RAILROADS.

Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

ON and after SUNDAY, March 4, 1877, trains will run as follows:

	Leave.	Arrive.
New Orleans Mail daily at	3:40 p.m	12:40 p.m
Sardis Accommodation daily, except Sundays, at	11:30 a.m	8:45 a.m
Freight Train daily, except Sundays, at	8:50 a.m	5:30 p.m

Close connections made at Grenada with trains North and South for all points.

☞ For further information, apply to

Ticket Office, 287 Main St., and at Depot.

M. Burke, Superintendent.
James Speed, Ticket Agent.

MEMPHIS & LITTLE ROCK RAILWAY.

The Short Line to Arkansas and Texas.

TIME CARD.

	LEAVE:	ARRIVE:
Mail train, daily	5:00 p.m.	11:10 p.m
Freight train leaves Hopefield (Sunday excepted)	6:30 a.m.	5:30 p.m

Passengers going on this road will take trains at the Depot of the Louisville, Nashville and Great Southern Railroad.

Mail train makes close connection at Argenta for points on Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad, and at Little Rock with Cairo and Fulton Railroad, for points in Southwest Arkansas and Texas.

Pullman Palace Cars on all night trains.

For tickets and information apply at Ticket-offices 278 and 287 Main street, and at the Depot, foot of Washington street, or at L. and N. and Gt. So. Depot, or to the undersigned.

W. E. SMITH, Sup't., Memphis, Tenn.
R. A. WILLIAMS, Passenger Agent.
M. S. JAY, G. P. and T. A., Little Rock.

Louisville and Nashville and Great Southern Railroad.

SCHEDULE:

	City Time.
Express Train leaves daily, except Saturdays, at	11:15 p.m
Mail Train leaves daily at	11:25 a.m
Accommodation Train leaves daily, except Sundays, at	4:15 p.m

Pullman Palace Sleeping-Cars on all night trains.

☞ For tickets or information, apply at

Ticket Office, 287 Main St., Cor. Madison.

John T. Flynn, Sup't Memphis Div.
James Speed, Ticket Agent.

Memphis and Charleston Railroad

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

ON and after SUNDAY, March 18, 1877, trains will run as follows:

	Leave.	Arrive.
Mail Train daily at	12:30 a.m	11:00 a.m
Express Train, daily	5:00 p.m	4:50 a.m
Somerville Train daily, except Sundays, at	5:20 p.m	8:10 a.m

Mail train will not stop at Flag Stations between Grand Junction and Memphis.

Mail and Express train makes close connection at Chattanooga for Atlanta and all points in the Southeast.

Express train makes close connection at Chattanooga for all Eastern points.

New and Magnificent Sleeping-Coaches through to Lynchburg, without change.

Time 20 minutes Faster than City Time

Ticket Office, No. 278 Main Street.

G. JORDAN,
Chief Engineer and General Supt.
Barney Hughes, Ticket Agent.

FOR RENT.

RESIDENCE—The very desirable residence, 103 Adams st.; has been recently papered, painted and thoroughly renovated. Apply at 102 Adams st.

RESIDENCE—No. 109 Madison street. Apply to R. B. SNOWDEN, 38 Madison.

FRONT ROOM—A large airy front room, second-story, on Adams street, between Third and Fourth, furnished or unfurnished, suitable for gentleman and lady, or two young gentlemen; board can be obtained. Apply at 281 Third street.

STOREHOUSE—The new brick storehouse, No. 31 Madison street, one door east of M-in. Inquire of JAMES S. WILKINS,
No. 290 Main street, corner of Madison.

MISSISSIPPI HOUSE—Main street, opposite Mississippi and Tennessee depot. This well-known boardinghouse, with stores below, will be let cheap, and one month given to prepare for business.
W. D. M'CALLUM, Ag't, 19 Madison st.

STOREHOUSE—A fine brick storehouse, with all the modern improvements, at Como, Miss. Apply to F. M. White & Co., Memphis, or to D. Craig & Co., Como, Miss.

FOR LEASE.

RESIDENCE PROPERTY—TO LEASE FOR 10 OR 15 YEARS, VERY LOW, the following first-class residence property, viz: 125 feet opposite Benj. Babb's, on Adams street; 75 feet on the north side, and 50 feet on the south side of Jefferson street extended; each lot runs back to an alley. Satisfactory terms will be made with lessee in reference to improvements. Apply to
J. P. MEUX, 15 Union street,
or TREZEVANT & CO., Madison street.

FOR RENT OR SALE.

COTTAGE—A neat new cottage, on Hernando St. railway. Apply at 113 Beale street.

PERSONAL.

DIVORCES—Legally and quietly obtained for incompatibility, etc.; residence unnecessary. Fee after decree; 12 years experience. A. GOODRICH, Attorney-at-Law, 124 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.

ROOMS AND BOARD.

ROOM—A handsome front room, with back room adjoining, and board, at 86 Court street.

ROOM—Furnished or unfurnished front room, with board; also, day-boarders, at 117 Court st.

A handsome 2d-story front room, furnished or unfurnished, for family or gentlemen, 129 Court.

ROOM—An elegant front room, with large bay-window, on first floor, at 482 Main street.

ROOM—A handsomely furnished front room for a family or gentlemen, with board, at 417 Main.

ROOMS AND BOARD—Furnished room, with board, and day-boarders at 110 Monroe st.

ROOMS—Two handsomely furnished front rooms, in a private family, with or without board. Address A. N., this office.

BOARD AND LODGING—For families or single persons, can be had on application, at 392 Poplar street. References wanted.

FOR SALE.

STORE—Nice little Main street store, cheap. Address BARGAIN, Appeal office.

RESIDENCE—Two story frame residence, No. 189, on west side DeSoto street, between Linden and Vance, will be sold, at public auction, on Tuesday, April 10th, at 2 p.m. Terms, one-third cash, balance in one and two years. Title perfect; sale positive. I. D. CONAWAY,
Real Estate Agent.

BOILER AND ENGINE.
PHIL J. MALLON & CO.,
mh29 204 Main street.

IMPROVED LOT—On TUESDAY, April 10th, at 12 o'clock, I will sell, at public auction, the improved lot, 40 by 200 feet, on the south side of Union street, 80 feet west of DeSoto street. Title perfect. Terms—One third cash; balance in one and two years, 6 per cent. interest on deferred payments.
I. D. CONAWAY,
mh23 Real Estate Agent, 8 Madison st.

HOUSE—One of the most beautiful and complete "Homes" in Memphis. Apply on the premises, No. 354 Linden street, between Lauderdale and Orleans, or to me, at the Water office.
WM. L. CAMERON.

COWS WITH YOUNG CALVES—at Wimberly's stable, 126 Jefferson st.

TRADING-BOAT—With or without stock; boat new, 60 feet long, 16 wide, painted brown, at Ashport, Tenn.
J. W. DUNCAN.

FURNITURE AND CARPETS—At 133 Main street, up-stairs. Parlor suit, piano, Brussels, 3-ply and ingrain carpets; also, four bedroom suits; all in nice order and first-class goods. Apply on premises from 10 to 1 o'clock Friday morning.

COTTON-SEED—600 bushels of selected Java Cotton seed; 1500 bushels of selected Boyd Cotton-seed—in lots of ten to one hundred bushels.
H. T. COFFEE, O. K., Tunica county, Miss.
Postoffice, Austin, Miss.

COTTON-SEED—Pure Boyd Prolific. Apply to the undersigned, Catfish Point, Bolivar Co., Miss. Terms, 50c per bushel, cash. R. T. CONNELLY.

BUILDING LOTS—If you wish to be independent, secure a home. I am now offering to parties who wish to build, lots on the Thomas tract at one-half their value. The rent you are now paying will soon secure you a home of your own.
I. D. CONAWAY,
Rental and Real Estate Agent, 8 Madison st.

WANTS.

SITUATION—A young man of first-class abilities, who has had an extensive experience in the dry goods business, wishes a situation as salesman or to travel for some first-class firm in almost any line of business. Address F., Appeal office.

SITUATION to cook, wash and iron. Address E. M. M., this office.

TONSORIAL—If you want a good shave for 10 cents, or a stylish hair-cut for 25 cents, and a good clean bath for 25 cents, call at No. 8 Jefferson street, opposite Commercial Hotel.

LODGE SEAL AND RUBBER STAMP ORDERS.
E. W. GARRISON, 218 Main st.

EMPLOYMENT—A young married man, whose time is not occupied after 4½ o'clock, is desirous of obtaining some writing or work that he can do at home in the evening, or would take charge of a small set of books. Address
mh29 W., Lock-box No. 4, Memphis, Tenn.

AGENTS—Male and female agents. An entirely new article; energetic parties can realize $5 to $10 per day. No. 11 West Court street.

SITUATION—As book-keeper or assistant, shipping, receiving, or entry clerk; would travel. Address A. G. D., care Sledge, M'Kay & Co.

TROTTING STALLION—Mambrino Alhambra, a mahogany bay, 6 years old and 16 hands high, sired by Alhambra (he by Mambrino Chief, and Susan by American Eclipse); dam, Breeze by Brignoli; 2d dam by Thomas Jefferson; 3d dam by Downing's bay Messenger; 4th dam by Slasher; thoroughbred; will make the season of '77 at my farm, near Bunyn's Station. Also, a BLACK JACK, 16 hands high and 7 years old; breeds large. Terms, $20 per horse and $10 for Jack cash, when services are rendered; mares not proving in foal may be returned free next season. I am prepared to break and handle trotting horses and graze stock at reasonable rates.
HUGH D. GREER.

WE WILL GUARANTEE—That active men can make from $10 to $25 a day selling our goods in cities and country towns. It is only necessary to show your samples to make sales. Circulars free.
Room 9, 66 Madison street, Chicago, Ill.

BOILERS, Safes and Heavy Machinery to move
G. R. DUNBAR, 37 Union street.

STRAYED.

MULES—On Sunday, April 1st, one mouse-colored horse mule, with black stripes around the legs; letter S on the left jaw; also, one bay mare mule, about 7 years old, 14½ hands high.

Ten dollars reward will be paid for their delivery at No. 102 Desoto street.
DR. T. R. MORGAN.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.

HOUSE AND LOT—Will exchange a lot, with brick cottage, containing four rooms, with cistern, outside city limits, for a second-hand portable engine of 25 or 30-horse power and boiler, nearly new, and sawmill. Apply to
SLEDGE, M'KAY & CO.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

BRICK STOREHOUSE—The firm of Ballentine, Heflin & Co., of Sardis, Miss., having discontinued the mercantile business for the purpose of engaging in other pursuits, the large and elegant brick storehouse lately occupied by them is now vacant, and is offered for sale or rent on favorable terms. The house is a two-story brick, 54 by 120 feet, the first floor divided into two salesrooms 27 by 120 feet each, connected by arched doorways; the second floor has a furniture and storage room 27 by 120 feet, a room for clothing and carpets 27 by 80 feet, and several sleeping-rooms. All in good repair and nearly new. For elegance, convenience, and capacity for a large business, this house is not surpassed by any business house in the State.

The retirement of this large firm leaves a splendid opening for business. Parties looking for a good location would do well to address the undersigned.
mh28 BALLENTINE, HEFLIN & CO.

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

—The city council meets to-night.

—Early vegetables are making their appearance.

—Local strawberries will soon be in the market.

—Nashville is organizing a colored military company.

—*Annie Warwick;* a new novel. Ten cents a copy, at Mansford's.

—The St. Louis Browns play the Memphians at Central park Sunday.

—The cold weather of late has not destroyed all hope of a fruit crop.

—The sale of tickets for the Lawrence Barrett engagement begins Monday.

—Jim Johnson, colored, was arrested yesterday for stealing from the person.

—Cole's circus and menagerie exhibit at Hernando, Mississippi, to-day and to-night.

—Lawrence Barrett begins an engagement at the Memphis Theater the eleventh instant.

—Yesterday was truly consistent with April fickleness; the sun shone, and there was also rain.

—Moses John, indicted for larceny, was tried and acquitted by the criminal court yesterday.

☞—Dod & Co., 279½ Main street, have *Madame*, by Frank Lee Benedict, the "new and powerful novelist," over whom London is just now agitated.

—Court square presents a beautiful appearance. The grass is fresh, while the trees are budding, and the air is laden with the fragrance of spring's virgin odors.

—Elsewhere will be seen a report of the meeting of the Confederate monumental association last night. The association will hold an important meeting Saturday night.

—Police certificates for wages due in January, 1877, and since then are worth only fifty cents in the dollar. It is said that there is a good deal of speculation in this species of paper.

—The case of Preston Jones, colored, who killed another colored boy near the city hospital last January, is on trial in the criminal court. It is claimed that the shooting was accidental.

—A paper carrier named Willie Peters was yesterday caught in the fly-wheel of the engine in the APPEAL press-room and severely, but perhaps not dangerously injured. The boy narrowly escaped death.

—Prof. Mueller gives a *soiree dansante* at his new hall, corner of Second and Madison streets, to-morrow night. Friday night he gives a juvenile *soiree dansante*, to which all of his former pupils are invited. Admission twenty-five cents.

—Lawrence Barrett begins an engagement at the Memphis Theater, the eleventh instant. His engagement is for four nights, during which he will present his leading and most interesting plays. Of course Barrett will draw large houses.

—The recorder yesterday disposed of the following cases: William Lanier, W. Sullivan, B. McNairy and T. W. Gibbs, drunk, fined $5 each; W. McCarty, drunk and disorderly, fined $10; Joe Ruffin and J. Garibaldi, fighting, fined $5 each.

—Mr. E. B. Britt was yesterday appointed deputy-constable, and will have his office at No. 12 West Court. His residence is at No. 741 Main street. Mr. Britt will make an efficient officer, he being well qualified for the duties of the position.

—Fred. W. Nicholson, who removed a quantity of female underwear from a colored boardinghouse on Adams street, was yesterday convicted of larceny and given six months on the island. Women and wine will ruin a man, whether he be young or old.

—The latest revelations relative to the operations of the telephone are to the effect that when the human voice causes the diaphragm to vibrate, electrical undulations are induced in the coils around the magnets precisely similar to the undulations of the air produced by the voice.

—That was a gay and festive party last night, such a *coterie* of womanly loveliness and manly dignity as one would ever welcome to the APPEAL sanctum to join us in the enjoyment of the *recherche* confections sent us by one of the best and most appreciative ladies of Memphis.

—The American association for the advancement of science, which will meet at Nashville next August, will remain in session six days. During that time the members will be entertained at private residences and, perhaps, at the Maxwell house. The association will hold its sessions at the capitol.

—Detectives M'Cune and Pryde yesterday arrested a colored barber named Charles Moore, on the steamer John B. Maude, for stealing a watch, vest, pistol, money, and a pair of pants, from Alex. Trahane, porter of the boat. The larceny was committed when the steamer was at Vicksburg. The watch and pistol were found in possession of Moore and returned to their owner.

—We find the following in the Nashville *Banner* of the second, but know nothing relative to the merits of the subject: "We have been sent the following notice with a request to publish: 'We owe it to the public as well as to ourselves to state that E. B. M'Clannahan was dismissed from our firm for disreputable practices. Signed, B. S. Morris, D. K. M'Rae, Wm. F. Singleton. Chicago, March 26, 1877.'"

—"Do you see dem dere monkeys in dat ere cage," said one darky to another at Cole's menagerie, last night. "Un course I does; what yer 'spects my eyes for, no how, less I sees dem." "De reason I asks you is dis: dey are niggers, dey is," was the response. "Ain't yer shamed to 'buse your sex, for why don't dey talk? dey's niggers?" And the old darky said: "Kase dem monkeys is too smart, dey is, to go talking, for ef dey did, fore de Lord, de white folks would cut dar tails, put a hoe in dar hands, and send dem to de cotton-field, unless dey went on de chain-gang, and dem dey would go to President's Island. You hear me, don't you? 'Fore de Lord, it's true, sho's you 'live."

—We have learned who had the refitting of Mr. W. W. Cole's vast concern, and are proud to say that the appearance of the tableau-cars and cages, the painting and artistic embellishment of the animal dens, and the superb harness and trappings reflect a superlative amount of credit on the artisans who have thus proved that Memphis can turn out work equal, at least, if not superior, to any of her sister cities of the Union. Mr. Cole judged rightly when he concluded he could be accommodated in Memphis in every species of mechanical work, and the result proved that every expectation has been realized. He will doubtless winter here again. R. D. Wallace & Co. did the wagon-making and repairing, and built the cages. The harness-making and camel-trappings were by Ferguson & Co., of Second street.

PERSONAL.

GOVERNOR PORTER is visiting his home at Paris.

COTTON EXCHANGE arrivals yesterday were: Dr. A. J. Phelps, Louisville, Kentucky; A. C. Leigh, Grenada, Mississippi; R. S. Howard, New Orleans; J. L. Eason, Wall Hill, Mississippi; Dr. J. J. Sherrod, Covington, Tennessee; N. E. Hughes, Prentiss, Mississippi.

THE Nashville *American*, of Sunday, says: "Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Dr. Jared Lindsley, the late commodore's family physician; J. Tillinghast, superintendent of the New York Central and Hudson River railroads, with headquarters at Albany; R. L. Crawford, brother of Mrs. Vanderbilt and general agent of the New York Central and Hudson River railroads, arrived in a special coach from New York last evening, and took rooms at the Maxwell house. They will remain over here until to-morrow evening, when they will go to Mobile and return home by way of Memphis."

THE Nashville *Banner* of the second has the following relative to a former citizen of Memphis: "Mr. T. W. White, who has been the efficient steward of the Maxwell house for a number years, has resigned his position and will soon remove to Denver, where he will take charge of a hotel 'on his own hook.' Mr. White will carry with him the best wishes of numerous friends."

LAST night Mr. Frank Smith and Miss Lou Smith were united in matrimony at the Court street Cumberland Presbyterian church, Rev. Dr. Stainback officiating. There was a very large attendance of ladies and gentlemen to witness the interesting ceremonies, which by special request were performed in accordance with the rights of the Episcopal church. The bridegroom is a well-known business man and a deserving gentleman. The bride, a daughter of the late General Preston Smith, is noted for her beauty and refinement. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Smith upon the consummation of their love and the realization of their hopes.

THE Washington *Republican* has the following: "It is rumored that Judge Freeman, of Tennessee, a personal friend of Postmaster-General Key, and an eminent lawyer, will soon succeed Judge Spencer, the present assistant attorney-general of the postoffice department." In commenting upon this, the Nashville *American* says: "The fight of the district attorneyship rages as fiercely as ever at Washington. Hughes is practically done for, and hopes to have his revenge by keeping Harrison out. Meantime the friends of other aspirants are putting in some good work. One candidate begins to think he can Reid his title to the place a little clearer; another fancies there will soon be Ruhm for him to slip in; a third anxiously sees his fate Trimble in the balance; no Warder ever kept closer watch over his own interests than a fourth; and how Maney others there may be after the place the *American* knoweth not."

AMUSEMENTS.

W. W. Cole's Circus and Menagerie.

Yesterday afternoon the matinee performance of Cole's circus was largely attended by an audience representing much of the beauty and fashion of Memphis. The little folks were out in force, and their juvenile expressions of delight were long and loud, and made the tent ring with their musical laughter and childish joy, while the older portion of the audience, who "only came to see after the children," seemed to forget the present, and drift back into the past, and recalling scenes of childhood, grew enthusiastic and vied with the youngsters in applauding and hand-clappings. At night the tent was again crowded to suffocation, and the interesting programme of the three previous exhibitions was repeated. It is seldom that a circus performance is so forcible in its excellence as to call forth signs of extreme commendation, but that which Mr. Cole presented was such as to make the beholder feel that he was witnessing something which was superior to the stale and time-worn acts which circus managers have heretofore placed before the public, and which not only interest, but create a strong impression on the mind and memory of the intelligent spectator. The superb and graceful riding of young O'Dale was truly the most graceful and picturesque act of horsemanship which we have ever had the good fortune to witness. Without any apparent effort he executed pirouettes and somersaults which were models of beauty and expertness, and a moment after rest upon his horse's back in a position which would call up memories of some classic statue carved in marble. In fact, the equestrian displays are unequaled, and we must recall with pleasure young Leon's five-horse act; a Centaur, he seemed a part of the horse he guided, and put his beautiful steed through a series of evolutions, which prove him not only a finished rider, but an animal educator of rare experience and ability. The posturing act of the Snow Brothers was another elegant feature of the enjoyable programme; grace, ease and skill have been studied with earnest application, and combined to add what might be necessary to complete the most finished performance now offered for public admiration. The clowns were in their happiest mood, and did not throw out the defunct witticisms of by-gone days, as usual, but Mr. M'Intyre kept the audience amused and delighted whenever he appeared, by keeping up a running fire of seemingly insoluble conundrums, which, when solved at last, burst out in corruscations of refined wit and laughable oddities. The other clowns, Messrs. Adams and Long, are fun-creating grotesques. And last, but not least, they have the great twenty-nine-horse leaper, Mr. W. H. Batcheler, who stands without a rival in his profession today. Such a meritorious show deserves, and cannot fail to attain, unqualified success, and meet with favor from the people of the south, who mingle with their intelligence and ability to criticise, a natural enthusiasm in the appreciation of anything truly meritorious and deserving. Mr. Cole left at one o'clock this morning for Hernando, Mississippi, where he exhibits this afternoon and to-night. His circus and menagerie are worthy of public patronage, for they are all that even the hypercritical could desire. He will, everywhere, draw full tents, and give brilliant entertainments.

LAW REPORTS.

Circuit Court—Helskell, Judge.

The case of Hartly vs Happek is still on trial.

Criminal Court—Logwood, Judge.

The following cases are set for trial to-day: 258, Albert Beer; 330, Ben Solomon; 725, Thomas Payne; 541, Mary Washington; 808, Isaac White; 763, John Murphey; 610, William Goldstein; 673, Annie Davis; 720, William Alexander; 729, Henry Woods; 812, J. W. Kelly; 814, Collins Brown.

Chancery Court—Morgan, Judge.

The calendar for Monday, April 9th, is as follows: 1919, Bayliss vs. A. & M. society; 4932, Best vs Heuck; 1958, Babb vs Mosby; 1962; Lauderdale county vs Fargason; 1966, Murphy vs Stanley; 1869, Pickett vs Harris; 1921, Snowden vs Anderson; 1996, Stewart vs Jones; 2404, Smith vs Union bank; 2405, Stillman vs Frost; 2410, Van Brocklin vs Sharpe; 2412, Persons vs Young; 2415, Posey vs James; 2421, Jones vs Juniper; 584, Meath vs Craig; 1702, Ballentine vs Laird; 1911, Ross vs Rash; 1929, Wylie vs Raleigh hotel; 1936, Malatesta vs Wright; 1976, Mosby vs Goree; 2101, Scoff vs Smith; 2428, Dix vs Farnsworth; 2429, Hefferman vs Hefferman.

You can save money—to "buy mules" of J. B. & W. A. FAIRES, 55 Union street.

THE cheapest and best steam dyeing and cleaning house in the city is at 246 Second street. T. J. WALKER & CO.

You can buy choice mules or any kind of a horse at reasonable rates, guaranteed, of J. B. & W. A. FAIRES, 55 Union street.

Fine Stationery.

The largest variety, newest novelties, handsomest goods and most reasonable prices always found at Dod's new bookstore, 279½ Main street.

Best Assortment of Hats

At Leidy & Co.'s, 273½ Main street.

Spring

Cassimere suits, gotten up in elegant style, of all-wool material, for $10 a suit, fully worth $15, at the Great Western Clothing House.

Opening Week of Fine French Millinery and Flowers.

LEUBRIE'S POPULAR CHEAP STORE

Grand Opening Day, Thursday, April 5th.

Paris trimmed bonnets and round hats, in correct and best styles, at half the price asked elsewhere.

Sailor, school, and boys' hats, 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c
Trimmed hats, $1 25, $1 50, $1 75, $2.

We are undoubtedly offering fancy goods and millinery cheaper than any house in Memphis.

Silk pocket handkerchiefs, 40c, 45c, 55c.
Ladies' drawers, 25c worth 50c.
Chemise and skirts, 40c worth 75c.

LEUBRIE'S POPULAR CHEAP STORE
247 Main Street.

Gold & Silver Perforated Board.

New patterns, from 35 to 50c per sheet. New designs embossed picture ornaments—the largest variety south of New York. New picture books, scrap book and albums just received at Dod's, 279 Main st.

Notice.

For the best tooth powder, call on Drs. A. Wesson & Sons, 243 Main street.

COUNTY COURT.

The Memphis, Brownsville and Cairo Narrow-Gauge Railroad—Proposed Donation by Shelby County—Safe and Equitable Guarantees.

The county court yesterday met at ten o'clock, Judge Holman presiding, and a full bench of magistrates being present.

In the forenoon the court was engaged in routine affairs, and transacted a large amount of business, consisting of claims, accounts, petitions, road matters, etc.

In the afternoon the court met and resumed its routine business.

A resolution was introduced that the county court donate the Memphis and Raleigh narrow-gauge railroad, its rights and franchises, etc., to the Memphis, Brownsville and Cairo narrow-gauge railroad company.

Colonel W. W. Vaughn, the efficient and energetic president of the Brownsville railroad, addressed the court, asking that the road-bed, iron and rolling stock of the Memphis and Raleigh railroad be given to the new combination, or to the through narrow-gauge line from Memphis *via* Brownsville to Cairo. Colonel Vaughn made a proposition that he would place to the credit of Shelby county eight thousand dollars of the first-mortgage bonds of his company upon the ultimate completion of his road from Memphis to Brownsville. Colonel Vaughn made a forcible speech and an eloquent appeal, in which he set forth the benefits that would accrue to Shelby county and to Memphis by the acceptance of his proposition. His remarks, embodying such an array of facts and figures, as well as assurances of an indisputable character, were well received, and will be maturely considered and thoroughly digested by the magistrate to whom he spoke.

Colonel Bradford and Colonel Brockway, directors of the Brownsville narrow-gauge railroad, also made remarks relative to the above proposition and the advantages that would result from the building of the line.

The resolution was referred to the county attorney, who has the subject-matter under advisement, and will report to the court this morning.

At the conclusion of the speeches of the above-named gentlemen the court adjourned to meet at ten o'clock this morning.

HOWARD ASSOCIATION.

Annual Meeting and Election of Officers—Statement of Financial Condition and Last Year's Disbursements.

The annual meeting of this association was held at their rooms, No. 18 Madison street, on Monday evening at eight o'clock; a full attendance of the members were present. The treasurer, P. W. Semmes, submitted his annual report showing his receipts, as follows:

Receipts.

From late treasurer	$ 334 42
From interest, six months	1,186 55
From sale of bonds	911 00
Total	$2,431 97

Disbursements.

Savannah, Georgia, sufferers	$1,000 00
Brunswick, Georgia, sufferers	1,000 00
Other donations	86 42
Expense account, rent, etc	120 00
	$2,206 42
Balance on hand	$225 55

The secretary, J. H. Smith, presented his annual report, which is as follows:

Cash on hand last report	$338 57
Interest received, six months	1,186 55
From sale of hospital furniture	204 50
From sale of bonds	911 00
Total	$2,640 62

Disbursements.

Donations to Savannah, Brunswick, etc.	$2,086 42
Expenses—rent, printing, etc	305 35
Total	2,391 77
Cash balance	$ 248 85

The association during the past year donated the $4000 Shelby county warrants held by them to the following institutions: Memphis Bethel, Sisters of Good Shepherd, and Ladies' Christian association of Memphis.

The assets of the association are as follows:

United States gold bonds, cost	$27,642 85
Memphis Gas company bonds	14,000 00
Coupons due	1,150 00
Cash in Tr. German national bank	225 55
Cash in hands of secretary	23 30
Total	$43,041 70

Liabilities—None.

JAMES H. SMITH, Secretary.

Examined and approved.
C. A. LEFFINGWELL, Chn. Aud. Com.
F. F. BOWEN
W. J. B. LONSDALE.
MEMPHIS, TENN., April 2, 1877.

The secretary was also instructed to pay Messrs. Holst's bill for the funeral expenses of the late James G. Simpson, a former member.

The association then proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year, resulting in the unanimous re-election of the following officers: General G. W. Gordon, president; General W. J. Smith, first vice-president; A. D. Langstaff, second vice-president; P. W. Semmes, treasurer; J. H. Smith, secretary. Board of Directors—J. G. Lonsdale, sr., A. E. Frankland, B. P. Anderson, E. B. Foster, A. M. Stoddard and J. J. Murphy.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Call on Prominent Citizens to Start the Ball Rolling—Will they Serve?

EDITORS APPEAL—Your zeal for the promotion of the best interests of this community is undoubtedly appreciated by your fellow-citizens. On this, as on all other occasions when the good of all is contemplated, your sincere determination deserves to be crowned with success. Prompted by disinterested enthusiasm, one is apt to forget the large number of our fellow-creatures who are incapable of conceiving a motive for action where self is eliminated; but the approval *in foro conscientiæ* has been the only reward of the greatest characters who have adorned humanity. Having interchanged ideas with a number of persons of either sex, on the proposed public library, I am satisfied that a beginning only is needed to make it a living reality. Let none say that we are in too great a hurry—in this case there is nothing gained by waiting. When the object sought to be attained is admitted on all hands as desirable and necessary, what more is required but action? Aphorisms which have been accepted as axioms by innumerable generations without question, and which on analysis disclose but a particle of truth, are often used by the *glib-of-tongue* to turn the weightiest arguments of earnest people into ridicule. "Rome was not built in a day," and analogous sayings, have probably done more to retard progress among over-cautious people than the accumulated hereditary prejudices which environ almost every human being from the cradle to the grave. We cannot be in too great a haste to do good. "Life is short, art is long," says Goethe. The timid should bear in mind, however, that the chances are very favorable for the selection of a committee of arrangements, who shall be possessed of sufficient knowledge and judgment to unite prudence with speed. To give the subject under consideration a tangible form, I suggest that the following well-known and intelligent gentlemen get their heads together and issue a call for a meeting, to take place on the earliest day possible. Individually and collectively, I ask the gentlemen's pardon for using their names; it is done because knowledge of their characters is a sufficient guarantee that they would make capable and earnest workers: Dr. Willett, Eugene Lehman, Rev. Mr. Thomas, Colonel Kellar, of the *Avalanche*, Judge Pierce, Rev. Mr. Sansfield, Captain Mathes, of the *Ledger*, William R. Moore, Rev. Mr. M'Namara, and Mr. J. M. Keating, of the APPEAL. Should the above named gentlemen, or any four of them, unite in calling a meeting at once, the people undoubtedly would respond. At the first, or preliminary, meeting a temporary organization could be effected, canvassers to solicit subscribers appointed, and a day designated to report progress. Pray let us have no hesitation; it is not such a stupendous undertaking. I could name a dozen cities, neither of which has more than half our population, with libraries of from twenty to thirty thousand volumes. At the outset, too, great caution should be exercised in selecting persons for working positions in the organization. The officers should be elected for their fitness, not because they are favorites. A general invitation to remain away should be extended to that numerous class of persons who are dissatisfied with every enterprise that is proposed because new, as well as to those unhappy people who throw a gloom over every bright object which they look upon, and who are known as chronic croakers. Woman's support should be solicited; her aid in an undertaking of this kind is not desirable only, but absolutely necessary. Although it may be too early to touch the question of charges, it would be well to remember that the principal support of public libraries is drawn from the working classes, and, consequently, the figure should be as low as possible, say four, or at most five dollars per annum. It is scarcely necessary to add that a library would not be worth much which could not be kept open during the day as well as in the evening, so that persons could drop in whenever they had ten or fifteen minutes to spare, and use the time profitably. Of course this entails the expense of a librarian, but in place of being an extravagance the subscribers will find it economical in the end. This officer should be chosen with the greatest care. He should be intelligent, industrious, and possessed of a good English education at least. He should devote his whole time to the library, having no other business to distract his attention. With a zealous and competent person in this position success would be certain. Hoping that the gentlemen named will do themselves the honor of inaugurating this great public blessing, I shall conclude with an extract from a poet who looked seriously on time, and put forth many a warning to his fellow-mortals that delays are indeed dangerous:

"Be wise to-day, 'tis madness to defer;
Next day the fatal precedent will plead,
Thus on, till wisdom is pushed out of life.
Procrastination is the thief of time;
Year after year it steals, till all are fled,
And to the mercies of a moment leaves
The vast concerns of an eternal scene."

BETA.

THE BEACH HOMICIDE.

The Question of Bail to be Investigated and Determined by Judge Logwood To-Day.

The attorney-general yesterday did not agree to admit to bail Mr. Levin H. Coe, who stands indicted for the killing of Mr. M. M. Beach, concerning which the full particulars have been published in the APPEAL. The accused is still in charge of the officers of the law, and will to-day have his case examined by Judge Logwood, of the criminal court, who will determine whether or not the offense be bailable. Murder in the first degree is not a bailable offense, but any grade of homicide is. It remains to be seen what view Judge Logwood will hold of this matter in which Mr. Coe is accused. Should the facts attending the killing show that it was done under an impulse, and not the result of a deliberate purpose, the accused will be admitted to bail. Recorder Duff, after an examination of the case, decided that the defendant was entitled to bail, and fixed the sum at ten thousand dollars, which had readily been given but for the issuance of the *capias* and the finding of the indictment. So far as any facts elicited in court relative to the affair are concerned, it appears that a fight ensued between the two parties, and that both were beaten with a cane. According to the statement of Mr. Beach to Mrs. Barbour, who testified before the recorder, he had felled Mr. Coe to his knees, when the latter fired the fatal shot.

A STORY OF TO-DAY.

Compiled with Care from the City Directory—"From Grave to Gay, from Lively to Severe."

A gentleman of cultivation and leisure sends us the following, which he dedicates to the publisher of the Memphis *Directory:*

It is passing *Strange* that a *Mann* is never content with the *Goode* he en-*Joyce*, *Orr* satisfied with a life of *Peace* in the *Little Hamlet* in the *Dale* of the *Steele Waters* of *Chrystal Brooks* or the cool *Banks* of his native *Rivers* where *Lockes* and *Keys* are useless and no *Foote* of *Outlaw* ever dares to *Cross* the threshhold of *Pleasant Holmes* where *Real Bliss* presides at the *Merry* board; where the *Early Ashe* trees *Bloom* and the *Holly* shows its crimson *Berry;* where the *Velvet Moss* grows on the *Green Banks* and the *Rose* sheds a perfume as *Sweet* as the choicest *Colognes;* where the *Cherry* and *Blossom, White* as the *Snow*, invites the bee, and the spider, that primitive *Weaver*, twines a *Webb* as light as the gossamer's wing, unawed by *Toad* or *Bird*, and the *Trout May Chase* the *Small Fry* un-*Hurt* by *Hooker* or *Spear*. *Butt* alas! a *Boddie* is sure to *long* and *Pyne* for some unseen *Blessing*, often the worst *Foe* to his own *Peace*. So felt a *Certain Smith*, who was *Boss* of a *Small* Ranche *(Range)* and *Lord* of his *Wood Castle* down in the *Wilds* of *Ayre*-kansaw. To *Chase* the *Buck* through the tangled *Cane* or the spreading *Oakes*, over the *Hill* and in the *Boggs;* to *Follow* the *Fox* through the deep *Forest;* to *Chute* the bear in the *Jungle*, or to *Board* the *Wolf* in his den; so leaving his *Gunn* to his *Boyce*, snatch the *Flowers All-bright* with *Dew* for the *Sweet Queen* of his *Hart*, and dally in *Lore's Bowers;* this was a-*Boutall* he could find to *Chair* his *Idle* hours that grew to *Weeks* of *Savage Glum*. His *Nabors* strove with *Hartie Goodwill* to bring him to his *Reason, Butt* he remained as *Stott* as a *Post* or a *Rock*, or I may say, a *Stump*, whose strong *Rootes* stuck in the *Clay Below*. *Friends* plead. His *Brother*, back in *Old Calino* (Carolina) tried to dispel the *Cloud* from his *Sick* mind; but he heeded it no *More* than the *Raquet* made by the *Rooks* on the *Barnes* on a *Rainey Day*. He *Sigh*-ed to be *Rich*. He thought it would *Ease* (ease) his *Akin* heart, or *Father* make him *Hale* in mind to hear the clink of *Cash* in city *Banks*. He had *Heard* marvelous stories of the *Gaines* in *Cotton* futures. He would *Goforth* and fulfill the *Enz* of his *Bean* (being). He would *Dare* to enter the *Golden Gates* of the *Temple* of Mammon. He was never born to be a *Granger*, to dig at *Grubbs* for his *Daily* bread; or *Herd* the *Lamb* for his *Fleece*; or *Gear* the *Boss* and be a *Waggoner*; to feed the *Sheat* for his *Bacon*; or *Hatch* the *Early* chicken. He would become a *Trader*—a *Merchant Prince*. Thus taking all his *Horde* of ready *Mooney*, and fortifying his courage by a swig of *Brandy*, one *Day* in *March* he bid a *Dew* to the *Meadows* and *Fields*, a *Freeman* now, no longer *Given* to *Lowe* pursuits. A country *Knaw*, he wended his *Way* to the *East*, where Memphis sleeps beside the *Fader* of *Waters* and *Lotts* of *People Rather* make an honest *Penny* than *Knott*, and who all have a *Hatchet* to grind. Smith did not intend to let his *Means Rust* in lazy *Bills* that