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The Bossier Banner

W. H. Scanland, Editor and Proprietor

BENTON, LOUISIANA,
Thursday, December 2, 1893.

TWO ASSASSINS HANGED.

Bentley Hearn and John Richards, colored, were taken from the Parish Jail, by a Committee of Citizens last Tuesday afternoon, about 3 o'clock, and hanged in the northern suburbs of Benton in the presence of about 300 people.

The crime for which they were hanged was the assassination of Mr. Larry W. Vance, on the Riverside plantation, four miles south of Benton. The brutal assault was made on Monday night, November 28th, and Mr. Vance died the following Friday morning, about 4 o'clock, never having regained consciousness from the moment of the fiendish assault.

The people were aroused and the leading citizens decided to investigate the mystery and to punish the inhuman butchers. Accordingly, on Thursday night a preliminary meeting was held at the Court House. It was a public meeting open to every one. It was regularly organized, and orderly conducted. Witnesses were examined, and the meeting adjourned until 9 o'clock next morning. After discussing the matter a Committee of six was appointed to investigate the crime.

As stated in our last issue, W. S. Parish, the engineer, and two colored men, were brought from the plantation on the day after the crime, and placed in jail at that place, under suspicion. There were several clues, however, and the committee decided to follow each until it led to the detection of the criminal, or criminals. In this, they were aided by a number of citizens—the entire community was incensed at the brutal crime, and all were interested in discovering the assassins. The public were requested to attend the meetings and discuss means for the common safety, and with a view of eliciting clews.

At the meeting in the Court House on Friday afternoon, the Committee reported progress—they were on the track of one of the murderers, but his name was not given for fear of his possible escape.

Suspicion strongly pointed to Bentley Hearn, a negro employed on the place, and who had been absent since the night of the crime. It was learned that Hearn and John Richards, also colored, left Shreveport on Monday evening's train (the day of the crime) purchasing tickets to Vicksburg, and Hearn was seen at Vicksburg that afternoon. It was learned also that when Mr. Vance settled with Hearn, Saturday, there was nothing coming to him, yet, after the assassination and robbery, Hearn was known to have considerable money in Shreveport, where he bought a shirt and a pair of shoes, and exchanged \$20 in silver for paper currency. In addition, a colored man living at Cash Point stated that Hearn had come to his house about midnight, on the night of the crime, and asked for a mule to take him to Shreveport offering to pay \$2. In answer to the questions why he wanted to go to Shreveport at that late hour, and why he did not take a freight train, Hearn replied that he did not want his wife to know that he was back from Texas, and that he did not want any one to see him, and he then asked the man not to "give him away."

Two other colored men also stated that on that night Hearn had come to their cabins and asked for a mule to take him to Shreveport. On this clew the investigation proceeded, and, first, Hearn was arrested by the Police at Shreveport, turned over to the Bossier authorities and placed in jail at this place, last Friday.

On Saturday, a brother of Bentley Hearn was brought from Greenwood 15 miles from Shreveport, and near Waskom. He was brought to Benton Sunday morning and put in jail. He made a statement to the effect that his brother, Bentley and Richards, had committed the crime, stating that Bentley had confessed to their father. The father also made the same statement.

The execution was witnessed by about 300 people, including about 300 colored people.

Parish, the engineer, and others, who had been held in jail under suspicion, were released.

All law springs from the people; their voice is the law of the land, it is higher than statutory law, and is ever preservative of the lives and property of the people. Self-preservation is the highest law known to humanity, and it has been expressed.

Shreveport Times, Dec. 7: The defense of J. H. Fullerton, et al., vs. the Shreveport and Red River Valley Railroad Company, testing the validity of a tax of five mills for ten years, voted by a majority of the property owners of the First Ward of Bossier parish, was argued before Judge J. T. Watkins, at Monroe, on Monday.

Judge Watkins rendered his decision yesterday, which is to the effect that a Ward, or subdivision of a municipality, cannot, under the provisions of Article 212 of the Constitution, legally vote a tax, and therefore, this tax is null and void.

The Constitution provides that a tax of this character must be voted by the whole Parish. A Ward is not a Parish government. The tax can only be legally voted by the whole Parish, or a duly constituted city government.

The amount involved is \$25,000, or \$2,500 a year for ten years.

Hon. J. T. Watkins rendered his decision last week in the case of the taxayers of Webster parish against the Arkansas and Louisiana railroad company, decided in favor of the taxayers, thus setting them about \$7,500, which, otherwise would have been paid on a live valuation assessment.

The tax was assessed on the property of the railroad company, and the petition filed for the decision was not signed by the required number of tax payers.

Second—The supplemental assessment rail road was made out for the purpose of compensating the number of people who had a right to vote in the event of a tax.

Witness, guns, cows, horses, were given to people that they might become tax payers, and after being returned to their owners, third—The tax was assessed under the general election law of the State, which provides for the Australian ballot, separate ballots and a secret ballot. The voting was open, there was no secrecy, and books were provided.

—A fine story.

Carter's Jewelry Store in Shreveport is one of the finest in the South. A variety of all kinds can be manufactured and repaired that may be furnished at this establishment. The stock of jewelry of all kinds, diamonds and other precious stones, cut glass, etc., is unusually large, and is warranted as top quality.

The Optical Department is one of the special features of this establishment. This department is in the hands of an expert who has made it a special study, and for 17 years has devoted his time and energy to the fitting of glasses to the young and old in many parts of the country. Here, glasses are made to fit each individual eye, and it is rare to find that the same glasses will fit any two eyes. The necessity of an intelligent, experienced Optician is apparent to any one using glasses.

Mr. Alert Latta, the manager, is the direct representative of this establishment, as well as the introduction of the complete manufacturing plant.

The Committee, accordingly, reported to the Citizens' Meeting, which was then being held in the Court House—about 500 being present, all sections of Bossier Parish being represented, and by leading citizens, who are interested in the welfare of the parish, and in the protection of the lives and property of the community.

After calm and mature deliberation, it was decided that the evidence of guilt was positive, punishment should be sure and swift—the assassins should be hanged.

Accordingly, a Committee of 25 well known citizens was appointed to conduct the execution. They selected a large oak tree, on the railroad line, about half a mile north of Benton. They then marched to the jail, took out the murderer and marched them to the place of execution. Here, in the shadow of death, Hearn again confessed, saying, "I, me and Richards, the man standing by me; I ought to die for it."

Both were hanged at about the same moment, about 3:40 o'clock. Your business solicited.

C. S. McCleod, D. D. S., Shreveport.

Dentistry.

Dr. T. M. Comegys, office over Zodding's, adjoining Opera House, Shreveport, La.

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The Savings Deposits of the Bank is one of its most popular features. Interest at the rate of three per cent per annum is allowed on all sums over one dollar, and upwards is making on deposit three or more calendar months.

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—EWD PHILLIPS, Register.

December 1, 1893.

Consolidated Homestead Entries.

Land Office at Natchitoches, La., November 26, 1893.

Notice is hereby given that the following entries have been filed with the Land Office, and that said plot will be made available for entry at the next regular session of the Land Office Court, at Benton, La., on the 1st day of January, 1894. Gis. Jimmerson, for

Homestead Entry No. 308—Gis. Jimmerson, for the northeast quarter of section 12, in the township of North, range 12 West, Louisiana.

In accordance with the requirements to prove homestead residence upon and cultivation of the land, the following witnesses do prove his residence upon and cultivation of the land, viz.: Gis. Jimmerson, Sam Hayes, and Gis. Hodges, of Benton, La.

Homestead Entry No. 324—Samuel Hayes, for the northeast quarter of section 12, in the township of North, range 12 West, Louisiana.

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BENTON, LOUISIANA.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1893.

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The Police Jury of Bossier parish,
will convene in regular session on
Tuesday, October 10.

Notwithstanding the hard times,
the mosquito always manages to
make its collections.

The next regular session of the
School Board of this parish will be
held on Saturday, October 7th.

Bring us your cotton. We will
pay the highest market price for it
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The fourth round of the Methodist Conference will be held as follows: North Bossier Circuit, at Huguenot Street, on Oct. 21st and 22d, Valley Circuit, at L. R. Sapp's, on Dec. 2d and 3rd.

Shreveport Bridge collections for
month of September, 1893:

C. B. Norman, East end.....	\$725 35
G. Owens, West end.....	733 05
M. Spellman, night.....	101 35

Total collection.....\$1569 75

SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID.—J. F. Sutton, (per J. C. Sutton) on Oct. 23, 1894; \$1; J. Z. Igler, for 1893, \$1; B. F. Oneal, for 1893, \$1; T. W. H. Stinson, to April 30, 1894, \$1; H. D. Watson, to August 10, 1894, \$1; L. P. Payoux, (per H. C. Sims) to January 28, 1894, \$1; W. L. Adger, to July 2, 1894, \$1; Mrs. L. A. Doles, (per T. P. Lurkin) for 1893, \$1; Jno. L. Hodges, to Oct. 1, 1893, \$1.

DEATH OF MR. ASA ODOM.—Mr. Asa Odum died at the residence of Mr. R. L. Wells, near Plain Dealing, on last Sunday. Mr. Odum was an old citizen of Bossier, and if not the oldest, he was one of the oldest white persons in the parish when he died. He was born in South Carolina on Sunday, October 7th, 1803, and would have been 90 years old on his next birthday, next Saturday. He was a quiet, good citizen and respected by all who knew him. He was the grandfather of Messrs. J. R. and Marion Odum and Mrs. J. A. Mitchell, all of whom live near Plain Dealing.

Sentell-Cade.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. J. M. Sentell and Miss Maggie Cade were married at the residence of Mr. J. A. W. Lowry, in Benton. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. Hensley.

This popular young couple have hosts of friends in the parish who wish for them the full realization of their fondest hopes. Miss Cade is a young lady of charming personality and many accomplishments.—Mr. Sentell is to be congratulated on winning such a prize. The groom is a promising young business man, and is held in high esteem by his many friends.

After refreshments had been served Mr. and Mrs. Sentell were accompanied to the train by a large number of friends. They left on the 525 train on a visit to Chicago and Niagara Falls.

The Banner's best wishes are with the young groom and bride for a pleasant and charming honeymoon trip, and a future of unalloyed happiness.

Lynching of Henry Coleman.

On Tuesday night of last week Henry Coleman, Jr., a colored farmer and school teacher, living near Midway, attempted to assassinate Capt. Thos. Lyles while Capt. Lyles was at work in his store at Midway. Coleman, when arrested by Sheriff Thompson, denied the shooting, but admitted that he and R. T. Bradford, a white man farming near Midway, had plotted to kill Brooks Farley, colored, and that Bradford did the shooting, intending to kill Farley, and not Capt. Lyles. Bradford and Coleman were brought to Benton and both jailed Wednesday night. Thursday morning Coleman voluntarily acknowledged to Sheriff Thompson that he did the shooting, and that Bradford was innocent. Bradford was released from prison at once, and returned to his home. Coleman had first implicated Bradford to gain time. He doubtless thought, and correctly too, that he then acknowledged his attempted assassination of Capt. Lyles he would have been hung by the licensed citizens of the neighborhood Wednesday night before he could be jailed at this place.

Thursday evening late Coleman expressed a desire to baptize, Friday morning Sheriff Thompson and others conveyed him to Black Bayou, where he was baptized by a colored preacher, and after being baptized, again returned to his cell. Friday afternoon at 1:45 am Lyles, body of about 75 citizens, without disguise, rode up to the jail and demanded the jail keys. Mr. Thompson most positively refused to give up the keys, when they were forcibly taken from him; the cell door unlocked and Coleman taken out, mounted upon a horse and carried across Black Bayou, about a half mile from the jail, where he was hung to a tree about 300 yards from the bridge on the Midway road. Just before dark his body was taken down for burial by his relatives or friends.

Coleman admitted his guilt, and evidently believed all the time that his life would pay the penalty of his dastardly crime. He voluntarily wrote the following confession, which he handed to Sheriff Thompson with the request that we publish it in the Banner. We print it exactly as he wrote it, without any changes or corrections whatever:

My friends and relatives—I leave to you all this testimony. I (Henry Coleman Jr.) am guilty of shooting Capt. Thos. Lyles of Midway La. for me to say I did it with any cause more than to prevent him from seizing what little property I had left out of the bound of the truth. I have weighed the matter carefully, and have decided that it is only the way that God would have me to go. It is the way that he had to bring me into his kingdom. O what a noble thing it is to have a part in Christ. I am now a child of God, and do not fear to die. I am waiting and willing to go. God have for give me for all that I ever did contrary to his holy word. I hope these words will reach the ears of all of my friends both white and black; and to my dear parents in particular. May God change my poor old father before it is too late, call my sin-sister O God is the prayers of your servant. Go with dear loving wife and four little children, to a better world. I am sorry for my dear wife, and may these words rest heavy upon the mind of my young friends, never shoot any one, my col. friends quit saying that the whites are no friend to the colored. My wife and I well had to be. I am in jail now waiting for the dying hour. If I never be permitted to meet my friends and relatives in this life, be sure to try to meet me in heaven where parting will be no more.

H. COLEMAN JR.
Sept. the 23th 1893.

From this on Carstarphen & Co. will keep all kinds of country produce, such as cabbage, onions, Irish potatoes, full cream cheese, &c.

Personal Paragraphs.

Mrs. J. M. Arnold and Mrs. T. J. Tidwell were guests of Mrs. L. A. Brownlee Sunday.

Mr. J. N. Ogden, of Baton Rouge, came up Saturday on a short visit to his relatives and many friends in Bossier.

Mrs. Mamie Best, of Mansfield,

came up Saturday evening's train on a visit of a few weeks to her sister, Mrs. T. W. W. Stinson.

Miss Ella Canfield, who was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. A. J. Murff, a few days last week, left Thursday for her home Webster parish.

Miss Rebecca Beasley was in Ben-

ton Sunday on her way to Shreveport, where she will remain awhile as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Beasley.

Major W. B. Simpson moved into his new dwelling house Monday, and Mr. B. A. Kelly moved into the dwelling vacated by Mr. Simpson, and which he sold to Mr. Kelly several weeks ago.

Shreveport Caucasian: "Doubtless Dr. T. E. Schumpert's many friends in Shreveport and throughout the State will be gratified to know that he has been elected Surgeon and Superintendent in charge of the Shreveport Charity Hospital.

Dr. Schumpert succeeds Dr. J. W. Allen, resigned, who filled this important position acceptably for four years. In Dr. Schumpert Dr. Allen had an able successor, a gentleman who is an honor to the profession and a young man of marked ability."

The Shreveport Times of Saturday says: "Captain Thos. Lyles, of Midway, who was shot and seriously wounded by the negro Henry Coleman, Jr., Tuesday night last, reached this city yesterday morning over the Cotton Belt Railway. He is getting along well, and was able to walk from the train to a carriage. He was taken to Allen's infirmary, where he will receive treatment until he fully recovers. His many friends will be glad to learn that his wounds are not so serious as at first reported."

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Last Sunday night and Monday morning one of the worst storms that section has ever known swept down from the North and West through New Orleans to the Gulf. It reached a velocity of 60 miles an hour in New Orleans and from 100 to 125 in Plaquemines parish. Not a house in Pointe-a-la-Hache, the parish seat of Plaquemines, escaped either injury or destruction. The Times-Democrat says "it killed a score of people and inflicted a damage of perhaps at first reported."

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On account of above fair the Cotton Belt Route will sell tickets Oct. 29th to Nov. 4th, inclusive, to Shreveport, \$1.00, round trip, 70 cents for the round trip. Tickets good to return up to May 5, 1893.

S. H. DOWELL, Agent.

LIGHT BRAHMAS FOR SALE.

I have about 10 young Brahmas for sale at \$1.00 each.

Also 10 ponies for \$1.00 each.

Also 10 colts for \$1.00 each.

Also 10 geldings for \$1.00 each.

Also 10 mares for \$1.00 each.

Also 10 horses, cows, sheep, goats, wagons, buggies, harnesses, etc., etc.

Terms of Sale—Cash, subject to the benefit of apprehension.

A. R. THOMPSON, Sheriff.

Benton, La., September 21, 1893.

Sheriff's Sale.

K. S. Stovall, vs. John G. Davis in District Court, Bossier Parish, La.

B. F. Simpson, J. parsh. Law in above named suit, and to me directed, I have seized and will proceed to sell, at public auction to be held in the front door of the Court House, in the town of Benton, on the 1st day of November, 1893, the following described property, to wit:

Lot 2 and 3 south-west quarter of section 7, township 22, range 14, 150 acres.

Lot 4 north-east quarter of section 17, township 22, range 14, 150 acres.

Lot 5 south-east quarter of section 17, township 22, range 14, 150 acres.

Lot 6 south-west quarter of section 17, township 22, range 14, 150 acres.

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Published on Thursday of Each Week

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SUBSCRIPTION RATES:

One year \$1.00
Six months 50 cents
Three months 33 cents

Display advertising rates 15 cents per man per week.

The exceptions to the rate are:

The insertion of small transfers and other items which call for payment only every second, third or fourth week.

The insertion of regular advertisements is permitted to make monthly payments.

The office is open to all advertisers and prospective buyers.

All display advertisements should

call this office, not later than the insertion

in the issue for which work is not guaranteed.

Political advertising, 25 cents for inch.

Editorial copy, 25 cents for inch.

The ordinary poetry not to be submitted for publication.

When original is usually not good.

A short obituary may be accepted.

Letters to the editor when the deceased is known to the paper's readers.

Let the length of the letter be limited to one column.

The family of the deceased in the community where the family resided.

Memorials to the management of the newspaper will receive attention.

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No address communications intended for publication.

Make all remittances in the name of the proprietor.

BENTON, LA., DECEMBER 5, 1912.

Local Happenings

The News of Town in Paragraphs

Rain Tuesday after a protracted dry spell.

The flooring of Benton bridge has recently been repaired.

Mr. W. H. Eddings, Sheriff yesterday was Hon. W. S. Dorth of Taylortown.

Miss Mabel Boggs of Plain Dealing spent several days of last week in Benton as a guest of Mrs. Pauline Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rogers expect to move next week out to Mr. L. G. Smith's farm in the Arkansas road.

Mrs. Rogers is Mr. Smith's mother.

A literary meeting is planned for next Saturday evening at the home of Mr. Zeigler Tuesday evening.

See the announcement in the display advertisement shown elsewhere on this page.

Mr. F. W. Avey of Charleston, W. Va., Monday for his home after spending several days with his sister, Mrs. W. H. Scaland. When he reached Benton he was on his way home from his wife.

As both Mr. A. C. Conaster and W. A. Zeigler were in Benton last Friday, we presume their business was to make arrangements for the transfer of Mr. Zeigler's former home to him, mention of which had before been made in the Banner.

The writer knew of no details about the removal of the records operations at the new well site near this place. Work has been resumed after a lapse of nearly a week. As the six-inch casting, which was set up in the rear of the home of Mr. Zeigler, had been broken in, of course, an error, unless a pumper was indicated, when a gusher is wanted.

Residents of this place were greatly surprised Sunday morning to learn of the marriage of two of their young friends—Mr. Haywood Montague and Miss Jimmie Barnes, who took place in the home of the groom's parents, in Shreveport, last Saturday evening at seven o'clock. Rev. Mr. McCoy of German church performed the ceremony.

These two young people have been much together for the past several months, and it is said that they would make a match, but it was thought

that the young lady (only eighteen years of age) would wait upon until she had finished her schooling. However, they are now married and are well and happy behalf of a number of the older residents of our parish entered into the marital estate at even more youthful ages. The bride is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Montague, who recently removed from this place to Shreveport, and the bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rogers, the newsmen and neighbors who will make their home in this place. Both the young people are popular and come from prominent families. May they live to experience long lives of usefulness and happiness.

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