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PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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FUQUA & KILBOURNE,

Attorneys & Counselors at Law,

WILL practice in the Courts of the Parishes of East and West Baton Rouge, Iberville and East and West Feliciana. aug1

DUNN & HERRON,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

COURT HOUSE SQUARE,

Baton Rouge, La.

WILL attend to all business in their profession entrusted to them, in this and the adjoining parishes, and in the city of New Orleans. aug17-t

THOMAS GREEN DAVIDSON.....TOM BYNUM.

Davidson & Bynum,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

Office at Baton Rouge, La.

WILL PRACTICE IN THE COURTS OF THE Florida Parishes. sept19-tf

J. C. STAFFORD.....G. W. BUCKNER.

STAFFORD & BUCKNER,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

Office, Cor. Laurel & Third Sts., up-stairs,

BATON ROUGE, LA.

WILL practice in the parishes of East Feliciana, East and West Baton Rouge and Iberville. Business entrusted to them will receive prompt attention. sept23

J. W. BURGESS.....S. E. CHANEY.

BURGESS & CHANEY,

Attorneys and Counselors at Law,

OFFICE ON CHURCH STREET,

BET. CONVENTION & NORTH BOULEVARD,

Baton Rouge, La.

ANY business entrusted to their care in the parishes of East and West Baton Rouge, East and West Feliciana, Pointe Coupée and Iberville, will be promptly attended to. sept2.

SAMUEL P. GREVES,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

Florida Street, Baton Rouge, La.

WILL attend to all business entrusted to him in East Baton Rouge and the adjoining parishes. sept30

C. D. FAVROT,

Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

COURT HOUSE SQUARE,

Baton Rouge, La.

WILL practice in the Parishes of East and West Baton Rouge and Iberville.

Prompt attention will be given to the collection of all claims, notes and accounts.

References:

W. S. PIKE, J. AD. ROGER, } JOSEPH MENARD, VOISIN & DROUET } New Orleans.

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R. W. KNICKERBOCKER.....A. P. CONVERSE

Knickerbocker & Converse,

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AND

CLAIM AGENTS.

WILL practice in the several Courts of the Fifth Judicial District and in the Supreme Court of Louisiana.

Particular attention paid to the settlement of successions.

The have also made arrangements in New Orleans and Washington City for the successful prosecution and collection of

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CLAYTON B. EVATT,

Civil Engineer

—AND—

CITY SURVEYOR,

Office with R. W. KNICKERBOCKER, Esq.,

orner of Fifth and Laurel streets,

BATON ROUGE, LA.

WILL attend promptly to all professional business entrusted to h m. aug29-4m

W. W. McMAIN & SON,

REAL ESTATE BROKERS,

Accountants & General Agents,

aug12-3m BATON ROUGE, LA.

JOHN M. TRACY,

Justice of the Peace,

SECOND WARD,

Parish of East Baton Rouge.

OFFICE, COR. THIRD AND LAUREL STS.,

UP-STAIRS, OVER THE SUN BILLIARD SALOON.

F. A. NEPHLER,

Justice of the Peace,

WARD No. ONE,

Office on Boulevard, foot of Third Street.

HAVING resumed business, I am ready to attend to all business and suits, within the earliest delays of the law. apr8

DR. KRATZ,

OFFICE ON LAUREL STREET,

BETWEEN THIRD AND CHURCH,

(Opposite Mrs. Jones' Boarding House,)

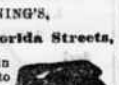
jun24-tf BATON ROUGE, LA.

Dr. J. L. W. PHARES,

SURGEON DENTIST,

OFFICE AT MRS. BONING'S,

Corner of Church and Florida Streets,



HAVING permanently located in this city, offers his services to his friends and the public generally. Charges will be reasonable, and all work guaranteed.

References—Dr. R. H. DAY, Col J. O. FUQUA, Dr. O KRATZ. dec11-3m-pd

NEW LARD!

AT RETAIL or by the keg.

nov21 JOSHUA BEAL.

A. S. ARCHER. WM. HENDERSON.

ARCHER & HENDERSON,

FORWARDING & COMMISSION

MERCHANTS,

—AND—

GENERAL STEAMBOAT, COLLECTION

—AND—

PURCHASING AGENTS,

Third street, Baton Rouge, La.

REFER BY PERMISSION TO:

Capt. P. D. Pratt, W. B. Richardson, E. R. Beckwith, Baton Rouge, La. | Capt Jno. McLean, N. O. H. W. Taylor, N. O. aug10

A. Jackson,

COTTON BUYER

—And—

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

CASH ADVANCES MADE ON

Shipments to his Friends in N. O. and N. Y.

Office Corner of Laurel and Third Streets,

(UNDER THE VERANDAH HOTEL,)

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SIMON MENDELSOHN,

DEALER IN

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS,

Wines, Liquors, Tobaccos, Cigars,

—AND—

FAMILY SUPPLIES,

CORNER LAFAYETTE AND FLORIDA STREETS,

June17 **BATON ROUGE, LA.**

JAMES J. DUNDASS,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN

GROCERIES,

—AND—

WESTERN PRODUCE,

Wines, Liquors, Tobacco & Cigars.

"CITY BAKERY,"

CORNER OF MAIN AND LEVEE STREETS,

BATON ROUGE, LA.

JULIUS C. BOGEL,

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

AND DEALER IN

Plantation and Family Supplies,

COR. MAIN AND LAFAYETTE STS.,

July13 **BATON ROUGE, LA.**

JAMES McVAY,

HARDWARE MERCHANT

AND DEALER IN

Agricultural Implements,

WINDOW SHADES,

WALL PAPER, ETC.

CALLS respectfully the attention of the public to his large and excellent stock of goods pertaining to his line of merchandise. He bespeaks a liberal share of public patronage.

Store on Third street, opposite the building of the Louisiana State Bank. ju y1

F. OTTO,

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

—AND—

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

DEALER IN

DRY GOODS, CLOTHING,

GROCERIES,

—AND—

PLANTATION SUPPLIES;

WINES, LIQUORS,

CIGARS AND TOBACCO,

CROCKERY AND TIN WARE,

AND ALL KINDS OF

WESTERN PRODUCE,

Received per steamers almost daily.

F. OTTO respectfully announces to his friends and customers and the public generally, that his store having been removed from its former stand, adjoining Day's Drug store, to the large store and warehouse building,

ON THE SOUTH EAST CORNER OF THIRD AND LAUREL STREETS,

He is fully prepared to keep on hand one of the largest and most varied assortments of the above articles to be found in the city of Baton Rouge. With his increased and increasing facilities for obtaining and storing merchandize, he is enabled to meet all present and future demands, and therefore invites the special attention of purchasers to that fact, hoping by a spirit of accommodation to please all, and to always sell on as reasonable terms as the state of the markets will permit, to secure a lib ral share of regular patronage.

Please call before purchasing elsewhere

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Notary Public.

I WOULD most respectfully announce to my friends and the public generally, that I am now prepared to make Inventories, Appraisements, Partitions, receive Wills, make Protests, Matrimonial Contracts and Instruments of Writing, to hold Family Meetings, and Meetings of Creditors, &c.

All business entrusted to me will be attended to with promptness and dispatch.

JNO. M. TRACY.

Justice of the Peace and Notary Public,

oct14 Office, Corner Third and Laurel Sts.

GROCERY

—AND—

PROVISION HOUSE,

PLANTATION SUPPLIES.

E. R. BECKWITH,

THIRD ST., CORNER OF LAUREL,

BATON ROUGE, LA.

CONSTANTLY ON HAND EVERY VARIETY OF PLANTATION SUPPLIES.

☞ Planters and others would do well to call before purchasing elsewhere.

Cotton bought at highest market rates.

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JOSHUA BEAL,

Corner of Third and Convention Sts.,

BATON ROUGE, LA.

GENERAL DEALER IN

WESTERN PRODUCE,

Family and Plantation Supplies,

SCHOOL BOOKS, STATIONERY,

FANCY GOODS,

AND NOTIONS GENERALLY.

PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

☞ **Terms Cash.** july1

M. GRANARY,

DEALER IN

WESTERN PRODUCE,

FAMILY GROCERIES

-AND-

Plantation Supplies Generally.

BEGS leave to inform his friends and the public at large, that he will keep on hand fresh and full supplies of all articles in the provision line, which he will sell on terms to suit the cash basis of trade. A liberal share of patronage is respectfully solicited, at his stand on Third street. july1

NICHOLAS WAX,

DEALER IN

WESTERN PRODUCE

-AND-

FAMILY GROCERIES.

IS constantly receiving, direct from the West and other quarters, every species of article required for

Family or Plantation use.

He has increased facilities for obtaining supplies, and is determined to keep up with the demands of his customers, and to deal with them satisfactorily on the score of quality and price—his motto being

"Quick Sales and Small Profits."

Mr. R. HOFFMAN, well known to our citizens, will be found "behind the counter" ready to attend to business calls.

Please drop in at the old stand, near the Court House, where we shall be happy to see you.

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A. BLUM.

DEALER IN

DRY GOODS, GROCERIES,

PROVISIONS,

And Plantation Supplies Generally.

ALSO,

CROCKERY, TIN, WOOD & WILLOW WARE

Store, Cor. Africa and St. Napoleon Sts.,

BATON ROUGE, LA.

DETERMINED to keep a full and well selected stock of articles such as go to make up a first-rate variety store, A. BLUM hopes to merit and receive an increased amount of patronage. He respectfully invites his old customers and the public at large, to continue their calls as usual, assuring them of his determination to please and satisfy them in every particular.

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CAMILLO QUINTERO,

DEALER IN

HAVANA CIGARS,

CIGARETTAS,

Smoking and Chewing Tobacco,

SNUFF, PIPES, ETC.,

Corner of Third and Florida streets,

BATON ROUGE, LA.

IN addition to his large assortment of the best brands and qualities of all articles in the line of a Tobacconist, CAMILLO QUINTERO, keeps also on hand a choice variety of "Notions," such as fine *Pocket Knives, Stationery, etc.*, to which he invites public attention, guaranteeing to give satisfaction to all customers. july1-tf

Baton Rouge Marble Works.

J. SMOLLEN & Co.,

MANUFACTURERS OF

TOMBS, MONUMENTS,

HEAD-STONES, MANTELS, ETC.,

Corner of Main and Church streets,

july26 **BATON ROUGE, LA.**

N. O. ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. S. PIKE.....J. M. LAPEYRE.....A. BROTHER.

PIKE, LAPEYRE & BROTHER,

BANKERS,

DEALERS IN

FOREIGN & DOMESTIC EXCHANGE,

BONDS, STOCKS, COIN AND

UNCURRENT NOTES.

OFFICE ON CAMP STREET,

Between Canal and Common Streets,

New Orleans, La.

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J. J. WARREN. T. W. CRAWFORD.

WARREN & CRAWFORD,

(Successors to Warren, Gillmore & Co.,)

COTTON FACTORS

—AND—

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

No. 29 CARONDELET STREET,

july11-6m* **NEW ORLEANS, LA.**

R. PRITCHARD,

[Formerly Pritchard & Flower.]

COTTON FACTOR

—AND—

COMMISSION MERCHANT,

No. 53 Carondelet Street,

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

☞ Liberal Cash Advances and Supplies furnished on consignments of Cotton, Sugar, &c., to his address.

References:

FUQUA & KILBOURNE, Baton Rouge, La. } PIKE, LAPEYRE & BROTHER New Orleans, La.

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MAYER BROTHERS,

Crescent City Steam Tobacco Works

Nos. 49 and 51 LAFAYETTE STREET,

Sales Room—No. 51 Tchoupitoulas St.

MAYER BROTHERS,

No. 51 TCHOUPITOULAS STREET,

BETWEEN POYDRAS AND NATCHEZ,

New Orleans, La.

DEALERS IN

LEAF & CHEWING, & MANUFACTURERS OF

Smoking Tobacco and Cigars.

☞ A heavy well selected stock constantly on hand. july29-tf

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CARPET WAREHOUSE,

19 CHARTRES STREET,

Between Canal and Customhouse.

We have on hand and are receiving a large assortment of

CARPETING OF ALL KINDS,

SUCH AS—

MEDALLION,
VELVET,
WILTON,
BRUSSELS,
TAPESTRY,
3-PLY,
INGRAIN,
VENETIAN,
HEMP,
COTTAGE, &c.,

FLOOR OILCLOTHS,
Of all widths and qualities.
MATTING,
White checkered and fancy.
WINDOW SHADES,
Cornices and Bands.
TABLE and PIANO COVERS,

RUGS,
MATS,
ENAMEL CLOTHS,
Of various qualities and colors.
COCOA MATTING and MATS,
HAIR CLOTH, &c., &., &c.

All of which we offer at moderate advances on manufacturer's prices, *for cash.*

aug8-1y **A. BROUSSEAU & CO.**

FANCY GOODS! FANCY GOODS!!

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DIRECT IMPORTERS OF

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FANCY GOODS, RIBBONS,

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WE WOULD RESPECTFULLY inform country buyers, that we are now prepared to show them the most complete and best selected stock of FANCY GOODS in this city. A full assortment of

BERLIN ZEPHYRS—warranted.
BELTS and BUCKLES,
COMBS and BRUSHES, of all sorts.
THE BEST FRENCH CORSETS,
FRENCH PERFUMERIES,
And KID GLOVES.

A full line of

DRESS TRIMMINGS, BUTTONS, ETC.

Come and examine our splendid stock, which has been selected by our Mr. GUÉBLÉ himself, in Paris and Germany, so we may recommend it for the quality and taste of the goods, as well as the

ASTONISHINGLY LOW PRICES,

We are enabled to sell them for.

PURCHASE HOUSE IN PARIS:

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GUÉBLÉ & GOURSAUD,

137 Canal street,

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The Gazette & Comet

GENERAL NEWS.

G. W. Bickley, President of the Knights of the Golden Circle, has been released from Fort Warren. He had been imprisoned for two years and eight months.

They talk of putting up a one hundred thousand dollar hotel at Meridian. (*Miss.*)

The National *Intelligencer*, announces that immediately upon the publication of Lieut. Gen. Grant's report, the resignation of Major Gen. Butler was accepted by the President.

The chaplain of the old 6th Massachusetts regiment is writing its history to be published by Lea & Shepard. Our readers may recollect that this is the regiment which was assaulted in passing through Baltimore at the commencement of our late civil war.

Mrs Sarah J. Holmes, aged sixty four, and Esquire Larkin, aged sixty eight, residing near Bellair, Va, recently ran away and got married. They ran away from their children, who opposed the match.

Roman tombs, more than fifteen hundred years old, containing cinerary urns and fragments of pottery, have been exhumed close to Windsor Castle.

MAXIMS.—All men have three distinct characters. They are what they appear to others; what they believe themselves to be, and what they really are.

Every man wishes to have a friend but no one ever thinks of being one himself.

Of two friends there is never but one who is the friend of the other.

Have no neighbors if you wish to live in good intelligence with them.

Learned people go further into the mud than the balance of mankind but they sink deeper.

Ownership is a contract, by which a man upon giving a certain sum of money, renounces everything which is not shut up between four walls.

There is but one bad woman in the world and every crusty husband thinks he has got her.

Many people never think, they only think they think.—*N. O. Crescent.*

ST. CHARLES CORN BREAD.—Beat two eggs very light; mix with them one quart of Indian meal and one pint of sour milk or buttermilk. Add one teaspoonful of melted butter, and a teaspoonful of saleratus, well dissolved, immediately before baking. Beat hard and bake quick.

IMPORTANT ORDER.

HEADQUARTERS BUREAU REFUGEES, FREEDMEN AND ABANDONED LANDS, STATE OF LOUISIANA, New Orleans, December 4, 1865.

Circular No. 29.

The following rules for the interpretation of contracts between employers and freedmen are announced:

1. Blank forms will be distributed from this office for the purpose of securing uniformity in contracts and to indicate the matters concerning which the parties should contract. Beyond this the bargains must be entirely voluntary and unconstrained.

Laborers shall choose their employers, and it is their privilege, as well as their duty to obtain the best terms they can for their services.

All contracts for labor should be made in triplicate, and should be approved by the Agent of the Bureau, for the Parish in which the parties reside; one copy to be retained by the employer, and the other two copies sent to this office—one to be forwarded to Washington.

Contracts made otherwise than as thus prescribed, will not be regarded as binding by the Bureau nor as meriting its interference to enforce them, unless for the protection of the laborer.

2. As far as practicable, all the members of the same family should contract conjointly for their labor, so that the number of useful hands and the number of infirm who have to be supported, may be regarded in fixing the rate of pay. The labor of minor children to be contracted for by their parents or guardians, and, in the absence of either, by the Agent of the Bureau.

3. The monthly wages must be a just compensation for the labor required to be performed.

4. Twenty-six days, of ten hours each, in summer, and nine hours in winter, between the hours of daylight and dark, shall be considered a month.

5. Any work in excess of this will be considered as extra labor, and six hours will be considered as an equivalent for a day's work, and fractional parts of the six hours will be paid for at the same rate.

6. Laborers working extra time will be allowed a half ration extra for each and every six hours' labor performed.

7. In addition to the monthly wages paid to laborers, good and wholesome rations, comfortable clothing and quarters, medical attendance and just treatment, and the opportunity for instruction of children will be furnished free of charge; but the rations, clothing and quarters, fuel and other privileges granted by the employer are part of the consideration which he pays for the services of the laborer, and are as really and fully wages as the money contracted to be paid, and are always taken into the account in fixing the amount of money wages to be paid.

10. The allowance of clothing will be two summer and one winter suits for each laborer or member of a family, or clothing may be commuted at the rate of three dollars per month for first class hands, two and one-half dollars per for month second and third class hands, and one and one-half dollars per month for children—at the option of the laborer.

11. Quarters will be such as to protect the laborer and his family from the inclemency of the weather, and must contain accommodations for cooking, and, in addition, one-half acre of land contiguous to the houses, will be set apart for each family for garden purposes.

12. Should the contracting parties prefer it, the laborers can engage to furnish their own food and clothing, their wages to be regulated accordingly. These supplies may be purchased from the employer, who must, if he undertakes to supply his hands, in all cases keep a regular book account for each hand, and sell at usual market rates, which accounts must be open at all times to the inspection of the Agents of this Bureau; this mode of contract is recommended to the freedmen. Should they desire to contract for a certain portion of the crop, they can do so, and the employer, in all contracts of this kind, will be required to comply with section XVII of this circular, and also to pay over to the Agent of this Bureau one twentieth of the value of the laborer's share of said crop monthly, or whenever demanded, for school purposes; this estimate to be based on the average production of the land under cultivation.

13. Five per cent. of the monthly wages of the laborers will be retained in the hands of the employer, and paid over when demanded to the agent authorized to receive it, to be used for the purpose of sustaining schools for the education of the children of the freedmen and for no other purpose; and if not demanded for the purpose designated, during the year, the amount so retained will be paid over to the laborer at the settlement of his account. One half of the balance of the monthly wages will be paid to the laborer on the last day of each month, and the remaining one half will be retained by the employer until the contract is fulfilled, when it will be paid over to to the laborer.

14. Should the laborer refuse to do the work contracted for, or should he leave the plantation or place on which, or employer for whom, he has engaged to work for the purpose of avoiding labor, without just cause or provocation, which will be determined by the agent of the Bureau for the parish in which he resides, upon application—and failure to make application for redress by the laborer will be considered as prima facia evidence against him—he shall forfeit all wages that may be due to him at the time of leaving to his employer; and should he refuse after having voluntarily entered into an agreement to labor, or fail to comply with, and be governed by such ordinary and reasonable rules as may be adopted by his employer for the systematic carrying on of his business, or fail in any way to be a good and faithful laborer according to his contract; or be wanting in due respect and obedience to his employer or family, in the performance of his or their duties, he may be discharged, and obliged to remove his family from the premises of his employer, by application to the agent of this Bureau, for the parish in which he resides. For failure to be at the appointed place of labor at the usual hour of commencing work, unless in case of sickness, the employer may deduct twice the amount of money wages for the time lost, to compensate for clothing and rations, as well as lost time.

15. Planters and others employing labor will, when the nature of their business requires that work be performed at night and on Sundays, during certain periods, distinctly specify in the contract that the employees agree to do such work, at such times as it may be required—the consideration for which must be distinctly stated in the agreement.

16. No restraints or disabilities shall be imposed upon freedmen that are not imposed upon white men. They are amenable to the same laws, and can only be restrained in the free exercise of their rights and privileges by reason of a violation of the laws of the land, as made and provided for the government of white men.

17. Should the agent deem it necessary, he will require the employer to give security that the requisite amount of provision to furnish the laborers with the specified ration shall be on hand on the plantation from month to month for issue or sale to the laborers and their families, as the terms of their contract may require. The rations and clothing specified in the order will be the minimum that will be regarded by the Bureau as sufficient food and comfortable clothing

18. Employers can adopt rules for systematizing the work on their plantations or elsewhere, which rules and regulations shall be read in the presence of the laborers previous to contracting; and which, if assented to, shall be made part of the agreement, and be binding upon both parties. And the parties may agree upon a system of fines or violation of these rules, which fines shall constitute a fund, to be distributed amongst the laborers who have not been delinquent, and in case there are none such, to be paid over to the agent of this Bureau, to be applied to the support of freedmen's schools.

19. All crops and property on any plantation where laborers are employed, will be held to be covered by a lien against all other creditors to the extent of the wages due employees, and such lien will follow such crops and property in any and all hands until such labor is fully paid and satisfied.

20. For the purpose of reimbursing to the United States some portion of the expenses of this system, and of supporting the aged, infirm and helpless, the following tax will be collected:

For each planter, for every hand employed by him, between the ages of eighteen and fifty, one dollar per annum.

This sum will be paid and collected on the first day of June next, and will be paid over to the Superintendent of Freedmen for disbursement.

By order of Brevet Maj. Gen. A. BAIRD, U. S. Volunteers, Assistant Commissioner Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, State of Louisiana.

D. G. FENNO,
First Lieutenant and A. A. A. G.