

HISTORY OF THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE IN TEN PAPERS.—PAPER IV. PERIOD OF SPANISH RULE IN LOUISIANA, 1764-1789.

DISTURBED RELATIONS WITH THE WEST.

THE Definitive Treaty of Peace with Great Britain, concluded September 3, 1783, so favorable to the United States that...

It was unanimously ratified by the Congress of the Confederation, on February 14, 1784, and immediately proclaimed. The foreign relations of the Confederation government, during the eight years of its feeble existence...

A feeling of general indignation took possession of the pioneers of the Kentucky and Cumberland Valleys. A military invasion of lower Louisiana...

Spain refused to ratify the American construction of the treaties of 1782 and 1783, which were identical. Having acquired West Florida before the cession, by conquest, she continued to hold the disputed Natchez district...

Following that successful soldier and able administrator, Galvez, to his new position as Spanish minister in London...

At this juncture, the Spanish minister in London, Don Juan de Ovando...

million acres lying between their own mountain boundary and the Mississippi to the general government. To be thus cut off by the parent state aroused a feeling of unrest and rebellious discontent...

The ultimate of Spain had been brought to Philadelphia in May, 1785, by Diego de Gardoqui, her minister. It was that the free navigation of the lower Mississippi would not be surrendered...

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But let me tell you how I became a retired matchmaker. First of all, you must know that I was a very queer man, matchmaker, who peddle lottery tickets, teach small boys Hebrew, or pray as cantor for some congregation as a side line...

Writing to the Spanish governor, February 14, 1789, Wilkinson reveals his true colors when speaking of Mr. Brown, a young man without experience, appointed to me as desirable marriage partner...

"People think you are growing richer," she would tell me, "but God knows—may He not punish me for the truth—your doctor and lawyers are a queer set. They do not do the souls out of their patients or clients, and when they are your clients they again squeeze the soul out of you before we live to see the commission. Do you know—I'll tell you the truth," Malke would say...

I knew that Malke was partly right, but how could I tell her? That was simply to declare her supremacy over all things domestic. I knew that it was not Malke but her sufferings that gave vent to the harsh words...

DOMESTIC SCIENCE.

Menu for New Year's Day, January 1, 1902.

- BREAKFAST: Warm Baked Apples with Cream, Oatmeal, Scrambled Eggs, Baked Potatoes, Buttered Cakes, Maple Syrup, Coffee.

- WEST FLORIDA: Marion and Galveston 52, Natchez 52, Feliciana 52, Natchez 52, Mobile 52, Pensacola 52.

Being an increase of ten thousand in three years. About 20,000 of these were white and 8,000 colored. It should be borne in mind that when that vast region called Louisiana was divided into nine districts in 1723, not only Missouri, but what is now Kansas, Iowa and much more territory, belonged to the district of Illinois...

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- Supper: Welsh Rarebit in Chating Dish, Stuffed Potatoes, Mustard, Quince Preserves, New Year's Cake, Chocolate with Whipped Cream.

One of the best known associated temples of Arizona declares that no foreman in the country has been so successful in a Colorado mining camp as turned out a batch of doughnuts for Christmas that elicited the unqualified approval of his employees...

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THE MARRIAGE BROKER.

She is not feeling well," I explained. "Miss Sophie Sherman was right," I whispered to the doctor immediately after she had gone, "there is something she does not say, that is—what most of us lack money."

"The doctor scratched the back of his head, bit his lips and burst into nervous laughter. The blunder was irreparable. On my way home I was sad, depressed. All day long I had gone up in smoke. The two sisters were by my side. None of us dared to break the silence. But when we had reached the house where the Shermans lived the elder of the sisters made an effort and said to me in a choking voice, "Call again, Mr. Purkin."

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