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BY AUTHORITY.

[No. 128.]
AN ACT,

Authorizing Marie Lyride Denege Dupre, f. w. wife of F. Azemar Meayrer, f. m. c., of the parish of Natchitoches, to sell certain slaves

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened, That Marie Lyride Denege Dupre, f. w. c., wife of F. Azemar Meayrer, f. m. c., of the parish of Natchitoches, be and she is hereby authorized and empowered, with the consent of her said husband, to sell a certain negro woman named Celeste, slave for life, and her child, a mulatto boy named Edward, also a slave for life, said slave Celeste having been donated to said Marie Lyride Denege Dupre, f. w. c., at the time of her marriage, by her father, Philippe Valsin Dupre.

(Signed) JOHN F. KING,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieut. Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 10th, 1852.
JOSEPH WALKER,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
Certified to be a true copy.
CHARLES GAYARRE, Secretary of State.

[No. 139.]
AN ACT,

To authorize Charles Baumbach and his wife, Elizabeth Gresham, of the city of New Orleans, to adopt John Charles, an orphan raised by them, and to change his name to John Charles Baumbach,

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened, That Charles Baumbach and his wife Elizabeth Gresham, of the city of New Orleans be, and they are hereby authorized to adopt as their legitimate heir, John Charles, an orphan boy raised by them; and to change his name to John Charles Baumbach,

Sec. 2. *Be it further enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened*, That Charles Baumbach and his wife Elizabeth Gresham, of the city of New Orleans be, and they are hereby authorized to adopt as their legitimate heir, John Charles, an orphan boy raised by them, and to change his name to John Charles Baumbach,

Sec. 3. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened*, That the said adoption be made to appear, as set forth in the first section of this act, before the Second Judge, and two competent witnesses within a year from the passage of this act.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That from and after the execution of the act of adoption provided for in the preceding section, the said John Charles shall bear the name of John Charles Baumbach, and be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a legitimate child of said Charles Baumbach and his wife Elizabeth Gresham, save only that he shall not inherit the succession of said Baumbach or of his said wife until the death of both of them, all laws to the contrary, notwithstanding.

(Signed) JOHN F. KING,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 15th, 1852.
JOSEPH WALKER,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
Certified to be a true copy.
CHARLES GAYARRE, Secretary of State.

[No. 140.]
AN ACT,

To incorporate the town of Alexandria.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened: That from and after the passage of this act, all that portion of the territory and being and lying on Red River, in the parish of Rapides, hereinafter known as the town of Alexandria, a plot of which is on file in the office of the Recorder of the parish of Rapides, and also that portion of the said parish on the same river side, hereinafter designated as the upper suburb, a plot of which is also on file in the said Recorder's office, shall form a corporation and body politic, by the name of Town of Alexandria, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in all courts of law and equity; and may have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That the Mayor and Council of said town, shall have power to pass such ordinances from time to time as they may deem necessary for the good government and regulation of the persons enumerated in the preceding section. They shall also have power to provide for the punishment of vagrant and disorderly persons, who may be found in the day or night time, disturbing the public peace, by fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and imprisonment not exceeding forty-eight hours without a hearing.

Sec. 15. Be it further enacted, &c., That the Mayor shall have power to recall and annul any license that he may have granted by virtue of this act, when, from the disorderly, outrageous or improper conduct of the party, the peace and good government of the town may require it.

Sec. 16. Be it further enacted, &c., That whenever the owner of property in front of which a side walk, banquet or other works, shall have been ordered to be made, filled up or repaired, shall fail to do so within the time required by the ordinance of the Mayor and Council, the said Mayor and Council shall order it to be done at the expense of the proprietor of the said property, and the said corporation shall have a special lien and privilege on said property to secure the payment so due, which privilege shall entitle the corporation to be paid in preference to any other mortgage or claim upon said property; and in case such owner shall be unknown, said corporation shall have the right to proceed *in rem* against the said property in the same manner as is pointed out in article two hundred and ninety-one *et seq* of the Code of Practice; the corporation to be entitled to eight per cent on interest upon the said amount paid for such works from the time it is advanced till paid.

Sec. 17. Be it further enacted, &c., That in case of the incapacity, negligence or malfeasance of any officer appointed under this act, the Mayor and Council shall declare the office vacant and forthwith make a new appointment to fill the unexpired term of said office.

Sec. 18. Be it further enacted, &c., That in the absence of the Mayor, one of the Councilmen shall be chosen to preside at their meetings, provided a quorum be present besides the presiding officer; in case of sickness or absence from town of the Mayor, he shall appoint a justice of the peace residing in the corporation to exercise the power of the Mayor during said absence or sickness. And in default of such appointment by the Mayor, the Council shall appoint a justice of the peace to be invested with the aforesaid powers.

Sec. 19. Be it further enacted, &c., That all the by-laws and ordinances executed by the Mayor and Council shall be promulgated by posting a copy thereof at the door of the Court House, or publishing the same in one or more of the newspapers printed in said town for ten days.

Sec. 20. Be it further enacted, &c., That all acts passed relative to governor or police of the town of Alexandria be, and they are here by repealed.

Sec. 21. Be it further enacted, &c., That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) JOHN K. KING,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieut. Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 15th, 1852.
JOSEPH WALKER,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
Certified to be a true copy.
CHARLES GAYARRE, Secretary of State.

[No. 141.]
AN ACT,

For the relief of the Citizens Bank of Louisiana.

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana is now responsible for bonds issued by or in the Citizens Bank of Louisiana, for a sum exceeding six millions of dollars, which, with accruing interest on the same, absorbs the present revenue of the State, and leaves no means to expose the debt to sale from the failure of said bank to meet the payment of the interest on the bonds issued to it, and

WHEREAS, the interest appointed by the State to sell and dispose of the stock held by the State in said bank, with the right to foreclose the mortgage for stock which has been cancelled to the amount equal to that of the stock transferred by him, as also however the same property, subject to the charge for any debt due by him for loan on the stock.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That this act shall not take effect until it shall have been submitted by the written vote of a majority of the stock holders in number and amount.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, &c., That when the act shall take effect on a compliance with the provisions, an election of directors shall be held according to a charter for the directors, out of whom to be elected by the stock holders, who shall have exchanged their bonds for stock to at least one-quarter in the affairs of said bank, and for the remaining three-quarters, on the bonds remaining on hand, with the same rights and privileges as the Board shall determine.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, &c., That all the present officers of the city, and municipalities of New Orleans, and of the city of Lafayette, as well as the auxeties of said officers, shall be held liable for the proper closing of their business and accounts, and the transfer and delivery of their books, papers and documents to such departments of the new administration as may be designated by the City Council, or provided for by the act by which this is a supplement; and the communication, to their successors, of such information as may be necessary to facilitate the transaction of the business of the city, and it shall be the duty of said City Council to cancel the bonds of all persons who may have held offices under former corporations, when satisfied that their accounts have been settled, and their duties faithfully performed.

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, &c., That in case of the sickness or temporary absence of the Mayor of said city, the President of the Board of Aldermen of said city, shall act during said sickness or temporary absence, as Mayor pro tempore.

Sec. 6. Be it further enacted, &c., That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) JOHN K. KING,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieut. Governor and President of the Senate.
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enact from time to time, such by-laws and ordinances in writing as they may deem expedient relative to streets, levees, and landings, and sidewalks, relative to the public market; relative to slaughter-houses and nuisances generally, and relative to whatever may be necessary for the improvements, police or good government of said town, and may require for any neglect or disobedience of any such law or ordinances, the person or persons, as offending, shall on conviction before the Mayor, be fined in a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, provided that such regulations are not made inconsistent with the laws of the United States or of this State.

Sec. 13. Be it further enacted, &c., That all innkeepers, retailers of spirituous liquors, keepers of groc'ery shops, taverns, billiard tables, bowling saloons, cake shops, restaurants, ten pin alleys, exhibitions, carts, waggons, drays and carriages which run for hire, before they be authorized so to do, shall obtain a license to that effect from the Mayor, after paying the amount of such taxes as the Mayor and Council may have imposed by virtue of the power vested in them.

Sec. 14. Be it further enacted, &c., That the Mayor and Council of said town, shall have power to pass such ordinances from time to time as they may deem necessary for the good government and regulation of the persons enumerated in the preceding section. They shall also have power to provide for the punishment of vagrant and disorderly persons, who may be found in the day or night time, disturbing the public peace, by fine not exceeding fifty dollars, and imprisonment not exceeding forty-eight hours without a hearing.

Sec. 15. Be it further enacted, &c., That the Mayor shall have power to recall and annul any license that he may have granted by virtue of this act, when, from the disorderly, outrageous or improper conduct of the party, the peace and good government of the town may require it.

Sec. 16. Be it further enacted, &c., That whenever the owner of property in front of which a side walk, banquet or other works, shall have been ordered to be made, filled up or repaired, shall fail to do so within the time required by the ordinance of the Mayor and Council, the said Mayor and Council shall order it to be done at the expense of the proprietor of the said property, and the said corporation shall have a special lien and privilege on said property to secure the payment so due, which privilege shall entitle the corporation to be paid in preference to any other mortgage or claim upon said property; and in case such owner shall be unknown, said corporation shall have the right to proceed *in rem* against the said property in the same manner as is pointed out in article two hundred and ninety-one *et Seq* of the Code of Practice; the corporation to be entitled to eight per cent on interest upon the said amount paid for such works from the time it is advanced till paid.

Sec. 17. Be it further enacted, &c., That in case of the incapacity, negligence or malfeasance of any officer appointed under this act, the Mayor and Council shall declare the office vacant and forthwith make a new appointment to fill the unexpired term of said office.

Sec. 18. Be it further enacted, &c., That in the absence of the Mayor, one of the Councilmen shall be chosen to preside at their meetings, provided a quorum be present besides the presiding officer; in case of sickness or absence from town of the Mayor, he shall appoint a justice of the peace residing in the corporation to exercise the power of the Mayor during said absence or sickness. And in default of such appointment by the Mayor, the Council shall appoint a justice of the peace to be invested with the aforesaid powers.

Sec. 19. Be it further enacted, &c., That all the by-laws and ordinances executed by the Mayor and Council shall be promulgated by posting a copy thereof at the door of the Court House, or publishing the same in one or more of the newspapers printed in said town for ten days.

Sec. 20. Be it further enacted, &c., That all acts passed relative to governor or police of the town of Alexandria be, and they are here by repealed.

Sec. 21. Be it further enacted, &c., That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after the first day of January next.

(Signed) JOHN K. KING,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieut. Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 15th, 1852.
JOSEPH WALKER,
Governor of the State of Louisiana.
Certified to be a true copy.
CHARLES GAYARRE, Secretary of State.

[No. 142.]
AN ACT,

Supplementary to an Act to consolidate the city of New Orleans, and provide for the government and management of its affairs.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted* by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana, in General Assembly convened, That the city election which is to take place on the fourth

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day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, in the city of New Orleans, shall be held in each precincts and at such polls as may be hereafter fixed by the municipal councils of New Orleans and the city council of Lafayette, whose duty it is hereby made to establish at least ten days before the election, not less than two precincts and polls in each of the eleven wards of said city of New Orleans, as said wards are described in the second section of the act to which this is a supplement, also in the second section of an act supplementary to an act to consolidate the city of New Orleans and providing for the incorporation of the city of Lafayette, with the city of New Orleans, approved 25th February, 1852. Said councils shall also appoint at least ten days before the election, three inspectors and two clerks for each precinct, it being understood that the precincts shall not be fixed, nor the inspectors and clerks appointed jointly by said councils, but separately by each council, within the limits of its own jurisdiction. Said councils shall cause to be published by the Mayor of New Orleans, and the Mayor of Lafayette, each within his own jurisdiction, at least ten days before the election and in at least two newspapers a proclamation setting forth the day on which the election is to take place, the precincts and polls established, the names of the inspectors and clerks at each, and the hours at which the polls will be opened and closed.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, &c., That is from any cause whatever, any of the municipal councils of New Orleans should fail together to perform the duties, or any part of the duties prescribed in the first section of this act, the Mayor of New Orleans shall act in those stead, and should the City Council of Lafayette neglect or neglect to perform the duty prescribed in said first section of this act, the Mayor of Lafayette shall act in their stead, and the appointment of Inspectors and Clerks, and the publication of the Mayor's proclamations shall in that case be legal, if made five days before the election. The Mayor of said cities, each within his own jurisdiction, shall also have power to fill vacancies arising from the absence of any Inspectors or Clerks. The returns of the election from each of the eleven wards of the city of New Orleans, including the present city of Lafayette, shall be made to the Mayor of New Orleans, provided that if the Mayor of New Orleans be a candidate for re-election, said returns shall be made to the Sheriff of the parish of Orleans.

Sec. 3. Be it further enacted, &c., That the Commissioners of the consolidated debt shall have power to sell bonds of the city of New Orleans for an amount sufficient to pay such interest on the consolidated debt as may become due before the first day of July, 1853.

Sec. 4. Be it further enacted, &c., That all the present officers of the city, and municipalities of New Orleans, and of the city of Lafayette, as well as the auxeties of said officers, shall be held liable for the proper closing of their business and accounts, and the transfer and delivery of their books, papers and documents to such departments of the new administration as may be designated by the City Council, or provided for by the act by which this is a supplement; and the communication, to their successors, of such information as may be necessary to facilitate the transaction of the business of the city, and it shall be the duty of said City Council to cancel the bonds of all persons who may have held offices under former corporations, when satisfied that their accounts have been settled, and their duties faithfully performed.

Sec. 5. Be it further enacted, &c., That in case of the sickness or temporary absence of the Mayor of said city, the President of the Board of Aldermen of said city, shall act during said sickness or temporary absence, as Mayor pro tempore.

Sec. 6. Be it further enacted, &c., That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

(Signed) JOHN K. KING,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
J. B. PLAUCHE,
Lieut. Governor and President of the Senate.
Approved March 15th, 1852.
JOSEPH WALKER,
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CHARLES GAYARRE, Secretary of State.

MARINE NEWS.

Port of New Orleans, March 18.

Cleared Yesterday.

Arrived Yesterday.

Memoranda.

The propeller Captain Gordon, Rose, for Red River, left at 10 A. M. yesterday.

The steamer Ben Sherrod, Bell