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THURSDAY, DEC. 25, ... 1902

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.

We are authorized to announce JUDGE A. P. PRICE, of Woodford county, as a candidate for County Attorney of this county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce JAMES A. CHRISMAN, of Bourbon county, as a candidate for County Attorney of this county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COMMONWEALTH'S ATTY.

We are authorized to announce JAMES HAY, of Mt. Sterling, as a candidate for Commonwealth's Attorney for this district, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

We are authorized to announce that MOSS BOSWORTH will be a candidate for election as clerk of the Nicholas Circuit Court, subject to the action of the Democratic primary July 5th, 1903.

We are authorized to announce THOS. P. MONTGOMERY as a candidate for re-election for clerk of the Nicholas Circuit court, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election, July 5th, 1903.

We are authorized to announce O'BRIEN J. PETERSON, of Nicholas county, as a candidate for Clerk of the Nicholas Circuit court, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary election, July 5th, 1903.

Christmas Greeting.

THE MERCURY sends greeting to its many readers this Christmas morning and congratulates the good saint Santa Nicholas that thing are as well as they are. There is always more or less occasion for individual unhappiness, but there is no occasion for it as a matter of contentment. May health and prosperity be the lot of our readers, and may the people of Nicholas see many times to flourish and enjoy the good things of life.

GOVERNOR BECKHAM is in his extreme merit assume the responsibility for the State Primary hereafter.

AT LEXINGTON seven have served as County Attorney for 31 years and all are alive. Two of the more notorious are ill imprisoned in Lexington.

THE Democrats of the Mercerly municipal delegation probably will present the name of Hon. Ben Thomas Hall here for the party nomination for Speaker of the next House.

THE Bourbon News Association of Washington is the successor to the custom of inviting the United Confederate Veterans to hold their reunion in some Southern city.

HON. ALLEN W. THOMAS, of Mt. Sterling, the present Chairman of the State Democratic Committee, is considered as a possible candidate for National Committeeman.

THE method for the Democratic nomination for Mayor of Lexington is not yet settled. Some want a primary election, others want a convention, and others want a mass meeting. Lexington is likely to have several before the next Mayor.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT has been called by the Danes of Germany, England and Russia to arbitrate the dispute between Denmark and Iceland over the sale of Iceland to the United States. The result is not known.

MR. ARNOLD CARLISLE, former Commissioner from the Louisville District, has been appointed Federal Court Clerk at the old Division of the Jefferson Circuit Court, to succeed Col. Robert T. Durrett, promoted to the Appellate Bench.

CORRESPONDENCE between the Secretary of State and the Governor of Kentucky has been published, which shows that the appointed heads of departments have been required to pay a special tax for local legislative purposes under the revenue laws.

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Will Take Chances Either Way.

"Candidate Breckenridge prefers a primary for nomination of the Democratic candidate for Governor, but if he can't get that he will take a chance in the race for a fourth. Candidate Hardwick prefers a convention, and if he can't get that he says he is ready, willing and waiting to run either way or both 'from start to end.' And so it is with the other candidates for Governor, and all the race tickets for nomination for the other State offices. No State down this way cares for the 'solidism' to split some Democrat's throat."—Louisville Herald.

Tax Inscal of Mrs. John Dent Grant took place in Washington last Saturday. The Services were attended by President Roosevelt's 2 boys and prominent officials. At the store the body was taken to New York.

Self Defense.

A special from New York, Dec. 19th, says: A drop of the stuttered model before the Court of Third Instance in Washington, D. C. Justice W. H. Moody, of the United States Minister to Guatemala, and Justice Moody, of Mr. Justice A. Fitzgerald, has been removed here.

Tax legislature of the United States met in the chamber of the Senate, November 3, 1902, in response with the Hon. Theodore Roosevelt, President of the Senate, for an extraordinary session with Upon reading the Hon. Mr. Roosevelt, he got aboard a chair, and took a seat together, facing the house stand in front of the statute of Columbus. He had been seated there but a few minutes, engaged in conversation, when William A. Fitzgerald, whose presence was unknown to me and with out a word being said or anything being done to provoke an assault, acted was in the seat either with his left hand and with his right hand struck me a severe blow under the left ear, which drew the blood from my nose and mouth. Upon which the Hon. Mr. Roosevelt, acted in the only way he could, and that was to defend himself, which he did by striking the said