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

Rockcastle County, Court.
W. B. Sayers and others—Contestants.

vs. Opinion
Miriam Hays and others Propounders of the will of John Sayers—Contestees.

John Sayers, a bachelor resident of Rockcastle county, made his will on the 26th day of October last and died Nov. 4th. The will is offered for probate to which the contestants object. On the account of the intense interest manifested in this case the Court desires to hand down a written opinion setting forth reasons for the conclusions reached.

The statutory requirements, touching the execution of the will, are admitted, but the instrument is attacked on the ground, that at the time of its execution, the testator had not mental strength or intellectual capacity to rationally dispose of his property. This being the principal ground relied upon by the contestants the testimony adduced by both sides was directed mainly to the elucidation of that question. The testimony upon this subject, is conflicting in character. Under Section 4825 of the Kentucky Statutes every person of sound mind and over twenty-one years of age may make a will. The proof shows that the testator was about eighty-nine years of age and no doubt mental decay had begun to tell on the testator.

Being of legal age, he was of sound mind. In the case of Wilson vs. Hays Ex'r, Southwestern Reporter, page 773 "Soundness of mind in making a will is for the testator to have such mental capacity as to enable him to know the objects of his bounty, the character and value of his estate and dispose of it according to a fixed purpose of his own." The same principle is enunciated in the case of Tudor vs. Tudor—17th Kentucky Reports, page 382, which is an action appealed from the Madison circuit court.

Under the law above laid down the following questions present themselves in this case. Did the testator herein know to whom he desired to give his property? Did he know the objects of his bounty? Did he realize the character and value of his estate? Did he dispose of his property according to his own fixed purpose? The Counsel for complainants contend that because the testator said in response to a question of the draftsman of the will as to what disposition he desired to make of his real estate, that he wanted to give it to Miriam Hays during her life and a her death to her daughter, without giving the name of the second beneficiary, when the testimony showed that the contestee, Mrs. Hays, has several daughters. Another reason for breaking the will, is that the testator did not recognize one of his neighbors who was among the callers at the testator's home, during his sickness, immediately before his death. The third reason assigned by counsel, is that mental dise-tion had set in, and although 89 years of age the testator talked and acted like a child.

As soon as the draftsman called attention of the testator to his omission he said "that he didn't care, he wanted to show them he would will it to whom he pleased." However, he desired that it be given then to the daughter, called Mary Susan.

The evidence shows, that he wanted to and did bequeath certain personal property to his nephew, Edmund Sayers, that he called his name and designated the property to go even. The conditional bequest, to W. M. South as executor

in the will, is of such a nature that shows to the Court that the testator knew the person and had sufficient reason for so doing. Then did he know the objects of his bounty? The Court is of the opinion he did.

Did he realize the character and value of his estate? He willed his third interest in 460 acres of land, and that is the correct number of acres owned by the testator. Then he was correct in the fractional interest owned by him and the number of acres in the entire boundary. He talked of the value of a certain horse, giving his name and offered to sell him for a certain price, at the time the will was being written, and there is no proof in the case which tends to show that the price was unreasonable.

The third and last question is—did he give his property according to his fixed purpose? There is no evidence to show that the testator ever desired or intended to give his real estate to any other person. There is no evidence of any undue influence; neither was any improper means in obtaining the execution of the will. The devise was a putative niece, to whom he had a right to bequeath his land, if he so desired.

The young man to whom he gave part of his personal property was his nephew and a son of the contestant W. B. Sayers.

The complainants also contend that because the testator left part of his estate, such as hay, corn and hogs undivided, the will should be rejected, but in the first above cited case, the Appellate Court held, that "The fact that the testator left a part of his estate undivided did not furnish grounds sufficient for rejecting it." It is proved in this case that the testator knew of his omission or failure to devise part of his personal property and gave as his reason for so doing, that he might get well, and if he did, he would need the powder for his stock and the meat for himself.

The testator knew that he had property to devise, for had he not known it, he would not have sent for a lawyer to write his will. The old man was growing feeble and anxious, for it appears, that he did not want his brother W. B. Sayers to have his property, so when the lawyer failed to come he sent for him the second time. When he came the testator readily recognized him, and told him what he wanted his will written. There is conflicting evidence as to whether or not his property had to be suggested to him by the attesting witnesses, but he knew his property even though it had to be suggested as he willed nothing so far as the evidence shows that did not belong to him, nor did he fail to will any property but what he gave his reasons for such failure. When the will was finished, and read over to him, he said it was right. The provisions of the will seem to us perfectly consistent and the evidence shows that during his sickness he recognized his neighbors, except in one instance.

This court is of the opinion that the application for probate herein should be granted. Judgment is, therefore, rendered for the proponents and the will is now ordered probated.

R. G. Williams Judge.

POSSOM HOLLER
(Level Green.)

Nov. 29th, 1900.

Dear Editor, The anniversary of the departure of the first British Army, that fought in the American Revolution has come again, and we are requested by the Powers, that we to try aside all secular employments and devote this day to thanksgiving. While I am

hardly able to sit and pen these lines I feel that I yet have many things for which I should return thanks. If a poor worm of the dust is in possession of health, and a hope of a bright immortality he need give but a secondary place in his rejoicing to others, for they are of minor importance, but all hold a position worthy our attention at the proper time and to the right manner. Too many of us are the unkind Ned Lawrence's Sunday Christmas-praise and thank God to day and serve the devil for the balance of the year.

This year has indeed been a great season of ingathering for the churches; a year filled with good thoughts for McKinley and the Republicans of the nation, while Beckham and his democrat friends in Kentucky have a fine large right to "rejoice and be exceedingly glad," yes, the husbandman too was never more excessively blessed in his labors, for our crops are simply exuberant, (or some other big word). Then come, ye, of all religious creeds, political shades, and ye of all trades and professions, and let us send up one long loud Halleluia and sing one anthem joining in the "Long Meter Doxology" together and live hence forth as we should or as nearly so as possible at least—Let us try to have peace of conscience and good will toward all men.

A. J. Sears still sells goods, at this place and may continue so to do for another year.

Corn is selling at \$2. per bush., fat hogs at 4c. gross, wheat 70c. and very scarce. Young wheat looks well.

The schools taught by Wade, Sam and Sally Brown will close this week.

Our school taught by Prof. Shotts will close soon!

The little eight year old son of Prof. Phillips died last Thursday of Inflammation Rheumatism!

Henry Brannaman, the best of the 4 good men in wildie, has presented me with a pair of his fine game chickens on condition that I don't speak of Beckham any more at his home, of course it's a trade.

Henry Wood can neither eat nor sleep since Beckham was accused of being elected by the Louisville Commercial. He said, "I don't know where I'll live over it or not." "Judge Steve Durbin accepts the result like a hero, but Jones Fish is not yet spoken above a whisper, Bogue Phillips cares but little, and in fact I believe Bogue will soon be a democrat any way. Tom Hayes laughed himself to death. Dr. Lewis has been kept very busy since election 'gwine to look after the sick, while no trace of anything unusual is visible in the fact of many others. Strange isn't it? The same kind of medicine don't have the same effect on all patients. Yes, Jim Wood has not been seen nor heard of since Wednesday after election, since fear Jim is indisposed.

I don't know whether the election effected me, but I do know I've been awfully sick. I lay 4-50 days and nights at Mr. David Bryants where I received every attention from himself and family that kind and willing hands could bestow; for which I am thankful indeed.

Many hogs are being killed during this tide, but no beavers—quite too high to be eaten by farmers.

The sportsmen are downing, without mercy, all the kinds.

Yours truly,
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BRODHEAD.

Misses Rosa Gentry and Annie Owens, of near Mt. Vernon, visited Miss Belle Hendrickson of this place Sunday.

Mr. Wm. King, of Gumsulphur, was here Saturday on business.

Miss Susie Hilton has returned from Lancaster accompanied by her sister, Miss Bert.

Mr. G. Rogers and wife of Crab Orchard, visited relatives here Sunday.

Miss Lillie Robins was on the sick list last week.

Rev. Hendrickson filled his appointment at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Messrs Josh Boring, Cecil and Brent McClary, of Oak Hill, attended the supper here Sunday night.

Rev. Hendrickson will preach at the Negro church school house of nights this week.

Mr. Ben Pike returned Sunday from a visit to relatives at Mt. Vernon and Livingston.

Mr. Patten Moore and brother, Walter of Crab Orchard, visited their sister Mrs. W. R. Wallin, of this place Sunday.

Mr. George Thompson, a prominent farmer of near Oak Hill, was in our town Monday on business.

Preston Clark and wife, from Minisota, who left this county in 1882, are visiting H. C. Howard and old friends of this place.

Miss Lela Fike has returned from a visit to her aunt, Mrs. J. A. Mallin of Livingston.

Mr. J. W. Proctor, a prosperous farmer of near Bedick, was here Saturday.

Misses Alice Williams, Grace and May Roberts, of Freedom, attended the box supper here Thursday night.

Mr. W. R. Wallin made a flying trip to Crab Orchard Thursday.

Madame Rumor says, there will be many weddings in our town before the close of the holidays.

Miss Kate Herrin, a pretty and attractive young lady, from the Glades, attended church here Sunday.

Drs. Gravelly and Benton went to Mt. Vernon Monday on business.

Larkin Hicks was in Pulaski and the southern part of this county last week, on business.

Rowley Pike is visiting the families of A. J. and R. P. Pike.

Mrs. Mary Collier spent Saturday and Sunday, in the country with her brother, C. E. Painter.

Maurice Brown is the night owl here now.

The sick are improving slowly.

Miss Stella Houston, of Lancaster, is visiting Miss Susie Hilton this week.

J. O. Fritch is going to build a nice residence on College street.

The Widow of W. C. Cible, deceased, has compromised with the R. R. Co., for \$3000, for the death of her husband, who was killed by the falling in of a bridge at Calvary, last summer.

Eugene Smith, of Lebanon, was here Saturday.

William Potts has bought the dwelling belonging to Tuman Gilpin near the M. E. church for \$200.

Sam Tamm, of Lancaster, was the guest of W. C. Tharp Saturday.

Miss Annie Gilpin is here visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hunt, of James Town, Ind., were visiting relatives here the first of the week.

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We most heartily endorse what Pres. McKinley says in his message to congress about good roads. A plan has already been submitted to Sec'y Wilson and endorsed by him that will help greatly in the education of the people on this vital subject. The plan is to build a quarter of a mile of model road in four parts of each state during next year, to be paid for by the Federal Government. Pres. W. H. Moore, of the National Good Roads and Irrigation Congress, has drafted a bill for this purpose and is asking a appropriation of \$150,000 to carry on the work. Mr. Stuyvesant Fish, Pres. of the Illinois Central Railroad, has written a letter to Mr. Moore in which he says: "I do not know much about irrigation, but I do know that the absence of good roads is costing the people of this country annually about as much as they pay for all the freight transported by all the railroads." Now Mr. James I. White, Capt. Jim Adams, James M. Crawford, Tom Cherry, Harry Blazer, Green Fish, U. G. Baker, and a host of others, take courage for we have virtue in our cause and we will finally win.

CHAIRMAN PAYNE rescinded his call for a meeting of the House Ways and Means Committee at Washington Saturday to consider the war revenue reduction bill. The real reason for the postponement is that further information is desired as to the feeling of Republican members of Congress, and it is considered probable that a party caucus may be in the near future. It develops that the brewing interests are making serious protests to the committee against continuing the beer tax while there is complaint in various other quarters.

THE Administration plan as to Cuba is said to be a limited republic—Independent as to local affairs, but as American dependency so far as relations with the outside world are concerned. This subject was considered by the Cabinet Friday, and President McKinley is believed to have about determined upon this policy. All the foreign and diplomatic negotiations are to be made through Washington if the plan goes through, and the fortress and principal ports are to remain under American control, at least for a limited time.

JUDGE VINCENT Boring, of our sister county of Laurel, has had a very perplexing question to solve. His daughter, Mrs. Young, and his great political chum and editorial writer, A. R. Dyche were appointed for the post office at London. Last Tuesday the Congressman settled the contest by recommending Mr. Dyche.

TWICE in the last few months has Mr. Justice Harlan, of Kentucky, shown completely that he is unworthy of the great judicial emprise that he wears. A partisan judge delivering only partisan opinions. It is a great pity that he does not realize the importance of his exalted position and how far away it ought to be from political prejudice. He is even foolish enough to write a dissenting opinion in the "Jim Crow" case.

SENATOR Stewart has introduced a bill providing for a Philippine Supreme Court of five judges. The bill provides that an appeal can be taken from their decision to the Supreme Court of the United States by a writ of error.

ATTY. GEN. Denney, of Lexington, wants to put a stumbling block in the way of a decision from the present Court of Appeals in the Powers case. In the minor contest cases, the attorneys have filed several affidavits before the court to the effect that at the time of the submission of the case on them, they objected to the submission and wanted the record to show that objection.

Last Tuesday the Republican State Central Committee met in Louisville and had an Ex-Gov. Bradley says, "a love feast." The newspaper reporters were excluded but the doings of the committee crept out through the keyholes and crevices. The eloquent Bradley spoke and was followed by Judge J. H. Tinsley, of Barboursville. Mr. Bradley says the question of congressional contests was not mentioned.

News Items.

The trust has raised the price of salt.

A moonshine still was raided in Casey county.

Smallpox is reported as existing in the jail at Covington.

Fire in the Giltner block at Carroll caused heavy losses.

Brazil came out victorious in the boundary dispute with France.

The prohibition vote in Jefferson county in the last election was 173.

More miners in Hopkins county joined the union and went on a strike.

It is understood Queen Victoria will confer a dukedom on Lord Roberts.

C. G. Morehead & Co., military dealers, made an assignment at Princeton.

In Vigan 2,000 Filipino rebels took the oath of allegiance to the United States.

At Lexington during the month of November 232 arrests were made by the police.

Five hundred cigar makers went on a strike in New York city against a reduction of wages.

Frank C. Robertson, one of Roosevelt's Rough Riders, committed suicide at Wichita.

The Second regiment, K. S. G., has been ordered to prepare to attend the inauguration at Frankfort.

The indictment against Mrs. Hattie McCullough for malicious shooting was dismissed Saturday.

Lieut. Richmond Pearson Hobson, who is ill of typhoid fever in New York, is said to be getting along nicely.

Fire at Fulton caused a loss of over \$200,000. Boyd Reed, of Paoucah, was perhaps fatally hurt by jumping.

The Henderson County Savings Bank, of Corydon, and the People's Bank, of Shepherdsville, filed articles of incorporation.

A petition for the rehearing of the cases of the minor state officers was filed in the Court of Appeals by former Gov. Bradley.

A British sloop of war is on her way to Panama to inquire into the seizure of a British steamer by the Columbian Government.

At Summitville, Ind., a mob took from the jail a man charged with insulting women and treated him to a coat of tar and feathers.

It has been discovered that Embezzler Brown, of the German National Bank of Newport, lost immense sums of money in stock speculation.

The immigration authorities at New Orleans admitted some Porto Rican contract labor, holding that they are citizens of the United States.

An important treaty with Nicaragua, relative to the isthmian canal, was signed by Secretary Hay and Señor Correas, the Nicaraguan Minister.

The Board of Public Works is getting ready to advertise for the sale of a franchise to operate a new telephone system in Louisville. No bid for less than \$20,000 will be received.

F. E. Chesterman of Philadelphia, has been accused of offering a bribe to George S. Graf, inspector of harness and leather at the United States Quartermaster's Depot in Jeffersonville.

Senator W. J. Deboe was in Louisville Saturday and the politicians after Federal offices were hanging in his coat-tails. He will be a candidate for reelection as United States Senator.

The United States Supreme Court Monday handed down a decision affirming the Kentucky Circuit of Appeals in the case of the C. and O. Railroad Company vs. the State of Kentucky. This decision sustains the validity of the separate coach law, holding that the prosecution does not necessarily involve the interstate question and that as applied to domestic commerce there is no doubt of the constitutionality of the Kentucky law. Justice Harlan handed down a dissenting opinion.

The first Porto Rican House of Delegates convened Monday.

It is said Lord Roberts is to get a dukedom and \$100,000 for his work in South Africa.

A tobacco barn filled with new tobacco, situated a few miles out of Mt. Olivet, and belonging to J. W. Holmes, a tobacco merchant, was burned.

The British Parliament convened Monday. The usual Guy Fawkes searches preceded the opening. One member arrived at midnight to secure the choice of seats.

A total of 2,180 insurgents surrendered to Gen. Young in North Luzon Sunday, taking the oath of allegiance to the United States. The proceedings occupied the entire day.

Capt. Chester and other officer of the battleship Kentucky have reached Constantinople. Charles H. Cramp says he has no reason to doubt that a contract for a cruiser has been signed.

Mr. George Johns, of Owensboro, will appear before the Rivers and Harbors Committee at Washington Friday to ask for an appropriation of \$50,000 for strengthening the bank of the Ohio at Owensboro.

The burned district at Fulton will be rebuilt at once. The heaviest loser was W. W. Meadows. He will have plans drawn this week for his new block. The majority of the losers will rebuild at once and resume business.

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IN CONGRESS.

At noon Monday the Fifty-sixth Congress began its second session under unusually interesting circumstances. President's message was communicated to both houses. Its most striking feature is an exhaustive review of the Chinese situation. There is the usual recital of our benevolent intentions toward the Philippines, and a recommendation of an army of 100,000, and a reiteration of the necessity of passing Hanna's Shipping Subsidy Bill for the relief of destitute millionaires.

The first bill in the House was a blow at the South. It was introduced by Representative Crum-packer, of Indiana, and provides for a reduction of the congressional representation from Southern States.

The Root Army Bill got in early and will be pushed through at railroad speed.

The Fifty-sixth Congress convened for the short session Monday. The President's message was received in both houses. Sen. Dillingham was sworn in to succeed Senator Morrill, of Vermont. The Senate transacted no other business. Several new members of the House were sworn in. Among the new bills introduced in the House was one by Mr. Crum-packer for the reappointment under the new census and the reorganization of the army. A resolution applauding the efforts of Paul Kruger was offered by Mr. Eitzgerald.

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Politics and Politicians FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING. The newly elected Democratic Committee for Anderson county perfected its organization by electing G. G. Speer chairman and N. F. Witherspoon secretary. The newly elected Democratic Committee of McLean county elected W. T. Miller chairman and B. P. Drake secretary and treasurer. They called a Democratic primary for March 2. Resolutions were passed requesting Lavinia county to yield the senatorship to McLean county. John G. Wooley, prohibition candidate for Pres., received over 500,000 votes. Gov. Durbin elect, of Indiana, has assumed the friends of Charles Finley and W. S. Taylor, that no requisition, form Gov. Beckham, for their return to Kentucky, would be honored. Deboe wants to be re-elected to the U. S. Senate. The Legislature of New Jersey is 62 to 19 in favor of the republicans. The second regiment K. S. G. will attend the inauguration of G. V. Beckham, Dec. 12th. Capt. B. W. Lillard has authorized the announcement that he would be a candidate for the Democratic nomination. He says it is Boyle county's turn; to use his language, "Casey having furnished two nominees, Boyd, Lincoln and Garrard one, since 1881, and Lincoln and Garrard since Boyle had one." (Advocate.)

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TIME TABLE

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IAS. LANDRUM, Agent.

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MASONIC

Ashland Lodge No. 62, meets 2nd Monday 10 A. M.

CHURCHES

Christian—Holds services 1st & 3rd Sunday at 11 a.m. and at 6:30 p.m. Presbyterian—Holds services on the 4th Sunday Baptists Church—Services on the Second Saturday night and Sunday. Sunday School at 9 a.m. every Sunday. Prayer meeting on Tuesday nights.

Personal

T. A. Coffey was here yesterday. Judge P. D. Colyer is on the sick list this week. Miss Fannie Mullins closes her school to-day. Judge Williams was in Richmond Sunday. Miss Mattie Williams went to the city Monday. Miss Ida May Adams returned from Corbin Monday. Mr. J. P. Houston, of Pine Hill, was here Monday last. J. M. Reynolds was here from Bee Lick, Wednesday. James Dry returned from Middleburg, Saturday night. Sam Brown closed his school, on White Oak branch, last Friday. Jailor G. S. Griffin was in Barbourville Wednesday on business. W. M. Hysinger, was in Richmond Monday, selling some cattle. W. T. Short went out the line Monday hunting for more Moonshiners. Judge J. W. Alcorn was on Sunday's train en route to his home in Stanford. Miss Mattie McLerron was one of the new additions to the college this week. J. J. Lawrence, having recovered, has returned to his work, at Guthrie, Ky. Mr. J. G. Richards, of Walton, Ky., is here to see his brother W. L. the cashier. Miss Julia Colyer is very ill with fever. Her sister Miss Fannie is teaching for her. R. B. Mullins left Tuesday for Pulaski, where he will show a nice line of spring boots and shoes. Mrs. Charles Spillman, of near Nicholasville, is here visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Joplin. Geo Poynter went to Knoxville, Wednesday where he was summoned as a witness in a railroad case. Holbert McClure, came over from Paris, to be with his sister Mrs. Charles Bethuram, in her last days. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hahn and Mr. and Mrs. William Monk, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Krueger. George Childress and Robert Langford, two nice young gentlemen, of Orlando, entered the college Monday. Miss Georgia McLerron is the guest of Mrs. A. E. Ewers, this week. Miss Georgia closed her school Friday last. Albert Allen, brought his son Robert to last Monday and put him in the college. He is boarding at Mrs. Willis Adams' Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fish, of Edgefield Junction, Tenn., arrived Saturday morning, to spend a few days with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Fish. John is a splendid operator and is held in high esteem by the railroad officials.

Dr. John M. Williams is in Washington, D. C. this week. Miss Fannie Sparks' grade for last month at the college should have been 66 instead of 66 as we had it. Minor Esch returned the first of the week from London, where he worked a few days. There are but few young men on the entire line who have made the progress in telegraphy, that he has.

LOCAL

Old newspapers for sale at this office, at 25 cts per hundred. FOR SALE.—A House and Lot in Northern part of town. S. N. Davis. Superintendent W. A. B. Davis informs us that he has 20 per cent, more money for the school teachers. For Sale or Exchange one, one acre lot and house with six rooms. J. A. Preston, Livingston Ky. nov-23-3mo.

Deputy Sheriff H. L. Tate took W. M. Chasteen to Richmond and placed him in the Madison county jail, on the charge of malicious cutting.

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COMMISSIONER.—The county Judge has appointed J. J. Owens, road commissioner for district No. 4. Charley Mullins, the former commissioner, having moved to Madison.

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FINED.—Charles Durhan was fined \$1 and cost in county court last Saturday, for being drunk at a public speaking, and was acquitted on a charge of the breach of the peace.

Dr. W. L. Myers will locate in Mt. Vernon and begin the practice of dentistry, on the 20th of December. All kinds of dental work, crown and bridge work a specialty. Nov. 30-31.

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LIVINGSTON

John Preston received a letter from Quail Saturday, that his half-brother, Mart Poynter, was expected to live, he being very low of typhoid fever.

Messrs Pike and Collyer, of Brookhagen, returned to their homes Saturday. Miss May and John Ross and Jessie McNeil of Pittsburg, spent Thanksgiving with Miss Cico and Verieus Mullins. Elder Dickson, stopped over here Tuesday and at night, preached in the Christian church. John Preston lost a valuable cow by falling over a cliff forty feet high. Mrs. Sue Mullins is having some paper hanging done in her hotel. There are weddings and rumors of weddings in our little village. John Smith is making some valuable improvements on his property. Mr. and Mrs. George Mounce have gone to housekeeping in the Everett property.

Mr. Frank Jackson, of Mitchelburg, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Wade. Mrs. R. C. Wade closed her school last Friday. Mrs. Wade has taught a good school and given entire satisfaction to the patrons. Lack of fuel gave her some trouble these cold mornings.

Sam Mason went to Richmond Sunday in order to put some stock on sale Monday, being county court day.

There was a hop at the Mullins hotel Saturday night, given by Landlord Farmer, in honor of an engineer Bob Gray and son Robert Gray, Jr. William and Isaac Freeman and John Deiten, the string band, of Covington, furnished the music for the occasion. They all had a merry time, and a very pleasant evening was spent under the hospitable roof of Mrs. Sue Mullins and Mr. and Mrs. John Farmer.

Frank Jones, our clever merchant, has rented his farm at Scalford Cane to his brother J. C. Jones, of near London, and he will move his family to this place in a few days, and the people of Livingston will welcome Mr. Jones and family as a valuable acquisition to our town.

The good people of Livingston who are always ready to relieve distress in any quarter, are at present extending their charitable hand to the destitute family of Wiley Deaton, who is now very low in consumption. That is, a Christian charity and will receive a reward.

Our merchants are beginning to feel Christmas in their bones and holiday goods are flying up rapidly on their counters.

The postoffice at this place has an addition of a new heater and "Uncle Sam" is happy.

The box supper, given by the C. E. Society, to raise funds to fence and get in order, our "City of the dead" realized a good sum. Remember your dear departed friends.

Jack Smith has added another building on his lot—a smoke-house. Dr. Lucas, our popular dentist, was in East Bernstadt Saturday.

Elder Dickson, a minister of the Christian church to preach for them the ensuing year. Elder Dickerson preached for them last year.

A bear and two Italian hoboos made their appearance in town Saturday morning and elicited quite a crowd, but it took cash to make the bear perform and he didn't perform.

The cold spell has boomed the coal trade. Mrs. J. E. Poynter, of Mt. Vernon, was down this week, visiting her sister, Mrs. Sue Mullins and friends.

George Owens, of Mareburg, was down to see us Sunday. Sorry indeed, are the citizens of town, that Elder Price will leave us, and his many friends wish him God's speed, wherever his mission may be.

Elder Owens, who has been very low of fever, is slowly improving. Some worthless dogs chased John Walton's calf all night thinking perhaps it was a fox.

Lincoln Farmer, of McKee, Jackson county, has moved his family to this place and will occupy the James A. Wright, house on South side of Rockcastle river.

A system of sewerage should be inaugurated to carry off the surplus water that is very annoying in time of hard rains.

In the race of all the magnificent improvements that have been done about town by those progressive city officials, there is yet a few ticklers, but not sufficient to check the tide of general improvement.

Rev Smith has closed a successful revival at Scalford Cane and returned to this place.

J. C. Carson and a certain most excellent young lady took a horse-back, ride Sunday.

W. M. Fields retained Sanders from his Lincoln county home. The "Ice factory" will wait till January or February before they freeze any ice.

Rev. Perry Smith reached in the Presbyterian church Sunday night. Rome Adams has sold his mule but purchased another and still rolling the wheels.

There is talk forming a stock company here, for the manufacture of brick.

Why don't some enterprising individual build a mammoth ice house at this place. It would be a good investment.

The rise in the river has put a stop to the distribution of gravel.

On Tuesday evening Mr. Kolla Harris, of Whites Station, Madison county, and Miss Louisa McCune, of this place, were married by Elder Dickerson, of London. The bride is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James McGee, Adams and she is very many friends wish her a happy and prosperous voyage. Mr. Harris is one of Madison county's best citizens and is the operator at White's Station.

Conductor Mallock, the popular K. C. man, made his first trip in Monday, he having been conductor on the special race train at Newport, during the races.

Lexative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. This preparation cures a cold in one day. No one can reasonably hope for good health unless his bowels move once each day. When this is not attended to disorder of the stomach arise, biliousness, headache, dyspepsia and piles soon follow. If you wish to avoid these ailments keep your bowels regular by taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets when required. They are so easy to take and mild and gentle in effect. For sale by Theo Wesley Druggist Mt. Vernon.

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Lion Coffee	140
Great Coffee	130 to 150
Plant. No. 1, per 50 lbs.	\$4.50
Belle of Lincoln per 100 lbs.	4.25
Daily flour per barrel	\$4.00
Labulle flour	\$4.55
Baron, per lb.	100 to 125
Best Boone Soap, 5 cakes	90
Best Soap, 24 cakes	100
Kite, No. 1, per lb.	75c
Guaranteed Sugar per lb.	75c
Extra Light Brown Sugar 10	65c
Syrup, Caramel, gal. bucket	35c
Syrup, best, home made, gal.	40c
Slip-stuff, per hundred	90c
Calico, all the best brands	10c
Calico, all cheap grades 50 & under	85c
Can goods	85c
Clothing, suits	75c to \$15.00
Lard, 100 in small lots	100c in 50 lb lugs or more.
Northern seed oats none on hand	
Millet hay on hand	
Eggs per doz	11
Festivals per lb.	40
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, rough	\$1.75 to \$4.40
Sheep, extra good	\$4.25 to \$4.45
Sheep, common	\$3.00 to \$3.75

Two car loads of Winter goods last week
100 barrels of Flour this week more coming.



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GENERAL NEWS.

United States Senator Deboe will present to the President a petition signed by Federal officeholders in Kentucky urging the appointment of Verkes as Internal Rev. Com.

Four Filipinos belonging to the "Guardia de Honor," a band of assassins whose victims were kidnaped and holded, have been sentenced to be hanged December 21.

The First Kentucky regiment - Louisville Legion - was mustered out of the State. Guard service by Lieut. Col. Joseph Henry, of Tompkinsville. The regiment's property was shipped to Frankfort.

John Gibson, the child murderer, was seen Friday near Rush, Boyd county, and the officers believe he will soon be captured. An active search is being made in all the territory contiguous to Boyd county.

Five freight cars on the Bloomfield branch went over an embankment near Normandy, Ky., Monday morning and Brakenham Gen. McDowell, of Louisville, was killed. The accident was caused by a spreading rail.

Deputy United States Marshal Coase has been arrested by order of the Covington health officer for violating quarantine laws. He brought a Federal prisoner suffering from smallpox from Carter county to Covington to appear in the United States Court.

The gold in the Treasury amounted to \$474,708,335, about \$75,000,000 more than at the close of 1899. It is estimated that the gold in the United States amounts to \$1,080,027,457. On the last day of 1899 it was estimated at \$692,217,212.

District President Woods of the United Mine Workers, says his organizers are encountering rough treatment in Hopkins county. He has employed attorneys, and will take out warrants for the men accused of assaulting emissaries of the union.

Count Von Walden has raised the German flag over the Ming tombs and indicates punishment on nearby villages. It is believed there is no hope for the return of the Chinese court to Peking so long

as the Germans continue their expedition to the interior.

Admiral von Germany, has declined to receive Paul Kruger, Germany's rejection of the Transvaal representative even went to the extent of suppressing a proposed torchlight parade in his honor. Mr. Kruger was moved to tears by the German Emperor's snub.

The Kentucky Railroad Commissioners Friday, submitted their annual report to Gov. Beckham. Accompanying the report was a letter reviewing the work of the railroads the past year, and giving a history of the legislation and litigation relative to the adjustment rates.

The report of the Isthmian Canal Commission will probably be transmitted to Congress as an accompaniment to the President's message. The Panama Canal Commission has prepared a statement of conditions upon which it will let contract piers to the United States.

The State Election Commission met yesterday at Frankfort to canvass the returns from the November election. The day was spent in preliminary work. It is said that C. H. Duty will be elected commissioner to succeed Morton K. Yoats and that Allen B. Smith will be the new Secretary of the board.

Postmaster John L. Bosley and Deputy Postmaster Sherman H. Shivers of Paris, were arrested Monday on the charge of misappropriating postal funds. They were taken to Lexington, where they gave bond for their appearance. J. D. McClintock has been placed in temporary charge of the Paris post-office.

Bookkeeper Robert Winstel, of the looted German National Bank of Newport, has confessed, and as a result warrants for the arrest of five others are expected to be issued. Two of these are not connected with the bank, but are the betting commissioners for Frank Brown, the absconding assistant cashier.

The President is said to be disposed to appoint John W. Yerkes Commissioner of Internal Revenue, but strong influence has been cast to the first in behalf of Joseph Mas-

ley, of Maine, who had charge of Republican headquarters at New York during the campaign. A number of New England Senators called at the White House Friday to urge N. Manley's appointment.

Land, Stock, Crops.

James Crawford sold to Hook & Son a bunch of fat hogs at 4cts.

Brock & Railback have bought a large number of hogs the past week \$4.12 1/2 to \$4.40. Brock & Railback shipped yesterday about 200 hogs which cost about 4 1/2 cts.

W. B. Kidd shipped Tuesday 166, cattle, bought in Mason county and weighing 1,300 lbs. and costing five cents per pound. He will ship to-day 134 from Paris, weighing 1,300, 72 from Maysville, average 4 1/2 about 1,400 lbs., which were also bought a 5 cts. (Wenchester Democrat)

One of the finest bunches of fat cattle that ever left this county consisted of 27 corn-fed steers, sold by Brother Anthony, manager of St. Rose farm, to Fox and McDowell, of Boyle, and shipped by them to Jersey City for export trade. The cattle averaged just 1,500 pounds each and ten of the number are barely 2 years old. They were high grade Shortborns and Polled Angus. The price paid at the scales here was 4.80. They brought the nice sum of \$1,944. - Springfield News Leader.

O. P. Huffman bought of J. N. Menefee five butcher cattle at 2 1/2 cts. Tom Manuel sold to a Boyle county party 200 shoeks of corn at 75c. Squire Royalty, of Mercer, bought recently 1,400 barrels of corn at \$1.50 to \$1.75. Ball Bros. sold their fine sorrel geldings, The Cauderor, to Thomas W. Meek, of Poston, for \$1,950.

J. C. Hayes sold to L. H. Anderson, six 900-pound sows at 3 1/2 cts. He sold to Beazley Bros. a lot of corn at \$2 delivered. At J. C. King's sale horses brought from \$10 to \$70, milk cows \$9 to \$25, hogs 4.50, corn \$1.75 to \$2, household implements sold well. Col. Peter Chandler, the auctioneer, sells as a good crowd was present. - Interior Journal.

The Best Plaster.

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COURT CALENDAR.

COUNTY COURT. - Fourth Monday in each month.

QUARTERLY COURT. - First Monday in January, April, July and October.

CIRCUIT COURT. - Second Monday day in February, Fourth Monday in May and Third Monday in September.

MT. VERNON POLICE COURT. - Third Monday in each month.

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