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HOMER, LA.

Wednesday.....Feb. 16, 1881.

J. W. Duncan, Esq., a well-known lawyer of Shreveport, is dead.

Mr. Joseph Adger, of Bossier parish died at his home on the 1st inst.

We understand that the State House at Baton Rouge will be ready for occupation about the middle of the summer.

The recent rains have elevated Red River and the Dorchete nightly. We suppose that by this time there is a boat at Minden.

The coming railroad town in Texas is a place called Abilene, in Taylor county, about 160 miles west of Fort Worth and 70 miles east of the Colorado river.

On the 9th inst., at the residence of R. E. Wyche, the father of the bride, Mr. L. C. Biggs was united in marriage to Miss Lon Wyche. Both parties are residents of Bellevue.

Webster parish has a surplus in the treasury of over twelve hundred dollars. Lincoln has a surplus of a thousand. Claiborne will have a surplus one of these days, maybe.

The Post-office in Ward Six, for which the people are petitioning, will be named Aycock, after Capt. Seaborn Aycock who commanded a company from this parish in the late war.

In ward five, Webster parish, the following is the result of the vote on the whiskey question, according to the Webster Tribune: For License, 86; against License, 30. That settles it. The ward five will "take sugar in the rain."

Some man begins a patent medicine advertisement by saying that he has discovered woman's best friend. We thought it had been known for years that the party with "something so scandalous to tell" occupied that position.

The rear of the city of New Orleans has been overflooded for several days to the great damage and distress of many of the citizens. It is estimated that more than ten thousand people are being supplied with food by the relief committee.

The high wind on Friday night blew down Peter Demetz's kitchen. The cook happened to be in the building at the time, but we are gratified to report that she was not specially damaged. The building was leveled to the ground.

True to the style which has prevailed all the winter, it clouded up last Monday night; clear and freezing cold on Monday; cloudy cold and sprinkling rain on Tuesday. This winter has been the worst in the memory of the oldest inhabitant.

Our people, that is the people of Claiborne parish, are not addicted to going abroad, strange countries or sights to see. We know of only three or four who will go to New Orleans to Mardi Gras—Capt. Job Russell, J. Homer Jordan and perhaps "we."

The Shreveport Rex has posted certain flaming edicts in town. We guess that our friends over the way will have a jolly festival. The statements made in the Standard and Times so far indicate a great and mighty visitation of the Sovereign of fun and frolic.

We congratulate our Minden friends upon the success of their Public Library project. We wish to be considered as a friend of all such enterprises. We will look over our book case this week and if we find anything that would be appropriate will venture upon a donation.

Several Northern capitalists are traveling through the South with a view to the establishment of manufacturing institutions. They are now in Texas. This party will look out for suitable locations for the erection of mills and manufactories, also for lands for sheep and cattle raising.

We learn from Mr. Floyd Key, with A. A. Zoding, that Mr. Thos. Shehee was killed at Ringgold lately by a young man named Lockett, who also lives near Ringgold. Mr. Shehee was a young man, we are told, of great promise and much liked by all who knew him. We know nothing of the particulars of the unfortunate affair.

All the young gentlemen in the parish, who intend visiting Homer on March 1st, may add greatly to the pleasure of their visit by arranging a costume of some kind with mask and joining in the procession. We are told that Rex invites all who would like the fun and frolic to join his body guard on that day, and he will guarantee them a bully good time.

Our old friend, Capt. Job Russell, tells us that he will go to New Orleans for Mardi Gras. Our opinion is, that Capt. Job goes down as one of the wise men from the East to welcome Rex and give him a few dots about steam engines, factories, saw-mill machinery, &c. Whatever be his mission, we hope to be there ourselves and catch him at it.

## Spite in Journalism.

It is said that the name of Charles A. Dana is never permitted to appear in the columns of the New York Tribune. White-lie Ried, editor of the Tribune, bitterly hates Mr. Dana, the editor of the Sun. It is also said that almost every paper in New York has its proscribed list of names that are never to be honored by a mention in their columns. If this be true it is really pitiable, the more so as New York City is the Metropolis of the new world, and leads all other cities in wealth, population and business enterprise. Its journals, great, wealthy and widely circulated, should be far above any exhibitions of petty malice or spite.

There is nothing so contemptible as for a newspaper to be so inhuman as to cherish resentments. Nothing so detracts from its influence for good as an indulgence in those mean passions peculiar to men.

Those who have the management and control of a newspaper may find it hard to separate themselves and their private affairs from the paper they control. They will have to exercise a wonderful amount of self-control if they do not in their columns make a difference between their personal friends and enemies. But it will be found that unless they totally ignore private animosities and treat all alike, they will degrade the journal they manage, impair its efficiency for good, and finally injure themselves financially.

The private quarrel of an editor with an individual is no good reason why editorial mention should not be made of that individual, if necessary. If he perform some notorious deed, or if he be so situated that it is necessary to appeal to him publicly to take certain action, or having done so, if it is due him that he be complimented on that action, the fact that the party controlling the paper don't like him is not a good reason for the silence of the journal.

A whole community, all patrons of a journal, may love and honor a man, and may feel that his fame should be made known to the world through their organ of communication. In such case the personal dislike of the party owning the journal must not stand in the way of the public will. It is a great mistake too often made by journalists, to interpret the editorial "we" to mean the editor alone, and not the hundreds of men and women for whom he speaks.

We know that it is hard to kill the old Adam that lives in every man, to rise above likes and dislikes, fondles, spites and jealousies, but until the journalist does so he is not worthy to control those columns by the proper use of which he would teach the people.

During the life of the average newspaper many things happen calculated to arouse the ire of the editor and to draw from him retaliation. Standing as he does on an elevated position he becomes the mark for a greater number of offensive shafts than does the ordinary man. Conscious of the fact that he possesses the means of severe retaliation, it is hard indeed to keep from using this means and making his paper the weapon with which he revenges personal insult. But the temptation must be resisted. The editor must separate himself from the individual, and must leave outside his sanctum, out of his columns, all his personal quarrels, troubles, &c. Only by so doing may he hope to be great in his profession and to make his journal a power in the land.

We believe the New York Sun is the best Weekly published in the United States. It is published at a price that enables all to read its able and fearless editorials in support of true republicanism. Believing as we do that it is a true friend to the people, and that it should be in every house in the land, we take pleasure in publishing its Prospectus for 1881.

We rarely give place in our columns to the advertisements of the political and literary weeklies of the North. They usually want a country paper to advertise for them eight or ten times the amount of their subscription price before they will deign to exchange, and many papers are so unjust to themselves and subscribers as to fill up with matter of this sort when it would be cheaper to pay the subscription in money and devote the space to valuable reading matter. The Sun offers a fair remuneration for the publication of its Prospectus, and so secures friends where others fail. We ask the attention of our readers to the statement of the Sun's intention for 1881. Those who become subscribers to this valuable paper will find that they have never made a better investment.

Read's Gilt Edge Tonic cures dyspepsia.

Our friend, J. C. T. Chaffee, otherwise Charley, the rosy, bright-eyed druggist of Minden, presented the editor some days ago with a copy of Zadkiel's Almanac for 1881, containing predictions of the weather, voices of the stars, &c. This is the most renowned astrological Almanac in the world, and the only one in the English language. It is devoted to astrological predictions as to great men, nations, &c. Towards the end of June fever and sunstroke will prevail in North America, with shocks of earthquakes in July. The United States will find her soldiers and politicians much excited in September. Many accidents and fires in New York in October and November. The above are among the predictions applicable to the United States which we insert here for the benefit of those who care to know what is said of the future. Strange that it should be so, yet it is true that many persons believe firmly in this and all similar books.

We failed last week to make any notice of the Rolla Ryan combination. Although not present ourselves, we have good reason to know that this incomparable young elocutionist gave much satisfaction and pleasure to the people. Several new words have been added to the repertoire of the boys about town, all selected from the numerous funny sayings of Rolla. We are informed that he is greatly improved since his last visit to Homer. It has never been our fortune to witness any of his impersonations of character or to hear any of his recitations. The fact that he is always welcomed in those towns that he has previously visited by large audiences, should be confirmation of all that he claims for himself. Prof. Ryan will soon retire from the stage. He grows old, and is in failing health. His fame will be continued by his brilliant son.

Something is being said by the newspapers about the nativity of Mr. Arthur, Vice-President elect, that he is an alien, having been born in Ireland, Nova Scotia, or some other foreign land. If this be true he is not eligible for the position of Vice-President. But inasmuch as he is able to prove that he was born in the United States, or any other material fact necessary for his defense, there is no use in making any disturbance about his birth place. If Garfield dies Arthur will be President, no matter where he was born or what the law is. The party of which he is a member has a pleasant, easy way of overriding all law, and the Democracy has a meek way of submitting to anything that the Radicals may impose on them. We have long since made up our mind that it is useless to appeal to law for relief from political wrong.

Read's Gilt Edge Tonic cures chills and fevers.

Some days ago a rumor was in circulation in New Orleans that Jay Gould had purchased the Vicksburg, Monroe & Shreveport Railroad. The report has not been denied, so that there is a slight flavor of authenticity about the rumored purchase. It would seem very proper that Mr. Gould should own the charter, franchises, &c., of this corporation, as it would add to the value of his other roads in Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas. Unless he has bought the road it does not seem probable that it will be built soon. True, the bridge at Monroe is yet in process of construction, the work continuing every day, but that results from the fact that the contract was made at a time when the company seemed to mean business, and they cannot now recede from it.

The Josephine, one of the finest iron steamers in the Gulf, was destroyed in the storm which raged off the coast of Louisiana during the early part of week before last. The Josephine belonged to the Morgan line, and previous to the completion of the Houston and New Orleans railroad had been running between Galveston and Morgan City.

Read's Gilt Edge Tonic prevents malaria.

[For the GUARDIAN.]  
The Alton Ladies' Secret Prayer.

Oh! Lord God Omnipotent, before whom angels and archangels veil their faces, crying, Holy, Holy art Thou; we would come before Thee Holy Father this day, and ask of Thee in secret, to remember in mercy, Saloon keepers. Thou knowest oh! Lord! that there are ten thousand of them, and more widows and orphans, who are made so by these people. Oh! Heavenly Father, thou hast pronounced a woe against them, for they put the bottle to their neighbor's mouth, that they may be drunken, and wallow in the dirt like the beasts of the field, and send their souls to perdition. Thou hast said in thy word, that "no drunkard shall enter into the kingdom of heaven," and these that are made drunken, are our husbands, our brothers and our dear sons. Oh! be merciful unto them, and cut them not down in thy wrath; but spare them another year, until we dig around and see if they will bear better fruit. O, Lord! hear us in secret, and reward us openly, for Jesus sake, Amen.

Read's Gilt Edge Tonic restores the appetite.

## THE SUN FOR 1881.

Everybody reads THE SUN. In the editions of this newspaper throughout the year to come everybody will find:  
I. All the world's news, so presented that the readers will get the greatest amount of information with the least unprofitable expenditure of time and eye-sight. The Sun long ago discovered the golden mean between redundant fullness and unsatisfactory brevity.

II. Much of that sort of news which depends less upon its recognized importance than upon its interest to mankind. From morning to morning THE SUN prints a continued story of the lives of real men and women, and of their deeds, plans, loves, hates, and troubles. This story is more varied and more interesting than any romance that was ever devised.

III. Good writing in every column, and freshness, originality, accuracy, and decorum in the treatment of every subject.

IV. Honest comment. The Sun's habit is to speak out fearlessly about men and things.

V. Equal candor in dealing with each political party, and equal readiness to commend what is praiseworthy or to rebuke what is blamable in Democrat or Republican.

VI. Absolute independence of partisan organizations, but unwavering loyalty to true Democratic principles. The Sun believes that the Government which the Constitution gives us is a good one to keep. Its notion of duty is to resist to its utmost power the efforts of men in the Republican party to set up another form of government in place of that which exists. The year 1881, and the years immediately following will probably decide this supremely important contest. The Sun believes that the victory will be with the people as against the Rings for monopoly, the Rings for plunder, and the rings for imperial power.

Our terms are as follows:

For the Daily Sun, a four-page sheet of 24 columns, the price by mail, post paid, is 35 cents a month, or \$6.50 a year; or including the Sunday paper, an eight-page sheet of 56 columns, the price is 65 cents a month, or \$7.50 a year, postage paid.

The Sunday edition of THE SUN is also furnished separately at \$1.20 a year, postage paid.

The price of the Weekly Sun, 8 pages, 56 columns, is \$1 a year, postage paid. For clubs of ten sending \$10 we will send an extra copy free. Address: I. W. ENGLAND, Publisher of THE SUN, New York City.

We are in receipt of a pleasant letter from L. H. Pease, Chaplain of the Seaman's Bethel, No. 9 Esplanade street, New Orleans. We have been sending our paper to the Bethel for three years or more, and are assured by Mr. Pease that it is read with pleasure by many who visit the Bethel. We also send a copy to Dr. Witherpoon, who has charge of another Bethel. We suggest to our brethren that they would do much good, and would contribute to a noble charity, if they would place these names on their free list.

## New Advertisements

### PROCLAMATION.

To all loyal subjects of the King in the favored land of Claiborne—To the merry, the mirthful, the sorrow-laden and distressed—GREETING:

WHEREAS, In the revolution of seasons the day approaches on which all do honor to the Lord of misrule, when the wearing cares of business, the vexations of money-getting, and all the serious pursuits of life must give space to jollity and fun—it is ordered, that on Mardi Gras, March 1st, 1881, all stores and places of other business be closed;

That all loyal subjects spread to the breeze the royal colors—yellow, purple and green;

That all employees be released from labor;

That all who own or can procure a steed shall join the procession in honor of the King; and

That our fair subjects, with gallant escorts, shall attend the Ball at the palace of justice, in mask.

REX.

Tao SEE, Grand Chamberlain.

### Jury List for the April Term of the D. C., 1881.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Claiborne.

BE IT KNOWN, That on this 10th day of February, A. D. 1881, the Jury Commissioners in and for the parish of Claiborne, met at the Clerk's office in the town of Homer for the purpose of revising the general venire and to draw jurors for the April term of the Third Judicial District Court in and for said parish; present, T. D. Meadows, President; J. T. Tigner, J. F. Heard and Thornton Bridgeman, Drew Ferguson, C. K. D. C., and proceeded to revise the general venire by adding ninety-five names thereto to make the standard of three hundred, in place of persons who served at the last term of the District Court and those who have died or moved from the parish after which the three hundred names were placed in the venire box and well stirred by one of the commissioners in presence of the others, and the following named fifty persons were duly drawn as jurors for the first week of said Court, beginning Monday, 4th day of April, 1881:

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|-----------------------|------------|
| 1. M. V. Simmons,     | Ward No. 5 |
| 2. Martin Nalle,      | " 4        |
| 3. W. D. Harper,      | " 4        |
| 4. J. C. Taylor,      | " 3        |
| 5. H. C. Greer,       | " 3        |
| 6. I. K. Sims,        | " 4        |
| 7. George Anderson,   | " 4        |
| 8. B. T. Clements,    | " 3        |
| 9. Peter Kinsey,      | " 3        |
| 10. R. P. Rughand,    | " 3        |
| 11. L. M. Boyd,       | " 3        |
| 12. W. G. Wiley,      | " 3        |
| 13. John M. Brown,    | " 3        |
| 14. G. W. Fuller,     | " 3        |
| 15. J. J. Randol,     | " 6        |
| 16. J. E. Keener,     | " 2        |
| 17. H. B. Oliver,     | " 3        |
| 18. William Nofleet,  | " 3        |
| 19. M. H. Lippmans,   | " 3        |
| 20. W. H. Ledbetter,  | " 3        |
| 21. J. M. Henry,      | " 3        |
| 22. A. C. Hester,     | " 3        |
| 23. G. C. Gill,       | " 3        |
| 24. H. F. Marsalis,   | " 3        |
| 25. W. T. Hay,        | " 3        |
| 26. G. W. Upland,     | " 6        |
| 27. J. F. Coy,        | " 3        |
| 28. J. R. Rodgers,    | " 3        |
| 29. J. D. Odom,       | " 3        |
| 30. A. J. Brinker,    | " 1        |
| 31. Allen Kollgore,   | " 3        |
| 32. J. S. Kendrick,   | " 3        |
| 33. M. Wason,         | " 1        |
| 34. G. L. Hall,       | " 3        |
| 35. C. A. Bridgeman,  | " 3        |
| 36. T. N. Willis,     | " 1        |
| 37. B. T. Ledbetter,  | " 3        |
| 38. R. N. Brownfield, | " 5        |
| 39. J. D. Snider,     | " 6        |
| 40. Troup Wafer,      | " 3        |
| 41. Anderson Yancy,   | " 3        |
| 42. D. W. Gladden,    | " 3        |
| 43. Willie Robinson,  | " 3        |
| 44. Aylmer Bush,      | " 1        |
| 45. William Ramsey,   | " 1        |
| 46. J. B. Fincher,    | " 4        |
| 47. William DeLoach,  | " 4        |
| 48. H. H. Coleman,    | " 4        |
| 49. W. M. Morrow,     | " 4        |
| 50. George Gill,      | " 7        |

Having counted and sealed the foregoing names, the commissioners deeming it necessary for a jury for the 2d week, proceeded to draw the following named persons as jurors for the second week:

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| 1. T. S. Browning,    | Ward No. 3 |
| 2. W. H. Bancum,      | " 3        |
| 3. Arthur Daniels,    | " 7        |
| 4. H. P. Odom,        | " 2        |
| 5. F. A. Lane,        | " 2        |
| 6. W. W. King,        | " 3        |
| 7. W. A. Johnston,    | " 2        |
| 8. W. E. Stephens,    | " 4        |
| 9. R. B. Mann, Jr.,   | " 7        |
| 10. J. F. Nelson,     | " 3        |
| 11. Calvin Marshall,  | " 3        |
| 12. J. H. Wilder,     | " 6        |
| 13. J. W. Penix,      | " 7        |
| 14. L. E. Tigner,     | " 2        |
| 15. W. F. Aycock,     | " 2        |
| 16. Cuthbert Collier, | " 2        |
| 17. John T. Allgood,  | " 1        |
| 18. D. L. McKinzie,   | " 7        |
| 19. Mack Ledbetter,   | " 1        |
| 20. J. T. Orr,        | " 1        |
| 21. Harrison Dozier,  | " 4        |
| 22. J. J. Nolan,      | " 8        |
| 23. W. N. White,      | " 6        |
| 24. A. G. Garrett,    | " 3        |
| 25. R. F. Bond, Jr.,  | " 7        |
| 26. J. W. Wall,       | " 3        |
| 27. H. B. McKinley,   | " 2        |
| 28. S. Y. Gladney,    | " 7        |
| 29. Augustus Delaney, | " 7        |
| 30. J. M. McAdams,    | " 8        |

The Board then adjourned.

(Signed) T. D. MEADOWS, President.

J. T. TIGNER,  
JAS. F. HEARD,  
T. BRIDGEMAN,  
DREW FERGUSON,  
CTR. D. C.

State of Louisiana—Parish of Claiborne.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the above and foregoing is a true and correct list of jurors drawn for the 1st and 2d weeks of the April term of the District Court in and for the parish of Claiborne.

J. R. RAMSEY, Dy. CTR. D. C.  
February 12, 1881. 27-74

Thanking the people for past favors I ask a continuation of their patronage. Every article in my stock is put down to the lowest figure. I must and will sell. Let it be remembered that I claim to have the best of everything in my line. Call and price my goods, and I venture that in buying Groceries, Provisions, Confectioneries, &c., you will give the preference to S. B. A.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Selectmen of the Town of Homer, That all male persons within the corporate limits of the town of Homer, between the ages of 16 and 45 years, shall pay a Street Tax of Three Dollars, or work ten days on the public streets under the direction of the street contractor; and failure to pay said street tax or perform the ten days labor, when notified by the Marshal, is hereby declared to be a violation of this ordinance. Any person so offending shall, on conviction before the Mayor, be imprisoned in the town lock-up not more than ten days.

(Signed) J. A. RICHARDSON, Mayor.

Attest: J. H. SIMMONS, Clerk.

N. J. SCOTT,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
HOMER, LA.

WILL practice in the Courts of the 2d Judicial District, and the Supreme Court at Monroe.  
Office first door East of Brown's Hotel.  
February 9, 1881.

### FOR SALE OR RENT.

THE RESIDENCE and LANDS formerly occupied by the undersigned, upon the border of the town of Homer—a commodious house, five rooms and pantry, good out-buildings, a well of water not excelled by any, ten acres of ground enclosed, including a good garden spot, and an orchard of peaches, apples and plums not to be equalled. For terms, apply to

February 9, 1881. N. J. SCOTT.

### Succession Sale.

Succession of George Hill, deceased.  
State of Louisiana—Parish of Claiborne.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT I will sell at public outcry, on SATURDAY, 19th February, 1881, at the late residence of said deceased, all the property belonging to the estate and succession of George Hill, deceased.

Terms of sale, Cash.

ALLEN HILL, Administrator.

February 3, 1881. 26-74

### Notice of Final Account.

In the matter of the Tutorship of Mary D. Madden.

State of Louisiana—Parish of Claiborne.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That J. D. Henry, Tutor for the above named minor, has this day filed in my office his final account in said Tutorship, and prays for the same to be allowed, approved, homologated, and made the judgment of the Court.

Now, therefore, unless opposition thereto be made within the time prescribed by law, the prayer of the applicant will be granted. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, on this 7th day of Feb. A. D. 1881.

DREW FERGUSON, Clerk D. C.

### BAR AND BILLIARD SALOON.

—BY—

W. C. PRICE.

FINE CIGARS, old and pure Whiskies, fresh Lager Beer, fine Wines of every variety, &c., at the old stand of A. Ward under the big Mulberries, recently occupied by M. Nalle.

The patronage of my friends and the public generally respectfully solicited.

February 2, 1881. W. C. PRICE.

### G. E. BLACKBURN,

Homeopathic Physician and Surgeon.

Special attention given to diseases of the EYE and EAR.

Office on Milan street, opposite Pacific Hotel, Shreveport, La.

February 2, 1881. 25-

### SEE HERE!

ALL those indebted to Joseph Shelton are requested to call as soon as possible and cancel that indebtedness. I have been lenient and have sold the goods on long time, but my obligations are becoming pressing, and money I must have to pay my own bills. Medicine for yourself and family are among the actual necessities of life, and now the year is drawing rapidly to a close, be sure and remember the druggist. JOSEPH SHELTON.

Dec. 1, 1880. 16-17

### Haynesville Male and Female Academy.

WILL open the 14th February, 1881, by L. H. Featherston, Principal, and other competent Assistants, if necessary. Tuition, \$2, \$2.50 and \$3.50 per month. Music, \$4. Board at reasonable rates in town and vicinity.

For further particulars, address

L. H. FEATHERSTON, Principal.

Mr. L. H. Featherston has been unanimously elected by the Board of Trustees to teach Haynesville Male and Female School, for scholastic year 1881. We cheerfully recommend him to the public as a good teacher and strict disciplinarian.

W. L. OAKES, Pres't Board Trustees.

January 26, 1881. 247

### THE SENSATION OF THE DAY.

Removal and opening of TANKERSLEY'S Livery, Sale and Feed Stable.

I TAKE pleasure in informing the public that I have purchased the stable lately occupied by F. M. Freeman, on the south side of the public square, and am now prepared to FEED and CARE for STOCK on the most liberal terms.

Handsome Buggies, Hacks, and stylish Horses for hire. Lots, Water, Feed and extra accommodations for Drivers.

My terms are reasonable. I shall study to please those who favor me with their patronage.

J. O. TANKERSLEY.

Homer, La., March 12, 1879. 31-60

### Stray Notice.

TAKEN up by Thos. Price, and posted before J. A. Brooks, Justice of the Peace in and for Ward 3, Claiborne parish, La., on the 29th day of January, 1881, a small bay mare colt, about two years old; no marks by which it could be identified—appraised at \$15.00.

The owner of said animals can get the same by proving property, and paying all costs, at any time within 12 months from date of estrayment.

B. D. HARRISON, Straymaster.

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