Ory Brothers: Lezin, Felician, Emygde, Jean/John Louis and Placide entered the sugar industry following the Civil War. "With ambition, courage and inflexible will, they began by purchasing Idaho Plantation, located at Lions, LA. In 1878, they bought Ingleside Plantation on Bayou Lafourche. Here Felician terminated his activities in the partnership. Golden Gate Plantation, located in Iberville, was next annexed as an Ory enterprise. In 1898, this place was sold and Woodland Plantation was added, with Augustin Lasseigne, their personal friend, as a partner. San Francisco and Union Plantations were the next enterprise purchased, Ingleside being sold. The ambitious brothers added, as an investment, the Sarpy plantation.

...In 1920, Jean Louis, Placide and Lezin died (within six weeks of each other). Woodland was subdivided and sold in small farms. Emygde died in 1928. San Francisco Planting and Manufacturing Co. remains a monument to their memory under the able management of Sidney J. Levet and J. M. Ory, son-in-law and son, respectively of the brothers."

*"A History of St. John the Baptist Parish," p. 85*

Ory, Placide, of Lions, was born in St. John the Baptist parish, Jan. 29, 1853, and is a son of Lezin and Melanie (Cambre) Ory, both of whom were natives of that vicinity, as were the paternal grandparents, John Louis and Mattias (Cambre) Ory. The maternal grandparents, John Louis and Marie Louise (Streck) Chauff, were natives of Germany. The ancestors of the Ory family in Louisiana came originally from Lorraine, France. Placide was the sixth of 8 children born to his parents, for further data concerning whom see reference to Lezin Ory, first-born of the parents, elsewhere in this work. Placide Ory received his education at private schools in the vicinity of his birthplace. At a very early age he began work as assistant to his brothers about the plantation, and some years later joined with them in the purchase of lands in St. John parish, since which time the Ory brothers have been increasingly large producers of sugar cane. Their investments have been uniformly fortunate, and their management of a high order, so that their land holdings have increased from time to time. They are now owners of Idaho, Ingleside, Woodlawn, San Francisco, Union, Ricker, and other smaller plantations, embracing about 5,000 acres of fine land, all of which is in cultivation, producing sugar cane and corn chiefly. They also own and operate 2 modern sugar mills representing an investment near half a million dollars. Politically, Placide Ory is an independent. In church affiliations he is a Catholic. June 8, 1881, Mr. Ory was married to Adore Chauff, daughter of Thomas and Cleonie (Mailliet) Chauff, of Ascension parish, and 4 children have been born to their union, as follow: Thomas F., now engaged in planting and mercantile business in St. John parish; George E. and Joseph F., engaged in planting at Baker, La.; Dora, wife of Dr. F. A. Keller, D. D. S., and living at Garyville, La. Mr. Ory has an attractive plantation home at Lions and enjoys the good opinion of the people among whom he has labored from childhood to middle life.

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Placide Ory received his education at private schools in the vicinity of his birthplace, St. John Parish. At an early age he began work as an assistant to his brothers and some years later joined with them in the purchase of their many plantations. Their investments were quite successful.

*"Les Voyageurs" Vol. XIII, #2, p. 82 footnote*

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