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LOUISIANA.

DONALDSONVILLE.

Convicted of Murderous Assault—First Commission Services.

Donaldsonville, La., May 18.—(Special.)—The criminal docket of the lower district for the May term was cleared yesterday, and the tribunal adjourned until Saturday morning, when the town was street observing salute of Chas. Mauriu vs. the mayor and the municipal council is to be taken up. The last criminal case tried was that of James Wilson, alias Limber Jim, a negro who committed a murderous assault last December upon James and Ben Richardson, young white men from Caldwell parish, who were passing through town on their way home after working during the sugar-making season on a plantation in Assumption parish. Wilson stole James Richardson's revolver, then lured the young men into a secluded place a quarter of a mile below town, where he shot, fired and left for dead James and him and his brother to give up all their money, amount to $3. The victims crawled off, fled, but Sheriff St. Martin captured him five days afterward, and he has been in jail ever since. The proof against Wilson was conclusive, and the jury by whom he tried to prove an alibi only convicted him of aggravated assault. They stole James Richardson's revolver, then lured the young men into a secluded place a quarter of a mile below town, where he shot, fired and left for dead James and him and his brother to give up all their money, amount to $3. The victims crawled off, fled, but Sheriff St. Martin captured him five days afterward, and he has been in jail ever since. The proof against Wilson was conclusive, and the jury by whom he tried to prove an alibi only convicted him of aggravated assault. They thought the murderous highwayman is good for six years' hard labor in the penitentiary.

Ninety children received the sacrament of first communion at the Catholic church here yesterday, in the presence of a large congregation.

Advices from the Department of Manuel and Amite sections of the parish report very favorably the outlook for cotton. The heavy rains have ameliorated the growth of grass, but otherwise the crops are in splendid condition.

ALEXANDRIA.

Suit for Damages Based on a Pullman Porter's Mistake.

Alexandria, La., May 18.—(Special.)—J. H. Shepherd, of Damon Lodge No. 2, and supreme representative of the state, of Louisiana, left for Mr. Benton Beggs, of Bossier Lodge No. 5, came here this morning from the Grand Lodge at Lake Charles. Those who came here on a Pullman sleeper and paid their fare to Shreveport, got the porter to procure tickets. They were soon awakened and told that they were attached to the train for Monroe and not to Shreveport, but had to walk back, with their grips, three miles to the Shreveport junction. Suit for Texas and Pacific train this evening for Shreveport, and the conductor, explained that they will at once institute a suit of damages against the Pullman Palace Car Company for large damages for having employed a negro porter in charge of their car.

ST. MARTINSVILLE.

First Communion Services.

St. Martin's Catholic Church.—(Special.)—This morning at 8 o'clock took place the first communion of the children of this parish. Many visitors were present from one. All the pastors from the adjoining parishes were present. The ritual was conducted by Father Jean Marie Iberia; whose eloquence attracted quite a large crowd. The following pastors of two children approached the holy table for the first time, and the church was filled with spectators. Father Dey, in his last sermon, exhorted the young people and the good sisters of Mercy for the good order and attention which reigned on such an occasion as this one.

LAKE CHARLES.

Knights of Pythias Grand Lodge—Officers Elected.

Lake Charles, La., May 18.—(Special.)—The Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias of Louisiana, after holding a four days' session, adjourned yesterday evening at 6:30 to meet next year at New Orleans. During the session the following grand officers were elected: S. S. Baird, G. C., C. of Bastrop; S. A. Cagle, G. V. C., of Ruston; Jas. Bailey, G. M., of Homer; William McLendon, prelate, of Homer; William McLean, G. K. of R., of New Orleans; Jas. Lee, G. M. of F., of Ruston; Jas. Knapp, G. I. G., of Lake Charles; C. Y. Kaufman, G. O. G., of New Orleans; F. Adolph, S. P., of New Orleans.

NEW IBERIA.

Property of the W. F. Weeks Estate Sold.

New Iberia, La., May 18.—(Special.)—The Wm. F. Weeks estate was sold here yesday at auction. The real estate, largely unimproved town property, comprehends full prices all the way through, and the long drawn out suit, dated, 1890. The old home place, one of the most beautiful and best residences in the state, was bought in by Mrs. Gilbert R. Allen for $6,000, the heirs of Weeks. Many of the desirable residences will be improved at once by their new owners.

PLAQUEMINE.

A Mistrial in the Grognard Case.

Plaquemine, La., May 18.—(Special.)—The case of the state vs. August Grognard, for killing Mr. Gamatis Jarreau in Point Coupee parish, was given to the jury late last night, and as they could not agree, the district judge had them locked up until this morning, when the jury continued to disagree, a mistrial was ordered.

MISSISSIPPI.

BAY ST. LOUIS.

Father Ledoux's Jubilee.

Bay St. Louis, Miss., May 18.—(Special.)—The crowd at the church here was the picnic given yesterday to Gulf View and Pearlville and Nashville Railroad to the singing and musical school of St. Stanislaus College by consent of Father Ledoux.

Every year the reverend father delights his parishioners, who assist in the worship at the church of Our Lady of Lourdes, with a soul-inspiring music, and this May was not an exception. The program consisting of about fifty-five, including the president of the college, Father Ducaud, the prefect, Prof. John A. Hemenway, the prefect, director of the musical school, Prof. Mr. Cleb, left the Bay on the special train to Ulmanville at 2 o'clock on the day. The day was fine, the weather, the singing and games were a happy one, many of the people from the parishes took a trip to the gulf. The dinner was served on the grounds, and the day's delightful enjoyment concluded by the Nicholson station with carriages, tailyhos and hacks, and the return with a position they serenaded Mayor Leonard Ulmann, who received the mayor in an old pupil of the college.

The best place was the home of Captain Vincent Woods, where another serenade was given, and Mrs. Woods and St. Claire church in Waveland was visited and a few prayers said for the mother of Mary.

It was 8 p. m. when the picnic party arrived at Fort Nicholson, the beautiful home of the owners of the Picayune, where Father Ledoux and the president of the college proposed a serenade to the Pic for laying done so much for the cause of humanity and Christianity. The serenade was given with cheers for the Picayune.

At Perry's dead stop the boys were treated to soda, and on the road three gallons of ice cream were consumed.

Father Ledoux's picnic will long be remembered as one of the jollest and happiest ever enjoyed, and those taking part in it parted with Father Ledoux with joy on the happy occasion.

At 9 o'clock the procession reached the college and at 9:30 the boys were dreaming of the sweets, of the, wild flowers and the music of the waves.

JACKSON.

Prominent People Married—Political Appointments.

Jackson, Miss., May 18.—(Special.)—Captain J. S. Hamilton has resumed his duties as United States marshal of this district in a few days, will make Hon. Jno. R. McNelly, of Raymond, his chief deputy.

Colonel J. Harding, sheriff of this county and a member of the local cadets, has been appointed one of Mississippi's representatives to the Jefferson Davis funeral at Richmond on the 31st.

Circuit Clerk Scott was called from his bed this morning at daylight to issue a warrant for the arrest of Mr. B. Flowers, of Hermansville, who took the first train for Jackson, having stolen from his mother money to Miss Susie Nelson, of that place.

Mr. Howard Hall, of Hinds county, was married to Miss Hallie Galloway, daughter of William Galloway, at 8 o'clock this evening, Rev. C. G. Andrews officiating in the presence of a very impressive manner. There was a very large gathering of prominent people at the residence of the bride followed. Quite a number of Mr. Hall's friends and relatives came up from Woodville, among them being Captain R. W. McGehee and wife, J. S. Hamilton, Esq., Hon. John A. Redwood, Hon. W. P. S. Sullivan, Hon. Jno. Cameron, Hon. R. Batchelor, of Pointe Coupee, La.; Alex McBetherbee, of Natchez, and Hon. R. Robinson, of Memphis.

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The governor has the following appointments to-day: C. L. Johnson, treasurer of the Confederate Home, vice J. Broaddus, treasurer of the town of Clarksdale.

COLUMBUS.

Death of Mr. Frank Jones.

Columbus, Miss., May 18.—(Special.)—Mr. Frank Jones, an old and honored citizen of this county died at an early hour this morning, and will be buried with Masonic honors to-morrow. Per sonal mention of the deceased is a few years in Columbus, this most acceptably acted as chairman of the parish. When his death was announced in the courtroom this morning Colonel Jno. R. Phelps made an eloquent tribute to the dead, and suggested that the court adjourn from 9 until 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, that those who desired to do so could attend the funeral. Judge Chrisman replied that he could not adjourn that court would be adjourned until 2 p. m. to-morrow in honor of the dead.

PEARLINGTON.

Methodist Conference.

Pearlington, Miss., May 18.—(Special.)—The annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, for the southern district of Mississippi was held here to-day. The most important business transacted was the adoption of the following delegates to serve at the next conference in 1894, which will be held at Ellisville: Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Rev. Dr. Ross, S. S. Cope of Paulding, Jno. W. Ferrin, Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Rev. Dr. Ross, Alternates: Hon. M. M. Evans of Moss Point, Rev. Dr. Ross, Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Rev. J. A. Underwall of Moss Point, Rev. Dr. Ross, Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Rev. W. D. Dominick, of Jackson, Miss., will preach to-night.

VICKSBURG.

Death of Mrs. Rebecca A. Folkes.

Vicksburg, Miss., May 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Rebecca A. Folkes, a venerable lady of this city, widow of the late Major Wm. Miles C. Folkes, died at 6 o'clock this morning at the age of 78 years. The deceased was a teacher in the Presbyterian Sunday school here for nearly half a century.

NATCHEZ.

Reed-Holden Wedding.

Natchez, Miss., May 18.—(Special.)—Mr. Richard F. Reed, a leading attorney of Natchez, and a prominent member of the Masonic society circles, was united in marriage this afternoon at the Presbyterian Street Methodist church, to Miss Eulalie Holden. The wedding was very private.

TEXAS.

FORT WORTH.

Merchants' National Bank.

Fort Worth, Tex., May 18.—(Special.)—In reference to the charges made by D. Sullivan and others in the suit filed against the Merchants National Bank, asking for a receiver, the management of the bank issued a card, as follows:

"The bank has paid all its matured debts and is ready to liquidate others as they become due, and those who have deposits are at liberty to withdraw them at pleasure. When the bank closed in April, 1891, it owed $74,000; the debt to-day has been reduced to $20,000, and there is in the bank to the amount of the capital, $50,000, which belongs to the stockholders.

"The management has, from time to time, invited their inspection and examination. They now feel that they see the books at any time and to make inquiry as to the acts of employes. There has never been an assessment made on any of the stockholders, but there have been several previous attempts to put the bank in the hands of a receiver, but the controller declined to comply with the requests.

A large portion of the assets yet due the bank are owed principally by former officers and men who have been connected with the bank. The bank has been compelled to bring suit to force such parties to make these cases. Four or five of these claims amount to over $250,000. Notwithstanding that the institution is "being put on a solid basis."

Mr. R. M. Page, vice president, denounced the statements here as have been above referred to. He also says there has been no mismanagement of the bank's affairs, as has been charged. It is alleged, he says, that the bank has been run in the interest of the undersigned, and for a personal aggrandizement. If by this is meant the success of the bank, it is true. It has been so ruined as to be designedly made a failure, and that the writer and to the injury of other stockholders' interests. The bank has been made a fillet upon the character of the gentlemen mentioned, and continued:

"It is well known," he continues, "that my services have been in the bank and never been required to the extent of a red cent, and I have done all I could to spare neither time, talent nor credit to effect the success of the bank with energy, and that in this respect I have been called and will stand and bravery of water in the interest of sharks, to be ruined and finally only in the coin of ingratitude and defamation.

"The charge made, I repeated the policy the directory should pursue in the restoration of a bank."

Mr. Page speaks emphatically also that he has appropriated any of the bank's assets. He concludes by stating that he owes two-fifths of the bank, and that not for his financial aid the bank would have been ruined and its stockholders assessed.

EL PASO.

Texas and Pacific Train Held Up.

El Paso, Tex., May 18.—(Special.)—The Texas and Pacific east-bound passenger train was held up last night at Kent station by a lone highwayman. The train stopped at Kent to get water, and the man, who had been in the neighborhood that the express messenger hand over any cash he might have, which he did, a small amount. He then got down from the car, met the news butcher and took what cash he had, and then disappeared in the darkness.

HOUSTON.

Returned to Arkansas for Alleged Murder.

Houston, Tex., May 18.—(Special.)—Sheriff Marshall Jefferson, of Sebastian Ark., left to-night with Jeff Burkitt, alias Jeff Davis, wanted in Woodruff county, Ark., for murder of Frank Ellis, of this county, effected the arrest last Sunday, and will get Kent, a negro man shot and Bell rested from Burkitt. Bell had, it is charged, threatened Burkitt's life. While Bell was on his porch one evening, a year and a half ago, Burkitt rushed up and assassinate him, not allowing his wife to leave the house to prostrate body. Burkitt waived extradition.

SAN ANTONIO.

Texas Bankers' Resolution.

San Antonio, Tex., May 18.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the Texas Bankers' Association here to-day a resolution was adopted favoring the repeal of the Sherman act, and declaring against free and unlimited coinage.

ALABAMA.

BIRMINGHAM.

Dr. Crowe Convicted of Manslaughter—Insane from Hydrophobia.

Birmingham, Ala., May 18.—(Special.—Dr. Crowe, of Bessemer, was tried here charged with the murder of Dr. B. F. Glass, after being out twenty-four hours returned a verdict of manslaughter in the first degree, and fixed the punishment at two years' imprisonment. Crowe shot Dr. Glass in Bessemer, and Dr. Glass was married to Miss Hallie Galloway, daughter of William Galloway, at 8 o'clock this evening, Rev. C. G. Andrews officiating in the presence of a very impressive manner. There was a very large gathering of prominent people at the residence of the bride followed. Quite a number of Mr. Hall's friends and relatives came up from Woodville, among them being Captain R. W. McGehee and wife, J. S. Hamilton, Esq., Hon. John A. Redwood, Hon. W. P. S. Sullivan, Hon. Jno. Cameron, Hon. R. Batchelor, of Pointe Coupee, La.; Alex McBetherbee, of Natchez, and Hon. R. Robinson, of Memphis.

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