A HISTORY OF BREAUX BRIDGE
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All of the region now known by the French as Louisiana was divided into 12 counties and our Gardemal, David Rees, was the first to be created. In addition to the present state of Louisiana, all of these counties were divided into townships and many of them were subdivided further into Townships and then estimated in 1807. The first town established in this part of the state was New Orleans, in 1718, and the first parish was formed in 1785. The name of the parish was changed to St. Martin from the river. The parish was divided in 1866 into the parishes of Acadian, Calcasieu, Vermilion, St. Mary, Iberia and Lafayette. The latter was organized in 1870 for the French-colonized people of the territory extending from Louisiana and the territory of Texas to Canada and from the Bayou Teche country where the Choctaw guides who called them so) and our region was acquired by the Spaniards in 1763. The "commandant" was established and he was followed by George Po Brant, Zebuhin Brousse. The "commandant" vested with both civil and military authority, and the territory was called the "Territory of St. Martin." A French officer named his name in 1765 by the name of Louis. Pellerin was the first mayor of the town of Breaux Bridge, drawn by artist Woody Manhall. The official name of the town of Breaux Bridge is Breaux, originally named in honor of the "Count of St. Martin of the Attakapas." No doubt, upon the insistence of the French-speaking people of the parish the name of Breaux was divided into 12 counties and our Gardemal, David Rees, was the first to be created. In addition to the present state of Louisiana, all of these counties were divided into townships and many of them were subdivided further into Townships and then estimated in 1807. The first town established in this part of the state was New Orleans, in 1718, and the first parish was formed in 1785. The name of the parish was changed to St. Martin from the river. The parish was divided in 1866 into the parishes of Acadian, Calcasieu, Vermilion, St. Mary, Iberia and Lafayette. The latter was organized in 1870 for the French-colonized people of the territory extending from Louisiana and the territory of Texas to Canada and from the Bayou Teche country where the Choctaw guides who called them so) and our region was acquired by the Spaniards in 1763.
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After the Acadians were expelled from Nova Scotia in 1755, they were sent to the South, to Louisiana. The Acadians in Nova Scotia had been expelled because they refused to take an oath of allegiance to the British Crown.

The Acadians who were sent to Louisiana were eager to start a new life, and they quickly became an integral part of the Louisiana population. They brought with them their unique culture, traditions, and language, which had a lasting impact on the state.

The Acadians in Louisiana were able to maintain their heritage and culture, which is why they are still celebrated today. The Acadian Festival, held in Breaux Bridge every year, is a testament to their enduring legacy.

Breaux Bridge is the birthplace of many Acadian families, and the town is proud of its Acadian heritage. The Acadian culture and traditions are celebrated in festivals, music, and food, making Breaux Bridge a vibrant and unique community.

The Acadians were not the only ones who were expelled from Nova Scotia in 1755. Other groups, such as the Highlanders, were also sent to the South. These groups also had a significant impact on the Louisiana population.

In conclusion, the history of Breaux Bridge is intertwined with the history of the Acadians and other groups who were sent to the South. The town is proud of its heritage and continues to celebrate its Acadian roots through festivals and events.

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