It is cheaper to subscribe for the News than to borrow it. Your neighbor does not enjoy lending his paper.

BIG SANDY NEWS.

Your neighbor might subscribe for the News if you told him it would get the worth of his money. Could you do that more for him?

Aut inveniam viam, aut faciam.

VOL. XIII. NO. 19 | LOUISA, LAWRENCE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, JAN. 7, 1898 | M. F. CONLEY, Publisher

BIG SANDY VALLEY.

Some Interesting Facts About This Section.

OUR NEED OF SLACKWATER.

Statistics as to the Wealth of the Valley, and the Possibilities of Development.

[The following matter is a portion of a pamphlet now being printed in the NEWS office for presentation to Congress in the interest of appropriations for continuing the slackwater system on Big Sandy river.]

THE PROJECT.

A movement is on foot to slack-water the Big Sandy river and the two forks, Tug and Levisa, by a system of locks with movable dams. The project recommended by Major Lockwood in 1882 embraces the improvement of the Big Sandy proper from its mouth, at Catlettsburg, to Louisa, a distance of 26 miles; The Levisa fork from Louisa to Pikeville, 86½ miles; and the Tug fork from Louisa to Pond creek, 60 miles. The estimate of the cost of this work as submitted by Assistant Engineer B. F. Thomas to Major Jas. F. Gregory in 1897 is as follows:

No. Locks and dams required on Big Sandy river including the one at Louisa,	3
No. on Levisa fork from Louisa to Pikeville,	10
" " Tug fork from Louisa to Pond creek,	8
Total locks and dams required,	21
Total to be built,	20
These 20 can be built at an average cost of $200,000, or for the 20 $4,000,000, divided as follows:	
2 on Big Sandy at $250,000,	$5,00,000
6 on Levisa fork, at 225,000,	1,350,000
4 on Levisa fork, at 175,000,	700,000
2 on Tug fork, at 225,000,	450,000
2 " " " " 200,000,	400,000
4 " " " " 150,000,	600,000
20 on Big Sandy and two forks,	$4,000,000

If the river is placed under the contract system and several locks let at once, the cost can easily be reduced to $2,500,000 for the entire improvement. The engineer's estimate for 6 locks and dams on the Monongahela was $1,320,000, or $220,000 per lock and dam. They were contracted this winter at about $630,000, or $105,000 per lock. The estimate on the Ohio river for 4 locks, contracted this winter, was $1,200,000, or $300,000 per lock. They sold for $825,000, or about $206,000 per lock. Thus showing that when several locks can be contracted for at once, the cost falls far under an estimate prepared to be safe when work is carried on intermittently. This is one of the strongest arguments in favor of having the Big Sandy placed under the continuous contract system.

AN ENGINEERS OPINION.

The late Major Gregory, in his report to the chief of engineers, for 1897, says of the Big Sandy river:

"The country bordering Levisa and Tug forks, abounds in bituminous, cannel and coking coal of good quality, but remains undeveloped for lack of transportation facilities. * * * The amount of commerce handled on these streams cannot well increase until the latter are improved by locks and dams, which form of improvement was favorably reported on, in the Annual Report of the Chief of Engineers, for 1889, *so that the means of transportation will be provided for the almost unlimited quantities of bituminous, cannel and coking coal of good quality which exists along the streams.*"

AREA OF COAL FIELDS.

Of the 4,000 square miles drained by the Big Sandy river, non-resident companies own 600 square miles of coal lands. This 600 miles has been more or less thoroughly prospected, and the owners believe the coal to be there. Add to this, the coal acreage, still in the hands of the resident owner, and the Big Sandy feels safe in promising all the coal that can be consumed along the Ohio and Mississippi rivers for the next 800 years. New and unexpected beds are being discovered, even on old operated fields. The White House Cannel Coal Company have, in prospecting their tract this winter, discovered a bed of bituminous and cannel coal, running from 10 to 12 feet in thickness; and this too on lands that have been worked for the past ten years. When the work of producing coal for market begins on the slack-watered Big Sandy, it is safe to predict that many such discoveries will be made and the estimated acreage of real coal lands greatly increased.

QUALITY.

The accepted standard of coking coal in the United States, is the Connellsville, Penn., product. A car load of outcrop coal was shipped from the Big Sandy Coking Coal fields to Connellsville, coked in the same manner as the Pennsylvania coke is made, and analyzed by a Connellsville chemist. The table below gives the result in comparison with the average of 20 specimens of good Connellsville coal taken from the bowels of the earth:

	Connellsville.	*Big Sandy.*
Moisture,	.31	.18
Fixed Carbon,	88.00	92.06
Comb. & Vol. Carbon,	1.50	.42
Ash,	10.09	7.34

Showing the Big Sandy Coking Coal to be superior to the now accepted standard.

CANNEL COAL.

Enough cannel coal exists along the Big Sandy river to furnish fuel for the homes of the Ohio valley until such a time as coal for fuel will have become obsolete. Here, in beds varying in thickness from 8 inches to 5 feet, is more cannel coal than is known to exist in the combined fields of the United States. * Most of our cannel lies in conjunction with bituminous coal, and is for this reason more easily and cheaply mined. Thicker beds of this coal prevail in the Big Sandy valley than are mined elsewhere, and cannel coal can be mined and marketed from the two, three and five feet veins that here exist, at a cost but little in advance of the price now paid for bituminous coal. The White House Cannel Coal Company, at the terminus of the C. & O. R. R., is the only company at present mining the coal. On up the river are larger tracts and thicker beds. The Houston Coal Company of Ashland; The Ort Cannel Coal Co., of Maysville; The Greasy Creek Cannel Coal Co; The United Coal Co., on whose lands the five feet beds occur; The Miller's creek Coal Co., and others own fields of cannel coal containing from 1000 to 5000 acres, which are ready to be operated as soon as transportation facilities are furnished.

OIL AND GAS.

The New Domain Oil Co., a branch of the Standard, hold leases on 200,000 acres in the upper Sandy valley. They have drilled some 45 wells. The Forest Oil Co. and the Coming Oil Co. hold leases on 200,000 acres each and have drilled several wells. Smaller companies have leases on less acreage and have done some prospecting.

The general public is in the dark as to the result of all this boring. Guards are kept at the sites of all work and the wells are carefully plugged when finished. No outsider is permitted to witness either the progress or the result of the test wells, and an air of mystery surrounds their proceedings and leaves the success of the enterprise wholly a matter of conjecture. The persistency with which the work has been pushed and the large number of wells that have been put down lead one to suppose that the prospecting has been a success.

At Warfield, 35 miles above Louisa, two gas wells, about 1200 feet deep, have been wasting their substance into the mountain air for the past fifteen years. Owing to litigation as to the ownership of the tract of the Warfield company nothing could be done with the valuable product. At last the case has been decided and a company has been formed to pipe the gas from these and other wells to Ashland, Huntington, Ironton, Portsmouth and Cincinnati.

One of the wells after wasting for fifteen years has an initial pressure of 590 pounds, the other shows 750 pounds on the indicator. Rights of way for a pipe line have been secured and it is expected to have gas in all these cities but Cincinnati by next September.

TRANSPORTATION.

Stages of water in Onio River in 1896.

	Barge stage, 7 ft.	Good stage, 8 ft.	Coal Boat stage, 10 ft.
Pittsburg,	81 days	65 days	36 days
Catlettsburg,	182 "	263 "	230 "

The Big Sandy coal is 300 miles nearer market than the Pittsburg coal. In 1896 there was 8 feet of water at Pittsburg on 65 days. The same year there was 8 feet on 263 days at Catlettsburg, as shown by the Government gages. In order to market the 4,000,000 bushels of coal annually mined on the Monongahela, it requires, according to the Pittsburg Coal exchange, 100 ton boats, and 4000 boats, barges and flats representing a capital of $13,000,000. This immense plant is required because water, adequate for coal transportation, only exists for about two months on the upper Ohio. The other ten months the vast fleets are idle.

When the Big Sandy coal can be brought to the Ohio on slackwater, it can be marketed for over 8 months in the year on the stage of water that usually prevails in the Ohio from Catlettsburg down. Added to this, a tow-boat can safely handle twice the tow from the mouth of Sandy that it can from Pittsburg. Again, it takes three days for a tow from Pittsburg to Cincinnati. It takes 24 hours from Catlettsburg to the same port. Taking these figures, the handling of 4000000 bushels of coal from the Big Sandy can be done with ten tow boats and a thousand coal boats, representing a capital of $2,000,000. Add to this immense saving of plant for handling, the wages of the crews for 90 tow boats not needed to market the Big Sandy coal, and the increased safety of towing on the lower Ohio in comparison with the head waters, and it will be readily seen that the Big Sandy coal only needs to be floated, in order to control the coal markets of the south and south-west. It has these supreme advantages over any competing field:

More Kinds of Coal,
Nearer Coal,
Better Coal,
Cheaper Coal.

(CONTINUED ON SECOND PAGE.)

IRAD.

W. M. Moore had a nice Christmas tree which was a great pleasure to both young and old.

Married on the 16th Dec., George Adams to Miss Corilda Carter, of Prosperity. We wish them success through life, as they are both worthy and industrious young people.

Millard Rose and wife visited at Prosperity Xmas.

George Carter paid Dick Berry a visit Sunday.

John Wood is very sick at this writing.

Fred Stewart was on our street yesterday, wearing his broadest smile.

James Wellman was out buggy riding with his best girl.

Sam Jobe is teaching a school of mackimoney at Morgan's creek. We wish him success

Mat Berry was on our creek Monday with his deborner and left several muley cattle. Mat is a hustler.

Mont Rose's school will close on January 14, with a grand entertainment.

2 Chems wanted to know what had become of Onion Eater. He is not dead yet but is still alive and out of the earth.

John H. Carter and wife were visiting on Little Blaine last week.

The wife of J. B. Whitt is very sick. ONION EATER.

Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of Wm. H. Penn, chief clerk in the railway mail service at Des Moines, Iowa, who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to frequent severe attacks of pain in the stomach and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Price 25 and 50 cents, for sale at Hughes' Drug Store, Louisa.

OBITUARY.

Henry T. Cassell died of consumption at the home of his venerable parents near Kise station December 4th, 1897, aged 32 years, 7 months and 4 days. He was the son of William and Cynthia Cassell, good, pious old people whom it looked hard indeed to have such a bitter trial in their old age. Henry T. had been sick one year. He joined the Methodist church two years ago but was not converted until eight days before his death. Three children have preceded him to the better land. He fought disease and death so hard and clung so fondly to life until he saw that he must meet his God, prepared or unprepared, then he prayed earnestly for divine grace to sustain through the ordeal of death, and for the salvation of his soul, and the good Lord who never turns any one away empty handed, heard his prayer and spake peace to his soul. Just a moment before his spirit took its flight he called his mother. (Mother! oh word that makes the home!) He clasped her hand and said: "Farewell, Ma; I'm going home!" and he was gone to our Father's house, where are bright mansions prepared for all who put their trust in Him.

"Death but summons us to come
To our Father's home of love,
Just to close our eyes in sleep,
While he bears our souls above."

"Then to join the heavenly throng
Of God's angels bright and fair,
Safely anchored in His house,
Freed from earthly woe and care."

Henry T., as we always called him, was born and lived all his life in this vicinity. He was a quiet citizen and was called by his brethren "a Good Old fellow," and he died a good christian, in the full triumphs of a living faith. Can we ask for more? His form and name have faded to a memory but when we say he is gone we mean that he has gone where the chilly winds of adversity will buffet him no more! Gone where there is no more sickness or sorrow, where he will never say, "I am tired! so tired!" any more. Gone from all that is sad and sorrowful to the place where Jesus is; to the home of the soul, where all is good, and true, and beautiful.

His loved ones can meet him as he asked them, in the home of the soul. For it is said: Look unto me, all ye ends of the earth, and be ye saved. What a glorious thought, that there is no death, only sleep, sweet sleep.

Oh, how sweet it will be in that beautiful land,
So free from all sorrow and pain,
With songs on our lips, with and harps in our hands,
To meet one another up there.

MRS. VIC BURGESS.

Planters KUBIAN TEA cures Dyspepsia, Constipation and Indigestion. Regulates the Liver. Price, 75 cts.

Biliousness
Comes from torpidity of the liver, which prevents digestion and causes food to ferment in the stomach. Perfect relief is found in
Hood's Pills
Which cure all Liver Ills. Price 25c.

FLAT GAP.

G. F. Hatfield is very low with fever.....Rev. Deal, of Blaine, preached an interesting sermon at this place Xmas...Drs. Harry and John Gambill were here Thursday.....Prof. Jayne closed a successful term of school Thursday.....William Ryland, the Paintsville blacksmith, is vising his family at this place.....School will begin here Jan. 3d., with Prof. Jayne as principal.....C. F. Bond is again with us. He has just returned from a trip to Enterprise.....The Republicans of this place seem to think McKinley is making a very good Moses and will lead us about in the wilderness the rest of his term. We think they will cordially welcome a Joshua who will command the golden sun and the silver moon to stand still 'till the great battle is fought for Bryan silver. SMOKEY.

Fits Cured

From U.S. Journal of Medicine. Prof. W. H. Pettit, who makes a specialty of Epilepsy, has without doubt treated and cured more cases than any living Physician; his success is astonishing. We have heard of cases of 20 years' standing cured by him. He publishes a valuable work on this disease, which he sends with a large bottle of his absolute cure, free to any sufferers who may send their P. O. and Express address. We advise any one wishing a cure to address Prof. W. H. PETTIT, F. D., 4 Cedar St., New York

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

GLEANINGS

From the News of the World.

Little doubt is expressed in Republican circles at Washington that Senator Hanna will succeed himself.

Mr. Dingley is out in a statement that tries to explain away the deficit of $44,000,000. in the revenue under his bill.

Twenty-one sheriffs in Kentucky failed to settle with the Auditor before Jan. 1st and are subject to indictment and civil suits because of their delinquency.

Colorado gold output during 1897 was nearly $22,000,000, according to the figures of the Chamber of Commerce of Colorado Springs. Of this amout Cripple creek furnished $12,000,000.

An intimate friend of Dr. Godfrey Hunter, U. S. Minister to Guatemala, says that should conditions there not prove to his liking Dr. Hunter will resign and return to push his contest against Congressman Rhea.

The Spanish government is after Gen. Weyler for allowing his protest against President McKinley's message to get into the papers. An edict has been issued directing the prosecution of those who gave it out. Weyler has personally apologized to the Queen Regent.

With the new year the city of Greater New York came into existence and is the second city in the world. The event was celebrated by a grand parade and illumination. Mr. Van Wyck, Mayor, is now disbursing the largest amount of "patronage" ever handled by any one man.

The much discussed sale of coal mines in Southern Kentucky to an English syndicate is about to be accomplished. The money has been raised and representatives of the syndicate are now on their way to America. The Louisville mine owners will hold a meeting here next week to agree upon the detail.

Corbett and Fitzsimmons exchanged some very warm telegrams at long range Friday, and if appearances count for anything, there may be a street fight when they happen to meet. Corbett is hunting for "Fitz," and the Australian seems to be trying to keep out of the way.

Congress convened Wednesday. Little legislation is expected before next week. In the House the time will be devoted mainly to the civil service debate, which promises to be unusually lively if not sensational at times. In the Senate the subjects scheduled for early consideration are the Hawaiian question, the Corbett contest, the immigration bill and financial legislation.

HOW TO FIND OUT

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effect following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and extraordinary effect of Swamp Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price 50c and $1.00. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention Big SANDY NEWS and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

GLENWOOD.

By the time this letter is seen by all the readers of the good old NEWS, another year will be past and gone. Another year added to the record of time; another year with its joys and sorrows, folded away into the vastness of eternity. Since 1897 was ushered into view, friendships have been made, ties formed affections solidified, and the great Conqueror, Death claims its own. The snows of another winter rest upon the graves of loved ones called from earth, while the empty household chair and torn and bleeding hearts are only left as a gentle reminder that we are dust. With many of us the New Year is fraught with good, and we welcome it, as with grateful hearts, with others perhaps it brings no bright ray of hope or pleasure for the future. The old year carried with it broken hopes with many, desolate firesides and carried many of our friends to the great beyond. While we welcome the New Year. Still also, let us console with the old year in the rain it has wrought. Heaven pity the unfortunate. Heaven bless the favored ones, as the NEWS numbers its readers in both classes and, therefore, with malice towards none, but charity to all, Roscoe wishes each and every reader (the editor not excepted,) a happy New Year.

A CURE FOR LAME BACK.

"My daughter when recovering from an attack of fever, was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes Louden Grover, of Sardis, Ky. "After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. Sold by A. M. Hughes.

PLEASANT RIDGE

Miss Inez Pigg, of this place, is visiting relatives in Ashland.....Grant Roberts was smiling on his best girl Sunday.....Chas. Haws was wearing bright smiles Sunday.....Marshall Burchett was seen on our streets a few days ago.....Tom Moore, of Blaine, was visiting relatives at this place Sunday.....There will be preaching at this place the third Sunday and also Saturday night before..... Elwood Hutchinson was calling on his best girl at Busseyville Sunday

Success to the NEWS is the wish of VENDETTITA.

The progressive ladies of Westfield, Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matters of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croups, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cents per bottle. For sale by A. M. Hughes.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of execution No. 1517, in favor of Wayne Damron and against W. D. Jordan and James Lovejoy, issued to me from the Clerk's office of the Lawrence Circuit court, I will, on the 17th day January, 1898, about 1 o'clock p. m., offer for sale to the highest bidder, the following described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to produce the sum of $413.17, with interest thereon from the 20th day of March, 1892, until paid, and all cost in this case. The property to be sold is one lot No. 71, as laid down on the plat of Fallsburg, Lawrence county, Ky., and the same now occupied by Ed. Webb, levied on as the property of W. D. Jordan and James Lovejoy.

TERMS—Sale will be made upon a credit of three months, the purchaser to give bond with approved personal security, and as additional security a lien will be retained on the property until the purchase money is paid.

J. W. CRAVEN, S. L. C.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

The Dreaded Consumption can be Cured.

T. A. Slocum, M. C., the great Chemist and Scientist, will send, free, three bottles of his newly discovered remedies to sufferers.

EDITOR BIG SANDY NEWS:—I have discovered a reliable cure for Consumption and all Bronchial, Throat and Lung Diseases, General Decline, Loss of Flesh and all Conditions of Casting Away. By its timely use thousands of apparently hopeless cases have been cured. So proof-positive am I of its power to cure, to make its merit known I will send, free to any afflicted reader of your paper, three bottles of my Newly Discovered Remedies upon receipt of Express and post-office address. T. A. SLOCUM, M. C., 98 Pine Street New York When writing the Doctor please mention this paper.

DOCTORS
KENNEDY & KERGAN
Specialists in the Treatment of
Nervous, Blood, Sexual and Private Diseases
17 Years in OHIO. 200,000 Cured
YOUNG MAN You are nervous and despondent; weak and debilitated; tired mornings; no ambition, lifeless; memory poor; easily fatigued; excitable; eyes sunken, red and blurred; pimples on face; dreams and night loss; drains at stool; cooling on excitement; haggard looking; weak back; bone pains; ulcers; hair loose; sore throat; varicocele; want of confidence; impotency; lack of energy and strength. **You Need Help.**
MARRIAGE This important step in life should never be taken until you are positively cured if you have been weakened or diseased. Remember "*Like father, like son.*" Emissions, varicocele, spermatorrhoea and syphilis endanger happiness in married life. Our New Method cures them permanently. If you are Married consult us at once, so we can restore your strength, vital energy and desires. If you wish to Marry, our advice may be worth a fortune to you.
Don't Let Your Life be Drained Away!
The New Method Treatment This System and New Method was discovered by us several years ago. It builds up and strengthens the nervous system; restores lost vitality to the sexual organs; stops all drains and losses; invigorates and restores lost manhood. It never fails in curing the results of Self Abuse, Later Excesses, Blood Diseases, or the effects of a Misspent Life.
CURES GUARANTEED OR NO PAY
What we Treat and Cure!
Emissions, Varicocele, Syphilis, Nervous Debility, Stricture, Gleet, Impotency, Unnatural Discharges, Lost Manhood, Kidney and Bladder Diseases. Consultation Free. Books (illustrated) Free. Write for Question Blank for Home Treatment. Everything Confidential. Plain envelopes. Nothing sent C. O. D. See testimonials next week.
DRS. KENNEDY & KERGAN
122 W. 4th St., Cincinnati, O.

W. H. ERSKINE, Artistic Photographer.
THIRD AVE. & ELEVENTH ST.
HUNTINGTON, W. VA
Fine Water Color, Crayon Pastel, Photos latest style, will not fade. Fine frames made to order. All work guaranteed. [jul 23-97 1y

Positions... Guaranteed Under reasonable conditions.....
Free tuition. We give one or more free scholarships in every county in the U. S. Write us. Will accept notes for tuition or can deposit money in bank until position is secured. Car fare paid. No vacation. Enter at any time. Open for both sexes. Cheap board. Send for free illustrated catalogue.
Address J. F. DRAUGHON, Pres't, at either place.
Draughon's Practical..... Business.... Colleges,
NASHVILLE, TENN., AND TEXARKANA, TEXAS.
Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc. The most *thorough, practical* and *progressive* schools of the kind in the world, and the *best patronized* ones in the South. Indorsed by bankers, merchants, ministers and others. Four weeks in bookkeeping with us are equal to twelve weeks by the old plan. J. F. Draughon, President, is author of Draughon's new system of bookkeeping, "Double Entry Made Easy."
Home study. We have prepared for home study, books on bookkeeping, penmanship and shorthand. Write for price list. "Home Study."
Extract. "PROF. DRAUGHON—I learned bookkeeping at home from your books, while holding a position as night telegraph operator."—C. F. LEPPINGWELL, bookkeeper for Gerber & Ficks, Wholesale Grocers, South Chicago, Ill.
(*Mention this paper when writing.*)

Young People FREE: $20.00 IN GOLD. Bicycle, Gold Watch, Diamond Ring, or a Scholarship in Draughon's Practical Business College, Nashville, Tenn., or Texarkana, Tex., or a scholarship in most any other reputable business college or literary school in the U. S. can be secured by doing a little work at home for the Youths' Advocate, an illustrated semi-monthly journal. It is elevating in character, moral in tone, and especially interesting and profitable to young people, but read with interest and profit by people of all ages. Stories and other interesting matter well illustrated. Sample copies sent free. Agents wanted. Address Youths' Advocate Pub. Co., Nashville, Tenn. [Mention this paper.]

THE EQUITABLE
LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
Of the United States.

Assets Dec. 31, 1896, $216,773,947.35	Outstanding Assurance Dec. 31, 1896.. $915,102,670.00
Reserve on all existing policies, calculated on a 4% standard and all other Liabilities, 173,476,783.23	New Assurance, written in 1896, 127,694,984.00
Undivided surplus, on a 4% standard 43,277,179.12	Proposals for Assurance examined and declined 24,678,167.00

Installment policies stated at their commuted values.

DIRECTORS.

Henry B. Hyde, President. — *James Alexand*

Louis Fitzgerald, H A Hariott, H G Marxuand, Wm A Wheelock, Marcellus Hartley, H M Alexander, Chauncey M Depew, Cornelius M Bliss, Thos D Jordan, Charles S Smith, John Sloane, Henry J Fairchild, G C Ferry, Levi P Morton, G E Tarbell, Marvin Hughitt, Frank Thomson, George J. Gould, Samuel M Inman, Sir W C Vanhorn, C B Alexander, Edward W Lambert, John J McCook, Wm Alexander, James H. Hyde, Horace Porter, Jno A Stewart, Jacob H Schiff, A V Santvoord, Daniel Lord, Wm A Tower, M. E. Ingalls, Thos. S Young, A Van Bergen, John E Searles, D H Moffat, Jas H Dunham, T De Witt Cuyler, Joseph T. Low, August Belmont, Thomas T Eckert, Wm B Kendall, Henry S. Terbell, Geo W Phillips, G W Cambell, E Rowland Coit, Daniel R Noyes, Alanson Trask, Brayton Ives, S D Ripley, J De Nevarro,

F. H. YATES, Louisa, Ky., General Agent for Eastern Kentucky.
Local Agents Wanted.

THE GREATEST AUTHORITY IN THE WORLD PRESCRIBES
CUSHMAN'S MENTHOL INHALER
— FOR —
COLDS IN HEAD, CATARRH, SORE THROAT, LA GRIPPE, HEADACHE or Any Head or Throat Trouble.
DR. A. A. SHOWER, LONDON
DR. Shower is Senior Surgeon to the Central London Throat and Ear Hospital. He declares himself in a recent medical journal in emphatic terms as follows: "The vapor of Menthol checks in a manner hardly less than marvellous, acute colds in the head. For all forms of nasal diseases, causing obstruction to the natural breathing, I prescribe Cushman's Menthol Inhaler as the original of menthols par excellence."
A CHRONIC DISEASE CURED IN EVERY BAD COLD!
Then why do you go on in a doubtful way trying to wear out your money when Cushman's Inhaler will relieve you instantly.
It is a Constant Companion! $5.00 worth of medicine for $1.00. No stomach or nauseating drugs to debilitate your system. Only a refreshing and healthful aid to you. Invaluable in traveling. Public singers and speakers use it and find it the greatest aid in sustaining the voice.
INFLUENZA! DR. J. H. SALISBURY, a distinguished physician of New York, said: "Inhaled Menthol is one of the most effective remedies for the relief of the Influenza bacilli."
SEA SICKNESS! Dr. Bailey Thom, in commenting upon the *London Lancet*, says: "I have found Cushman's Menthol Inhaler exercises a marked beneficial effect in Sea Sickness and especially in the headache and vomiting which remains after the actual vomiting and retching cease of."
MONTREAL, N. Y., Feb. 21, '95.
I have had Catarrh about ten years. A friend sent me one of your Inhalers. It helped me the first time I used it.
T. DOUGLAS MORTON.
Kingston, N. Y.
I have used one of your Menthol Inhalers for about a month for Chronic Catarrh of twenty years' standing. It has given me more relief than all other remedies I ever tried. H. LATHAM.
The most refreshing and Healthful aid to HEALTHFUL Sleep. Brings Sleep to the Sleepless. Cures Insomnia and Nervous Headache. Don't be fooled with worthless imitations. Take only CUSHMAN'S. 50c. at druggists, or mailed postpaid on receipt of price. Write for Book on Menthol and testimonials. CUSHMAN MEDG. CO., Vincennes, Ind. or No. 224 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.
Cushman's Menthol Balm
Is the safest, surest, and most reliable Remedy for
CUTS, BURNS, BRUISES, SCALDS — SALT RHEUM, ULCERS, ITCH, ERYSIPELAS — CHAPPED HANDS, FROSTED FEET, RINGWORM, AND OLD SORES.
Specially Recommended for PILES.
Quick to Relieve Pain and Reduce Inflammation. Guaranteed to give satisfaction; when you need an ointment, be sure to get Cushman's Menthol Balm. Do not accept anything else as being just as good. This Balm is the Largest Box of Ointment and the best on the market.
If you cannot get it of your druggist send 25c. for one box by mail. Sold by all leading druggists.
CUSHMAN DRUG CO.
VINCENNES, IND. or 224 Dearborn St., CHICAGO.

Matching Material.

a tiresome undertaking, which often results in failure, and something "nearly a match" is never satisfactory. There's one thing you cannot match; That's

Electro - Silicon.

The Famous Silver Polish.

because there is no other like it. Nearly a million housekeepers use it. A trial quantity which is sent

FREE TO ALL

will tell you why. Then the secret of beautiful silverware is yours. Simply send your address on a postal card to SILICON, 20 Cliff Street, New York.

PARKER'S HAIR BALSAM
Cleanses and beautifies the hair. Promotes a luxuriant growth. Never Fails to Restore Gray Hair to its Youthful Color. Cures scalp diseases & hair falling. 50c, and $1.00 at Druggists

C. M. Crutcher,
UNDERTAKER
COFFINS of All Grades
From the Finest
Zinc Lined Caskets
of the Chapest grade of Cheap Coffins.
Burial Robes, Patent Slippers Trimmings, Linings, Handles toes, Name-plates Screws.
Every description of Undertaker's Supplies.
LOUISA, KY..

Alexander Lackey.
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
LOUISA, KENTUCKY

Stewart & Stewart.
Attorneys and Counsellors at Law,
LOUISA, KY.

H. C. SULLIVAN,
Attorney at Law,
LOUISA, KENTUCKY.

TIP MOORE,
Attorney at Law,
BLAINE, KY.
Collections in Eastern Kentucky given special attention.

H. O. CEASE.
DENTIST
LOUISA, KY
Am better prepared Than ever before to do All kinds of work in the DENTAL LINE On First-Class Style.

A. P. Banfield, M. D.,
Buchanan, Ky.,
Offers professional services. Special attention given diseases of the Eye, Ear, Throat, Nasal Cavities, and chest. Eyes tested and glasses accurately fitted.

For Catarrh Hay-Fever Cold in Head
ELY'S CREAM BALM is a positive cure. Apply into the nostrils. It is quickly absorbed. 50 cents at Druggists or by mail; samples 10c. by mail. ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren St., New York City.