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"TELL MY FRIENDS TO BE BRAVE AND FEARLESS, AND LOYAL TO THE GREAT COMMON PEOPLE."

## Frankfort and Legislature.

The State College appropriation was cut to \$60,000, half of which is to go to a girls' dormitory, and then passed the Senate.

Justis Goebel says: "We have arrested and will attempt to arrest only such men as we know we can legally hang."

The bill requiring railroad companies to fence their lines, as other property owners are required to do, was passed by the House, 71 to 7.

The House passed a bill, 90 to 2, providing for the taxation of the capital stock of banks for State county, city, town and taxing district purposes.

Justis Goebel sounds the keynote of the wish of every honest man, when he says: "I want no man to suffer, and I shall not let that no guilty man escape."

Whittaker, who were taken to Louisville, any attempt at rescue by mountain soldiers.

AS Senator Deboe would say, the Legislature will adjourn sine die without day next Tuesday and the members will cease drawing their per diem per day.—[Cynthiana Democrat.

The bill, making it unlawful for railroad companies to transport people, free of charge to any place, for the purpose of intimidating a public officer, was passed by a vote of 53 to 21.

By unanimous consent the Senate reconsidered the triplett resolution appropriating \$100,000 to equip a new State guard and to bring back the munitions of war from the mountain town of London and it passed 19 to 1.

Gov. Beckham has appointed Col. David R. Murry assistant adjutant General. As soon as the new State government is thoroughly organized Adj. Gen. Castleman will resign and Col. Murry will succeed him.

Does this mean Orr and Klair? When a man is sent to the Legislature from a democratic county and is elected to do what democrats want done and throws his influence and vote with the opposition, what are we to conclude? Why in times like these we are bound to conclude that he is bought he has his hand in the L. & N.' bar'l'. We call no names, but calculate that these "pussons" will know their numbers.—[Frankfort Democrat.

The Senate passed a bill providing for a constitutional amendment to do away with the ballot and return to the viva voce system. The House ought to have passed it. The secret ballot system, against which the Interior Journal urged the constitutional convention, has turned out even worse than we predicted. It has been the Pandora box of all our woes and we will never have perfectly fair elections till we get back to the good old way of voting.

## E. K. WILSON.



The man charged with having broken into the Jury Wheel and substituted other names for the ones put in by the regularly appointed and duly qualified Jury Commissioners. The writing on the slips found are said to have been easily identified by a large number of London business men and Laurel county officials as the writing of E. K. Wilson and R. R. Ewell, son of Col. R. J. Ewell of that town. Mr. Wilson was arrested last Monday at the Miller hotel by Deputy Sheriffs Tate and Wood and was taken before Judge Williams, who admitted him to bail in the sum of \$1,000. The case, by agreement of attorneys, was set for to-day. Judge Williams immediately upon issuing the warrant for Ewell telegraphed to the Marshal at London to arrest Ewell. He then forwarded the warrant on the afternoon train and Ewell was brought here Tuesday morning, when he gave bond for his appearance, and his trial was also set for to-day. Wilson is represented by Judge G. W. McClure, J. W. Brown, C. C. Williams and S. D. Lewis; while Judge Colyer will be assisted by Mr. C. R. Brock, a bright young lawyer of London.

## MISS MARY CLOYD.



The young lady, of London, whom E. K. Wilson is charged with performing an abortion on, which resulted in her death. He was indicted for murder in Laurel county but secured a change of venue to this county, where he will be tried at the May term of Circuit Court. Great interest exists and the best legal talent have been employed on both sides, who will fight the case to a hot legal finish.

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MT. VERNON, KENTUCKY.

An American woman living in Manila writes that she and her American friends have to undergo an ordeal of heat and sweet milk. There is no berry of any sort to be had and no small fruit. There are plenty of bananas, but they have an insipid taste.

The present population of the province of Tuzumbe, Peru, is 5,000 souls, in said contract with the United States, while the latter has about double the area of the former. The bulk of the people are employed in agriculture. Each man runs, generally, but a few acres. There are a few large plantations run by a rich man or Rajah, but they are exceptional.

Senator Harris, a member of the committee on privileges and elections, rarely speaks out in the Senate. He passes without a comment falling from the lips of the Kansas statesman. He is said to be even taciturn among his close friends. Senator Harris was born in London, and was graduated at Columbian college.

The population of India is about four times that of the United States, while the latter has about double the area of the former. The bulk of the people are employed in agriculture. Each man runs, generally, but a few acres. There are a few large plantations run by a rich man or Rajah, but they are exceptional.

Some curious secrets as to matrimony are seen in the following statistics: May and November are the most marrying months. Fewer people are married in March than in any other month. When bachelors marry, they marry the younger of the two, the older, but when widowers marry, the maid is usually the younger.

Sunny Slope, Cal., enjoys the distinction of being the largest vineyard in the world. It is situated amid the most beautiful scenery of that favored land, two miles from San Gabriel. Of a total of 300 acres, 735 are devoted to grape vines, the remainder being distributed among orange trees (of which there are 12,000), lemon and olive trees.

The first electric launch to be used in the canals of Venice, Italy, has been delivered from England. The launch, which is called the Alessandro Volta, will accommodate fifty passengers. Its length is about fifty feet and width ten feet. It is equipped with a storage battery of 100 cells and will travel at a speed of about nine miles an hour.

In Berlin the police authorities control many little things about which the police of America would not concern themselves once in a thousand years. Three courts decided recently that if the Berlin police judged any particular color scheme of a house to be improper or too gaudy or in taste, they would order the painter to change it.

No member of the house is more particular with his correspondence than Representative Bradley, of New York. He makes it a point to answer every letter the same day it is received. The letters he receives are carefully filed away. He is believed in preserving all correspondence, no matter how insignificant, for, as he says, it often happens that what may appear as a trifling note may at some time be of great value in more ways than one.

After nearly half a century of newspaper and literary work in this country Mrs. Jennie Corby will soon leave for England, the land of her birth, where she intends to pass the remaining years of her life. Mrs. Corby began her newspaper work in New York in 1852, was one of the founders of Sorosis in 1868, was twice elected president of that organization and in 1880 founded and became president of the woman's press club.

Sir Isaac Pitman invented the "vegetarian bed," composed not of feathers, but of mosses, ferns, flowers and hay. This bedding material, commended as healthy and health-giving by many doctors and is becoming an even more famous in vegetarian circles, and deserves to be more widely known. "It smells like ozone," is the testimony of more than one physician, and many say that sleeping upon it "gives rest to brain and mind."

Coal and wool will be superseded by electricity in the twentieth century kitchen. The electric iron will be used ideally, and meats prepared by it do not require watching or basting, while broiling or frying may be done in superior style. The electric chafin dish is attaching to ordinary kitchen wire; the current is turned and immediately the eggsters begin to stew or the eggs to frizzle. In the electric kitchen there will be no coal, no ashes, no smoke, no fuel, and not even a bazzar.

# NEAR BLOEMFONTEIN.

The British, Under Lord Roberts, Only a Few Miles Away.

## A Big Battle Is Expected to Be Fought, As the Boers Take Advantage of Their Position—Latest News From the Front.

London, March 12.—The war office has received a dispatch from Lord Roberts, at Vander Vorst, announcing that, after a fight with the Boers, Gen. French reached a station on the railway six miles south of Bloemfontein. There were 221 men wounded, 69 or 70 killed or are missing. Col. Murphy has died of his wounds. Lieut. Pratt, of the Essex regiment, is wounded severely. The wounds are, as a rule, of a most serious and unusual character, owing to exposure to the sun and they are freely used by the Boers.

London, March 13.—Lord Roberts telegraphs from Venters Vlei at 3:20 o'clock this morning as follows: "I directed Gen. French, if there were time to seize the railway station at Bloemfontein, and thus secure the rolling stock. At midnight I received a report from him that, after considerable opposition, he had been able to occupy two hills close to the railway station which commanded Bloemfontein.

"A brother of President Steyn has been made a prisoner.

"The telegraph line leading northward has been cut and the railway broken up.

"I am now starting with the 2d cavalry brigade, which I called up from the seventh division near Petrusburg to occupy two hills close to the railway station which commanded Bloemfontein. The rest of the force will follow as quickly as possible."

Capteurs Vlei, Orange Free State, March 12.—Fighting in the Boers' trenches, which since the fighting at Dreyfontein have been marching rapidly hither, have turned the Boer position. Our cavalry are ahead. The Boers reported this morning about 12,000 strong, with 15 guns in position, on a range of kopjes commanding the direct road to Bloemfontein, which is distant 15 miles.

London, March 13.—In the house of commons Mr. Balfour, first lord of the treasury and government leader, replying to a question as to whether, consistently with public interests, he could state the essential conditions which alone the government would require in peace proposals from the South African republics, promised that papers in this connection would shortly be presented to the house.

Being asked if there was any foundation for the report that President Kruger had addressed a communication to the government, Mr. Balfour reiterated his promise that papers bearing on this subject would be presented to the house within a short time.

It is learned that the papers promised by Mr. Balfour will confirm in every respect the news called Friday last, that the peace terms were founded on the fact that President Kruger had appealed to Lord Salisbury for a cessation of hostilities, setting forth at length by cable the terms which he was willing to accept, and also that the cable dispatch to the premier was signed by President Steyn as well as by President Kruger.

The advances met with an emphatic rejection at the hands of Lord Salisbury, who said that no attempt to retain the independence of the Transvaal could be considered for a moment by the British government.

Paris, March 12.—The Gaulois publishes the following from its London correspondent: "According to good authority, President Kruger and President Steyn have not made formal propositions of peace, but have asked the British government through the United States the conditions it would accept for the opening of negotiations on the basis of the independence of the republic. President Kruger is alleged to have said that he would accept mediation, but the United States government, in transmitting this tary of the interior has decided that any such mediation should be declared that it did not assume the responsibility for the initiative in mediation."

The London correspondent of the Mail says: "I learn that United States Ambassador Choate has received a long and important cable from the United States government relative to South Africa, which will communicate to Lord Salisbury."

**Alleged Indian Prince Arrested.**  
New Haven, Ct., March 13.—An alleged Indian prince and Bombay indigo merchant, calling himself "Andro," was arrested here, and who is presumably the impostor who has obtained money from people in Canada and various parts of the United States, including the Pacific coast, was arrested here, and is being passed as a fraudulent one.

# PHILIPPINE CASUALTIES.

Gen. Otis Reports to Washington That Eight Soldiers Have Been Killed and Nineteen Wounded.

Washington, March 13.—Gen. Otis transmits the following list of casualties in the Philippines, naming eight killed and 19 wounded:

Killed—Patrick W. Enright, corporal; Fred Daniel, David C. Goldman, Wilson Bell, John K. Morrison, musician; William Dugan, Dennis L. Hayes, Michigan Cavalry.

Wounded—Acting Assistant Surgeon Walter C. Childster, wounded in back, serious; Anthony Westrate, scalp, slight; Ernest F. Trepto, corporal, cheek, moderate; Jacob Lucas, lung, severe; Lieut. Guy A. Boyle, leg, moderate; Charles A. Hackworth, arm, moderate; James L. Jones, abdomen, severe; Fred Cliff, thigh, moderate; George W. McKinney, thigh, slight; David P. Kennedy, hip, slight; First Lieut. Adjt. John H. Gallacher, abdomen, severe; Albert A. Widdick, corporal, chest, slight; John F. Landring, corporal, side, slight; J. S. Clark, corporal, serious; John E. H. Stewart, finger, slight; Earl E. Hutchinson, sergeant, thigh, serious; William E. Biggs, thigh, slight; Edgar H. Garrett, shoulder, slight; Guy W. Ingels, breast, slight.

Manila, March 13.—Advices received from Aparri, province of Cagayan, say that while Maj. Ward and company of the 10th regiment was leaving that place they were attacked at landing on the river bank opposite the town. A persistent fight followed, resulting in eight Americans, including Maj. Ward, being wounded. The natives in the town, who they presumably instigated the attack, the dispatch add that the Tagalogs are harassing the Americans.

**TO RESTORE PEACE.**

It is believed our Government is using its Good Offices Between Boer and English.

Washington, March 13.—There is reason to believe that the United States government is urging its good offices to restore peace in the Great Britain and African republics. This has not taken the shape of mediation. That would be distinctly repugnant to Great Britain, and, according to the rule of international law, which has, without exception, governed all African disputes in the past, could not be volunteered by us until it was known to be acceptable to both parties in the war.

But the United States might very properly serve as an intermediary to transmit an appeal for peace and the terms upon which peace can be secured. The United States has successfully served in this capacity in the past, notably during the time of the China-Japan war, and it is believed its good offices in this line are now being extended.

## "IN HIS STEPS."

Rev. Charles M. Sheldon Begins His Week's Work on the Capital at Topeka, Kan.

Topeka, Kan., March 13.—The main purpose of this paper will be to influence its readers to seek first the kingdom of God. This Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, during this time will be a "newspaper," the word "news" being defined by Mr. Sheldon as anything in the way of current events that the public ought to know for its moral and spiritual development.

The paper will be absolutely non-partisan, and partisan political news will be given scant notice. All editorial and important local matter will be signed by the writers. There will be no Sunday paper, but instead a Saturday evening paper suitable for Sunday reading.

**More Men Thrown Out.**  
Chicago, March 13.—Another serious complication in the great building strike came when the snash, door and trim manufacturers of Chicago and vicinity voted to close their mills until the labor troubles are adjusted. By this action 4,000 men are added to the 50,000 now idle, and their interests are further crippled.

**Big Blast in Boston.**  
Boston, March 13.—In the building of the Massachusetts Macaroni Co., on North street, caused the death of one fireman (P. J. McCarthy), the probable fatal injury of another and the serious injury of three others, besides entailing a financial loss variously estimated at from \$15,000 to \$150,000.

**Secretary Root Kept Busy.**  
Havana, March 13.—Secretary of War Root is kept busy receiving the heads of the various departments of government, and conferring with them. Collector Bliss, Maj. Ladd, Mrs. Roosevelt, Mrs. Chaffer and some members of Secretary Root's party visited Morocco castle and Habana Fortress.

# FIRE IN A TENEMENT.

Fifteen Persons, Many of Them Children, Burned to Death.

Several Persons Were Injured by Jumping From Upper Story Window—Bodies Planned Dropped by Heavy Towers.

Newark, N. J., March 13.—Fifteen persons, a majority of whom were children, were burned to death at a tenement house at Morris and Fourteenth avenues about 3 o'clock Monday morning. Thirteen bodies have been recovered from the ruins within three hours after the flames had been extinguished. The building was a three-story frame structure, formerly used as a church, but transformed into a tenement house with small rooms, scarcely eight by ten feet in dimensions, opening into a narrow hallway, and each having two or three floors, making a veritable fire trap.

This is right in the heart of the Italian district and the greatest excitement prevailed.

Three or four minutes after a 5 o'clock Monday morning the fire was discovered, but long before the fire apparatus reached the scene the interior of the burning tenement was peopled with flames, running hither and thither, unable to find means of escape.

Every room emptied its occupants into these narrow little halls, and there was no escape for the frightened tenants, except by the jam, and they could not get out. There were at least 12 families in the place, 65 persons in all, of whom perhaps 50 were children, unable to care for themselves.

Four men jumped from a front window. Several were hurt.

One after another the women and then the men were taken down, while the fire raged on the second and third floors, until they were ready to drooping out of the flames. Then they succeeded in doing less than an hour, but during that hour a frightful sacrifice had been offered. Virginia Di Prina, who was a boarder in the house, Di Prina told Capt. Edwards that when he was awakened by the smoke he found Credavo and his family fully dressed and ready to leave the burning building. When Credavo was taken to the station house he became much excited, but denied that he had set fire to the building or had any knowledge as to the origin of the fire.

## THE MINE HORROR.

It Is Now Believed That All the Bodies in the Red Ash Shaft Have Been Recovered.

Charleston, W. Va., March 13.—It is believed that all the bodies in the Red Ash mine have been recovered. The work of rescue was suspended Sunday, but was resumed Monday, when two bodies were recovered which are believed to be the last in the mine. The bodies were badly injured. Two of the latter are in the hospital here and will probably recover. An inquest will be held Tuesday. The cause of the explosion is still a matter of theory, and probably never be determined. The fund for the benefit of the bereaved families is still growing.

## Thousands Are Starving.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 13.—The condition of the laboring population in Barbadoes is so bad that arrangements are on foot to send 20,000 people to St. Lucia. Starvation is driving the black population of the island to desperation, and the troops, who, under the scheme of imperial defense, are stationed at Barbadoes for St. Lucia, have been ordered to remain in Barbadoes. Incendiarism continues rampant there.

## Trolley Competition.

Chicago, March 13.—The entire Chicago suburban train service of the Pennsylvania railroad probably will be abandoned. Local officers of the company, it is said, have recommended to the management in Pittsburgh that all of the trains, with the exception of one in each direction morning and evening, be discontinued as soon as practicable. Trolley competition is the principal cause of the action.

## Presidential Nominations.

Washington, March 13.—The president Saturday sent the following nominations to the senate: To be assistant surgeons in the marine hospital service—Thomas D. Barry, Texas; B. H. Darle, of South Carolina; M. W. Glover, of West Virginia; E. J. Lloyd, of Texas; John D. Long, of Pennsylvania; Allan J. McLaughlin, of New Jersey.

# SMALLPOX DISTRIBUTORS.

How the Germans Are Nurtured and the Disease Is Spread.

It would seem that people will never learn to be careful. The recent alarming spread of that dire epidemic, smallpox, throughout different sections of the country has been traced by physicians and sanitarians in many instances directly to the moldy and rotting layers of paper and paste which cover the walls of many houses. The practice of laying layer after layer of paper on a wall, using common flour paste, is especially calculated to create homes for disease germs. People could not do more to effect such a result as they tried. The rotting vegetable matter affords outlets from which are ready to dart forth the infection at every opportunity. There is no excuse for this practice, as walls and ceilings can be coated with a pure, cleanly and sanitary material like Alabastine, for instance, at no greater expense. Alabastine is a rock-base cement, which incorporates itself with the wall or ceiling. It is easily applied, comes ready to mix with cold water, requires no washing or scraping before renewing or re-fitting, is beautiful, long-lasting and safe.

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Some people of fair intelligence are so stubborn that they refuse to acquire practical sense—

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The tax-payers, the fathers, the mothers, sisters and all regardless of politics, or religion are interested in having a good school and securing the very best teachers possible. We want to see each and all of the applicants for the public school do well and prosper. There is not a one of them but what we deeply respect and keenly admire. We have in our midst a college; a college faculty of superb teachers, completely equipped by reason of their superior advantages, higher educated, better mental training and longer experience. To make the college blossom as the rose and give it the encouragement it merits, the trustees should see the splendid Pres. of the Faculty, Prof. Ewers and get the college to take the public school for the five months and permit him and faculty to have the common school fund. That growing town of Williamsburg did it and it has proved a very wise thing attended with the very best results. London is now favorably discussing the same movement. Hyden did the same thing. So did Barboursville, and why not Mt. Vernon? The citizens of our town who desire to give the children an education and who are too poor to "send them off" should take up this suggestion. But some one will say the college can support itself. That is the very point; it can't do it. The college lost money last fall during the common school. The faculty can't remain here at a financial loss. Some one will urge that we should give the common school to home talent. We do not agree with such. If we can get better training at the college and every child in the district from 6 to 20 go free for the first five months would it not be foolish indeed to refuse it? Some of our citizens who so thoroughly realize the benefits of an education send their children to the college even during the fall months although their tuition is paid to the common school teacher to whom they never go. This agreement, if it could be made would be better because the father who sends his child to the college in the fall would under this arrangement pay nothing for the first five months while the citizens who have been sending their children to public school would have much better training for them by sending them to the college free for the public school period. It is to the interest of this town; to the interest of each and every church, each and every parent; to the interest of each child; to the interest of our county to strengthen, uphold and rebuild that college. It builds up our town it helps our merchants, our laborers, our doctors. It presents a great change for an education to the poor girls and boys of our county and thereby helps the entire county and if we but do our part as good citizens and support it as we should its influence will be felt in our surrounding counties. We have the opportunity now will we take advantage of it or will we let it pass unnoticed. Let us hear from our citizens.

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Mr. Taylor in his address to the people says: "Our courts composed almost entirely of Democratic Judges, have become so partisan that it is practically, if not absolutely, impossible for any man not of their own persuasion to obtain a fair trial." What about that upright and learned Republican Judge W. H. Taft and that eminent jurist, Judge Emmet Field, of whom ex-Gov. Bradley spoke so eloquently and truthfully when he said that he was glad the case had come before one whose judicial ermie was so pure and spotless? Did not they both decide against your claim? They are Republicans.

W. D. (Dillard) McGure who died last week at his home at Clark, Ky., Jefferson county, was born and raised here close to the Jackson county line where he lived up 'till about 18 months ago. In his death Kentucky loses one of her staunchest and most upright citizens, the church a patient worker. He was ever kind hearted and charitable, always a good neighbor; an advocate of right, the opposer of wrong. He was a thoughtful and loving husband; a devoted father. God bless his memory! and peace be to his ashes!

### BRODHEAD.

Josiah Mullins and family were visiting Miss Nevel Carson Sunday. Curtis Gover was here from Crab Orchard, Tuesday.

Born Monday night to the wife of A. J. Pike, a fine boy.

Lum Howell will locate in Texas this spring.

James Maret was here Tuesday last.

Mr. Welch, of the Pine Hill Coal Co., was here Monday.

S. D. Lewis of Mt. Vernon was here Wednesday.

E. B. Protheroe has been quite sick for several days.

Little Katie Cass visited her sister, Miss Clyde, at Mt. Vernon the first of the week.

Mrs. F. Francisco and Miss Eva Edwards were the guests of Mrs. Henry wells, of Crab Orchard, Sunday.

W. S. Nichols is moving to Perryville.

Jim Saufley, son of Judge Saufley of Stanford, is here learning telegraphy under Saunders.

Larkin Hicks was in Mt. Vernon Monday.

Attorney Hayes, of Pineville, was here Wednesday.

Thieves broke into Granville Owens' smoke house a few nights ago and took 50 lbs of bacon. People are complaining about some thing being taken. These Things should be looked after.

John Craig was in Brodhead last week and bitterly denies the report about his stock starving.

R. P. Pike, Nick Vanhook and Albert Roberts were in Stanford Monday.

P. J. Hall was acquitted Tuesday on a charge of breach of peace.

### WILDIE.

Mrs. J. L. Brook has sold her saw mill to some parties in Jellico for \$750.

The smallpox at this place have all gotten well unless some more new cases which we do not apprehend as parties that have it are very careful not to get out till safe.

We now have a night man at the depot after being closed for a month on account of night agitator Wood having the smallpox.

Dr. Benton was up from Brodhead Sunday to see Jack Bauffe's wife who has malarial fever.

J. Fish and Bogie Phillips are putting up swings which are mighty good things to lounge in when idle which will not be often, for neither of these men are hardly ever idle.

Mrs. Alva Maret has been sick for some time but is better at this writing.

Mrs. Anne Richardson was in Wildie, Monday. She contemplates going West in a short time where her husband is now looking out a location.

The farmers are getting a hustle on themselves the last few days

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## MASONIC.

Ashland Lodge No. 640 meets 2nd Monday 10 A. M.

## CHURCHES.

Christian—Holds services 1st & 3rd Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 8:30 p. m.

Presbyterian—Holds services on the 4th Sunday

Baptist Church—Services on the Second Saturday night and Sunday. Sunday School at 9 a. m. every Sunday. Prayer meeting on Tuesday nights.

## LOCAL and OTHERWISE.

Miss Berda Martin was in town shopping last Monday.

S. H. Martin went to Stanford, Monday on business.

J. J. Williams has had another attack of heart trouble.

T. S. Miller, of Lancaster, is here visiting his parents.

W. A. Carson was here Monday from Brodhead on business.

Curtis Gover, of Crab Orchard, was here on business Tuesday.

Be sure and read the big "ad" of Houk & Son on the last page.

Mr. W. J. Sparks, the all round hustler was in Louisville last week.

Mr. B. J. Bethurum has returned home from Frankfort on Tuesday.

Marion Dunham has moved his saw mill to Horse Lick, Jackson county.

Bob McFerron has bought Will McNew's saw mill on Renfro's Neck.

High Sam White of Garrard visited relatives here this week.

Mark and Miss Mattie were married the first of this week.

W. J. & Co., will soon be begin operating their saw mill near Creek.

C. C. Williams went to Crab Orchard Monday and J. W. Brown to Livingston.

Mrs. Cleo Brown will leave tomorrow for Cincinnati to lay in her spring millinery goods.

Mrs. Georgia Rice returned Sunday from an extended visit to relatives in Lebanon Junction.

The House defeated the bill to require investment companies to put up \$50,000 security, 68 to 22.

Dock Stucky and Joe Sambrook of Livingston, and H. S. Brannan of Wildie were here Monday last.

Ben Childress was fine \$20.00 and cost last Saturday for firing his pistol while going from Sunday school.

Mrs. Sam Pennington of Rinsbery came up last week to visit her parents and attend the protracted meeting.

Dr. John Mason Williams rode the stiff necked goat on taking the third degree in the Mason lodge here Monday.

Farmer & Powell, of Livingston, made a voluntary assignment Monday last. Samuel Ward assignee. Assets \$6,000 liabilities about the same.

Georgia Rads in Convention assembled Wednesday instructed delegates to push either Taylor or Bradley for the second place on National ticket.

A. W. Stewart, who was in town Tuesday, says the smallpox cases at Wildie are much better.

FOR SALE, one good work mare or will trade to a cow. Jim Rickles.

Joshua Boreing, Sr., has been adjudged by Judge Walter Evans, of the Federal Court, to be a bankrupt.

W. R. McClure has purchased a lot in the West end of town and will build in the near future. We are glad he has declined the idea of going away.

The various Committeemen are requested to report to the County Chairman of the Goebel Monument Fund by next Wednesday with funds and names.

Squire J. N. Brown will hear the Wilson-Ewell case. Judge Williams refusing to sit, as he has been retained to prosecute Wilson for the murder of Miss Mary Cloyd.

Dillard McGuire of Clark Ky. died Monday last of smallpox. Mr. McGuire was one of our best citizens and we regret very much to hear of his sad and unfortunate death.

Owing to an increase in the number of pupils at the college, it has been necessary to put in another teacher, Miss Ida May Adams of this place, who graduated from Caldwell college last June has been tendered the position.

Monday seemed to be a day noted for moving. Dr. Pennington moved to his house recently bought of T. J. Cress. Mr. Drye moved to the one vacated by Dr. Pennington, and Judge Fish where Mr. Drye lived.

Thomas Pigg was tried last Saturday in County Court on the charge of breaking into J. N. Ison's water mill on copper creek and taking meal. The proof showed that the young man tore off a plank and went in, opening the door from the inside took out a sack of meal and took it to a hollow log near his house and hid it. He was given 30 days on the rock pile.

G. W. Evans and Wm Evans of Pulaski county came to Mt. Vernon Saturday and feeling a little bad they went to Crab Orchard to load up; on the night train they returned with plenty of meat whiskey and today Monday they attempted to take Mt. Vernon but J. L. Griffin and deputy sheriff who are always on the alert, soon ran them in and they spent the Sabbath in jail. On Monday morning they appeared in County Court and caught it in the neck to the tune of \$43.50 fine and cost. Through the kindness of their friend Jonn W. Brown they reprieved and went home feeling mighty darn bad but much wiser.

Mrs. Mary Pitman, widow of Micajah Pitman, has a spring on her farm, which, to the knowledge of several neighbors, has been in use for seventy-five years, and was always considered about the best water in the county, until about a week ago, when it ceased to issue fourth good, clear, pure water, but rather a resemblance of butter milk. The whole ground around the spring had become perfectly white, caused by a sediment, which the water contains and which, as soon as it comes in contact with the air, becomes so thick it will not flow. No one will attempt to drink it, neither will stock. The sudden and unaccountable change which has taken place, has caused a great excitement to the people who live in the surrounding neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Purdum drove out to see Mr. Purdum's father near Hickory Grove last Sunday.

John Doan sold his farm to Ben Crooner for \$200 and bought Will Doan's farm for \$350. Will Doan then bought the Matt DeBord farm for \$860.

Joshua Wilson, J. M. and M. G. Reynolds and A. S. Acton, of Beckett were in town Wednesday. Wilson and J. M. Reynolds executed bond as executors of Uncle Jesse Reynolds.

The protracted meeting, which is in progress at the Baptist church conducted; by the Rev. Dr. Baker, is the best we have had in our little town in many a day. It is a pleasure to every one to sit and listen to Dr. Baker as he expounds the divine word.

W. P. Prewitt, died Friday night at his home near Bloss of consumption. He was buried Sunday at Line Creek church. In young Mr. Prewitt was found everything that goes to make up a perfect gentleman and we can truthfully say that in his death Rockcastle lost one of her noblest and best sons.

NEVER, IS A LONG TIME. Nevertheless, we never knew the time when money bought so much from us as now. Some say times are hard so is a cake of ice, but you can melt it. We have just returned from the cities where we bought a complete stock of every thing new and novel, from 'goose yokes to threshing machines so to speak'. We don't claim the earth, but we do claim to show the largest, handsomest and most varied assortment of general-merchandise ever shown by one single store in Mt. Vernon, at prices that must make our competitors stare in open-mouth wonder. Give yourself a treat by looking over our stock and getting prices U. G. Baker.

## COLLEGE NOTES.

The beautiful weather has not brought about Spring fever so far.

When the children are on the play ground they enter into the games with all their souls, and when they go to their respective rooms of study, they get down to work with the same degree of earnestness.

We are now passing through an epidemic of mumps, many of the pupils were absent last week, some are yet unable to return to their duties.

Some malicious or careless person or persons shot thro one of the windows of the college building Monday night, totally destroying two of the large window glasses.

A welcome addition to the faculty has been made in the person of Miss Ida May Adams, who will have charge of several of the intermediate classes.

We have several classes remarkable for numbers. The Intermediate History and Geography each consist of about fifty, and the spelling class of sixty or more. Visitors are specially invited to come and hear the latter class at any time, it being an extraordinary interesting one.

The college collectively and individually wishes to extend its hearty thanks to the McClary Junior Band for the open air concert Tuesday afternoon. All those present were highly pleased and each and every one had words of praise for the new band.

The music department 'has never been better than now'. It would be hard to find students more in love with their work or doing more

conscientiously work than our four music classes are at present.

The Philomathian Society is gaining a deserved reputation for energy and progressiveness. The constitution and by-laws are up-to-date, the officers unselfish, diligent and in earnest, and the members wide-awake and loyal to their duties.

The Society meets every Friday night and carries out its usual program of recitations, reading, and debates, bringing in now and then a piece of music to break the monotony of the occasion.

The school is progressing nicely and the faculty, as a whole, are well pleased.

## LIVINGSTON.

F. L. Thompson, the noted drummer, was in town last week.

Tom Stewart, of Wildie, was here the first of the week looking after business.

Bill Payne has been employed to hold the lever down at Bowman & Cockrell's saw mill.

The few pretty days started the carpenters to work. J. S. Caloway's foundation for his business house is being laid.

John Williams and W. S. Cummins are erecting a cottage on Smith street.

Mrs. R. B. Mullins was here to see her nephew, John Poynter, who was hurt by the train.

H. J. Mullins was here Saturday on his way home from Hazel Patch where he is engaged in business.

Jas. Taylor has rented out his property in North Livingston and moved in with Marshal Owens.

Dispatcher Moore is putting tiling around his house which will add greatly to its value.

Steve Owens is moving back to his home from Laurel county where he has been running a saw mill.

Bill Tubbs has been confined to his room for several days with mumps. Several new cases in town.

Jake Ponder and Miss Vernie Bullock, the pretty daughter of Major Bullock, was united in matrimony by Rev. Mobley.

James Kash went to Frankfort yesterday.

Harry Magee has taken rooms with his father-in-law, Capt. Benly.

A couple of our nice young men got into a little row at the lettered rock last Sunday which ended in a bloody mouth and a swollen fist.

W. H. Cottingham has obtained a position in the Ward & Magee store.

Mrs. W. R. Ward and Mrs. Sallie Magee are on the sick list this week.

Reports are that John Farmer has sold his store to Mr. Sam Ward who takes possession today.

John Poynter, son of Joe Poynter had his toes mashed off while trying to catch the train last Sunday morning. Drs. Cooper and Pettus were called and amputated his foot near the ankle. The little fellow is doing well.

Editor Smith is building a printing office.

Mr. Llewellyn, who used to be a teacher of this county, but is now practicing law at Mcke, Ky. is building himself a nice law office, and progressing nicely with his new profession.

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## THE GOLD STANDARD.

Senator Stewart Points Out the Weakness of the Cause Contracting the Circulation.

The national banks have always had the special privilege of issuing their notes, if redundant, under the existing laws that will have under the law now being discussed in the senate. They have only to withdraw their United States bonds from the treasury department and to surrender their circulation. There is nothing whatever in the new law, nor could there be, to make this more easy. On the contrary, by a large proposed reduction in the tax on circulation, and by increasing the limit of the notes issued to the par value of the United States bonds deposited with the treasury, instead of 90 per cent., as now, the government will be offered to the banks to enlarge their circulation and thereby to promote inflation and speculation under ordinary conditions. It is estimated that on the passage of the new law will be a rapid increase of from \$100,000,000 to \$300,000,000 (some people say more) in the note issues of the banks. As regards the elasticity of the present system, it would be impossible to point out the slightest superiority possessed by the Bank of England in its currency regulation over the American banks. The Bank of Germany has certain privileges in this respect not possessed by either the Bank of England or the American banks, but these advantages have not saved the Berlin market from a more deeply seated depression than Wall street has suffered from. In fact, the same depression in London and Berlin that precipitated the American panic, as all business men know, regardless of any "currency" system.

The bill before the United States congress, while opening the door to an enormous increase in the issue of bank notes, at the same time provides for a probable heavy increase soon or later in the legal tender money of the country in which the bank deposits and notes are payable. When gold is withdrawn from the United States treasury in exchange for legal tender notes for export, that is not the case. It is piled up and withdrawn permanently from circulation, except as reissued against deposit of gold coin. It is made the duty of the secretary of the treasury also, if it is not to be the provision of the law or by a nominal discretion, to redeem on demand in gold coin the silver dollars and silver certificates which now fill so acceptably and satisfactorily the needs of domestic circulation. The banks will thus have increased means to protect themselves from the demands of their own depositors for gold for export, by throwing on the treasury (as heretofore) a burden which does not properly belong to it; but by the virtual extinguishment of a large portion of existing legal tender money, concurrent with a great increase of the fiduciary money of the national banks, it is hard to see how the new "currency system" is going to diminish the risk of monetary crises.

France to-day has doubled the amount of full legal tender silver money per capita to what we have in this country, and the legal tender quality of the money for all public and private dues makes it, just as in the United States, as good as gold for all domestic purposes. The Bank of France has a large gold reserve and its rate of discount by tendering silver instead of gold in payment of its notes and deposits. The United States, on the other hand, proposes to degrade its existing money, to put a black mark upon it, and to reduce it virtually to token money, redeemable in gold at the will of the bullion broker and exporter, thus converting what is now a currency asset into a liability; this, too, without the shadow of a demand for it from the people of the country, to whom the silver, circulating in the form of silver certificates, has always given perfect satisfaction. There has never been the slightest discount or doubt connected with these certificates. On the contrary they were worth during our greatest currency panic—that of 1853—a slight premium over gold in the New York market, by reason of their greater convenience for holding, or for shipment to other cities. This form of circulation medium is so completely absorbed by the public that it has its limited quantity of silver is eagerly sought after in the form of certificates, and the treasury has virtually no free silver in its reserve (vide United States currency monthly statement reports), so that no secretary of the treasury could pay demands upon the government in silver if he would.—London Daily Financial News.

**Why He Didn't Marry Her.**  
"Oh, no; I'm not a misogynist," said the confirmed bachelor, "but there has been one reason that has always prevented my marrying, even the most charming of women."  
"What is that?"  
"She wouldn't!"—Town Topics.

What is meant by the hackneyed phrase, "the gold standard," has not been fully explained, says a speaker Stewart, of Nevada. When we speak of standard weights and measures our meaning is plain, because a yard is a fixed length and a quart or a bushel contain an ascertained quantity of space. Money, to be a standard in the sense of accurate measurement of value, must be of such volume as will always bear a uniform relation to the aggregate of property available. To contend that money which is of a greater purchasing power at one time than it is at another is a just standard of value is like saying that a yardstick 40 feet long, if made of some particular kind of wood, would be the same standard of measurement as a yardstick three feet long. If money can be an honest standard measure of value, and if the same money can measure five times as much property in the aggregate at one time as at another, why may not a gallon which includes five times as much cubic space at one time as it does at another be an accurate measure of quantity?

The contention of the advocates of the gold standard rests upon the assumption that the quality of gold is the same in all parts of the world in commercial exchanges. They deny that either the supply or the demand for gold has any effect in estimating the quantity of any particular commodity which will be bought for it. They contend also assumes that if all the mountains were gold an ounce of gold would buy the same amount of wheat, cotton, or other products that it would if the intrinsic value theory of men who look as wise as Harrison, Cleveland or Bryan when they announce to the world the necessity of money possessing intrinsic value. The secretary of the treasury is not so absolutely ignorant of monetary science as his contention that the value of gold never changes would seem to indicate. In his reply to the resolution of the house of congress respecting its transactions with certain New York banks he gives a reason for depositing the money of the government in national banks that is necessary to the security of the treasury; that so absolutely ignorant of monetary science as his contention that the value of gold never changes would seem to indicate. In his reply to the resolution of the house of congress respecting its transactions with certain New York banks he gives a reason for depositing the money of the government in national banks that is necessary to the security of the treasury; that so

it seems a little strange that the secretary can understand that looking upon money as a commodity, disturbs business and at the same time thinks it is necessary to use only the commodity gold upon which to stamp money, although every foreign financial trouble arises out of the contraction in circulation in this country by foreigners, while he understands that hoarding money in the treasury is injurious to business.

In his lectures on gold he confines his arguments in favor of the exclusive use of that metal to its peculiar qualities, claiming that it possesses intrinsic value, and that to keep it in the treasury he regards the volume of money in circulation as of paramount importance, and deposits the surplus of the treasury in banks to keep it in use and prevent contraction. Still, he contends that no matter how much gold or how little gold is produced, its volume when using as money does not affect its purchasing power.

**Coinage of a Month.**  
Coinage was executed at the mints of the United States during the month of January, 1900, as follows:

Denomination	Pieces	Value
Double eagles	79,583	\$1,571,663
Eagles	159,166	1,571,663
Half eagles	318,333	1,571,663
<b>Total gold</b>	<b>1,247,000</b>	<b>\$11,515,000</b>
Silver 40-cent pieces	1,450,000	578,000
Half dollars	1,450,000	725,000
Quarter dollars	1,450,000	362,500
10-cent pieces	2,900,000	290,000
<b>Total silver</b>	<b>5,650,000</b>	<b>\$2,355,500</b>
<b>Total coinage</b>	<b>18,127,000</b>	<b>\$14,870,500</b>

**Reverse the Attitude.**  
The anti-gold standard people say: "But look at the low commercial value of silver; what are you going to do about that?" Reverse the attitude of government toward silver and restore it to the position it formerly occupied. If gold had been hammered down for as many years as has silver where would it be?—Kansas City Times.

**The Deal Article.**  
Smith (excitedly)—Say, old man, I got the man who was in the tower. What do you suppose he called his nursing-bottle this morning?  
Jones (sarcastically)—"God-god!"  
"No; rubberneck!"—J. C. C.

## TICKET NOMINATED.

Eugene V. Debs Nominated for President and Charles W. Matthews for Vice-President by Social Democrats.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 10.—For President, Eugene V. Debs, of Indiana; for Vice-President, Job Harrison, of California.

This is the national ticket of the social democratic party, which will absorb the Holquist-Harriman faction of the socialistic labor party by agreement.

The social democrats were happy Friday. They say the candidacy of Debs will attract hundreds of thousands of voters to their party. They profess to see the beginning of a great national victory.

The convention in agreeing to unite with the socialistic labor faction, retains the party name—social democratic party. The candidates and the nomenclature are to be approved by a majority of each party, according to the referendum.

Mr. Debs had previously refused to accept the nomination, but finally succumbed in order to be confirmed.

It seems from the explanation of friends, that Debs has been applying his earnings to the extinction of a debt against the American Railway Union and that he did not want to cease until the debt was paid.

The debt amounted to several thousand dollars. Debs received assurance that the debt would be taken care of and that he would receive a rest of three months before entering the political canvass.

At Friday morning's session of the convention the nominations of Debs and Matthews were confirmed.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 8.—The social democrats adopted the following platform on the motion of Eugene V. Debs:

1. Revision of our antiquated federal tariff which gold will buy the obstacles to full and complete control of government by all the people, irrespective of sex.
2. The public ownership of all industries controlled by monopolies, trusts and other public utilities.
3. The public ownership of all railroads, telegraph, telephone, all means of transportation, communication, water works, gas and electric plants and other public utilities.
4. The public ownership of all gold, silver, copper, lead, iron, coal and all other mines; also all oil and gas wells.
5. Reduction of the hours of labor in proportion to the increasing facilities of production.
6. The inauguration of a system of public works and improvements for the employment of a large number of the unemployed; the public credit to be utilized for such purposes.
7. All useful inventions to be free to all, the inventor to be remunerated by the public.
8. A labor legislation to be made national, based on local and international needs where possible.
9. National insurance of working people against accidents, lack of employment and want in old age.
10. Equal civil and political rights for men and women, and the abolition of all laws discriminating against women.

The adoption of the initiative and referendum and the right to recall representatives by the voters.

12. Abolition of war as far as the United States are concerned, and the introduction of international arbitration instead.

The committee on resolutions reported consideration and approval of a resolution condemning the establishment of a military camp and the introduction of conscription to deprive the inhabitants of Porto Rico of the franchise.

**Fighting Rebels Indians.**  
Oaxaca, Mexico, March 12.—A force of Mexican troops numbering less than 1,200 men, under command of Col. Francisco Gonzales, made a steady advance against the Maya Indians in Yucatan during the last several days and has gained several miles of rebel territory. Several attempts were made by the Indians to ambush the government troops, but were unsuccessful. The Mexicans between the troops and Indians are of daily occurrence, but there are few casualties reported on either side.

**Another Blow at Trusts.**  
Jackson, Miss., March 12.—The senate by a vote of 24 to 4 passed the house anti-trust bill. The bill makes all trusts and combinations between the contracts with such null and void, and any agent punishable by heavy fine and imprisonment. No corporation is permitted to purchase or control the business of another in the same business. Any person injured by a trust corporation may recover \$500.

**Refused to Bury the Corpse.**  
Hernando, Miss., March 11.—Thomas Clayton, a Negro, was shot to death in this county by members of his own race. The body was buried in a box in the 10-year-old girl. He was called to his cabin door and bullets from a dozen Winchester rifles were fired into his body. The blacks refuse to bury the corpse. There is great excitement among the Nanticoke lands.

## INDIAN UPSURISING.

Mexican Troops Unable to Suppress the Outbreak in the State of Sonora, Mexico.

Austin, Tex., March 10.—Advices from Ortiz, state of Sonora, Mexico, are that the Indians have continued their depredations to an alarming extent during the past week, having ransacked a great stretch of territory and done no little damage to several haciendas along the road between Potam and Torin. The Mexican troops do not seem to be able to cope with the situation at the present writing, and it is manifest that more men will have to be called to effectually suppress the uprising.

The Indians, who were all banded together about ten days ago for the purpose, presumably, of making an attack upon the main forces of the Mexicans near Torin, have again dispersed into roving bands of some 200 or 300 each, and in this manner they are covering a great range of territory and doing more damage in the way of marauding movements. It is evident, however, that they are in constant communication with one another both by "runners" and by signal fires, as almost a night signal fire was seen from the mountains, indicating the temporary camp of some of the Indians.

Owing to the unsettled and extremely wild country, the Mexican troops do not dare venture to the location in the night, and, for that matter, they find great difficulty in leaving the road during the day, owing to the fear of attacking the rebels. The troops do not dare venture to the location through which they have to wade and which seriously interfere with their progress. The Mexican troops are very suspicious of the Indians laying traps to massacre the entire force.

## WHEELER'S POSITION.

He Is Still in the Volunteer Service, His Resignation Never Having Been Received.

Washington, March 10.—The statement attributed to Gen. Joe Wheeler in a recent interview in San Francisco, that he tendered his resignation as an officer of the volunteer army last November, has caused some surprise among the officials of the war department. It is said by these that if Gen. Wheeler has tendered his resignation, the document has not yet reached the adjutant general's office. According to the records of the war department, Gen. Wheeler is still an officer of the volunteer army and is in receipt of the pay and allowances of a brigadier general.

According to the records of the military service to resume his legislative duties, the matter will be considered by the president after a personal conference with him. It is said at the war department that the resignation was ordered home from the Philippines at his own request, as reported to the department by Gen. Otis.

## IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Gen. Bates' Expedition Lost Seven Men Killed and Ten Wounded—Insurgents Kill 10th Camarines.

Manila, March 10.—Gen. Young and Hood are asking for reinforcements and a battalion of the 48th regiment has been sent to Apuril. Other troops will be sent. The rebels recently persistently attacked Apuril for several hours, but were finally driven away. Details of the affair are lacking.

Gen. Bates has returned here after leaving garrisons in the provinces of North and South Camarines. The expedition lost seven men killed and 10 wounded. On entering New Caesarea, providing a base for the expedition, Gen. Bates learned that 2,000 insurgents had departed the same day. The Americans immediately sent out three pursuing columns, encountering the enemy in three successive engagements and killing a total of 40 men.

The Spanish prisoners report that the enemy has divided into small bands in the mountains, under the leadership of Gen. Legaspi.

## Incediarism Suspected.

Chicago, March 10.—The evidence collected here is believed that the destruction by fire Thursday night of the Second Presbyterian church and the burning a few weeks ago of the Trinity Methodist church were the work of an incendiary crank. Both fires started in the organ loft, where it was almost impossible to reach the flames. Rev. W. E. McClellan, pastor of Trinity church, received a postal card bearing the following message: "God does not care any more for churches than he does for barns, or he would not let them burn up." An effort will be made to find the writer.

## Charged With Poisoning.

Columbia, S. C., March 10.—A sensation has been caused here by the rearrest of Mrs. Belle Gradick, a husbandless woman, on suspicion on the charge of poisoning her husband who died February 10. The coroner's jury at the time of Mr. Gradick's death had the wife and a young man arrested. The elderly man was released, but the two were released subsequently on a technicality.



The above illustration shows one of the mammoth buildings occupied by the great Mail Order House of the John M. Smyth Company of Chicago.

For one-third of a century this Company has been in business. Beginning in a small way they supplied their neighbors in the near-by towns, each year widening their field. They are now selling merchandise direct to the consumer at wholesale prices throughout the United States.

Some years ago they began supplying their customers with an illustrated catalogue. As the business expanded they were obliged to increase the size of this catalogue, until to-day it exceeds 1000 illustrated pages, quoting the lowest wholesale prices on everything that can be had.

By a superior process of color photography they illustrate many of their goods in actual colors, bringing out the rich color value of curtains, carpets, draperies, and the latest designs in wall paper, thus enabling the customer hundreds of miles distant to select goods at his own residence, knowing by the description, illustration and price the class of goods he may expect.

This feature of their business is becoming more and more popular each year. For not only do they save the customer a great deal of time and trouble, but they also save the customer a great deal of money. It is a great time saver. It leaves out the middle man. It saves the customer the expense of the traveling salesman. It eliminates the general agent. It saves the customer the expense of the commission merchant. It saves the customer the expense of the peddler. It saves the customer the expense of the peddler. It saves the customer the expense of the peddler.



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FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

First Session.

Washington, March 4.—Senate—A resolution was adopted to place under a special committee the bill for the "South African grove of the trees" in California...

Washington, March 7.—Senate—Mr. Sullivan offered a resolution that the Philippine Islands are a territorial acquisition...

Washington, March 8.—Senate—The bill for the appointment of Benjamin C. Hoopes as a member of the board of visitors of the naval academy...

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"Now, boys," said the Sunday school teacher, "our lesson to-day teaches us that we are to be a people of everlasting light..."

MARKET REPORT. LIVE STOCK—Cincinnati, March 13. Select butchers 4.50 @ 4.90. Mixed packers 4.07 @ 4.20.

INDIANAPOLIS. GRAIN—Wheat—No. 1 red... 80 1/2. Oats—No. 2 mixed... 25. Corn—Mixed... 36 1/2.

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NOT UP IN THE CLASSICS.

A Congressman Who Was in the Dark as to Title and Colophon.

A certain member of the house of representatives has been here for some time, met a newspaper correspondent in the lobby the other day...

"All right," said the correspondent, recovering his wretched spirit, though the other kind was lacking...

"What is it?" asked the correspondent, as the member hesitated...

NOT THAT KIND OF A CAKE.

It looked suggestive of a cake. But was quite a different purpose. An East end car was loaded down with about a ton of flowers...

"What wedding is that cake for?" "The wedding that is for..."

THE READERS of this paper will be pleased to learn that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarth...

Via Chicago, Union Pacific and North-Western Line. The "Overland Limited" leaves Chicago daily 6:30 P. M.

POTATOES \$1.20 a Bbl. CLOVER. A lady living in the East had answered a knock at her door...

WIDE OPEN. Miss Skrecher—"I noticed that Dr. Brown, on his next to you, was quite interested in my singing last night."

It is hard for a crooked man to tell a straight story.—Chicago Dispatch.

Our Nation's Wealth.

Gold and silver are poured abundantly into the lap of the nation, but the material wealth and strength is rather in iron, the most useful of metals...

"You've seen the sea was?" he queried of the man who had been telling about the battle of Santiago...

Low Rate Home Seekers' Excursions. The Missouri Pacific Railway and Iron Mountain Route are now running a series of excursions to the West and Southwest...

I cannot speak too highly of Pilsa's Cure for Consumption. Mrs. Frank Mobs, 215 W. 34 St., New York, Oct. 29, 1894.

MY BEAUTIFUL BABY BOY. Weak Women Made Happy by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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## We are out for business

We have the goods, and we are selling them. Our Prices are low.

### HOME MARKETS.

Corrected each week by Houk & Son, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Arbuckle's Coffee	15c
Lion Coffee	13 1/2c
Green Coffee	10c, 12 1/2c, 15c
Flour, No. 1, per barrel	\$4.25
" Belle of Lincoln per b'l	3.60
Daisy flour per barrel	\$3.60
Labelle flour	\$4.25
Bacon, per lb	8 1/2c
Dan'l Boone Soap, 4 cakes	5c
Star Soap, 3 cakes	10c
Rice, No. 1, per lb	7 1/2c
Granulated Sugar per lb	6 1/2c
Extra Light Brown Sugar lb	6c
Spruce Caramel, gal. bucket	35c
Sorghum, best home-made gal.	40c
Shiptuff, per hundred	\$1.00
Calico, all the best brands	5 1/2c
Calico, all cheap grades 5c & under	
Can goods	8 1/2c
Clothing, suits,	75c to \$15.00
Lard 8 1/2c in small lots; 7 1/2c in 50 lb lots or more.	
Northern seed oats per bu	42c
Corn " " per bu	60c
Millet hay per hundred	65c
Timothy hay per hundred	75c
Potatoes per bu	\$1.00
Eggs per doz	11c
Feathers per lb	40c
Cattle, extra shippers	\$4.75 to 5.00
Cattle, common,	\$2.75 to \$4.00
Hogs, best heavies,	\$5.05
Hogs, medium,	\$4.95
Hogs, roughs,	\$1.75 to \$4.40
Sheep, extra good,	\$4.25 to \$4.45
Sheep, common,	\$1.00 to \$3.75

## Goobs Coming IN BY CAR LOADS AND Going out BY WAGON LOADS.

Our new two-story brick, 40 feet wide  
80 feet long, will soon be completed; and  
we expect to fill it with goods from top to  
bottom. Read this 'ad' every week and  
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Timothy, clover and  
millet hay; corn, oats, all the year  
We have harness, saddles  
bridles, bridle bits, trace  
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ets, bridle bits or anything  
you want in this line.  
Steel traps, cement for stove lining,  
Potatoes of all kinds for seed  
Onions for seed.  
Clothing of all kinds; Suits  
from 75 cents up to \$15.00  
Calicoes, muslins, jeans,  
Sugars, coffees, teas, rice.  
Oat meal, flour, meal,  
salt and shidstuffs.  
Plows of all kinds, plow points,  
Hoes, spades, shovels, forks,  
and anything you want in this line  
Salt, and bacon, &c., &c., &c.

### ORLANDO.

Geo. T. Johnson is at Withers this week taking stock in store purchased from W. C. Mullins & Co.

Jno. Helton has a very sick child.

Rev. Williams is all smiles; a 40 lb boy has registered with him.

Sol Ball went to Mt. Vernon Monday.

T. W. Anderson is doing some fine work in the way of stone cutting this week.

Mrs. P. P. Singleton is of the sick list.

Brant Weaver carries mail for Prof. Reppert and of late he has a load of papers. Each day the Professor keeps posted if printers ink will post a man.

B. G. Mullins was here several days the past week.

Henry Bales will erect a water mill up on Wolf creek in the near future.

Mad dogs are plentiful. Ore had hydrophobia and all the rest are mad because their owners keep them tied.

P. W. Clark has bought a farm of J. B. Owens on Cove Branch; but will not to it this year.

It is reported that Mrs. Richmond, of near here has smallpox. She recently paid Wildie a visit. We hope the Board of Health will investigate the matter.

### POSSUM HOLLER.

(Level Green.)

Mr. Editor: There are times in the lives of men when sorrow and sadness will lay hold of their souls, and yet many are the times that no good cause can be assigned. Notwithstanding the sun never arose with more splendor, or did the foot hills of the Cumberland Mountains seem more clothed in Celestial Light, never was more serene or the atmosphere more delightful than this, yet "I feel like one that treads alone, some banquet hall deserted." I am harassed when alone and lonely in company—in fact, I feel just as Bro. Owens' negro did when his brother died—just like I do not want to either stay here or go some place else." But Time, that great Physician, will cure all this as he has or will all other ills of the human family. Truly did Job speak when he said, "Man that is born of woman is small potatoes and few and faulty in the hill."

Wade Brown, who has assisted his father all the winter in his school at this place, left the land of his nativity and the roof of his parents for northwest Missouri, Sunday.

Our old friend and pupil, Wm. P. Prewitt fell a victim to consumption last Friday. We extend him sympathy to the father, mother, sister and young wife who survive him. Mr. Prewitt lived near Bloss.

Prof. E. H. Lynn was visiting at this place Sunday. He is a good scholar and fine teacher, and is preparing to teach again this fall.

The school per capita will be as low as \$2 this fall. This is low water mark. Unless peace is made, even that amount cannot be collected from the taxpayers of the State.

J. J. DeBord, the "bed spring" man will hit the road again when the dries. He is a regular hustler, when it comes to selling bed springs or exchanging them for produce or such like.

Preaching next Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning at the Christian church by Elder Todd.

Hustling for schools is the order of the day. The trustee is, and will continue to be an important personage until after the first of July. The harvest of teachers truly is great but we can't say as to the skillful laborers. The most important part in having a good school is the employment of an efficient teacher.

My health is improving and my stomach (appetite) is almost as good as J. W. Kirby's.

BUCK VARNON.

### PINE HILL.

We are expecting a mining expert to be with us soon in the interest of the Pine Hill Mining Company. He will make a survey of the Company's land and open all of the many veins of good coal we boast of.

Dan Suttles, one of our citizens that was hurt some time ago, while unloading freight, is on the mend again. Thanks to Dr. Pennington's prompt attention.

The fame of our town has spread

far and wide. For example: The other day the City Clerk received an offer from an Ohio Light Contracting Company for reasonable terms to furnish gas jets for our streets and boulevards. On the same mail we found another letter addressed to the Chief of Police. That beats Mt. Vernon, even if I was at a loss to whom to deliver the letter. When some one takes the contract to furnish the town with water, we will then style ourselves the metropolis of Rockcastle.

Geo. Durban's house was in flames yesterday at noon, when the alarm was turned in at the engine house, at the very first tap of the bell every man was at his post one seized a ladder and a bucket of water and started for the scene of action at the rate of forty miles a minute, arriving in time to save the house, furniture and everything but three foot square of the roof.

With compliments of the City Editor of the Pine Hill Hot Blast.

Franklin at the Signal office, has Spectacle frames.

### 1,000,000 DEATHS!

FROM CHOLERA DURING THE PAST YEAR.

The Germs of this Fatal Disease are Lurking Everywhere! Thousands of Dollars Saved by This Wonderful Discovery.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars has been lost in the poultry

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