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HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK

Latest News Told in Briefest and Best Form.

Washington

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Arrival of the steamer Devonian with her cargo of 90,000 bushels of potatoes from Liverpool brings the foreign shipments of the rather in the port of Boston since December 1 to 230,000 bushels, a new record.

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The collier Lamoine has arrived at Annapolis, Md., loaded with relics of the wrecked battleship Maine, which are to be distributed among numerous public institutions and relatives of survivors of the Maine.

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Five members of a Philadelphia family named Dugan were asphyxiated in their home early, when a broken main found its way into the house through a sewer.

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Announcement was made that short age of at least $50,000 had been discovered in the accounts of Earl Sims, and, head bookkeeper of the American National bank of Pomona, Cal. Sims and, with his wife, left the city several days ago and his whereabouts are unknown.

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Union labor officials and agents whom the government holds criminally responsible with the McNamarae and Orte E. McManigal for perpetrating more than 100 explosions which caused the destruction of property and the killing of many persons, were brought at two minutes to noon around Bedford Hotel, occupied by the investigating committee at Washington under a sweeping denial of the charges made by Detective William J. Burns and his operatives.

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The nine art jewes of England are filled at Lyelhurst from their Dublin home in a bidding auctioneer.

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Artist Delacroix of the Republic of Mexico, who is in Washington, says a revolution is being prepared. This came in the form of a letter from Mexico City to Washington that 5,000 men be held in readiness for a thirty days' campaign. Letter of health. The death rate was 11.4 per 1,000 of population, the lowest on record.

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NEW COMPANIES FOR COAL LANDS

EASTERN KENTUCKY PRESENTS MANY SCENES OF INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY.

RAILROADS BUILDING SPURS

Several New Mines Opened—Shortage of Cars Bond Coal Prices Soaring—Sugar Coming Across Virginia Line.

Hurbourville—An inlet as the term is used by development which may be expected in the eastern Kentucky coal field during the present year, almost every week some new company or organization is formed and begins to make preparations for active operations in this part of the state. The Turkey Foot Coal and Timber Co., with headquarters at Bumpkinville, Va., is one of the newest concerns to enter the field. It will confine its activities to Jackson county. It will develop the timber land on its holdings. The company has an authorized capital of $100,000. The Harlan Pool is another young company. It has its headquarters in Harlan county with $25,000 capital stock, with Roy Hilliard of Ashland, president. The Hillard Coal Co. is a new company of Louisville people. The Kentucky Coal Co. is a new concern with headquarters at Coal Junction, Ky. It has 1,000 acres of coal lying along the Louisville & Nashville. It is chartered by the new Clover Fork syndicate of Harlan. The Harlan Pool is another young company. It has its headquarters in Harlan county with $25,000 capital stock, with Roy Hilliard of Ashland, president. The Hillard Coal Co. is a new company of Louisville people. The Kentucky Coal Co. is a new concern with headquarters at Coal Junction, Ky. It has 1,000 acres of coal lying along the Louisville & Nashville. It is chartered by the new Clover Fork syndicate of Harlan. The Harlan Pool

While running at a high rate of speed from Cincinnati on the Wheeling railways jumped the track near Bellaire, Ohio, and ran over a Dry Fork embankment. Five men were killed.

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It is shown by the annual report of the New York state commissioner of health that 3,700 sudden deaths were reported to the department of health during the year, being 200 greater than in 1910. Of these 2,000 were due to natural causes leaving 2,650 of a violent character. These include suicides, murders and accidents.

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Unable to pill her five-year-old daughter Phoebe's foot from the fire screening of a railroad train where it had become fastened, Mrs. D. H. Mitchell of Lincoln, Neb., chose rather to stay and die with the child than to desert it as a time she was compelled to leave the car. The child was burned to death.

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Double actions in their home in New York city ended the suicides of Mrs. Frank Wilson of the former wife of Walter Hopkins and Mrs. Hopkins, a prominent plumber, for the love of whom Mrs. Wilson took away from her husband husband and married in Sep.

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GOOD ROADS INSTRUCTION.

Road Supervisors Invited to Attend Course—Department of Agriculture Bend, and Can Washington.

Lexington—In the purpose of giving road supervisors and other persons interested in good roads practical instruction, Prof. R. C. Terrell, head of the department of agriculture of the state university, will develop a course of instruction on Thursday, 7, to include demonstrations of the construction of earth and sand roads, and the reconstruction of macadam roads. The demonstration will be given primarily for the benefit of the citizens of the city of Lexington, but other persons are invited to attend. Not only will the theoretical principles involved in the construction of such roads be taught by lectures, but a practical demonstration will be made. Work will be begun on the road in another county immediately after the road supervisors and contractors thoroughly the right method thereof to attend the demonstration. Among the lectures will be a series by Charles H. Gray, from the department of agriculture.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH.

Mother Was at Work in House 270 Feet Distant.

Georgetown—Carrie Scruggs, 3 years old, was found dead in a crisp while her mother was at work 270 feet away. The mother had left the child in charge of her sister and went to prepare dinner. Shortly afterward her house was seen to be in flames. The sister had been asleep in the house and when she awoke found the house in flames. The sister ran out and but, and it is thought she drew dress caught fire and ran back to bed to the house, which was burned to the ground. The house was valued at $1,000 and is partially covered by insurance. The child was about two years old. The house was in charge of the Scruggs family, consisting of the parents and the child.

A KENTUCKY PRODIGY.

Bardstown—Horace Bates, the 12 year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bates, is a musical prodigy. The boy has played on the public stage in the Bardstown schools. He spells difficult words with ease and has a greater ear than most boys of his age spell—a 10 cent piece letter. He has attended school only three months. His memory is wonderful. He can recite a chapter of ordinary length in the first reading, but the book aside and recite the chapter without one word. He knows the multiplication table as well as he knows the alphabet.

FAIR DATES ARRANGED.

Paducah—At the meeting of the Western District Association of Kentucky Fairs held here recently the following fair dates were fixed for October 1 to 6, inclusive. Twelve fairs are comprised in the circuit. Gallatin, Ky., has dropped and New Harmony and Petersburg, Ind., were accepted. Nothing but harness races will be given because the circuit has even a have not proved profitable. The purses will range from $300 to $500 and there will be three races each day. Mayfield's dates are Oct. 9 to 12, inclusive.

MONTGOMERY CO. ASSESSMENTS.

Winchester—The county clerk finishes the abstract of the books of the county assessor. Among the principal items are 173,383 acres of land, valued at $3,470,660, and personal property valued at $1,175,275. The total for the assessor's books was $4,645,935. The assessment for banks and other corporations will be made later.

GIVES GOOD FOR HER SON.

Louisville—At St. Joseph's hospital here she gave blood in the transfusion of the blood of her son, a week that it was feared the boy, which was about to be operated on, would prove fatal. With strength the boy is now on the operation and he is favorable. The case was a Gluier, 17.

GOLD CLUB FORMED.

Louisville—With a membership of prominent one women in Louisville was organized Golden Club. Officers: President, Mrs. Wrinkle; vice president, Mrs. Quisenberry; secretary, Miss Ward; treasurer, H. O. Nabel. Among the members are the wife of F. H. Morlan of Louisville been engaged as director.

GOLDEN EAGLE KILLED.

Joseph Mason, farmer, on eagle near here. It weighed feet in length.

After securing the appropriate county which Treasurer Ott asserts it had selected the site for the city's funds, he made the best bid.

—W. H. Hays of Lexington to open a bank

A large tobacco barn Gulf burned.

—Twenty-eight up-to-date tobacco barns were granted county board of equalization.

—A 25,000-foot capacity ice plant started at Mrlinda county of the Consolidated Ice Company.

—Robert Parks, son of Parks of this place, was struck by a train at Chaplin, Ky.

WILL HOLD SCHOOL FAIR.

Hazelrigg—School children of this county will hold a school fair here Friday, at which school buildings, patrons will attend in the morning and afternoon and in the evening.

BLACKBIRDS CARRY DISEASE.

Lexington—A fatal malady among Kentucky farmer raised tri-poodcanna strains, by blackbirds from the marshes of Kentucky and Tennessee, and in turn kills the farmer.

FRUITFUL REVIVAL.

Hopkinsville—The Rev. W. A. Crumbaugh, evangelist of the Hopkinsville Christian church, has been conducting a revival for the past two weeks, and has baptized more than five hundred.

Madisonville—In his sermon to the Baptist church here Sunday night, Rev. J. J. Taylor, pastor of the church, stated that a revival would be held in the church beginning the first Sunday in June with the latter.

Ellington—The home of Mr. E. P. Ellington, near this place, was the scene of a pretty wedding Wednesday, the first in Ellington in many years, when Miss Ethel Ellington, daughter of the host, was married to Mr. Ernest Ellington, of Ellington.

Maysville—Maysville farm on representative farmers. Prices are the highest in years. Forty-five cents per pound asked and none in sight.

Bardstown—A new high school building is to be erected here following a vote on the bond issue for the bonds in the amount of $15,000.

YOUNG TOBACCO GROWERS.

Two Barren County Boys Make Extra Pocket Money.

Glasgow—What small boys can accomplish was forcibly demonstrated when Russell, son of S. M. Gardner, and Yancy, son of Eugene Baird, sold their crops of tobacco in the loose leaf tobacco market here, who in only 9 years old, received $71.65 for his crop, while Russell, who is about 14 received $165.

Both boys attained their crops of tobacco during spare hours from school and when they were not required to do chores about the home. Yancy cultivated a much smaller crop.

Elated over their success, both boys will undertake to cultivate larger crops, and other boys of the county section, where these young farmers live, will follow their example.

APARTMENT HOUSE BURNED

Many of the Residents Suffer Heavy Losses and Narrowly Escape With Their Lives.

Louisville—Fire destroyed the St. James apartments, one of the most attractive apartment houses in Louisville, driving 75 families into the street and entailing a loss of $21,000.

Mrs. H. V. Porter found her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Bruner, a young matron parlor saved 50 persons by rushing in alarm. Firemen and Patrolmen Gardner and Dehmann carried coffee to the firemen.

FIRE AT M'LEAN COLLEGE.

Main Building Destroyed and Loss Will Amount to $25,000.

Hopkinsville—Ben Hash Memorial hall, the main building of McLean college, was destroyed by fire entailing a loss of $25,000 on the structure on other side of the structure were saved by prompt action of the fire department. The Ben Hash Hall is a three story brick structure located in the city, and the fire was supposed to have started from the boilers. The fire is supposed to be accidental. The second floor to the art department, the third floor to the music hall, and the second floor to the science department. Losses will be heavy, and figures were not yet obtainable. Two men were discovered.

Hopkinsville—The third time the college has suffered from flames.

NO MORE DETECTIVES.

Lexington—An ordinance was passed abolishing the detective department, the six men in it being transferred to the police department as patrolmen, and the position of chief of detectives is abolished.

Under the ordinance the chief of police is allowed not more than four patrolmen to act as detectives. The salaries of the patrolmen and firemen are fixed from $66 to $0 a month.

BOURBON COUNTY VALUATIONS

Paris—The total assessed valuation of Bourbon county real and personal property, as compiled by County Clerk Patton from the assessors' books in the county, is $15,114,415. This shows that Bourbon county farmers paid taxes on a total valuation of land of an assessed valuation of $10,276,340.

TAX RATE REDUCED.

Lexington—At a meeting of the city council the tax rate was reduced from $1.60 to $1.55 on the hundred dollars of property, and from $1.65, and less, on will, for the first time in years, the city has a tax rate of less than $1.75.

STILL HOPE FOR EXTENSION.

Paris—The citizens of North Middletown and Paris have not yet abandoned hope that the Congress will extend the time of the L. & N. from Paris to North Middletown, for the coal fields.

MAHIN ROAD BILL.

New Castle—The session of the Henry county fiscal court was devoted to a discussion of the various road laws passed by the state legislature, each being considered in detail. The Mahin bill was endorsed.

Lexington—City Solicitor Allen has given an opinion that a saloon on one truck, bootblack and similar stands which, for years, have occupied portions of the sidewalks of the business section of the city, have no legal right to such occupancy, it is understood that Mayor Cassidy will soon order such obstructions removed.

Lexington, for the first time in its history, is now to have an adequate supply of gas, water and electric metres, the city having been constantly having at its command a sufficient number for the appropriation of $1,500 for this purpose.

Carlisle—Nicholas county court convened with 21 appearance cases on the docket besides the usual allotment of cases. The criminal docket is the lightest in years.

Falmouth—The Central Oil and Gas Combine has filed with the secretary of state a certificate of incorporation with capital stock of $75,000.

Paris—Unless a long delayed ship comes in the city will be without a supply of coal for the coming winter.

Carlisle—Arrangements are under way for a mass meeting in this city here March 2. A boys' fruit-growing contest will be inaugurated and a poultry and flower-growing club of girls organized.

Lexington—This city has a fine baseball hotel as well as Louisville, and the old Leland hotel has assumed the name.

Horse Cave—Charles Hosh, run over by a horse and killed with tobacco, died of his injuries.

DELEGATES HEAR HARMON SPEAK

ADDRESS BEFORE THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ATTENTIVELY.

MAKES A FEW SUGGESTIONS

Executive Explains State Conditions and Their Influence Upon His Decisions in Regard to Legislation by Last Assembly.

Columbus—By invitation Governor Harmon addressed the constitutional convention in part he said:

I acknowledge as a compliment the invitation to address you, but take it as chiefly a request for me to give the important work to hand. I gladly do that for a poor service for whatever value they may have. My wish is to help, if I can, to sound conclusions.

The purpose of a constitution is to lay the foundation for the state's work in its general scope and design. It should be a frame work of the equipment, form the authority to be employed in the work and limited and provision be made for the selection of the agents who are to be entrusted with it.

Our Past Three Governments.

Under our three successive governments we have had in Ohio between 1802 and 1912 a large measure, the benefits the founders had in view—the benefits of years the present government has enjoyed, the great prosperity and conditions of peace and war, prosperity and adversity, and from those become one of the great commonwealths of the world.

I hope yours will be a true constitution, like the one we have so long enjoyed, but yours will be chiefly fundamental law and leaving further matter to legislation. One reason why a constitution is stability through provisions which are difficult of amendment changes.

The present bill of rights as a whole is excellent, but some undue advantage has been given to the green in personal gathered with crime.

Justice Should Be Free.

Under our changed conditions there is no reason why depositions should not be taken for the prosecution as well as for the defense, when the presence of witness at the trial cannot be secured, as is very often the case. Justice should be free and equal, and the accused should not stand retired when he has been secured by the most miscondoct or error in his behalf, for which the state's attorney and the Justice should be set free, on all sides, from the grind of overstrained technicality.

Good Roads.

The existing limitation of state indebtedness should not be changed except with respect to building a system of good roads. The need of this is so great and the cost heavy to be borne by present taxation. The investment in improvement of roads in Ohio is $15,114,415. The state's assessed valuation is $1,000,000,000. The state's assessed valuation is $1,000,000,000. The state's assessed valuation is $1,000,000,000