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FOR ASSESSOR.

I am a candidate for Assessor of this Parish, at the coming Democratic Primary Election.

If elected, I pledge myself to PERSONALLY make or supervise all the assessments, and to faithfully, fairly and impartially discharge the important duties of that office.

MARTIN J. VOORHIES.

Will Not Attack the Election.

We learn from reliable source, that those people who had contributed a large sum of money and employed lawyers to fight the Cypress Island Drainage tax recently voted by the people of that district, have given up the idea. Their lawyers have informed them that they can delay, and perhaps annul the election but they cannot have the lines changed, and the people who have voted this tax acted according to law and all their efforts to avoid the payment of the tax would be futile.

One of those opposing the tax said if we cannot avoid the tax by process of law, we do not desire to delay the work by litigation. This action on the part of the gentlemen who were opposed to the tax will permit the work of draining the district to go on without the threatened delays of litigation. The people of this drainage district will hear this with some relief and satisfaction.

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Will Take Official Count in St. Martin.

N. O. States.

It will probably take the official count to settle who are wisest prophets as to the situation in St. Martin parish. A number of interviews have recently been printed in The States from strong men in the parish, like Messrs. Labbe and Daspit, saying that the parish will go for St. Mary candidate. Every time, however, such a statement is made the Wilkinson headquarters appears to get busy and digs up another resident of St. Martin to tell a different story. Chairman Sims yesterday gave out as among the visitors to the Wilkinson headquarters the names of Sheriff Joseph Pellerin and ex-State Treasurer Fournet. An interview with Mr. Fournet was passed out. He said that since Mr. Broussard had announced his alignment with the Wilkinson candidacy the Pellerin faction was to a man for Wilkinson and that Mr. Wilkinson ought to get the parish for 500 votes.

The Sanders headquarters, however, also had visitors from St.

Martin. They were Editor C. O. Broussard of the Banner, and Mr. S. M. Durand. Both said that conditions were most favorable for Mr. Sanders.

We learn that the town authorities are about to sell the steam engine Evangeline, and the engine was given a trial for a gentleman who had come here Thursday to see the engine. We believe this is a great mistake and our people should enter a prompt protest against the disposal of the fire machine. This engine is a costly machine and is an additional protection to the town against fire and the Fire Prevention Bureau will take this in consideration in rating the fire insurance rates. We may never have use for this engine, and yet we have great need for this engine. Suppose in case of a serious fire on our Main street, where are so many frame stores one of the water mains was to break, would we not be at the mercy of the fire without the steam engine? With the steam engine the bursted main can yet flood the gutters and the steam engine could be made to do good work and save thousands of dollars worth of property. We have the engine, all paid for, requiring very little expense to keep it in good running order, and the little money we would get for it we could not do us much good. We enter our protest against the sale of this machine which is needed for the protection of the town against fire.

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Mr. J. C. Daspit to Leave Us

We take the following from the Baton Rouge State of the 24th inst., which will be of interest to Mr. Daspit's many friends in this parish:

"It was generally reported upon the street today, and the report was afterward confirmed from an authentic source, that the special committee from the Baton Rouge Board of Trade had selected Justin C. Daspit, of St. Martin parish, as secretary of the board, and will recommend him to the directors for election.

Mr. Daspit is a graduate of Louisiana State University, graduating with the highest honors in 1899. He graduated from the Tulane law department in 1901 and has since practiced law in St. Martinville. He is 28 years of age and a member of the board of directors of Louisiana State University. He is a brother of Armand P. Daspit of Baton Rouge.

The following are the members of the special committee that selected Mr. Daspit: Ben R. Mayer, Jules Roux, Joe Gebeleu, A. Doherty and W. P. Barnes.

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What is really wanted is to light up the spirit that is within a boy. In some sense and in some effectual degree, there is in every boy the material of good work in the world; in every boy, not only in those who are brilliant, not only in those who are quick, but in those who are solid, and even in those who are dull.—WILLIAM E. GLADSTONE.

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