THE MERCURY.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY.

G. R. KELLER, Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES.
One year, in advance $2.00
Six months, in advance 1.00
Three months, in advance 75

Notice the printed slip on your paper and see to it that you keep up your subscription. Do not let it run on any longer, but if you find it convenient, send us a registered letter or by postal money order. Address all letters to G. R. KELLER, Carlisle, Ky.

(Entered in the Carlisle Postoffice as Second Class matter.)

THURSDAY, MAY 17, ... 1888

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

AUGUST ELECTION, 1888.

For Sheriff—F. S. BENNY.
Deputy Sheriff—A. A. BATLIFF.
Jailer—JOHN WHITE.

STATE Convention is to assemble at Lexington to-day (Wednesday).

UNION Labor Party Convention met in Cincinnati Tuesday and Wednesday but we know not the result.

GOV. BEN TAYLOR was nominated for re-election in Tennessee Tuesday on the fifth ballot. The Convention has been in session seven days.

THE State Board of Equalization has erased the listed assessed property in the State $1,000,985, leaving the total assessed property $642,532, an increase over last year of $3,477,586.

EVERY day it becomes more apparent that the Chicago Convention will prove just as monumental for Blaine as the St. Louis Convention will be for Cleveland.

THE Democratic papers all over the country are full of praise of Congressman McCreary for his gallant and able defense of Kentucky against the big aspersions of "Pig Iron" Kelly, of Pennsylvania.

THE Schedule of bonds purchased by the Government under the call of April 17, including Saturday's purchases, was $15,089,000, that just including the premium, being $17,033,500.

THE Supreme Court of the United States assembles Monday in the long difference of opinion with West Virginia. The Richards will be tried in Pike County of the great Commonwealth.

UNDER a law enacted by the last Legislature it is not necessary to name now a jury in trials of forcible entry and forcible entry and detainer. The parties may demand a jury, but none is to be summoned unless the affiner decided to do so.

OF the fifty-eight Republican delegates to go to Chicago from New York twenty-four are for Blaine, nineteen for Depew, three for Allison, two doubtful for Sherman, one may go for Gresham and nine are non-committal.

THINGS being so opposite to F. R. Aycock and John S. Rhodes we shall off and County Attorney, of Harrison, the primary set for next Saturday has been declared off and the above named declared the nominees of the Democratic party.

"THE Kentucky idea" is the only idea in the politics of the country today. It is in accord with the eternal fitness of things that its three most prominent representatives in Congress—Carlisle, Breckinridge and Milliken—all sons of old Kentucky.—Louisville Times.

THE River and harbor bill which passed last week has the following Kentucky items: Improving the south fork of Cumberland river, $5,000; improving Kentucky river, $10,000; improving Licking river from Farmer's to West Liberty, $3,000; improving Tradewater river, $1,000.

WEDNESDAY morning's Tennessee wire:

All is late hour last night, the hopes on the inside arranged for Taylor, Bate, Gov. Marchant, chairman, and Senator Jim Blackburn, permanent chairman of the Convention ready.

Mr. Green B. Raizer or Mr. Willie L. Hinge, or both, will likely be on account of the Convention.

THE C. R. charges one cent per ounce or fraction thereof for transporting merchandise in the mails, and it has to carry four ounces for the Canadian government at the same price. James Yick, the Rochester seedman and others, take advantage of this by carrying their packages across the line and saving 300 per cent. on their postage.

GEN. SAM MCPEE appeared before Judge Toney in the Law and Equity Court, Louisville, Monday, and asked for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of J. J. Cornelison, now confined in the Jefferson County Jail. The writ was granted returnable yesterday at 10 o'clock, and bail fixed at $1,000, which will be given this morning, and for million will, for the time being, be at liberty.

AN idea has become prevalent that considerable change had been made by the Legislature in the revenue laws, commonly known as the "Hewitt Bill," but examination shows that the only changes made are extensions of the time for the settlement by the Auditor with the Sheriffs until December 1 in each year, and fixing November 1 as the date at which an addition of 6 per cent. is made by the Sheriff to the amount owing on both the State and county taxes.

ONLY four salons out of the 2,200 in Cincinnati were open last Sunday. The Saloonkeepers' Association at the meeting Saturday fell into the line of the great law enforcing procession, and resolved not only to close themselves absolutely tight Sunday in compliance with the law; but also to seek to secure the equally "faithful" execution of all the other Sunday laws on the statute books.

STATE TAXATION.
(Women Again.)

The bill to reduce taxation for State revenue purposes failed to become a law for want of the Governor's signature. This law was not drafted properly at best, because the Legislature failed to pass any law looking to the reduction of expenses in any branch of the State service. The rate of taxation is very low when it is known how much money is raised to pay the ordinary expenses of the State government. This expense includes the charitable institutions of the State, the criminal prosecutions, and salaries and all other expenses necessary to the operation of a State, including the expenses of the Legislature. The amount necessary for this purpose is raised by taxation for this purpose. The remainder is a school tax and Sinking Fund. The Sinking Fund cannot be reduced, and the Legislature would not touch the School Fund, but attempts to reduce bills. The popular well is against this, but the popular will says leave the reduction of taxation so as to compel the reduction of expenses. But the Legislature does the latter the former could have been done as a matter of right, but, as it stands, there it should remain until the decision of this State are such as to cause a surplus in the State Treasury.

Mr. Speaking Explains the Delay.

(Special Correspondence.)
NEW YORK, May 3, 1888.

I suppose the friends of ex-C. R. A. W. in Mt. Sterling and other places in this line, are rapidly losing their patience and wondering why the Comptroller does not commence operations on the Ford case. I know that he is anxious to clear to you, at least.

The last assessment law was passed on the 16th of April, but did not reach me in the form of a bill. Three amendments were added to it, one relating to business with an English house, more than only here the end of the Comptroller of the State of Kentucky, but also through the British foreign office at this port, must be examined and endorsed by the British Consul with his official seal attached thereto, and, as all this red tape takes some time, and their time is the slow time on the face of the earth, it's enough to drive a man into a hemiplegia. The English agent referred to is a former letter, is here, but has not been able to close up and settle the preliminary arrangements, which must be decided at the home office. After this red tape is endured until the documents are delivered and sent off, it then takes from eight to thirteen days to reach their destination, and then they go through that thorough, deliberate, slow English examination, investigation and consultation. So you see how the time and money goes which keeps me on the "ragged edge." Some day I will be able to tell you the history of those who do not understand the nature and causes of delay.

I have received a letter from another Louisville House. If I am not mistaken, it is the same house, which, in the year of grace, 1866, I was a clerk in. Times are so much alike, I thought it was the same—that is, charter and association, with its constitution, by-laws, minutes, seal, maps, reports, etc., and they will furnish the Comptroller of Kentucky to hold and apply the line of charter and stationery as usual.

In the meantime, a syndicate of capitalists intend making an effort to form an immense company, which the consolidation of the road is only one of the objects in view. In this scheme, there are no old railroad stocks and no workers but square honorable men, that will do anything but a legitimate business, and in a legitimate way. This also takes in a land and an immense amount of stock which is all done in a quiet way, without any noise or excitement. Whether it will succeed or not, I can't say, but I can say this much, that it will be a God-send for Kentucky if it does. But for the writing of this letter I am not trying to be anything but a correspondent, and I decided to say large immense enterprises, and participate in the construction of railroads. Hoping to be with you again soon, I am most resentfully yours,

J. D. STATLINE.

Great Complaint Office.

The Weekly Courier-Journal has now the largest circulation of any Democratic newspaper in the United States, and its publishers to further extend its circulation offer to send it postage prepaid from June 4th, 1888, to Dec. 31st, 1888, at the low price of 25 cents.

Subscriptions sent before June 4th will be received from that time, but those received after June 4th will be entered from the date received to expire Dec. 31st, 1888.

The rate for clubs of eight and over are extremely low. A sample copy of the Weekly Courier-Journal containing the subscription price of the Daily Courier-Journal, without the Sunday issue, is Ten Dollars, $10; a year. Price of Sunday Courier-Journal is Two Dollars $2; a year.

THE last Legislature passed 1,572 laws and 81 resolutions. There were 1,000 amendments sent in, which covered 15 or 20 bills, and about one-third of these amendments were withdrawn from the Governor's hands to prevent their veto. The General Assembly of 1886-8 passed 1,525 bills and 57 resolutions. There were 60 bills passed over the Governor declined to approve and 15 were vetoed, one of them having been his hands ten days.

GEN. THORP and Col. Goodloe have agreed not to fend the thirty earth with each other's guns. They have withdrawn his abusive remarks and the latter has complimented the latter, was a little hasty. Thus a diplomatic way of winning a bloodless victory—sustained a sensible, if prudent, line based on the dead and gone Judge Caldwell. Think how sick of all this noble warriors turned over to their graves at the spectacle of the real live Kentucky Colonels parading in Chicago without at least one of them being murdered.—(Commercial.)

AFTER June 1 the number of saloons of Philadelphia will be reduced from 6,500 to about 1,200 by refusal to grant licenses.

Land, Stock and Crop.

The Richmond Fair grounds were sold at $10,000.

Bookmakers pay $25,000 for privileges at Louisville race track.

CATS FOR SALE.—Dr. R. J. Tilton has some cats for will sell cheap.

Jas. Hendrick sold nine mules to Abe. McGraham, of Nicholas, Monday.—(Flemingsburg Gazette.

About 3,000 horses have visited Lexington so far better in the last 45 years.

It is said Hanover will try and break the mile record so long held by Tom Brown, 1:34.

R. F. Robinson, of Garrard, has cropped about 1,000 barrels of Irish potatoes at $ and $4 cents.

Jas. B. Clay, of Boston, sold 40,000 pounds of wool at 28 cents, and was offered 28 cents a for another lot of wool.

Jas. F. Keller, of Cynthiana, brother of the editor of the MERCURY, bought several nice racers at Lexington last week.

Alex McClintock, D. A. Grimes and Reese Inglis, sold to James Ryan, of Lexington, Saturday. Highest price $108. Average low.

John Spears, of Mairs, Fayette County, turned the head of cattle on the war. It rained the same evening and has cloud the sun ever since.

Dr. Tilton bought a fine Jersey cow at A. McCulloch's sale on Saturday, Friday, for $70, and W. B. Redd bought two fine Jerseys at the same place.

Lorraine Races begin next Saturday week, May 26, and continue five days. Quite a number of "crack" horses are there now and more arriving every day.

An Indian Chief named Ben Hunter, belonging to the Sioux, at Ft. Bennett, dropped a horse dead in front of the Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago, Tuesday. It was marked down to $1 at noon.

Frank Gresley, nephew of Frank Harper, owner of Lizzette, a resident of Woodford County, took $7,000 on Lizzette in the Stone Handicap, which was run at Lexington, Friday.

Markoth II, the winner of the Kentucky Derby, at Louisville, Friday, May 26, 86 lbs. up, and is owned by Dr. Tichenor, of Louisville.

Lexington Races begin next Saturday week, May 26, and continue five days. Quite a number of "crack" horses are there now and more arriving every day.

Jas. B. Clay, of Boston, sold 40,000 pounds of wool at 28 cents, and was offered 28 cents a for another lot of wool.

Jas. F. Keller, of Cynthiana, brother of the editor of the MERCURY, bought several nice racers at Lexington last week.

Alex McClintock, D. A. Grimes and Reese Inglis, sold to James Ryan, of Lexington, Saturday. Highest price $108. Average low.

John Spears, of Mairs, Fayette County, turned the head of cattle on the war. It rained the same evening and has cloud the sun ever since.

Dr. Tilton bought a fine Jersey cow at A. McCulloch's sale on Saturday, Friday, for $70, and W. B. Redd bought two fine Jerseys at the same place.

Lorraine Races begin next Saturday week, May 26, and continue five days. Quite a number of "crack" horses are there now and more arriving every day.

An Indian Chief named Ben Hunter, belonging to the Sioux, at Ft. Bennett, dropped a horse dead in front of the Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago, Tuesday. It was marked down to $1 at noon.

Frank Gresley, nephew of Frank Harper, owner of Lizzette, a resident of Woodford County, took $7,000 on Lizzette in the Stone Handicap, which was run at Lexington, Friday.

Markoth II, the winner of the Kentucky Derby, at Louisville, Friday, May 26, 86 lbs. up, and is owned by Dr. Tichenor, of Louisville.

The sale of T. J. Megibben's Edgewood stock farm at Lexington, on Saturday, brought $8,875, an average of $154 an head. The highest price was $1,000 and $1,000 for springlock colts, and $1,000 for an Andrews colt.

DEATH was the second home to Seal of Ashland, a horse that has won nine of his first three-year-olds. Weighed only forty-one hours made twenty-twelve his record of 2:17½. He also survived many horse that ever started against him in a race.

At the sale of Chinn & Morgan's thoroughbreds, Lexington, the following had sold reached the handsome sum of $28,900, averaging $1,600 for seven, 8 years old, by Longfellow, dam Semper Felix, was the first amount put up, and it was sold at quick and sharp until Clay & Woodford purchased the gem at $1,600.

THE following officers of the Grand Commandery were elected at Maysville for the ensuing year:

R. F. Grand Commander—Hosea Janney, Maysville.

V. E. Deputy Grand Commander—Thos. Kennedy, Covington.

E. Grand Generalissimo—W. H. Moffett, Louisville.

E. Grand Captain General—John A. Grant, Frankfort.

E. Grand Prelate—Chas. Fish, Covington.

E. Grand Senior Warden—Thomas J. Flournoy, Paducah.

E. Grand Junior Warden—Jno. B. Lewis, Bowling Green.

E. Grand Treasurer—David P. Bohannon, Versailles.

E. Grand Recorder—Reuben H. Cottinger, Covington.

E. Grand Standard Bearer—Samuel H. Stone, Richmond.

E. Grand Sword Bearer—R. H. Thompson, Louisville.

E. Grand Warder—C. A. Robinson, Hazeville.

E. Grand Captain of the Guard—Chas. J. Vogt, Louisville.

The annual reports of the member and its publishers to further extend its circulation offer to send it postage prepaid from June 4th, 1888, to Dec. 31st, 1888, at the low price of 25 cents.

Subscriptions sent before June 4th will be entered from that time, but those received after June 4th will be entered from the date received to expire Dec. 31st, 1888.

The rate for clubs of eight and over are extremely low. A sample copy of the Weekly Courier-Journal containing the subscription price of the Daily Courier-Journal, without the Sunday issue, is Ten Dollars, $10; a year. Price of Sunday Courier-Journal is Two Dollars $2; a year.

THE last Legislature passed 1,572 laws and 81 resolutions. There were 1,000 amendments sent in, which covered 15 or 20 bills, and about one-third of these amendments were withdrawn from the Governor's hands to prevent their veto. The General Assembly of 1886-8 passed 1,525 bills and 57 resolutions. There were 60 bills passed over the Governor declined to approve and 15 were vetoed, one of them having been his hands ten days.

GEN. THORP and Col. Goodloe have agreed not to fend the thirty earth with each other's guns. They have withdrawn his abusive remarks and the latter has complimented the latter, was a little hasty. Thus a diplomatic way of winning a bloodless victory—sustained a sensible, if prudent, line based on the dead and gone Judge Caldwell. Think how sick of all this noble warriors turned over to their graves at the spectacle of the real live Kentucky Colonels parading in Chicago without at least one of them being murdered.—(Commercial.)

AFTER June 1 the number of saloons of Philadelphia will be reduced from 6,500 to about 1,200 by refusal to grant licenses.

CITY CASH STORE.

James A. Chappell.

FOUNDED IN 1825.

"ESTO PERPETUA."

Two of our excellent lady friends called to see us Monday Count day, "well, they said, "we came just a purpose to see the school-boy good sales at four cents you advertised." We showed them the goods they bought nearly a hundred yds. Another customer called to see if we had the 6-cents cotton. He was astonished to see we had over a hundred yds. He wanted to see his mamma of the handkerchiefs we had at 50 cts., a dozen, to see how good they looked on the county. Others wanted to know you knew so much about the wants of the people. The country people are smart enough to know when they get a good article and when they get a bad one. All they want is a square deal. Now, if you are smart enough to know what the people want, trying is as easy as telling of lies. Then too, you need know how to tell the truth. All this knowledge takes time to acquire.

Well as we said on Monday we "set barg-Gallagher" and "set barg" on the arctic regions, which, if we don't make a profit we make much more than down your chicks in sympathy. Why, think of handkerchief at 12½ a yard of sheets of sheets, a yard of good calico for 5 cts., a yard of 25 cents, a yard of 6 cents, a lot of 10 cts. a dozen hat for 25 cts., and a handsome lawn for 5 cents and think of the saving of the people. Yes, Hats, Shoes, Carpets and Oil cloths are sold at equally low figures, and in peace and peace. Now can sell them for one less than cost. Now, you know what that would never do. You will listen well but you will tell a secret. It is not to be sold goods. All the trouble is in the buying. It is my a steam ship load of goods to buy and sell, what can you do with it? But