

The IRON COUNTY REGISTER is Published every Thursday, by ELI D. AKE, At One Dollar and Fifty Cents a year, in advance.

HANCOCK & ENGLISH RATIFICATION, At the COURTHOUSE, IRONTON FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 9TH. EMINENT MEN TO BE PRESENT!

Arrangements have been made for ratifying the nominations of the National Democratic Convention, in Ironton, next Friday evening. Distinguished speakers from St. Louis, and from adjoining counties, have been invited, and will be present.

It is desired to make the ratification a rousing affair, and we hope that every Democrat in the county will turn out. The Brass Band will furnish music for the occasion.

We haven't much of a paper this week; but, then, we've had a good deal of 4th of July.

Democrats, don't forget the ratification meeting Friday night. Let there be such an outpouring as the good cause deserves.

Miss Ida Kennedy, of Chester, Ill., is sojourning with Mrs. Col. McGhee, at Arcadia, and adds one more to that place's previous long list of attractions.

On and after July 1st, and until further notice, the Iron Mountain Railroad Express will deliver all packages, without reference to weight, free of charge to its patrons in Ironton.

On Tuesday of last week two men were injured in the tunnel on Pilot Knob, by the falling of rock from overhead. We have not been able to learn the full particulars; but the men were not seriously hurt.

The next session of the Normal School will open Sept. 1st. Our teachers should avail themselves of the advantages of the Normal to improve their qualifications to teach.

C. B. Smith, Esq., of Potosi, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Fannie, came down and attended our 4th of July ball. They returned home on the 6th. Sam. Richardson, Esq., also came with them and danced until the 3 A. M. train forced his departure to St. Louis.

LESSONS ON PORCELAIN PAINTING AND WATER COLORS.—Professor Ernest Monier, of St. Louis, having a little time to spare, informs the ladies who would like to take some lessons to apply to him at the Ironton House.

Last Monday afternoon, about five o'clock, a north-bound freight train ran over a man near Middlebrook. He was evidently drunk, and had lain down on the track to sleep. The body was horribly mangled, and parts scattered along the track, some thirty feet having passed over it. A coroner's inquest was held Tuesday morning, and the evidence given was in accordance with the above.

Mr. Wilkinson having regained his health and remodeled his sky-light, is now better prepared than ever to execute PHOTOGRAPHS and GEMS in the most artistic manner, and at the very lowest living rates. He is one of the oldest and best posted photographers in Southeast Missouri, and does his work conscientiously, so that persons having work done at his Gallery need have no fears of having poor work palmed off on them. Call and examine his work before going elsewhere.

ANNAPOLIS, Mo., June 29th, 1880. Ed. Register.—Messrs. Buford and Butts in their electioneering schemes have been telling some of the people that there is a law that compels the offices of Collector and Sheriff to be divided. Now, if such is the case, you will please inform your readers of the fact, and thereby enlighten some of us backwoodsmen.

Ed. Register.—I learn from various sources that I am charged with having said that the law of this State compelled the division of the offices of Sheriff and Collector. In answer to the charge, I will state that I am not quoted correctly. I did say that the law gave the people of a county the right to divide the offices, if they should think proper, and that they were no more one office than are the offices of County and Circuit Clerk one office.

On the first of June Hon. Thos. Allen, President of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railway, notified the Southern Express Company that thenceforth the R. R. Company would operate the express business on their line and ordered them to "draw off." They declined to "draw" and prayed the U. S. District Court to grant an injunction restraining the Iron Mountain from ejecting the Express Company from the Iron Mountain line.

- LIST OF LETTERS remaining uncalled for in the Post Office at Ironton, Mo., for the week ending July 6th, 1880: McCann D C, Marley Jane, McFarland W H, McCarty A J, Moore Nathaniel, Malcom S S, Osborn James, Orrick Louis, Olive Bennett, Parker Miss Francis, Phillips Joseph, Ragan Mary, Smith Thos J 2, Settlemore F M, Short D J, Stuart S F, Swaneagan Miss M, Stephens Wm, Stewart Albert, Stanton Thos B, Smith Rev Frank, Toney Mr, Vandiver John E, Ward M, Westover R, Wallen Mrs Helen, Whilchick, Winn Miss Mollie, Zimmerman Mrs L, Zimmerman Cris.

The following is the report for 1880, made by Dr. N. C. Griffith, County Commissioner of Iron county, to the State Superintendent of Public Schools: Number of white persons in the county between six and twenty years of age, male, 1340; female, 1214. Total, 2554. Number of colored persons in the county between six and twenty years of age, male, 55; female, 45. Total, 100. Number of white scholars attending the public schools of the county during the year, male, 824; female, 717. Total, 1541. Number of colored scholars attending the public schools of the county during the year, male, 46; female, 38. Total, 84. Total number of days' attendance by all such children, 96429. Average number of days' attendance by each child, 47. Number of days schools have been taught—summer, 1198; winter, 2309—3507. Average number of scholars attending each day—summer, 30 1-3; winter, 25 5-8—27 1-7. Number of teachers employed in the county during the year, male, 23; female, 23. Average salaries of teachers per month—male, 37.50; female, 31.18 1/2—34.34. Number of school-houses in county, 36. Number of buildings rented for school purposes, 2. Number of scholars that may be seated in the various school-houses, 1756. Number of white schools in operation, 37; colored, 1. Average cost per day for tuition of each scholar, (nearly) \$0.08. Value of school property in the county, \$14041.00. Average rate per \$100 levied for school purposes in the county, \$0.35 60-100. Assessed valuation of property in the county, \$1,500,000. Amount on hand at the beginning of school year, \$8,527.06. Amount received for tuition fees, \$4.00. Amount received from public funds (State, County and Township), \$3,983.62. Amount realized from taxation, \$2,054.76. Amount paid for teachers wages in the county during the year, \$7,378.05. Amount paid for fuel, \$134.25. Amount paid for repairs or rent of school-houses during the year, \$283.80. Amount paid for apparatus and incidental expenses during the year, \$577.43. Amount expended for erection of school-houses and purchasing of sites, \$401.00. Amount expended in defraying past indebtedness, \$415.49. Amount expended for library, \$13.00. Amount paid as salary of district clerks, \$85.50. Amount of unexpended school fund in the county at the close of year, \$5080.22. When ordering goods by Express from St. Louis always direct shippers to forward by Iron Mountain Railroad Express.

From Bellevue. Ed. Register.—Having seen nothing from Bellevue for so long, I think it time you should hear from our valley. We were kept posted last winter by "The Minister's Parrot;" but for some cause unknown to me, he has quit writing. Maybe, like his predecessor in this country some years ago, he has been devoured by the owls, and nothing will ever be found of him except his feathers. I think, from the language he uses, that he must have been a reader of the Saturday Night, or of some novel equally as interesting. He kept us posted in regard to the weather: the thermometer was always two degrees below zero, cold or hot. We may hear from him since harvest is over. I know that he was engaged in harvesting, providing for his little ones; which is right, as any Parrot would do.

The indications are now that the wheat crop beats last year in quantity if not in quality, and we hope it may excel in both; and that the farmers may realize a good price for it. Business here is generally very dull. Our merchants have all turned agents for machinery of some kind. One says the Champion Reaper is the best in use; another, the Walter A. Wood; and a great many favor the Buckeye. But we have a grain grader now that will do wonders, when tried, without a doubt. In regard to politics we are all quiet, and almost a unit on the (L. H.) Davis question. As to how we stand for Sheriff I am not very well posted. Since the death of Grant I seldom hear anything about elections. I hear of no booms since the Chicago convention. This country is very healthy; but little sickness and few deaths. I must say one thing for Bellevue: We have no dram-shops here now nearer than Middlebrook. Does this not speak well for us? I think it shows that this is not such a bad place after all. I will try to do better in my next, provided the Parrot does not come to life again.

Robt. Hotson desires us to tell the public generally that he will hereafter, during the season of 1880, have Ice-Cream on hand for sale at his restaurant, every day and night of the week, except Sunday. He will furnish this delicacy by the plate, quart or gallon—in the larger quantities, at very low rates. He will also keep a supply of the various fruits of the season. Restaurant, south side courthouse square.

Our Weather Report for 1880. Table with columns: DATE, THERMOMETER, WIND, WEATHER, RAINFALL. Rows for months from June to July.

Notice to School-Teachers! LAST CALL. I will meet those who wish to be examined for certificates, to teach in the Public Schools of Iron county, ON FRIDAY, JULY 30, 1880, at the Public School-House, in Ironton, at 8 o'clock A. M.

DEM. A. SIMMONS' CURES. BILIOUSNESS, SICK HEADACHE, DYSPEPSIA, COLIC, VEGETABLE LIVER MEDICINE. For sale by W. F. WIESNER, Ironton, Mo.

Interesting to Ladies and Housekeepers! Ladies and Housekeepers—and especially Hotel-keepers—don't take the money, trouble and chances of making good Bread for yourselves when you can go to the Ironton Bakery and buy it cheaper than you can make it, no matter how cheap you get your flour!

TAKE NOTICE! On and after this date I will sell Sweet-Potato Plants at 20 cents per hundred, for the remainder of the season. JOHN NEWMAN. Ironton, May 25th, 1880.

BALDWIN BROS., (Successors to B. Shepherd,) Carpenters and Contractors, AND MANUFACTURERS OF AND DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF DOORS, SASH, BLINDS, Window and Door Frames, MOULDINGS and BALISTERS, both sawed and turned; FLOORING and CEILING, WEATHERBOARDING, and SCOCIA SIDING, tongued and grooved, and DRESSED FINISHING LUMBER, constantly on hand.

FARRIS & BEUCKEMANN, Arcadia, Mo., SELL GOODS Only for Cash or Produce. If You Want Groceries, CHEAP, FRESH AND PURE, GO TO S. G. & W. G. FAIRCHILD'S STORE, IRONTON MO.

W. F. WIESNER, DEALER IN DRUGS AND MEDICINES. Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Books and Stationery, Wall Paper, Perfumery, Fancy Articles, Etc., Etc., W. Main St., Ironton. Includes image of a mortar and pestle.

ANSALEM BEGLEY, IRONTON, MO. WILL ATTEND TO UNDERTAKING IN ALL ITS BRANCHES. Coffins, all Sizes and Styles, Ready-Made and Trimmed, or Timmed to Order. Can Fill Orders at Ten Minutes' Notice. PRICES REASONABLE. ALSO PROPRIETOR OF LIVERY & FEED STABLE. Hacks, Carriages, Horses and Buggies always on hand for Hire.

J. N. BISHOP, DEALER IN STOVES, HARDWARE, FURNITURE, PUMPS, WOODENWARE, GLASS, PISTOLS, NAILS, GARDEN TOOLS, MATTRESSES, POWDER, GRANITE, IRONWARE. Manufacturer of Tinware. Roofing and Guttering. Agent for Buckeye Mower and Sweepstake Thresher. South Side Courthouse Square, IRONTON, MISSOURI.

List of Administrators, Executors, Guardians and Curators whose settlements are due, and who are required to make settlement of estates in their charge, at the August term, A. D. 1880, of the Probate Court of Iron county, to be held on the first Monday (the 24 day) of August, 1880, at the courthouse in the City of Ironton, in said County of Iron, State of Missouri, to wit:

Important Reduction! From and after this date, the Ironton Manufacturing Company will sell their CHOICE XXXX FAMILY FLOUR AT \$2.50 PER HUNDRED POUNDS! and guarantee the same to be as good as that of any other manufacture.

TOLL ROCK AND RYE SURE CURE Coughs, Colds, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Asthma, Consumption, And All Diseases of THROAT and LUNGS. Includes image of a bottle of medicine.

Something New! Jos. A. Hughes HAS OPENED A FRUIT AND NOTION STORE, ON MAIN STREET, (Opposite John Moore's Store), Where a general assortment of Green and Canned Fruits Can always be found.

THIS INTERESTS YOU! THE BEST ORGAN MADE! For Only a Penny. YOU CAN SEND A POSTAL CARD TO "A. B. CHASE ORGAN COMPANY, NORWALK, OHIO, and receive their Illustrated Catalogue, Circulars and Testimonials showing how they can and DO make the BEST ORGAN IN THE WORLD! Many points of EXCELLENCE over ALL OTHERS. We can't particularize here, but will say, if you want an Instrument for your own use you want nothing but OUR ORGAN! If you want Organs to sell again, there are no others that sell so easily or give so good satisfaction after they are sold. IT'S A FACT. A. B. CHASE ORGAN CO., NORWALK, OHIO.