

## No. 2.

Of this assertion take the following proof, extracted from the *Telegraphe* of October 1, 1808:

“Should there be no other remedy, if it can be proved that the Batture belonged to the city previously to the cession, I have no doubt but that the minister of His Imperial and Royal Majesty will think it his duty to lay the affair before the Emperor, if his general instructions do not authorize the minister's immediate application to the American Government in behalf of the Louisianians. It is well known that the Emperor Napoleon will think himself bound in justice and honor to see that the treaty of cession be not violated. The Emperor of the French did not cede his subjects to be devoured by the harpies of chicane. That Alexander knows how to cut the Gordian knot of iniquity,” &c.

## No. 4.

The property described in the following advertisement is situated on the third division of the Jesuits' farm; is part of an alluvion formed since the year 1763, and was the property of Colonel Bellechasse, the commandant of the militia, who took a leading part in the opposition to my title. He has since sold it for five thousand dollars, and guarantied the title.

By JAMES PITOT & Co.—The partnership of Messrs. Bellechasse and Mercier in the brick and tile kiln, established opposite the plantation of Mr. Solet, about a mile above the city, having expired, will be sold by the above-mentioned auctioneers, on the premises, on Saturday, 30th January instant, the following property: four lots, facing the public road running with the river, with the enjoyment of the Batture, first by right of purchase, and in conformity with the usages of the country. Said four lots are bounded on one side by the lands of Mr. Thomas Soulet, and on the other by those of Mr. Alexander Milne, Jun. They are susceptible of being divided into eight lots: four to face the river, and four the public road of Chapatoulat; and each lot will then be about from one hundred and fifty to one hundred and sixty feet in depth, &c.

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## No. 5.

We, the subscribers, captains of vessels now lying in the port of New Orleans, do certify, that we have examined the canal constructed, and nearly completed, by Edward Livingston, Esq. on the Batture of the suburbs of St. Mary, and we are of opinion that the said canal, when completed, will be of the greatest use to commerce, by affording a convenient birth for ships and other vessels; and, that similar canals constructed along the whole front of the said suburb, particularly when stores shall be erected on the sides, will greatly facilitate the lading and unloading of vessels without the expense of cartage. And we are further of opinion, from examining the current of the river at high water, that the said canals will not render the current more rapid, or the harbor more inconvenient, or less secure, but, on the contrary, will afford both convenience and safety for the shipping.

SAMUEL ORR, *ship Baltic, of Portsmouth, N. H.*

E. C. GARDINER, *Western Trader, of Philadelphia.*

JAS. PATTERSON, *Moses Gill, of New York.*

LEVI JOY, *Yorkshire, of New York.*

CHARLES CLASBY, *Orion, of Philadelphia.*

CHARLES COFFIN, *ship Rover.*

HENRY SAYWARD, *ship Flora.*

A. P. WALSH.

THOS. POLLOCK, *commander, pro tem. revenue cutter Louisiana.*

W. M. HARRIS, *Amiable Lucy, New Orleans.*

WM. TORREY.

Z. BUTLER, *Perseverance, of Philadelphia.*

ROBT. HARRISON, *Catharine, New Orleans.*

JAMES D. NICHOLS, *Polly, New York.*

PHILIP C. HOGAN, *brig Traveller, New York.*

## No. 6.

*Earth and building sand for sale.*—All persons desirous of procuring earth or fine sand for building may be supplied by applying to Mr. Callalou, overseer of the works on the Batture, at the foot of Girod street.

EDW. LIVINGSTON.

OCTOBER 8, 1808.

*Ordinance of the City Council.*—On the repeated complaints of many citizens, that they are obliged to buy the earth necessary for building and filling up their yards, and for constructing their banquettes, and that a great number of them have not the means adequate to this disbursement, the city council, considering that it is incumbent on them to bring some relief to the painful situation of the inhabitants of the city in this occurrence,

*Resolve,* That, notwithstanding the works already commenced by the corporation, and momentaneous detriment by which the interests of the city and part of the commerce shall be effected, the mayor is provisionally authorized to cause that the earth from the Batture opposite fort St. Louis be delivered gratis to all proprietors of lots and houses in town, and the faubourg St. Mary, who may be able to prove the indispensable necessity of this relief.

CHARLES TRUDEAU, *President.*

Approved the 15th of October, 1807,

JAMES MATHER, *Mayor.*

Certified:

M. BOURGEOIS, *City Clerk.*

Je, soussigné, certifie que la portion de terre, en dehors de la levée, située entre le faubourg Ste Marie et le lieu où se placent les batimens, la dite partie faisant face au fort St. Louis, communément appelée Batture, et posédée par la ville de la Nouvelle Orléans, contient deux mille toises superficielles, qui peuvent être crensées jusqu'à la profondeur de plus de quatre pieds, avant d'arriver au niveau des eaux basses; que la dite portion augmente tous les ans par l'alluvion du fleuve, et que la terre qu'on peut en enlever dans le courant d'une année est remplacé par les dépôts du fleuve l'année suivante.