

Morris Edrington, a prominent planter of St. John Baptist Parish, La., was born in this parish, July 16, 1830. He is a son of Morris P. and Virginia (Madere) Edrington, natives of Kentucky and Louisiana, respectively. Morris P. Edrington was a son of Benjamin F. and a Miss (Hickman) Edrington, natives of Kentucky, where he was a very prominent planter. The mother of our subject, Virginia Madere, was a daughter of Andrew and Genevieve (Vicknair) Madere, natives of Louisiana, and of German descent. The father of our subject was a printer by trade, and received his education in Frankfort., Ky. His marriage took place in 1828 in this parish. The subject of this sketch is the only child born to this union. The father of our subject died, October 31, 1829, and his wife died in 1887.

Morris Edrington received his education in Lincoln County, Mo., and in Louisiana. He was married, July 22, 1856, to Miss Mary L. Demercay, a native of Louisiana, and a daughter of Charles and Catherine (Cambre) Demercay who were native, of France and Louisiana, respectively. To Mr. Edrington and wife, have been born the following four children: Morris O., Prentice E., Amelius P. (deceased) and Mary E.

Mr. Edrington is a stanch Democrat, taking much interest in the advancement of his party. He is now the president of the police jury, of which body he has been a worthy member for some time. He and his family are communicants of the Catholic Church, and interest themselves in all the affairs of that church. Mr. Edrington owns about 1,200 acres of land, about 400 acres of which are well cultivated. He makes a specialty of raising sugar and has on his plantation a sugar-mill with a steam train and does a very lucrative business. He has lived on the place known as "Corn Land Plantation" since 1882, and has done much to improve it. He has taken a deep interest in educational matters, and has afforded all his children good educations.

Morris O. Edington lives with his father on the home plantation, assisting him in the farming operations. He married Miss Louisiana Williams, a native of this state, and they are the parents of six children. Prentice E. Edrington graduated at Hamden Sydney College, Virginia, in 1882, and is now a lawyer in New Orleans. He is married to Miss Margaret Kuntz, a native of New Orleans, and they are the parents of two promising sons. Miss Mary E. Edrington is unmarried and makes her home with her parents. Mr. Edrington is very well and kindly known in his parish, both politically and socially. He has served his parish for many years in positions of honor, which alone goes to show to some degree the confidence placed in his judgment.

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