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How Deboe Got There

Secret History of the Kentucky Contest.

PRACTICAL POLITICAL PLOTS USED.

A Struggle Which Grew out of the Jeal- ousy of Two Leaders and Last- ed Nearly Two Years.

Cincinnati Enquirer.

Now that Hon. W. J. Deboe is a
 member of the foremost legislative
 body of America and the Senatorial
 struggle has become history, some of
 the inside facts of one of the longest
 contests on record form a most inter-
 esting review.

The fight which ended last Wednes-
 day dates from the gubernatorial cam-
 paign of 1895, when Dr. W. Godfrey
 Hunter, sometimes termed the "Gum-
 rhoe Statesman," was chairman of the
 Republican campaign committee. As
 a candidate for governor Dr. Deboe did
 his own running. His ability as a
 stumpster and the fortunate opportu-
 nity furnished by Democratic dis-
 sensions, gave him a vast advantage
 in the race toward which his ambition
 had inclined him for years. This con-
 dition of affairs left the chairman of
 the executive committee free to use
 money and machine influence in an-
 other direction.

Now he did so in a curious chapter
 in the political history of Kentucky.
 Early in the campaign an establish-
 ment known as the Louisville Novelty
 company opened an office on one of
 the main thoroughfares of the Ken-
 tucky metropolis. This was Dr. Hun-
 ter's private political bureau. It was
 maintained at the expense of the Re-
 publican campaign funds, and its
 darkly secret operations ate up plenty
 of money. Soon after the Louisville
 Novelty company opened its office an
 unwelcome activity was noticed in
 counties ordinarily considered hope-
 less, from a Republican standpoint.
 The whole tendency of this novel
 movement was to secure the election
 of Republican legislators. The con-
 test for State offices was carried on
 through the regular party organiza-
 tion. The Louisville Novelty com-
 pany had but one end. That was to ob-
 tain votes for W. Godfrey Hunter for
 United States Senator.

Amid the wild acclaim following
 the victory of Bradley, the seed of
 Republican dissension sprouted. For
 years Bradley had striven for the al-
 most impossible honor of becoming
 governor of Kentucky—the Republi-
 can governor of Kentucky, and the
 greatest man in his party, as meas-
 ured by achievements. Having gain-
 ed the coveted prize he found the
 "silent statesman" at his elbow, about
 to step into the United States Senate
 which would greatly dim the glory
 of governor and give the doctor a

mighty influence through his prerog-
 atives in the matter of patronage.
 Jealous, pure and simple, is the on-
 ly logical cause for the enmity which
 then arose between Bradley and Hun-
 ter.

The legislature assembled to elect
 Blackburn's successor. The roll call
 showed 68 Democrats, 68 Republi-
 cans, and 2 Populists. Fourteen De-
 mocrats stood for the gold standard
 and bolted Blackburn after the can-
 cuses had nominated him. Hunter won
 the nomination in the Republican
 caucus with no very great opposition.
 With two more votes he could be-
 come the first Republican representa-
 tive from Kentucky in the Senate of
 the United States. He had foreseen
 the situation and made strenuous ef-
 forts to secure the nomination. And
 here is a remarkable fact. So had Wil-
 liam J. Deboe, the man who, with
 Bradley's assistance, was elected last
 Wednesday.

A HUNDRED TO ONE SHOT.

At that time to mention Deboe as
 a possibility for the place was to be
 ridiculed. Only one thing could have
 justified him in hoping to win. That
 was a confidential assurance of as-
 sistance from some influential source,
 and he probably had it.

The balloting went on in the state
 house. Hunter could get the Republi-
 can strength and no more. The
 Blackburn cohorts were immovable.
 The gold Democrats were willing to
 defeat the man they had assisted in
 nominating; but they would have
 none of Dr. Hunter. The two Popu-
 lists stood to Blackburn as the man
 who more nearly represented their
 principles than any other candidate.
 Then came the death of Isaac Wilson,
 a Democratic representative, and 69
 votes only were needed to elect. Mo-
 ney was offered in fabulous sums for
 the necessary defection of one Demo-
 crat. The Blackburn men kept on
 ceasing vigil upon the doubtful ones.
 Here it was that Jack Chinn and
 Eph Lillard made their appearance
 in the fight. Here it was that Perry
 Haley discovered the celebrated se-
 ries of holes through which Republi-
 can caucus secrets filtered in the
 most mysterious manner. The Black-
 burn men were in possession of ev-
 ery Republican confidence almost be-
 fore it was uttered. Despite the com-
 mon prediction that the Democrat
 who deserted would never leave
 Frankfort alive, Dr. Hunter hoped,
 and the opposition—known and un-
 known—feared with every ballot.
 Then it was that Bradley struck Hun-
 ter down for the first time. A signed
 paper, in which Dr. Hunter pledg-
 ed himself to favor the free and un-
 limited coinage of silver at the ratio
 of 16 to 1 was presented to the no-
 tice of the joint assembly by a Re-
 publican, who was afterward appoint-
 ed to the appellate bench by Gov.
 Bradley. That ended Hunter's first
 candidacy. A presidential campaign
 was approaching and he was altogeth-
 er on the wrong side of the main is-

Best Remedy for Rheumatism.

From the Fairhaven, N. Y. Register.
 James Rowland of this place stat-
 ed that for 25 years his wife has been a
 sufferer from rheumatism. A few
 nights ago she was in such pain that
 she was nearly crazy. She sent Mr.
 Rowland for the doctor, but he had
 heard of Chamberlain's Pain Balm,
 and instead of going for a physician
 he went to a store and secured a bot-
 tle of it. The wife did not approve
 of her husband's purchase at first but
 nevertheless applied the Balm thor-
 oughly and in an hour's time she was
 able to go to sleep. She now applies
 it whenever she feels an ache or pain,
 and finds that it always gives relief.
 She says no medicine she ever used
 did her as much good. [The 25¢ and
 50¢ size for sale at Orme's.]

sure. A majority of the Republican
 legislators demanded it and he with-
 drew.

The pledge which was fatal to his
 hopes was written apparently to be
 shown the two Populists, in the hope
 it might gain their votes. It was in
 the handwriting of a prominent Re-
 publican, who was supporting Hun-
 ter, but who is a gold standard man
 himself, and is slated to be given a
 collectorship, with Senator Deboe's
 approval.

The pledge was shown to the Popu-
 lists and brought back. Hunter was
 informed that there was no immedi-
 ate use for the paper. It was hand-
 ed to him at his headquarters while a
 Bradley emissary stood by, wait-
 ing to get hold of it. Hunter was
 purposely engaged in a conversation
 and the pledge was stolen, while he
 thought it had been destroyed. The
 man who got it took it directly to the
 office of Gov. Bradley, and it was de-
 posited in the office safe, where it
 remained until the day on which it
 was produced in the joint assem-
 bly.

After Hunter's forced withdrawal
 the fight assumed a different phase.
 Bradley was in the saddle and the de-
 pendents of the governor's office were
 now desperately aggressive, instead
 of lukewarm. Boyle had been chos-
 en, though Deboe on one of the bal-
 lots, was actually nominated. Only
 the breaking up of the caucus preven-
 ted him from being declared the nom-
 inee. Bradley was behind him then,
 but could not wholly control the cau-
 cus. Boyle, however, talked to suit
 Bradley and got the governor's aid.
 The details of the fight which follow-
 ed have become history. The Republi-
 can House arbitrarily unseated Mr.
 Kaufman, a Democrat. The Demo-
 cratic Senate responded promptly by
 unseating Jones and James, two Re-
 publicans, and appointing Jack Chinn
 and others sergeants at arms to see
 that the unseated senators did not
 get into the joint assembly. Then
 Governor Bradley made his star play.
 He called out the militia of the state
 and put the Kentucky state house
 under martial law. He said he was
 afraid some one would get hurt; he
 was also afraid that no one would be
 elected. Even with troops at their
 back the Republicans were unable to
 get the one vote necessary to elect.
 A Democratic jubilee was held in the
 Frankfort opera house on the night
 when the session closed. Jo Black-
 burn, Goebel, Bronston, and Jack
 Chinn spoke to cheering thousands.
 while Bradley's soldiers were bivou-
 aced in the court house yard. One
 incident should be noted here. A
 principal figure in this final effort of
 the governor was Noel Gaines, cap-
 tain of a Frankfort militia company.
 He appears later, also.

The gathering of the present legis-
 lature seemed to mean the immediate
 election of a senator. In filling va-
 cancies the Republicans have gained
 two votes, giving them a full quor-
 um. They merely had to get togeth-
 er and elect. Again Hunter, whose
 support has always been genuine,
 was able to control the caucus. He
 was reinstated as the nominee, des-
 pite Bradley's efforts to defeat him.
 The governor was in a desperate
 strait. Mark Hanna sent Samuel W.
 Taylor, his personal representative,
 to Frankfort to assist in the election
 of Hunter.

BRADLEY WAS BETRAYED.

Bradley had visited Canton and
 Cleveland, where McKinley and Han-
 na had promised him to keep out of
 the senatorial fight in Kentucky. In
 return Bradley was to call an imme-
 diate extra session of the legislature
 in order that a Republican senator
 might be elected to vote on the Ding-
 ley bill. Before he called the extra

session Bradley held the whip hand.
 As soon as the legislature was assem-
 bled the governor was eulogized;
 here was Hunter, the nominee, and
 Mark Hanna striving, with promises
 of pie, to elect him. Then came the
 letter from Bradley's brother in law,
 Judge Morrow, of Somerset:

"You have been deceived by Han-
 na, you have been deceived by Mc-
 Kinley; there is only one thing for
 you to do, and that is to fight."
 Of course he did; he would have
 done it anyway.

The Democrats help the governor
 in order to help themselves. They
 started the cry: "Let us elect Brad-
 ley to the senate, and we can elect a
 Democrat governor." Bradley had
 made men bolt Hunter after his
 nomination. He claimed that ten or
 twelve more Republicans would vote
 for him for senator if there was any
 chance of election.

He started his boom and sent his
 lieutenants out to keep it booming.
 You would have thought he really
 believed the Democrats meant to
 elect him; he was in constant com-
 munication with the Democratic lead-
 ers. All the time he knew that he
 was merely making Hunter's election
 impossible. No Democrat would
 have voted for Bradley. It was hard
 work to keep some of them from
 declaring it and spoiling the beauty
 of the situation.

During all this time the Bradley-
 Deboe coalition was at work. Deboe
 was in the Hunter camp, in secret
 communication with Bradley. He
 convinced Hunter he was his friend,
 and operated always with a view of
 becoming Hunter's chosen substitute.
 Three gold Democrats were captured
 by Hunter. For the second time in
 the history of the long fight Hunter
 was within one vote of election: the
 situation was again desperate for the
 governor. Then Capt. Noel Gaines,
 who was referred to above, appeared
 before the Franklin county grand ju-
 ry and swore that Hunter had tried
 to buy votes through him. Several
 of Gaines' relatives were on the grand
 jury and several were witnesses be-
 fore it. Dr. Hunter and his chief
 lieutenants were indicted for attempt-
 ed bribery. Gaines also was indic-
 ted.

THE SECOND STONE WALL.

The indictments so complicated
 matters that Hunter's election was
 plainly impossible. He remained a
 candidate until he had received a
 vote of confidence and then he with-
 drew. Here was the chance of the
 Bradley-Deboe combination. But Dr.
 Hunter had learned that Deboe was
 a tool of Bradley and so had a num-
 ber of Republicans. At the last mo-
 ment Hunter tried to throw his strength
 to Geo. Todd, mayor of Louis-
 ville. Deboe went into the caucus
 with only a remnant of the Hunter
 forces. Up to this time Bradley's
 operations had been secret, but he
 showed his hand in the caucus when
 Deboe was five votes short of nomi-
 nation. "An emissary from the gov-
 ernor's office sent a message from the
 cloak room and the five bolters went
 to Deboe and nominated him. Then
 the governor came into the daylight.
 He electioneered for Deboe like a
 ward heeler at a city convention; the
 sheer persistence of the fight won.
 Nine out of ten of the thinking men
 of the Republican side were against
 Deboe.

They reluctantly bowed to the will
 of party government which bound
 them to the nominee. Even when
 Deboe was denying the authenticity
 of free silver letters published over
 his own signature, the Republicans
 who opposed him were afraid to do
 what Bradley and his men had done.
 They voted for a nominee for Uni-
 ted States senator who could not make

a speech of acceptance, and he was
 elected by a majority of one vote in
 138. On the following day Captain
 Gaines was rewarded. He had testi-
 fied before the grand jury that he had
 solicited a bribe from Dr. Hunter and
 that Dr. Hunter had offered to give
 him money for votes. He suffered
 indictment himself in order to get the
 Republican nominee for the United
 States senate indicted. As a proper
 recognition of his loyal services he is
 detailed to inspect the militia of Ken-
 tucky, being given the power to hold
 court martial and allowed liberal pay
 and expenses.

This is how Bradley finds himself
 in the saddle once more. It is the
 true story. It is Republican politics
 in Kentucky.

CUBANS WILL WIN.

The Rebels' Forces Has Increased Says
 Consul-General Lee.

Consul General Lee's report to the
 State Department descriptive of the
 situation in Cuba is carefully guarded
 by the State Department, but is said
 to be very startling in its character.
 A Washington dispatch to the New
 York Herald says that on account of
 the revelations made therein Presi-
 dent McKinley is reluctant to make
 it public. He has no desire to precipi-
 tate a crisis in the Cuban matter at
 this time, fearing its effect upon the
 tariff muddle.

The report which the Consul Gen-
 eral has made in regard to the general
 situation in Cuba is dated a few days
 ago. He makes an attack upon Gen.
 Weyler which is said to be very sav-
 age. He declares, I am told, that
 Gen. Weyler has no grounds for stat-
 ing that the island has been pacified;
 as a matter of fact, Gen. Lee declares
 the insurrection was never stronger
 than at the present time.

The Cuban forces have increased
 in numbers since the time of his ar-
 rival in Cuba, but on account of their
 policy and peculiar methods of war-
 fare they are pursuing the plan of
 harassing the Spanish army by means
 of guerrilla tactics. He expresses the
 firm conviction, I understand, that
 the rebels would be successful in driv-
 ing the Spaniards from the island.

The Spanish authority in Cuba, ac-
 cording to the Consul General, is in a
 very bad plight. On the other hand,
 the insurgent cause seems to be gain-
 ing ground. The policy is one of de-
 lay, and they seem to be more con-
 fident than ever that as a consequence
 of pursuing it they will be successful
 in achieving their independence. It
 is true they avoid a pitched battle
 with Gen. Weyler's forces, but just as
 soon as the Spanish troops leave one
 province they resume operations in it.
 The Spaniards are disheartened, be-
 cause of the failure to get paid.

When wear begins to exceed repair
 in your body you are going to fall
 sick. The signs of it are the loss of
 flesh, paleness, weakness, nervousness
 etc. The repair needed is food. You
 think you eat enough, and yet you
 wear out more tissue, energy, nerve
 force, than your food makes for you.
 The difficulty is that you do not di-
 gest enough, and this is so serious it
 is worth sitting down seriously to stu-
 dy about. If you can't digest what
 you eat, take a few doses of Shaker
 Digestive Cordial. The effect of it
 will be to increase your flesh and to
 make you feel stronger; you won't fall
 sick. Proof that it is in control of
 your repair apparatus; its easy enough
 to test for yourself; take a few
 bottles of Shaker Digestive Cordial.
 Sold by druggists at 10 cents to \$1
 per bottle.

Rev. John Reid, Jr., of Great Falls,
 Montana, recommended Ely's Cream
 Balm to me. I can emphasize his
 statement: "It is a positive cure for
 catarrh if used as directed."—Rev.
 Francis W. Poole, Pastor Cent. Presb.
 church, Helena, Montana.

CIVIL SERVICE.

Some Plain Statements About the Modern
 Humbug.

Henry Alfred Lewis, in his Wash-
 ington letter to the New York Jour-
 nal says:

The Republicans are afraid of
 civil service. "Beware the Mugwump"
 they say and go softly about civil ser-
 vice, hating yet fearing that translu-
 cent humbug. When Cleveland, the
 Worst, was King, in the rotten last
 hours of his reign he threw the man-
 le of civil service over every perch
 and place of government he could.
 This was because Cleveland the Worst
 aims at a Presidency in 1900. He
 sought to bind this army of tax eaters
 he thus aimed to buckler against dis-
 missal to his interests by grateful
 chains. And now, naturally, the Mc-
 Kinley Hansaites seek to destroy the
 civil service extensions of Cleveland
 the Worst. My advice to the Republi-
 cans is to tear up by the roots the
 whole fool system. It is worthless
 from either a public or private stand-
 point. The only use for civil service
 is to put an excuse in the mouths of
 Congressmen when constituents they
 don't love ask for offices they don't
 want them to get.

"It's under the civil service," say
 these Congressmen, and thus civil
 service the constituents, and their un-
 loved applications out of doors.
 When a sharp statesman wants an
 office for relative or friend he gets it.
 But the fact of civil service causes
 the creation of many a new perch.
 It is easier with civil service to make
 a place than empty one. As a come
 out the Government has five times as
 much help as it needs, at twice the
 salary the help could earn anywhere
 else. I have seen eleven clerks at an
 average of over \$17,000 annual stip-
 end addressing envelopes wherein
 Congressmen were so dispense seeds.
 That was all these high priced persons
 did. A scab of twelve could have
 done the work as well, and he
 would have done much more of it in
 a day than one of them did in a week.
 By this excellent device the cost of
 mailing \$31,000 worth of seeds was
 elevated to \$51,000. This is only a
 sample brick from a yard where mil-
 lions of like sort can be found.

BETTER IN THE DAYS OF SPOIL.

But to prove your pudding, eat it.
 Not only does civil service—a device
 that the dullest of us fools and evades
 whenever he gets ready—pile up the
 cost of government to the clouds, but
 the work itself is not done as well in
 a day as when the incoming party tur-
 ned everybody out and to the "victor
 belonged the spoils of the enemy." That
 old aphorism of Gov. Marcy, of
 New York, was the best thing that
 ever happened to the country. It did
 better work, more work, for less mon-
 ey, and the books show it. That pro-
 verb of Norse war—that inspiration
 of the Vikings brought into politics—
 meant life, zeal and young, hot men
 in place bright with recent contest
 with the world. Civil service means
 death, dry rot, evasion, old age, idle-
 ness, uninterest. Under the one the
 work of government sailed; under the
 other it drifts. The sooner some stout
 heart with the battle axe of common
 sense hews down this clumsy wooden
 civil service idol of the Mugwumps
 the better for the nation's work and
 the nation's waste skin. It will
 hurt the Mugwump Brahmins, but it
 will do the country good.

According to the newspapers, an
 Ohio husband became the happy fa-
 ther of seven children not long ago.
 Of the seven all lived but one. It is
 to be hoped he laid in a good supply
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 cough, colds and coughs, and when
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 It is the only fence that will not be a curse.
 It is the only fence that will not be a shame.
 It is the only fence that will not be a blot.
 It is the only fence that will not be a stain.
 It is the only fence that will not be a mark.
 It is the only fence that will not be a blemish.
 It is the only fence that will not be a defect.
 It is the only fence that will not be a flaw.
 It is the only fence that will not be a fault.
 It is the only fence that will not be a mistake.
 It is the only fence that will not be a blunder.
 It is the only fence that will not be a slip.
 It is the only fence that will not be a fall.
 It is the only fence that will not be a crash.
 It is the only fence that will not be a bang.
 It is the only fence that will not be a boom.
 It is the only fence that will not be a bust.
 It is the only fence that will not be a slump.
 It is the only fence that will not be a panic.
 It is the only fence that will not be a riot.
 It is the only fence that will not be a war.
 It is the only fence that will not be a revolution.
 It is the only fence that will not be a rebellion.
 It is the only fence that will not be a mutiny.
 It is the only fence that will not be a strike.
 It is the only fence that will not be a boycott.
 It is the only fence that will not be a strike.
 It is the only fence that will not be a boycott.

That report that Gov. Bradley was going to resign has gone glimmering.

A third negro has been lynched near Jeff, Ala., for the poisoning of the Kelly family.

Perhaps the panic has caused the failure in the management of the Kentucky prisoners.

President McKinley will visit the Tennessee Centennial Exposition on Ohio day in June.

It is said that Gov. Bradley will reassemble the legislature if the anti-mob law is not passed.

A Crittenden county man—E. T. Franks—is paroling out the post office pie in the second district.

Blackburn and Carlisle press streets without saying a word to each other "how's your health?"

French wine growers in the department of Yonne estimate at \$4,000,000 the damage done by a recent heavy frost.

Lieut. Governor Worthington has established the fact that he is not a nonentity after all. He can do something—he can "cuss."

The constitutional limit to the Legislature will be reached tomorrow. Let us be thankful that there is a constitution with its environments.

Senators Geobel and Bronston constitute the larger part of the Kentucky Senate. Without them the Democrats in that body would be helpless.

The Legislature has under consideration a mob violence bill that ought to pass. The ridiculous idea of making the county pay for damages done by a mob has been eliminated.

In a recent article in the New York Journal Mr. Bryan says there can be no compromise on the financial issue, that is the paramount issue and must remain so until the bimetallic war.

Senator Deboe is reported as saying that he is going to take care of the "sound money" Democrats. Wonder what he will do for the Pope? The soup will be mighty thin by the time it gets to them.

The total assessed value of property in Kentucky this year, according to figures given out by the State Board of Equalization is \$550,000,000, as against \$570,000,000 last year.

Spanish officials in Cuba are making things unpleasant for American newspaper correspondents, one of whom has been jailed and another searched and released, with a warning. All correspondents are being watched closely to prevent unfavorable news being sent out from the island.

Senator Deboe was at the head of a delegation that called upon the President and asked him to modify Cleveland's pet civil service law, so as to get the Democrats out and the Republicans in the revenue service. Civil service is a good thing to put into a platform before the election, and a good thing to take out after the election.

The newspapers say Senator Deboe is having more trouble with the applicants for the small post offices than with any other class of pie hunters. They are camping on his trail, and one fellow has made life so hideous for him that the Senator has offered to pay the applicant \$150 a year—salary of the office sought—if he will leave Washington and let him get one good night's rest.

President McKinley has sent a Cuban message to Congress, but there is not a line in it to show that he has a single sympathetic emotion for the struggling Cubans. With a single drop of ink he could have electrified the country, but Presidents, it seems, are as soulless as corporations. The Republicans do well to treasure the name of James G. Blaine; nothing living is as deserving of praise as the memory of the man who had a real foreign policy. The blood of Cubans may flow in a cause akin to that for which our heroes of 1776 fought, but, officially, we have no word of cheer for them. Brothers may struggle to rise from the grinding of a tyrant's heel, but our flag, it seems, is too selfish to unfurl itself from the heights upon which it has been planted, to point the way to freedom for others.

Dr. Bell's Peppermint Chili Tonic presents a happy combination of simple and harmless vegetable remedies. The first dose warms the blood and promotes circulation. You feel better as soon as you take it. It is different from any other; it is better than any other. It cures the chills so they stay cured and leaves your stomach, liver and digestive organs in a healthy condition.

Ordinarily little importance would be attached to the fact that the Kentucky legislature has passed a bill transferring Marion, Crittenden county, from a town of the sixth class to one of the fifth, but when it is remembered that this is the home of the Hon. Ollie James, the voice, if not the soul of the silver cause in the Purchase, its significance becomes apparent. It is not claimed for Marion that it has gained in population and resources; it is simply felt that a city which is the abiding place of so much lung power is entitled to a more respectful consideration on the map.—Courier-Journal.

Now here is the cast down idol, the deposed high priest, the Benedict Arnold of the Southern Democracy, decrying and denying our material growth. Not satisfied with misrepresenting our interests in a political way, the Courier-Journal is hesitatingly announcing that "it is not claimed for Marion that it has gained in population and resources."

If those who know Marion and her growth of population in the past few years will measure all of the Courier-Journal's editorials by the one just quoted, no argument will be needed to convince him that Ananias is doing business on earth again, and that his headquarters are at Louisville.

The "lung power" of Ollie James is a source of constant annoyance to the "old has been." The trouble is that the "lung power" of Western Kentucky's gifted speaker has driven the Courier-Journal from the homes of Western Kentucky's Democrats, and the aforesaid, the old "once was" has a grievance against that "lung power."

Let the heathen rage. With Ollie James at home, Marion is entitled to be a fifth class city, for his development is, within itself, a gain in our resources. If he will continue to make the "galled jade wince," we have a hope that the Democracy of the State will look upon Marion as a real first class city.

David B. Hill has broken the impenetrable silence that has surrounded him since he straddled the political fence last fall. In an interview a few days ago he said: "For men who voted for McKinley to boast of fidelity to Democracy is egregiously ridiculous." Not altogether satisfied with this assertion he goes a little further, and makes this rap at his ancient enemy: "Judging from what I understand the ex-President to have said at the Reform Club dinner—for I did not get time to read the address—he is still for war and party division. I am not with him in this."

It is something to know that the New York Sphinx is opposed to the Cleveland combination, even if he hasn't the nerve to say that he is with the true Democracy. With Watterson charging upon the fallen idol from this quarter, and Hill leading another opposing brigade from the Empire State, and the people everywhere out-spoken against the stuffy prophet, the ex-President may yet be convinced that he is really not the United States.

To the Voters of Crittenden County.

At the earnest solicitation of my friends from all political parties, and in the meantime having received the nomination of my party, I do very willingly announce that I am a candidate for reelection to the office of county court clerk, and if elected, promise you a faithful discharge of the duties of said office. I feel thankful and do appreciate the favors you have shown me in the past, and I trust that no official or other act of mine has caused any one to regret the interest you have so manifested in my behalf in the past; and should you, by your influence and vote at the next November election, again favor me with said office, I will appreciate the favor as much as possible for man to do, and will use my best endeavors to make you a faithful and efficient officer, showing no distinction or partiality to any one on account of politics, position, creed or color.

Your obedient servant and friend,
D. Woods.

May 14, 1897.

The BUCKSKIN BREECHES are made as carefully as more expensive pants. The seams won't rip nor will the pockets. The buttons are riveted on, they fit and look well. These are the points that make them the best working pants that can be made at any price.

Suicide at Princeton.

Princeton, Ky., May 18.—W. T. King, a middle-aged man stopping at the Bank Hotel, this city, committed suicide last night by taking morphine. King lives in Trigg county, near Cerulean Springs, and is a brother of Watten King, of Wallonia. He came to town yesterday considerably under the influence of liquor and retired about 8 o'clock. He did not make his appearance to breakfast this morning and upon investigation was found dead.

The Poison Proved Fatal.

Sturgis, Ky., May 17.—William Gregg the prominent young farmer who took a dose of corrosive sublimate with suicidal intent yesterday died today in great agony. Mrs. Charles had put up a tonic for himself and wife before committing suicide.

To CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. For sale by all druggists.

NEWS NOTES
Ex-Senator Coke, of Texas, is dead.
A St. Louis court recently fined a man fifty dollars for spitting on the floor of a street car.
By the wrecking of a train on a railroad in Russia one hundred soldiers were killed.

Stephen R. Mallory was elected to the United States Senate by the Florida legislature.

Near Romebud, Texas, three negroes were hung by a mob. They had attempted to outrage a girl.

Mrs. Langtry, the Jersey Lily, has secured a divorce from her English husband at Lakeport, Cal.

On the twenty-fifth ballot the Florida Legislature elected Stephen R. Mallory United States Senator.

Train robbers held up a Southern Pacific train in Texas and secured about ten thousand dollars from the express car.

In New York 10,000 tailors are on a strike, and within a week it is likely that the movement will include 35,000 persons.

The city treasurer, J. H. Doering, of Belleville, Ill., committed suicide by hanging himself. He was short in his accounts.

Two persons were killed during a severe wind and rain storm at Waco, Tex. The Brazos river rose ten feet in thirty minutes.

Henry Scott and a man named Corbett were killed in a four hand shooting match in Leslie county. The other two participants in the affair were badly wounded.

Four men were killed, two others fatally injured, and another badly scalded by the explosion of a saw and grist mill boiler near Randolph, Ky.

There is a heavy falling off in the number of immigrant arrivals in New York. There was a decrease of 11,439 in April as compared with last year.

The Ohio Democrats will hold their State convention on the same day that the Republican convention is held.

Elverson R. Chapman, who refused to testify before the Senate committee regarding Senators who speculated in Sugar Trust stock, has begun his jail sentence at Washington.

According to a Havana paper Consul General Lee denies that his report attacks Gen. Weyler, or asserts that the insurgents will be successful in driving the Spaniards from the island.

Spanish newspapers are talking saucily about American interference in Cuban affairs, meaning the proposal that the United States Government should relieve American citizens.

The Sultan of Turkey declines to consent to an armistice in the war with Greece unless Turkey is permitted to annex Thessaly and levy on Greece an indemnity of ten million Turkish pounds.

The attempt to play Sunday games of base ball in Cleveland has met with failure, the members of both the Cleveland and Washington teams and umpire Tim Hurd having been arrested.

The Fayette county court house at Lexington was damaged by fire to the extent of about \$55,000. Most of the records were saved, but a number of historic and valuable paintings were destroyed.

Preston Thornton, a prominent young man of Louisville, killed himself in the presence of the young lady to whom he had been engaged. She broke the engagement, and he placed a pistol over his heart and fired.

An eye for an eye and a tooth for tooth, is the old Mosaic doctrine, but the doctors of today save the eyesight by applying Sutherland's Eagle Eye Salve. It cures all forms of sore eyes and granulated lids. It strengthens

The Kentucky House passed a bill appropriating money to rebuild the workshops at the Eddyville prison. A member of the Eddyville investigating committee gave the information that the committee report in favor of continuing the Eddyville branch penitentiary.

Congressman White, of Chicago, has appointed John Smith, colored, to a cadetship at the Annapolis Naval Academy. This is the second negro appointed to that school this year, but neither has been installed, and the furor the appointments have raised among the white cadets indicates it will be unpleasant for the applicants, even if they succeed in getting in.

Mr. Will Skillman, Bures, Ky., had sore eyes for years. He tried many doctors and remedies and always failed to get relief until he tried Sutherland's Eagle Eye Salve, which cured him inside of one week.

Princeton, Ky., May 14.—Samuel Garrett, one of the oldest and wealthiest citizens of Caldwell county, died this morning at his home near Dulany of heart trouble. He was brought here for interment in the family vault; he was worth \$150,000; he leaves five children, Mrs. Charles Batliff, Miss Eliza Garrett, Ed, Robert and Will Garrett.

McKINLEY SPEAKS.
In a Message to Congress He Recommends an Appropriation FOR AMERICANS IN CUBA.

Washington, May 17.—President McKinley this afternoon sent his Cuban message to Congress. It has caused a great stir.

The president states that official information from the Cuban consul confirms the report that many Americans are destitute and in want of food and medicine. Particularly is this the case in the central and eastern parts of the island.

Continuing, Mr. McKinley says: "Americans have been forced from their farms into the nearest towns, where they were without work or money. The local authorities of these towns are unable to relieve the distress of our citizens. Consul Lee estimates that 800 Americans are without means of support. I assured him that provision would be made immediately. I recommend an appropriation of \$50,000 for this purpose immediately, under the secretary of state, with authority to use some of it for the transportation of American citizens who desire to return to the United States."

The Senate immediately acted on the message and, without a division, passed a resolution to carry into effect the message.

In the House Bailey, of Texas, objected unless amended by embodying Morgan's resolution for the recognition of Cuban belligerent rights. Dingley objected to the amendment, and Bailey's objection prevented a consideration of the bill.

LIVELY TIMES.
The Legislature Doing Business at the Old Stand.

Frankfort, Ky., May 18.—"By G—d, sir, I am the presiding officer, and I shall stand on my constitutional rights."

The above is the language used by the Lieut. Governor in the Senate yesterday.

"I don't propose to be run over," shouted Bronston, "by a tyrant and a scoundrel."

He, too, was white with rage, and shaking his clenched hand, he was interrupted by President pro tem Geobel, who in a low voice said to him from the chair, "Keep still, don't notice him, address your remarks to me."

Mr. Bronston then began to speak on his appeal, but he could not be heard and said very little. Mr. Noe, addressing President Worthington, moved to adjourn. The motion was put and carried unanimously by the "Big Senate." President Worthington left the chair hastily and walked into the cloak room. As he was passing out Mr. Bronston said:

"Let him go, he's not the presiding officer, he's the leader of the mob."

It all grew out of an attempt to pass a bill contrary to the rules of the Senate. The Lieut. Governor ruled that he could count a quorum, whether the members present voted or not. Upon this ruling an appeal was taken, and the Lieut. Governor failed to vacate the chair to let Geobel put the question of appeal; and then the fun began. Geobel got a chair of his own, and a part of the Senate recognized him as the presiding officer, and a part stood by Worthington. Finally a temporary peace was patched up, and there was an adjournment.

Tracked by Bloodhounds.

Shawneetown, Ill., May 15.—Jno. Spaulding, the negro who outraged an eight-year-old girl in Hopkinsville, Ky., on the 13th inst., was captured in Kentucky opposite this city yesterday by John Houston, of Morganfield. Bloodhounds tracked him to where he was captured. A posse from Hopkinsville scoured Union county for him yesterday. Officers took him in charge but it is believed he will not reach the place where the crime was committed. He was asleep in an old wagon when captured, and offered no resistance.

Favor Free Coinsage.

Washington, D. C., May 15.—The Virginia Democratic Association of this city passed strong resolutions in favor of the free coinage of silver. They have put themselves on record as being violently opposed to the nomination of any man for office this year who does not stand upon the Chicago platform. The Association is composed largely of Washington business and professional men, and each year raises considerable money to help run the campaign in Virginia.

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Closing Out Sale

AT R. E. BIGHAM'S STORE.

FOR THE NEXT 30 DAYS

We will sell you
Dry Goods,
Dress Braids,
aces,
Embroideries,
Notions,
Gents Neckwears,
Furnishing Goods,
Hats, Clothing,
Big stock Custom-made
and medium price Shoes

We Close out the Entire Stock at Lower Prices than you can find elsewhere

We mean business and the above stock is going to sell REGARDLESS OF COST PRICES. If you want bargains, call early.

Next Door to Pierces Hardware Store. WILL BROWNING, Salesman.

Extend the Summer School

All our Students will have the opportunity of attending the Kentucky State Teachers' Association, which meets in Bowling Green June 20-30 and July 1, 1897. If you want a better education, prepare yourself for teaching, get a better certificate, or to take a thorough COMMERCIAL COURSE, it will pay you to write to us. Special Emphasis put on the STATE TEACHERS' COURSE. You can enter now and find classes to suit you. Mention Course wanted. Write now. CHERRY BROS., Proprietors, Southern Normal School and Bowling Green Business College, Bowling Green, Ky.

\$24 PAYS FOR BOARD AND TUITION—Everything furnished for the Special Summer Term of 8 weeks, which begins June 8, 1897.

TOLU.
Hogs are dying.
G. B. Crawford sold a nice lot of hogs last week.
Wheat looks as if it had the "sick headache," and the supposition is that there will not be more than a half of a crop.
Mrs. Laura Paris, of Lola, spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Gilliland, last week.
G. B. Crawford is shelling corn this week.
Walter Howard and Ed Knight, of Rosi, Ill., came up Sunday to see their best girls.
Nancy Wallace, colored, of Elizabethton, was buried at the Stone graveyard Friday.
Charlie Boeman is perfectly willing for Mr. McAmis to have the postoffice now, as he has most of his time employed in bouncing his new baby. It's a girl.
Rev. Brown and Son preached here Saturday and Sunday.
The members of the Presbyterian board will hold a meeting from May 27th to 30th, inclusive, for the purpose of locating church lot and seeing to the building in general.
Farmers are getting along nicely with their corn crop considering the much rains.
Jot Young had a runaway last week with plow and team. Nothing hurt only the plow and the checking of Jot's growth.
With meekness and gentle management of A. Lamb, the Tolu mill is doing good work.
Frank Hamby and John Terry are sawing a lot of timber for A. Bennett.
Rev. J. L. Millican and John Weldon left Monday for Caldwell Spring to begin work on the church. John Harth, of Caseyville, was trying to buy corn in this neighborhood last week.
Walter Clement and wife paid our town a visit the first of the week.
Mrs. Bettie Shepherd and family are visiting relatives in Marion this week.
Mrs. George Beard is also among her Marion relatives.

NOTICE.
Change in Election Precincts.
At the April term, 1897, of the Crittenden county court, it was ordered that the Dycusburg magisterial district be and the same is hereby divided into two voting precincts, and that the voting place of one shall be at Dycusburg, which shall be known as Dycusburg precinct No. 5, and the other voting place shall be at Frances which shall be known as Frances precinct No. 12. The line dividing Dycusburg precinct into the two precincts is and shall be as follows:
Beginning at the Bishop bridge, on Livingston creek; thence to F. N. Dalton's, leaving him in Dycusburg; thence to W. B. Oliver's, leaving him in Dycusburg; thence to Sam C. Bennett's, leaving him in Dycusburg; thence to Jerry Hamby's; thence to John M. Brown's; thence to George Parish; thence to John A. Yandell's; thence to Wm. Millican's; thence to Ed. Asbridge's; thence to David Brown's; thence to Wm. Red's, at Cleylie creek, leaving the said Hamby, Brown, Parish, Yandell, Millican, Asbridge, Brown and Red in Frances precinct.
It is also ordered by the court that Marion precinct No. 4 be and the same is hereby curtailed, and the portion cut off by the line herein designated be and the same is hereby added to Marion No. 3. The line curtailing said precinct is and shall be as follows:
Beginning in Main street in Marion, between the bank building and Marion hotel; thence east to the street at Dr. J. H. Clark's and Robt. Hodge's; thence with said street south to depot street; thence eastward with depot street and road to Lemuel Clark's, leaving him in No. 4; thence to John A. Hunt's, leaving him in No. 3; thence to the John Hunt place leaving it in No. 3; thence with the new public road to Wilson's Chapel, on the Flynn Ferry road; thence a straight line from said chapel to Bob Brown's place, leaving it in No. 3.
D. Woods, Clerk C. C.

FREDONIA.
FREDONIA VALLEY CREAMERY with house and lot, engine and boiler, and all the fixtures will be sold Saturday May 29th, at 1 o'clock p. m. 47.3
Frank Wyatt and wife, Miss Lillie Brown and Mr. Farris, of Salem, were visiting in town the first of the week.
Bennett Henderson and Miss Duncan, of Princeton, attended church here last Sunday.
Tom Black and Miss Minnie Guesse of Order, attended church here Sunday.
Miss Helen Boyd, of Salem, was at the Kelsey Hotel one day last week. J. M. McChesney went to Salem Sunday.
Ed Threlkeld and family, of Corydon Junction, have been visiting his parents, A. S. Threlkeld and wife, for several days.
John Outen, col., died Sunday morning.
Dick Lewis and wife, of Crittenden, were in town shopping Monday morning.
We have just received a big lot of summer goods and can please every body, both in style and price.
Bugg & Loyd.
Several from town and vicinity went to Princeton Monday.
We have the best assortment of shoes in town. Bugg & Loyd.
Everybody that wants to buy every thing good for just a small price come to Sam Hewerton, Kelsey, Ky.

BELLVILLE BEND.
Miss Lizzie Casper was the guest of Miss Will Wood last week.
Will Zachary has returned from the Exposition.
Quite an enjoyable time was had at R. W. Wood's Saturday.
Some are going "down into Egypt to buy corn" now.
Our people have been hauling off their tobacco—some to Providence and some to Clay.
By special request we want to say to our little city that singing at Hool is only secondary; we have an excellent Sunday school and its doors are open to all.
The Providence merchants have heard us complain so long that they are more determined that ever to urge the bridge question. I have heard that Crittenden opposes a bridge over Tradewater. If so, why?
The bridge would enhance the value of land from one to three dollars per acre at least. Help us to open a market and you will be remunerated as sure as we prosper.

Obituary.
As a ripe sheaf gathered into the garner, so was our dear mother, Mrs. M. C. Armstrong, gathered into the heavenly garner April 28, 1897. She was born in Gallatin county, Tenn., in 1823. She was married to John Reese Armstrong, of Caldwell county, this State at the age of 18. She professed religion soon after and became a member of the Presbyterian church to which her husband belonged. The most of her life she has been an invalid but her afflictions she bore so sweetly, cheerfully and patiently that she would almost make us forget that she was a sufferer; and her extreme cheerfulness during the last days of her illness was remarkable.
Too much could not be said touching her patient and self-sacrificing spirit, always seeking the welfare of others.
Yes, she bore the likeness and seal of her dear Saviour. Made perfect through suffering, she has gone home to immortal glory, where she will await her dear children and grandchildren.

Liver Ills
Like biliousness, dyspepsia, headache, constipation, sour stomach, indigestion are promptly cured by Hood's Pills. They do their work easily and thoroughly. Best after dinner pills. 25 cents. All druggists. Prepared by C. L. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only pill to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills
Not only acute lung troubles which may prove fatal, in a few days, but old chronic coughs and throat trouble may receive immediate relief and be permanently cured by One Minute cough cure. At Haynes.

Tired Mothers find help in Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives them pure blood, a good appetite and new and needed STRENGTH.
Thirty years is a long time to fight so painful a trouble as piles, but Jacob Little, of Unionville, Pa., struggled that long before he tried the De Witt Witch Hazel Salve, which quickly and permanently cured him. It is equally as effective in eczema and all skin affections. At Haynes.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
Has opened a Jeweler Shop in M. L. Barnes millinery store, next door to Pierce-Yandell-Bugenhelm Co. Repairing of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry of all kinds done.
Mr. Cook has had three years experience; he has a fine set of tools and guarantees all work.

Practical Jeweler, LEVI COOK.

A CARD

WE ARE glad to announce to the people of Crittenden and adjoining counties that we have purchased the

SPLENDID

stock of Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Carpets, etc., of Pickens Cassidy & Co. This stock we believe to be the

Best Selected, Cheapest, Cleanest, Highest Grade

stock of goods ever brought into this county and we are prepared to offer you prices on every thing in our line that will defy competition.

We have permanently located here and intend to pay

Spot Cash

for every dollar's worth of goods that crosses our threshold. We intend to have the advantages of the very best markets of the country and to buy our goods

Only Where the Dollar Buys the Most

Will you do likewise? If so, do yourselves the justice of examining our stock, of getting our prices, before making your purchases. You certainly would have nothing to lose, but all to gain. We will guarantee you kind and courteous treatment and will, at all times, appreciate the opportunity of showing you our goods. We shall handle only

Good, Clean, Honest Goods.

No worthless trash, but you will find our store crowded at all times with a strictly up-to-date stock, and on which will always be placed the lowest possible price that can be had.

Honest goods, honest and fair dealings, kind and courteous treatment, quick sales and small profits shall be our motto.

We are also very glad to inform you that we have been most fortunate in securing the services of MR. G. C. GRAY, who will be very glad to have his old friends and customers to come and see him.

Earnestly soliciting your patronage we are

YOURS TRULY

J. H. CLIFTON & SONS
NEW MASONIC BUILDING.

The Press.

R. C. WALKER, Publisher.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Fresh time at

Cochran & Baker's.

New goods at Fols.

German millet at J. P. Pierce's.

Strawberries are plentiful.

Chinch bugs are on the wheat.

Some complaint of cutworms.

Saturday week is Decoration Day.

Some mud holes in the public roads yet.

J. W. Skelton is writing life insurance.

Business about the court house is very dull.

Children's day at the Methodist church Sunday.

Wheat in the Salem valley is reported as looking fine.

Marshall Lloyd has commenced his spring street work.

Mr. Evans opened his Normal School Monday with 26 pupils.

Bird Burger is rejoicing at the advent of a new boy at his home.

Enoch Hunter, colored, died a few days ago. He had consumption.

John Nunn, son of Judge Nunn, has been granted license to practice law.

No bids were made under the proposed Marion and Ford's Ferry mail route.

According to reports the tobacco crop in this county will be comparatively small.

On the 16th marriage license were issued to Mack N. Holston and Miss Irene Woodall.

Mr. M. N. Morrill is building a residence on his farm. Sam Hurst is the contractor.

Last Thursday at this place Thos. Clifton turned the samples of C. M. Henderson & Co. over to S. M. Jenkins.

All accounts and notes due me must be paid. I am bound to have the money.

A. F. Griffith.

It always pays to get the best, and if you want to get the very best fertilizers you will find them at J. P. Pierce's.

Tuesday the little son of Mr. Lam Sisco was thrown from his horse and sustained a broken arm as the result.

PERSONAL.

Wilson Lamb, of Sturgis, is in town.

J. W. Gues, of Tolu, was in town yesterday.

Charlie Cook returned to Henderson yesterday.

Miss Laura Hurley returned from Loma Monday.

Mr. S. R. Cassidy is spending this week at Nashville.

Chas. Nickell returned to Grand Rivers, yesterday.

Mr. A. J. Moore went to Elizabethtown, Ills., Tuesday.

Jno. and Bat Phillips, of Tolu, were in town Tuesday.

Mr. R. R. Pickering, of Princeton, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Allen Lowery, of Carverville, is the friend of Marion.

Mr. Geo. Nunn, the Weston merchant was in town Friday.

Mrs. J. D. Hardwick, of Dixon, is the guest of friends in Marion.

Rev. R. D. Bennett and wife, of Tolu, were in town Monday.

Mrs. Nora Neel, of Dennison, Tex., is visiting friends in Marion.

Miss Maimie Boyd, of Tolu, is the guest of Miss Mabel Kevel.

Mr. O. M. James is at Nashville this week, taking in the exposition.

Miss Josie Wilson of Cider was the guest of Mrs. Henry Wilson last week.

Mr. G. Hammond left Tuesday for Evansville. He goes to look for a location.

Mrs. Sallie Olive is visiting her sister, Mrs. Leeper at Elizabethtown, Ills.

Mr. Hines Breeding, united with the Methodist church at this place Sunday.

Mr. J. H. Love and wife of Hebron were guests of friends in Marion Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Bettie Shepherd, of Tolu, was the guest of friends in Marion Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Daniel Travis was the guest of Mr. G. M. Russell's family Saturday night and Sunday morning.

Harvey King and wife, and Miss Etie Mitchell, of Shay Grove, were in town shopping Tuesday.

Mrs. Carrie Thomas will visit relatives in Clarksville, returning next month to begin her music class.

Mrs. K. H. Woods, of Livingston county, came up Monday to attend the funeral of Mr. J. H. Hawkins.

Mr. G. L. Rankin's family moved to Weston Monday. They resided in Marion during the continuance of the school.

Misses Alice Fritts and Minnie Brasier, of Caldwell Springs, spent Saturday with Mrs. Sam Thurman, near Marion.

Misses Eva Nunn and Ella Sullivan, of Belle Mines, attended the closing exercises of the school at this place last week.

Misses Mattie and Bertie Wiggins, of Caldwell county, attended the commencement exercises of the school at Marion last week.

Mr. J. W. Blue left Tuesday to attend the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church at Charlotte N. C. He will be absent about ten days.

Mrs. Myrtle Thurman and daughter Stella and Lula were the guests of Sam Thurman's family Thursday and Friday, and took in the school exhibition.

W. H. Watson was in town Wednesday en route to his home at Carverville. He has been attending school at Auburn, and was called home by the serious illness of his father.

Prof. A. M. Miller, of the State College of Kentucky, was in town yesterday, looking after the interest of the college. He attended the teachers' institute here last year, and made friends for the college, as well as for himself.

Miss Pearl Cook of Marion entered Western Kentucky Normal School yesterday. Miss Cook wishes to make a specialty of the study of methods, and will remain for the special teachers' class commencing on Tuesday, June 1.—Madisonville Mail.

Quarterly Conference.

The Methodists held their quarterly conference at their church here Monday morning, Rev. C. S. Allen, the presiding elder, in charge. After hearing the reports, Messrs. T. H. Cochran, P. H. Woods and John Moore were appointed a committee to raise the funds necessary to pay off the parsonage debt.

Rev. Allen preached to large congregations Sunday, morning and evening, and the people were delighted with his sermons.

When the springtime comes "gen the Annie," like all other sensible persons, will cleanse the liver and renovate the system with DeWitt's Little Early Bitters, famous little pills for the liver and stomach all the year. At Haynes drug store.

OUR SCHOOL CLOSES.

A Year of Successful Work and Something to Show For It.

Flowers, Music and Oratory.

The closing exercises of Marion Graded School were held in the opera house Thursday and Friday nights of last week, and each night the house was packed with people—people from all parts of this county, from Livingston, Caldwell and Lyon counties, and all bearing testimony to the high appreciation in which the school is held by the public.

No institution of learning in this section of Kentucky has more friends none has ever grown so rapidly in public favor, and none has built on a firmer foundation and more richly merits the good will as well as liberal patronage of a public aroused to the necessity of an institution of this character.

Three years ago Marion was practically in the wilderness, so far as schools were concerned. While there was an inviting field the people had not, and it seemed could not, agree upon any plan for the establishment of a school. Finally a few friends of education, as well as friends of our beautiful little city, decided to ask the people to vote a tax for the purpose of building a "house worthy of the town and the cause. When the proposition was placed before the people, and was understood, it practically met the approval of every one and for the first time in years Marion people united their efforts for the establishment of a school that would be a credit to the county. The tax was voted, the house built, and then came the delicate and important task of selecting a principal. Applications came in from all directions. Experienced teachers from other states, men who had established reputations in educational fields, were anxious to hold our school. Finally, after nature deliberation, the trustees by unanimous vote selected Mr. Charles Evans, a young man from Livingston county. He had a local reputation, and had been successful in his own county. His devotion to his calling, his earnestness, his energy, as well as the good name his home people gave him, decided the board in his favor, and he was placed in charge of the school at the critical period in its history. The phenomenal success of the school bears strong testimony of the wisdom of the board in selecting Mr. Evans. From the very beginning the school began to grow in public favor, and each year opposition and differences have melted away, and at the close of this term, so far as the Passes has been able to learn, there is not a dissenting voice to the management. On the other hand, the patrons of the school are more than gratified at the work of Mr. Evans and his efficient corps of teachers. The words of praise that have described the closing exercises, on all hands, is gratifying to the teachers, to the trustees, and to all friends of education in the community. A better investment was never made than the few thousand dollars Marion has put in her school. A wiser selection was never made than the one made when Mr. Evans was placed at the head of the school; and no mistakes were made when Messrs. Browning, Moore, Cook and Clement, and Mr. Gray were chosen as assistants.

Each did fine work during the year in his or her department, and the substantial advancement of the pupils is evidence of this fact. Nineteen pupils under Miss Browning completed the common school branches, were examined by the county examiners, and the examinations were creditable alike to teacher and pupils.

Five of the pupils completed the High School branches, and acquitted themselves with honor. Each of the graduates in both departments were required to prepare speeches on subjects selected by the teachers, and deliver them at the commencement exercises at the opera house.

These exercises made a brilliant period in the history of Marion. The house was packed with people, the stage, decorated for the occasion, was indeed attractive as the bright young faces of the graduates, after eight months of hard labor, beamed upon their gathering friends.

The programme for the two evenings was as follows:

THURSDAY EVENING.

Music. Invocation. Music. Best Books for Girls, Betty Bigham Crittenden County, Ed. Davenport. The Graco-Turkish War. The Greek B. F. Jacobs. The Turk. Daniel Travis. Eugene Field, Rosa Schwab. Music. Orchestra. The Author of the Greatest Thing in the world, Mamie Franks. England's Queen, Roy L. Threlkeld. Nevada and the Knockout, Geo. W. Thomas. Music. Orchestra. Abraham Lincoln, Julius Fols. Should U. S. Senators be elected by the people, F. E. Davis. Two Versions of our Typical American, Leola Wilborn, Melville Glenn. Music, O. V. Brass Band.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Music. Orchestra. The Plumed Knight, Chas. Haynes. Has America Any poets now, Lucy B. Walker. America's prettiest City, Maggie Jordan. Are Millionaires a blessing or a curse, Dean Wood. Music. Orchestra. Street waifs in our cities and towns, Addie Boyd. History's verdict on the last Administration, Harry Ford. If we reap as we sow, what then, Valedictory, Mary Isabel Maxwell. Music, O. V. Brass Band.

MONDAY SCHOOL EXERCISES.

The Teacher: Do we magnify education? Salutatory, Robert H. Elder. The Politician: Do we profit from the lessons of nations fallen, T. A. Purry. The Home Girl: Womanhood of Kentucky before the war, Essie Bennett. Music. Orchestra. The Lawyer: Need a young man lose his conscience to become a lawyer, Wm. H. Clark. The Namesake: The unprofessional herd; Valedictory, Ray S. Woods. Music. Orchestra. Diplomas conferred. Music, O. V. Brass Band. Benediction.

At the close the diplomas were delivered to the graduates in the presence of the audience by Mr. Evans. After this Mr. Evans briefly addressed the audience, expressing his appreciation of the support they had given him in his work and promising them faithful work next year.

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The graduates of the high school department are admitted to the State College at Lexington without further examination; and free tuition in the college is given to two of them.

The board of trustees tendered all of the teachers the positions for next year. This was a handsome endorsement, and the teachers may well feel proud of it.

Mr. A. D. Gray, who graduated from the school last year, was a teacher this year, and he did work that was an honor to the school in which he was educated. Marion Graded School is willing to take the work of teachers of her own making because in them she is sure to get good ones.

The speeches were all good. Nineteen of the graduates came from Miss Alice Browning's room—the eighth grade—where the common school branches are completed, and it is needless to say that the teacher was warmly congratulated on every hand. She has demonstrated her ability to handle the eighth grade as successfully as any "lord of creation."

The young people handled their subjects well. There are some orators and writers among them.

When the programme was finished scores of bouquets had accumulated on the stage.

J. H. Hawkins Dead. Mr. J. H. Hawkins, one of the oldest citizens of Marion, died very suddenly at the home of Mr. A. M. Witherspoon Saturday evening. He was apparently in good health and spirits at noon Saturday. In the afternoon he complained of pains in the head, and then grew worse until he was unconscious, and in the evening he passed peacefully away. The funeral took place from the Methodist church Monday, Rev. P. T. Harrison conducting the service. The interment took place at the new cemetery.

J. H. Hawkins was born in Christian county, June 16, 1813. In 1845 he came to this county, settling on a farm near Craynesville, where he lived until 25 years ago, when he moved to Marion and resided with Mr. R. W. Wilson. In the thirties and early forties he was a stage coach driver from Hopkinsville to Smithland, and in those days was the best known man in all the country between the two towns.

He was a man of the purest character, affable disposition, and of fine years he had lived a retired life. He was admired by everybody.

Medical Society. The Crittenden county Medical Society held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday. Several members were absent, but an interesting meeting was held. A paper by Dr. Fraser, of Blackford, was read and discussed. Drs. J. C. Elder and R. L. Moore were elected members of the society. It was agreed to change the next regular meeting of the society from the third Tuesday to the third Monday, on account of the meeting of the State Pharmaceutical Society at the Crittenden Spring on the third Tuesday.

Eastern Star Lodge Picnic.

On Friday, the 28th of May, the members of the Eastern Star Chapter of this place have planned to leave town on the 7:30 a. m. train and go to Nunn's Switch for the day, where they will picnic, romp, fish and amuse themselves in all pleasant ways. All master masons and their families are included in this plan, and a well filled basket will be an imperative requisite as the days are long and little folks are hearty. Arrangements have been made by which the round fare will be forty cents.

After dinner the following programme will be in order: Scripture reading, Rev. Price. Prayer, J. H. Travis. Song, Glee Club. Paper, Mrs. Templeman. Recitation, Miss Dell Kevil. Music, Band. Recitation, Daisy Clark. Recitation, W. D. Cannon. Song, Glee Club. Select reading, Miss Alice Browning.

Recitation, Ina Price. Music, Band.

Oration, relation of the Eastern Star to the Blue Lodge, J. B. Kevil. Reading, Mrs. J. H. Clark. Song, Glee Club. Jephtha's Daughter, Mrs. Wilborn. Discussion on benefits of Masonry to our women, free for all, Music, Band.

On Saturday night, the 29th of May, the Eastern Star holds its regular meeting. A full attendance is earnestly solicited, as several intonations are in order. Hereafter a literary programme will be a part of every regular Eastern Star session, on less other important business crowds it out. We hope to make this organization the nucleus of a valuable literary work in our town, and we desire the help of all our members in this work.

COMMITTEE.

DECORATION DAY.

As shown by the programme of exercises on Decoration Day, a floral committee was appointed with Mrs. Henrie Cameron at its head. Now we desire to impress upon the minds of that committee the importance of securing plenty of flowers and evergreens.

It is at a time when flowers are not so plentiful as they are a little later; hence it will be necessary to make a greater effort to secure them.

All the members of the committee that live in and around town are requested to meet in the opera house at 2 o'clock p. m. on Friday before Decoration day, for the purpose of decorating the building; and the floral committee are requested to meet at 8 o'clock on the morning of May 29. Of course those members of the committee that reside at a distance cannot be on hand that early, but they must please come as early as possible, and bring plenty of flowers. Contributions of flowers are solicited from everybody.

J. M. Walker, Com. Official: W. J. L. Hughes, Adj.

The G. A. R. committee on preparing and identifying graves for decoration are requested to meet at the cemetery at 2 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday, May 26. Each one will please bring a spade or hoe or some other implement to work with.

W. J. L. Hughes, Ch'n.

During the campaign last fall, the flag belonging to the G. A. R. Post here was used on several occasions at political meetings. It has gotten completely out of the knowledge of the Post. Any one knowing of its whereabouts will confer a favor by returning it immediately or communicating with me about it.

W. J. L. Hughes.

In the memorial programme published in the Press last week through an oversight, no mention was made of the recitation of the memorial poem, "Cover them over," by Miss Carrie Moore. The recitation will follow J. M. Walker's response to welcoming address.

The Park Theatre Company.

The Park Theatre Company opened their engagement here Monday night, and has been delighting the theatre-going public.

The company is composed of clever artists and their work has met a hearty reception.

The Irish Vagabond was presented Monday night, Let in London Tuesday night, and to night (Thursday) they will present Rip Van Winkle—Washington Irving's master piece—made famous by Joe J. Heron. This is a play that Marion people will appreciate, and there should be a large attendance. Rip Van Winkle is an American classic, and is presented by the Park Theatre people in a realistic manner.

The programme for the remainder of the week has not been announced. Croup and whooping cough are the terrors of childhood; but like pneumonia, bronchitis and other throat and lung troubles can be quickly cured by using One Minute Cough Cure. At Haynes drug store.

A Change In the Firm.

Having purchased Mr. Patmor's interest in the firm of Griffith & Patmor I will continue the business at the old stand. I have replenished and enlarged the stock in every particular, and now have a tip-top stock of the freshest and best groceries on the market. I will sell goods at the very lowest prices, and will make it to your interest to trade with me.

Thanking you for past favors, I assure you that I will appreciate your trade in the future, and will prove it to you if you will call.

The retirement of Mr. Patmor from the firm makes it absolutely necessary that all accounts due be collected at once. We must have the money. Call and settle.

7 CENTS FOR EGGS. BRING ME YOUR BACON AND LARD HAMS WANTED!

A. F. GRIFFITH.

Haynes,

THE DRUGGIST.

Celery Compound, Scott's Emulsion, Putman Dyes.

Call For Yucatan Chill Tonic,

EVERY BOTTLE GUARANTEED.

Just Received 200 Bottles of Groves Tasteless Chill Tonic.

Order Gets It.

A Washington dispatch says Senator Deboe has recommended Geo. M. Cridler for postmaster at Marion. This amounts to an appointment, and Mr. Cridler will be the next postmaster. His appointment may be expected in a few days.

The Senator has also recommended T. T. Hanberry for postmaster at Edwylle.

I have accepted a position with the new firm of J. H. Clifton & Sons and am anxious for my old friends and customers to come in and see me. I am sure I can please you, both in price and quality; and I can promise good goods, lowest prices, and latest styles. Yours truly, G. C. Gray.

Live Stock Market.

Louisville May 10—

Cattle—extra shipping	\$14 @ 170
Light shippers	4 2 @ 140
Best butchers	4 1 @ 120
Fair to good butchers	3 2 @ 110
Common to medium but	2 5 @ 100
Good to extra oxen	3 2 @ 90
Common to medium ox.	2 0 @ 80
Feeders	3 2 @ 40
Stockers	2 5 @ 30
Veal calves	2 5 @ 30
Milk cows—choice	\$20 to \$35
Hogs—Choice packing and	\$3 00
butchers, 225 to 300	\$3 15
Good to extra light	\$3 15
Fat hogs, 125 to 150 lbs., 340 to 3 00	
Roughs, 150 to 400 lbs.	2 5 @ 35

For Sale as a Bargain.

One Nickell & Shepard vibrator thresher, with 10 horse engine and reverse stocker, all in good order. See J. W. Perkins at Gum Grove, Ky., 5 miles north of Sturgis, Ky.

Are You Thin?

Look about you! See for yourself! Who suffer most from sleeplessness, nervousness, nervous dyspepsia, neuralgia, despondency, general weakness? Who are on the edge of nervous prostration all the time? Those who are thin, Opium, chloral, bromides, headache powders, only make matters worse. Iron and biters are only stimulants. To be cured, and cured for good, you need a fat-making food, you need new blood, rich blood; and a strong nerve tonic.

SCOTT'S EMULSION of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites is all this. It feeds the tissues, makes rich blood, and strengthens the nerves.

Book about it free for the asking. For sale by all druggists at 50c. and \$1.00.

SCOTT & BOWNE, New York.

Sale for Taxes.

For taxes due colored school district D. I will on Monday, June 14, 1897, sell to the highest bidder, at the court house door in Marion, Ky., the following lots, or so much thereof as is necessary to pay said taxes: John Cruce, col., house and lot in Marion; taxes for 1894-95. Lewis Fowler, do, 1894-95. R. J. H. Cain, do, 1894-95. Samuel Green, do, 1894-95. Wm. McCain, do, 1894-95. R. A. Mollis, do, 1894-95. R. C. Wadwell, Tr. or Sub. 1 Dis.

Rates to Barnum & Bailey's Circus.

Tickets will be sold to Hopkinsville and return for morning train of May 25 at 75 cts for the round trip, on account of Barnum & Bailey's big show. Tickets good to return on morning train of May 27. T. C. Jameson, Agt.

When a cold is contracted, cure it at once. One Minute cough cure will set you on the road to recovery in a minute. It will cure pneumonia, bronchitis, croup and all forms of lung and throat troubles. At R. F. Haynes

Announcements.

We are authorized to announce T. J. NUNN a candidate for Circuit Court Judge, of the district composed of Caldwell, Crittenden, Livingston and Hopkins counties. Election, November, 1897.

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B. C. Waddell,
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known pharmaceutical remedy that will do this work. Catarrh and Cold in the head will not cause suffering, if Ely's Cream Balm is used. Drug gists will supply 10 cent trial size, or 50 cent full size, we mail it.

ELY BROS, 56 Warren st, N. Y.

ious attacks. No medicine can act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, indigestion, constipation, dizziness yield to Electric Bitters 50 cents and \$1 per bottle at Orme's drug store.

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