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THURSDAY, DEC. 15, 1898

GEN. SCOTT BROWN and H. C. Church, are announced candidates for the Democratic nomination for the Legislature from Franklin County.

Hon. Boston Q. Mills is reported as seriously ill, and he will probably be compelled to leave Washington and seek recuperation somewhere in the South.

HON. GEO. W. RUSSELL, Democrat, Mason County, one of the most energetic and live Legislators in the State, is a candidate for re-election to the House, and will be a candidate for Speaker.

Some people say that the Tobacco growers organization cannot be made to work. We affirm that it can be made to work, and not only can be, but will be. Let every man hold his present crop and make up his mind to raise none next year, and tobacco will bring from 15 to 20 cents before next May. The proposition is too plain to be misunderstood.

CHIEF JUSTICE F. C. LOUX, who represents the Mason District in Congress, on Monday, proposed an amendment to the constitution, providing that the President and Vice President shall be chosen every fourth year by the direct vote of the people. A section of the bill bars the ineligibility of any local or state election, except for members of Congress, on the day set apart for the election of President and Vice President.

It looks like an epidemic of murder has broken out in several sections of the country, but we are pleased to know that Nicholas County has so far escaped the malady, and it is up to her to see to it that Nicholas County will be kept free from the disease. Nicholas would be a poor place for a murderer, since our people are almost of one mind in the matter of hanging the man who sheds his fellow man's blood unless done un-doubtedly in self defense. Blood shedding is a horrible thing, and every man ought to make up his mind to avoid it unless he is actually compelled to do so in order to save his own life, or save himself from great bodily harm.

At Birmingham, Ala., a much under-sized boy named Hawes from jail, took to take Jeff's place fired upon his jailer with a shotgun from a well-covered hiding of thirty shots. Hawes was armed with numbering his wife and children. The day after his whole family disappeared. Hawes married another women. Among the killed were several prominent people, one of them being M. B. Throckmorton, the postmaster. The Sheriff and his deputies have been arrested charged with murder, and the city has been placed in charge of the military. What the Sheriff may be counsel for did only what he knew to be his duty. The affair is bad enough, and the trouble may not yet be ended.

Tobacco Literature.

(Business Directory.)

There is a movement here and among the tobacco growers of the whole burley district, which, if successful, will prove immensely profitable to all tobacco growers. It is this: To bind themselves in an article of agreement, with a penalty affixed, not to sow any tobacco on seed next year. They say, and say correctly too, that if no white burley is grown next year it insures them from stalgnes to twenty-five cents per pound for the crop on hand, and insures a big price also for the crop to be raised the year after next, while if they do not agree the present crop will not realize more than seven or eight cents, probably less, with next year's crop a drug market not realizing half profit for what they will perhaps secure for the present crop with no prospect of better prices the year ahead. The price of every commodity the farmers now want and expect to realize hinges on the action of their last year's product and supply not more in this matter and manner than it will feel fit to take advantage of this opportunity the result is as we have before said, half price. The proposition is a perfectly plain one. Its this and you will realize double and treble for your labor, otherwise you know the consequences. Every farmer should hasten himself to acquaint all his neighbors of this movement. The whole country should be renovated, and no farmer should attempt to sell his tobacco until the contract is consummated, when he can get his crop price for it. Every county in the white burley district is moving in this matter, and old Bracken ought to wake up to her interest. The contract will not be binding on any grower or any county until a large majority of any of the growers have consented and signed. And it seems to us that it would be a perfect little thing in the power of a few to sign up a contract in order that he neighbors. We don't believe any man who has ever had the misfortune to raise any tobacco would be guilty of such a thing. Farmers, you have the second opportunity of your life before you to make money. Will you sell out and lose this opportunity, or will you be up and doing and make yourself independent? It is all with you.

WHITES

Mr. Wyatt has bought and moved to the Gibson Hotel, having sold fifty dollars per acre for same.

Mr. Smith, salesman of the "Dixie Bailey Harrow and Seeder" has sold to Mr. Dan Wyatt, and has sold machines to J. H. Wyatt, Jno. Wyatt, S. W. Hopkins, R. F. Congleton, and several others of our neighbors. They are a fine combined implement and we feel confident they will do all they claim for them.

Our prayer meeting is growing in interest. It being a mixed one it is quite a number of young men of all different churches and all take part in it. This we are glad to see, and we hope our neighbors have failed to put in an appearance.

In a letter received from Milton Thomas, of Edgar, Ill., he says he intends coming from Illinois to Kentucky in the spring, and he has just finished cribbing his tobacco.

We occasionally see some of our neighbors washing their way home from town under the influence of too freely taking hopper, or some other good and hearty, the physicians prescribing it for all ailments, and sometimes it does a physician can take a practice, sound subject and diagnose the case, and yet he can't cure it. We think it about time for us to be taking another dose of lectures. We are glad to know that some of them are in the law of defiance are finding out the error of their ways.

We agree with our article in the last issue on the tobacco subject. The farmers are in their own hands. Let them control the price, and if they act wisely in regard to selling the weed and not raising the next, well, we will say nothing about it. We say again hold your tobacco.

OCCASIONAL.

BALD HILL.

Mrs. Tilda Bailey, of Robertson county, is on a protracted visit to her brother, Jno. Miller, of this city.

Henry Hedges and family, of Little Rock, Arkansas, have arrived in this county from Bracken County.

Jeff Bishop will move to Mitchellsburg next week.

W. H. Row, sold, superintendent of the Methodist and Church at Bone Hill.

Mrs. W. M. Wells, is on a protracted visit to her daughter Mrs. Jno. Darby, of Vanceburg.

Mack Inskeep, and wife of Mitchellsburg, spent a few days with the family of Frank Inskeep, of Bone Hill.

Eld. M. C. Wilson, will occupy the pulpit at the Christian church here on Wednesday of each week.

Mrs. A. Neely, is very low of consumption, and is not expected to live long.

Miss Ada Neely, aged 20 years, daughter of Wallace Neely, died Saturday, after a long and painful illness, while her little brother, Julian, is confined at home with fever.

Jas. Thomas, of Mitchellsburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here.

Hall Hill is to undergo the erection of a first-class working between Bone Hill and Mitchellsburg. Ask no questions for we don't know.

Squire Row is just able to be out of doors, the first time for nearly two weeks. He has typhoid and pneumonia and is still very much confined to his bed. He is approximately, as he was when we wrote last week.

Jas. Miller and Bro Dennis were in Mitchellsburg Saturday. While there Mr. Miller purchased from Dennis Row, the latter's 50 acre, at his place, for $1,400.

Born—To the wife of O. S. Hedges, Esq., a daughter.

Mrs. Louis Deleon is on a protracted visit to her brother Eld. M. C. Wilson.

Will Hollier, of Hackberry, moved to Hodgenville the week.

Protracted meetings are in progress at Harrison's and Bone Hill.

Albert Jennings, is in Cincinnati buying holiday goods.

J. W. Sanderson, of Lexington, one of Kentucky's finest tobacco growers, was here and shipped some 20 hogsheads of 14,000 pounds, and is now on a visit to friends in the community.

BOB ANN.

Land, Stock and Crop.

W. H. Kerr, Walter Clark, N. H. Hayless, of Bourbon, and Jno. T. Hughes, of Fayette, each bought home here Court-day.

I have for sale a fine black jack, its hands high, six years old, and as fine a jack as ever I have ever owned. Also have for sale 12 yearling mules.

N. F. BAIRD,
Moorefield, Ky.

WANTED TO RENT—A small farm on which there is a house and a tobacco barn. Also a hedging stock farm for rent will please address me at Harrisburg.

GEORGE MOORE.

Dr. Fritts sold his milch cow Monday for $45.

Dr. Ed. Howe, Jr., is

On Saturday, during my absence from home, Samuel Hopkins and Sherman Hopkins, cut and an any corn fodder and found it empty, and left six barrels of tobacco and stripped leaves, for which I return my sincere thanks.

J. W. SANDERSON, Moorefield.

ISAAC POWELL, of Hillsenburg, while stuffing with one of his farm hands, got his right hip pulled out of place at his home last week. He is sphegmatic the hip joint. The injury is not dangerous, as the leg may have to be amputated.

MILAS MCKEE, of Harrison, made an assignment last week. Liabilities over $1,000, and assets not ascertained, but across of good land. Principal creditors, J. M. McDowell, I. Leloe, Farmers National Bank, First National Bank, W. N. Fraser and B. F. Parks.

Louisville Tobacco Market.

(Furnished by Grover & Bell.)

Sales on our market for the week just closed amounted to 2,310 hhds, as compared with the same period of last week. Sales on our market since January 1st, amount to 88,202 hhds. Sales of the new crop in this date amount to 1000 hhds. Our market this week has been irregular on burley tobacco with a downward tendency. This applies to all grades of new tobacco and all grades of old tobacco except the finest grades. The following quotations fairly represent our market for new burley:

Colory Trash	$1 00 to 2 00
Common lugs and colory	3 00 to 4 00
Colory lugs	5 00 to 5 00
Common leaf	6 00 to 7 00
Medium leaf	8 00 to 10 00
Select wrappery Tobacco	15 00 to 18 00

CITY CASH STORE.

James A. Chappell.

FOUNDED IN 1825.

"ESTO PERPETUA."

Our old friend Santa Claus just going down the chimney to fill the children's stocking begs leave to announce the opening of the

New York Cash Store

On Monday next in the Howard & Bloomer building near the passenger depot. This new candidate for public favor is a branch of the great Bargain Store of N. 156 Broadway, New York. On Monday next its doors will be thrown open to the public, in charge of Mr. Jno. W. Shanklin, with a brand new stock of Christmas goods sent out from New York for this special occasion. Dolls, Clowns, China and Bisque figures, Carts and Wagons, Railroad trains, Humming Tops, Trumpets, Tea Sets, Tea Pots, Tea Sets, Blocks, Tea Pots, Tea Sets, Blocks, Tea Pots, Tea Sets, Blocks