, on

Saturday, September 1, 1888,

between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., and continuing from day to day if necessary, all the rights, titles, interests and demands of the defendant, in and to the following described property: seized to satisfy said writ, to wit: A certain plantation situated on the East side of the Bayou Vermilion in the parish of Vermilion in this State, having a front of ten arpents on said bayou Vermilion by forty arpents in depth with the buildings and improvements, bounded west by Bayou Vermilion, east by public land, south by property of Euclide Roy, together with said plantation, mules, horses, milch cows, carts, wagons, and tools of husbandry, and the whole of the judgment rendered on the 11th of January, 1886, for the sum of Five Thousand Three Hundred and ten dollars by 5th Circuit United State Court western District of Louisiana bearing No. 23 of the Docket of said Court in favor of Mrs. Jeanne Caroline Cave in the suit entitled Jeanne Caroline Cave, widow, vs Marcelline Cavaille, widow, et al.
Given under my official signature this 16th day of July, 1888.

A. L. LEBLANC, Sheriff.

NOTICE.

Land Office at New Orleans, La.

July 24, 1888.

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 the District Court, at Abbeville, La., on Monday, September 10, 1888, viz: Alexandre Aubé, who made Home Entry No. 724 for the W 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec. 14, and E 1/4 of SE 1/4, of T. 11, S. 3 E. West.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Lambert Broussard, Valerie Broussard, Onegme Hank, Polve Mancaux, all of Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

THOS. J. BUTLER, Register.

July 28, 1888.