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## A Breaux Bridge Idyll.

Cincinnati Enquirer, March 11

County Clerk Dalton receives many letters from persons who make very strange requests. But the strangest one was received yesterday from a man who signs himself Dr. J. R. Hanks, Breaux Bridge, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana. The letter is as follows, bad spelling and every thing verbatim :

March 6th. 1886.

MR. DANIEL DALTON.

Clerk of the Court Cincinnati Ohio will you be my friend in helping me out with my love a fair if you help out with my request I will pay you \$25.00 in cash money. all I ask of you to answer to those that I will refer to you. in regards I came from Cincinnati Ohio and write as thou your or my realizations answer to those names I will request you to answer. Now if you will be so kind to save my lover I will pay your money cash and I will come & see you soon as I can please help me soon as I want to get married. Now I will tell you my reasons why of asking you this favour. this Girl Says if I am from Cincinnati Ohio & get up correspondence with my relations. She will marry me. if you will do me this favour bair in mind I will keep this to my self if you will be so kind to do this writing four me I will pay you your money cash I am from Cincinnati Ohio Quite A Boy I am practicing medicine a Creole neighbourhood. She has others admired I want to But those Croles time you need not be unease the will not be any investigation made all you have to do as I ask you in my letters please confide in me in this matter I will never forget your kindness. please answer me soon I mean no harm in doing this I want to get my lover I will pay all the postage expences nail Hoping to hear from you soon I remain as ever yours respectfully.

DR. J. R. HANKS.

Nineteen deaths, from hydrophobia in Paris were recorded last year. The youngest victim was a girl 5½ years old and the oldest a man aged 63 years. In every case the bite was above the lower limbs almost exclusively on the hands or face.

## A Boy Murderer.

A Young Fiend Kills all his Relatives.

An Osage, Mo., special to the City Item dated March 10th says: Willie Sells, 15 years old murdered his father, mother, brother and sister, thirteen miles north west of here. The father had his head crushed and almost severed from the body. The boy had his throat cut and head chopped off. The girl had her head crushed in. The mother's head was crushed in and throat cut. Willie Sells stoutly denies the crime and says that an unknown man entered the house and committed the act. When the boy was searched his under clothing was covered with blood. The boy is thought to be insane.

## A Boy With Horns.

Detroit Special.

Nathaniel Tingle, colored, came here from Georgia, and two years ago married. He was known as the "goat" because on his head, in front of the ears, were two short protuberances which bore a resemblance to horns. Mrs. Tingle gave birth to a baby, and it also has horns. They are now over two inches long and with them the child defends itself in quarrel, much as would a goat. A physician says the horns are of bone, but could be removed without danger.

## All Depends on the Bringing up.

A Malay gentleman regards the use of a fork at tables as dirty and disagreeable. You don't know into how many mouths, it has been inserted. It might have been washed and scoured, but you don't know that some lazy servant has not neglected his work. On the other hand he says: "I know that my fingers are clean because I wash them myself and I am sure they have never been in anybody's mouth but my own." We smile at the Malay's way of eating but hasn't he a pretty fair chance to smile back?

Col. Jerome Bonaparte, who now lives in Washington, is a very tall, fine looking man, but he has none of the Napoleon family resemblance. He is always treated with the greatest amount of courtesy and distinction by the diplomatic people, and is in recipient of much more attention from them than other American citizen in Washington.

Are hair-brained people ever bald-headed?

The mother-in-law is the cold wave of the matrimonial winter.

A balloon ferry is to be put over the horseshoe at Niagara.

Society badges are little worn, compared with the extent its custom formerly obtained.

An exchange has the headline: "Night Time to Reform." Not much. Day time for reform and night time for fun.—Binghamton Republican.

When a good dog bites a bad man pity should be about evenly divided.

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## Sheriff's Sale.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.—PARISH OF ST. MARTIN. 21st Judicial District Court

No. 8801.

LEHMAN STERNE & Co.

VS.

VALERY THIBODEAUX.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale issued in the above entitled and numbered suit and to me directed by the Hon. 21st. Judicial District Court in and for the Parish of St. Martin dated February 23rd 1886. I have seized and will proceed to sell at public auction to the best and highest bidder at the Court House door in the town of St Martinsville between the legal hours on

SATURDAY The 3rd DAY OF APRIL  
A. D. 1886.

It being the first Saturday of said month the following described property to wit:

A tract of land in the Parish of St. Martin in this State, near the town of Breaux Bridge fronting on the East side of Bayou Teche, measuring 7 arpents front on said Bayou, by forty arpents in depth and being bounded on the north by public road leading to the forty arpents in depth, on the south and east by lands of Francois Leblanc, and on the west by said Bayou Teche together with said land all the buildings and improvements thereon, Cotton Gin, Gins, Presses, Machinery, Engines, Saw Mill and Machinery, Five Creole Mules, One Dun Horse, 3 Gentle Oxen, 12 Heads of Cattle, fanning utensils and all other articles of personal property attached thereto and thereto belonging to satisfy said above mentioned writ. Terms and Conditions. CASH.

Sheriff's office this 27th day of February A. D. 1886

T. L. BROUSSARD, Sheriff.

# JOB WORK

OF ALL KINDS

at THE MESSENGER Office.

Bill Heads,

Letter Heads,

Pamphlets,

Envelopes,

Funeral Notices,

Wedding Cards,

Ball Invitations,

Plantation Tickets,

Visting Cards,

Business Cards.

We have just received a fine assortment of light tinted cards of all sizes.

All work will be neatly and promptly executed.

We guarantee entire satisfaction.