

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Brown has a Clearing Sale ad. It has been a muddy, sloppy week. And the days will soon grow longer. The Iron County schools resumed Monday.

Are we going to have any ice this winter? The next two months promise to be unusually quiet. All told we had nearly ten inches of snow last week.

Will you watch the Old Year Out and New Year In? All trains have been more or less late the past week.

The Ozark Studio will open January 1st. Visitors are welcome. The banks will not be open for business Thursday—New Year's Day.

New Year's Dance at Graniteville this (Wednesday) evening. A good time is assured. Big Annual Clearing Sale at Brown's. Special price on every article in the store.

Passenger traffic on the railroad has been very good for the past week or more. Little doing in the freight line.

The young folk had a very pleasant dance at the Valley Inn Friday evening. All enjoyed a very pleasant time.

"Uncle Josh Spruceby" at the Academy of Music next Monday night. Get your tickets at the Kandy Kitchen.

The Wednesday night prayer meeting of the Fort Hill congregation will be held this week at the residence of Father Aspley.

Postmaster Daugherty thinks the Iron County post-office has been the busiest place in all the world the past week or ten days.

Well, we had a "White Christmas." It arrived just in time, about midnight of the 24th, and the flakes continued to fall for nearly twenty-four hours.

Married—At the Court House, Iron County, Mo., December 24th, 1913, Luther Lewis of Sabula and Pearl Warren of Chloride, Mo., Probate Judge O. W. Roop officiating.

Alonso Miller of Crane Pond has leased sixty acres of land in Dunklin county and expects to remove there within the next few weeks and will grow cotton this year.

Jim Coleman, colored, was arraigned before Justice Rasche Monday evening charged with disturbing the peace of Mrs. Ben Halle, also colored. A trial will be had Monday next.

The Sisters are occupying the kitchen and dining room in the new structure at Arcadia College. The carpenters have finished their work and the entire structure will soon be ready for occupancy.

Mr. H. R. Polak informs us that he will be a candidate for the Republican nomination for Prosecuting Attorney of Butler county next year. Mr. Polak is a most excellent young man and we have no doubt will make a success in the law.

Regular meeting of Iron County Camp, No. 3755, M. W. A., Tuesday evening, January 6th. Installation of officers and other important business. Luncheon and smoker after lodge. All members urged to attend.

H. W. ADOLPH, Clerk. Word was received here Tuesday of the death of Mr. Horace B. Pease at Ustick, Idaho, on Christmas day. Mr. Pease was for many years a resident of the valley, but has been in the west for the past twenty years. He was a good man and we hear of his death with sorrow.

E. Myers, the Shoe Repairing Man, is installing two more pieces of shoe machinery, which will enable him to do a better business and better work, and nearer work. Give me a part of your trade. Respectfully, E. MYERS.

Academy of Music Building, Iron County. Henry Trammel, who has been dodging the officers for several months because of his failure to pay a fine and cost imposed on him in Squire Rasche's court the latter part of the summer, came in and gave himself up one day last week and is now in durance vile. He has been sojourning in the west end of the county, near Bixby.

Mr. Herbert L. Kathis, a former Pilot Knob boy of whose marriage at Nickerson, Kansas, on December 17th, was made mention last week, was brought to the home of his parents in Pilot Knob Christmas in a very serious condition. He is suffering from rheumatism and the heart is affected. He is slightly better, now, and hopes are entertained for his early recovery.

Recorder Hawkins issued the following marriage licenses the past week: Luther Lewis of Sabula and Pearl Warren of Chloride.

Cal W. Boswell of Arcadia and Grace Orr of Pilot Knob. George Fessell and Myrtle Pogue of Ellington.

Walter Sutton and Vulcan and Carrie Eads of Wayne county. W. P. Quinton of Graniteville and Anna Breidstein of Bellevue.

Elec Barton and Elsie Sumpter of Bixby.

"Uncle Josh Spruceby" with the hayseed band and orchestra will be at Iron County on Monday, January 5th. This is the fourteenth successful season for this wonderful rural play. The story is laid in the Old Vermont Hills on the "Spruceby Farm," and is an excellent comedy drama with a strong double plot. The characters are carefully drawn, the situations are realistic and the comedy is abundant and wholesome.

Saturday, December twenty-seventh, Miss Mary Edgar entertained with a luncheon and miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Mildred Huff whose engagement to Mr. Wesley Langdon of Hornersville Missouri, has lately been announced. At the table, beautifully decorated in pink and white, covers were laid for the following guests: Misses Mildred Huff, Fredonia Jane Ringo, Lucille Ringo, Josephine Francis and Roberta Francis.

Married—At the residence of the bride's parents, near Iron County, Mo., Thursday, Christmas day, 1913, at noon, Mr. George Blue and Miss Azelle Marr, Rev. J. R. A. Vaughan, pastor of Fort Hill church, officiating. The attendants were Miss Camille Marr, a sister of the bride, and Mr. Walter Fisher, Jr. Mr. Blue and his bride boarded an evening train for St. Louis, where they will make their home. The REGISTER joins a legion of Iron County friends in wishing them every happiness.

In reference to the report that Rev. N. B. Henry, now located at Bonne Terre, is to be made President of Marvyn College at Fredericktown, the Bonne Terre Register says: "When called up Rev. Henry stated that he did not know much about the effort to elect him President but later admitted that the matter had been given some consideration by the Board and while he had not positively refused he felt that his duty lay with the church at least for a while yet. The fact that this is his last year here may be some reason for him accepting the position next fall."

The entertainment given by the M. E. Sunday School at Graniteville Christmas eve night was a grand success. The children and grown-ups who took part did splendidly, making about one of the best, if not the best, entertainments we have had for years. From the failure that it was hoped to be by one, whose bitterness opposed the children in their efforts. Still his opposition did amount to but Nay. And with a full house we had the best of order, and we wish to thank the boys for their good behavior which shows our boys can be gentlemen if they but try.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society, of Fort Hill Church, met at Mrs. Aspley's residence December 11, 1913, for its annual election of officers. Following are the names of those chosen: President, Mrs. Kate Whitworth; 1st Vice President, Miss Maude Langdon; 2d Vice President, Mrs. Allen; 3d Vice President Mrs. I. G. Whitworth; Treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Baird; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Curry; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. G. W. Farrar; Press Superintendent, Mrs. A. M. Plante; Assistant Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. A. A. Jacobs; Agent "Missionary Voice," Mrs. E. Hatten.

The day of the big turkey drives may be a thing of the past, but the day of the big goose drives is still in vogue in these parts at least. Last Friday many residents of this city witnessed the scene of a big goose drive up through the streets of Shelbina. In all there were about 500 geese and some 200 ducks in the flock. The birds were driven from a corral in the south part of the town up to the poultry house of J. M. Dean on Walnut street where they were cooped and sent to an eastern market. This great flock of geese and ducks was quite a curiosity to many of our people who had never witnessed a similar scene before.—Torchlight.

An adjourned term of circuit court convened Monday afternoon for the purpose of trying John Smith for the murder of Dick Parker, near Bixby, in the west end of Iron county, July 27th last. A jury was secured by ten o'clock Tuesday morning and the hearing of evidence began. All the testimony was in and instructions given to the jury by nine o'clock that night. The attorneys will make their arguments this (Wednesday) morning and the case will be given to the jury on noon. The defendant is a man about 55 years of age; his son, Jim, aged 17, was killed at the same time Parker was. Prosecuting Attorney Damron and H. R. Polak of Poplar Bluff are representing the state. Mr. O. L. Munger of Wayne county is counsel for the defendant. Court is expected to adjourn this evening.

The editor acknowledges with pride and gratification the many tokens of good will the Holidays brought him. From Mrs. Lulu Gilliam Woodside, Mr. H. A. Nail, of Jefferson City, Mr. G. W. Clarkston, of the Grand Avenue Bank, St. Louis, and Lopez Store Co., each, a box of cigars—not of the usual gift variety, but such as to make the after-dinner hour an enjoyment snatched from Elysium. Other remembrances and cards from the good Sisters at Arcadia, Mesdames O'Brien and Dr. Haight, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Bellis, Mr. and Mrs. Blood and Miss Davis of California, Mr. and Mrs. M. York, Quincy, Ill., Messrs. P. P. Hiney of De Soto, A. V. Polak, Dallas, Texas, J. L. Brierton, of Holt, Ala., A. C. Jaquith, of Denver, Colorado, and E. M. Carter, of Cape Girardeau. Neither did my old friend, Geo. L. Smith, of Dexter Business College, overlook me. To all these friends I am more beholden

than deserving, and I wish for them, as well as all the world, a happy and prosperous New Year!

A hearing in the case of C. H. Casebolt, Complainant, against The Sligo Furnace Co., The Sligo & Eastern Railroad Co., was had at Sligo, Mo., on December 17th, and was attended by many people from this and adjoining counties. The object of the hearing was to have the railroads of the Sligo Furnace Co., declared common carriers from Sligo to Doyle, in Iron County, a distance of about thirty miles. Many witnesses were examined showing that the extension of this road from Dillard to Doyle, as a common carrier would accommodate between four and five thousand people. The case was heard before Commissioner Wm. F. Werner, of St. Louis. Wm. Gentry & Lee of St. Louis, A. H. Harrison of Steelville, and Edgar & Edgar of Iron County, attorneys, represented the defendant. The complainant was represented by S. G. Nipper of Potosi and C. P. Damron, of Iron County. The indications are that the relief asked for by the complainant, will be granted.—Potosi Independent.

I went to the city last Wednesday—it being in Holiday time, you know—and for three whole days and nights this town ran along without its wonted "philosopher, friend and guide," and seems to have done fairly well, all things considered. Happily for us who awaited its coming, the 2:07 train (No. 22) did not smash the bulletin board's announcement, and at 2:30 we were steaming along beyond the limits of the Valley. At Bismarck after a halt of about twenty minutes, a Belmont Branch train came and a goodly portion of its human freight transferred itself to our caravan. After that, the halts, though distressingly frequent, were not of great length. As I did not meet an acquaintance, either in chair car, smoker or sleeper, time hung heavily, and so I drew a breath of grateful relief when we were finally engulfed in the bowels of the Terminal at 6:30.

By this time the grosser part of my being was asserting its claim to recognition. In response to my call over the phone, one of the freindschaft—a resident of the city—came to me and piloted me to his restaurant. Sleep is said to be "tired nature's sweet restorer," and I admit it; but there are others. A drop of something to clear the cinders from your throat, a hot oyster stew—with real oysters in it—amoderate "topping off," and a cup of the steaming beverage Postum cannot crowd out of place, though it boast an hundred "reasons"—these are by no means slouches in the art of "restoring," and in their combination one finds peace, content, comfort, and courage to face almost any ill or ailment of outrageous fortune. Why, restored by that satisfying repast, I wouldn't have given a nickel to call a king or emperor cousin.

After draining the final drop from the cup—it wasn't a demi-tasse, which I consider a fraud that ought to be prohibited by law—I trust my W. C. T. U. friends may not omit it from their list of reforms—we boarded a street car and hied us to the parental mansion, whither the grandchildren and their mamma had preceded me some three days. It is about a forty-five minutes' ride from the Union Station to 2133 Adelaide avenue, and I was hungry for my cigar before the way was accomplished. But tobacco in all its forms is taboo on the United Railways. The smoke and scent of the finest Havana is offensive to the aesthetic sight and delicate nostrils of the traveling public which endures with commendable complacency other sights and smells which savor neither of the gales of Arabia nor the beautiful vales over which they sweep. I remember one hot, sultry day in August, down in Arkansas, on a branch road, where the train leading to the Wynne junction was made up of a half-dozen freight cars and a combination white and colored coach: that is to say, it was partitioned into two compartments, the forward end being Caucasian and the rear African. As it happened, I was the only occupant of the white end, while the other compartment was well filled with the perspiring "man and brother." The door between the compartments was wide open, and the cigar I was smoking was, for obvious reasons, peculiarly grateful to me. Presently I heard a feminine voice plaintively call out, "Portah! portah! I wish you would please close doah. Dat seegah smoke is very distressin' to me!" The door was closed to our mutual relief, I trust. Perhaps I ought to have apologized to a lady of such refined sensibility, but I didn't. I felt that "evenin' up" did not demand it.

Nine o'clock found me safely housed and I found everybody well, with the cheer of Christmas eve upon big and little, young and old. My coming made the family gathering nearly complete, and lively flowed the conversation until the hour of retiring came. Next morning the ground was overpread with a second layer of white, and all day the snow came down in the old-fashioned Christmas way. I had come to the city, primarily, to partake of the turkey, but with a little business attachment to the trip. There was nothing doing in the latter line on Christmas day, and I was content to bide in the house along with the other youngsters. But Friday morning I hiked down town under the care and guidance of a feminine member of the household, who had a little shopping to do. We kept each other company to the various places on our list and got on finely, despite the snow, the mud, the

street cars, the autos, and the thousand other menaces to life and limb at every crossing. About 1 p. m. we had accomplished our every object, save one, and the cafe signs were growing inviting. I suggested dinner (I know "lunch" is the proper latter-day word, but I don't like to let go of the old designation: it recalls to me the noonday hour which made me glad in the harvest-field.) I said, "Isn't it about time to have dinner?" My companion said, "Yes, and we'll have lunch right after we visit the shoe store. I have a pair of slippers which was bought there, and I want to exchange them." To the shoe store, which was near by, we went accordingly. She seated me inside near the entrance, on one of those chairs in close proximity to a colored shoe-polishing artist and a broad faced clock. I noted that the hands on the latter's dial stood at 1:05. "You sit here and rest while I make the exchange: it will take but a few minutes, but I know you're tired." I dutifully obeyed, with an inward sigh of relief for a little respite. I looked around, saw the busy clerks, the elevators go up and come down the feminine ingoings and outcomings thereof, etc., etc. Glancing at the clock, it marked 1:15, but no sign of my shopping-mate. I doffed my overcoat, for the room was heated to lighter habilliment, and sat down again; but I couldn't take my eyes from that clock. It successively indicated, with exasperating slowness, 1:20—1:25—1:30—1:35—1:40—1:45—1:50—1:55; and still no returning footsteps from the slipper transaction. I grew nervous, paced the floor, and—"Have I kept you waiting?" sounded welcomingly on my tense-strained auricular organs. Of course I lied and smiled, and said "he hadn't," and then we went to a dinner that made amends for all that had preceded it. After that, home.

Saturday was go-as-you-please with me and we took in the shows afternoon and night. The best of these was Primrose and Dockstader at the Shubert, and we heartily enjoyed it, notwithstanding one number I considered unduly personal—"The Country Band." The rendition was too true to nature to pass as a joke. Sunday morning we started on our return, leaving Union Station thirty minutes late. Entering the gate we trudged down past the long line of sleepers to where the day coaches stood. The porter informed us that the chair car was for through passengers and would not be opened for our exit at Iron County. Nevertheless we took seats therein, and had the pleasure of lugging our belongings two car-lengths, through one as ill-kept and forbidding interior as can well be imagined. What is so uncalled-for and indefensible ruling made for? I cannot believe that those at or near the head of the management know of it or endorse it, for it is an unprovoked and wanton slap in the face of every decent patron of the road. I don't like to "knek" but surely a "knek" is coming here.

Well, we got home all right, and it's a mighty good place to be. I wouldn't be a "drummer" for ten thousand a year, and consider myself reasonably stable under the roof-tree so long as the price is held above that figure—thanks be!

Now is the time to save money at B. N. Brown's clearing sale.

Wanted—Hogs of all kinds, weighing 75 pounds or over. W. D. FLETCHER.

CITY TAXES.

A large number of persons are still delinquent in the payment of their city taxes for the year 1913. This is due and formal notice to all such persons that if they do not come forward and pay without delay they are liable to extra costs. You had better hurry unless you want to pay the penalty. H. W. ADOLPH, City Collector.

Baptist Church.

The Young People's Meeting last Sunday night was of unusual interest. There were visitors from Piedmont, Farmington, Chaffee, St. Louis, and Jackson, Tenn. Several of these gave some account of the work of the Young People's Union in their respective churches.

This week the young people are making an effort to finish the sale of season tickets to the Lyceum Course. There are to be five numbers in the course, and the price of ticket for entire course is fifty cents. Any one of the numbers will be worth the price of the entire course.

Next Sunday morning Pastor Riggs will preach on this subject: "What the Scriptures teach concerning the Lord's Supper."

The church is heartily co-operating in plans for a union, evangelistic meeting to be held beginning February 1st, and last Sunday morning, upon recommendation of the pastor, unanimously voted to postpone the special meetings they had expected to hold in January, until the union meetings shall have closed. Pastor Riggs strongly commends the evangelists, Burke and Hobbs.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the stockholders of the Bellevue Valley Bank for the election of its directors and for the transaction of such other business as may be deemed necessary will be held at its banking house on Monday, January 5th, 1914, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day. S. E. BUFORD, President. C. F. SHELTON, Secretary. December 23d, 1913.

Coal and Wood Heaters, from \$1.00 to \$15.00. Comforts and Blankets from \$1.00 up. A. RINKE & SON.

PERSONAL.

Wm. Hill of St. Louis is in Iron County. Dr. Bond went to Poplar Bluff today.

S. W. Andrews was in St. Louis this week. Mrs. Grover Curtis is here from Sikeston.

Adrian Steel is here from De Soto this week. Geo. Davis was here from Poplar Bluff last week.

T. E. Holloman of Hogan was a caller Tuesday. B. Jordan of Sabula was an Iron County visitor Tuesday.

Prof. Loomis and wife were in Potosi last week. Ernest Rieks of St. Louis is visiting his parents in Iron County.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Allen returned Sunday from a visit in St. Louis. Rev. J. R. A. Vaughan of Arcadia is visiting in Flat River this week.

Wm. Hills and wife of Festus visited relatives in Iron County last week. Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Polak of Poplar Bluff spent the holidays in Iron County.

Prof. R. E. Wilkinson made a business trip to Caruthersville this week. Warren Prince and wife of Jackson Tennessee, were here the past week.

Enil Roehry of Decatur, Ill., spent last week with his parents in Iron County. Alex Fletcher, wife and baby from Poplar Bluff were in the valley last week.

Miss Alma Fletcher arrived home from St. Louis last Wednesday for the holidays. Mrs. C. B. Stone and little son, of Jefferson City, are guests of relatives in Iron County.

H. E. Homan and wife of Marquand were guests of C. Collins and family the past week. Dr. E. W. Bliss and wife of De Soto were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Andrews.

S. W. Andrews, Jr., and wife, of Charleston, Mo., were with valley relatives last week. Frank Reed, wife and children, of Milwaukee, visited relatives in Iron County the past week.

Wm. Imboden, who is now employed in Duluth, Minnesota, was in Iron County the past week. Richard Marshall and wife of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, visited Iron County relatives the past week.

Miss Lottie Prince of St. Louis spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. A. S. Prince, in Iron County. Chester Prince and family returned to their home in New Madrid Sunday after spending several days in Iron County.

B. Fox and family of Potosi were guests at the home of Judge W. C. Johnson in Middlebrook the past week. Mrs. Geo. L. Smith and children of Dexter, Mo., are guests of Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Collins, in Iron County.

Mr. Terel Rabottom and sister, Miss Louzere, of Piedmont, have been spending the past few days with C. D. Alexander and family.

Mr. Jos. A. Reburn spent the past week with his sister, Mrs. McKinley, in Vernon county. Mrs. Reburn visited her daughter, Mrs. Mackey, in Desloge.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Kathis at Pilot Knob have had as their guests the past week: F. W. Kathis, of Hutchinson, Kansas; Dr. C. L. Blanks and wife and Miss Dorothy, of Mexico, Mo.; Mrs. Gussie Hinsdale and daughters, Misses Dora and Jennie, of Columbia, Mo.; Herbert A. Kathis and bride, of Kansas City, Mo.; W. H. Kathis, St. Louis.

Hoops Wanted.

We want to buy a car load of No. 1 hickory flour-barrel hoops by Christmas. Will pay good price for good hoops. LOPEZ STORE CO.

Teachers' Meeting at Iron County January 17, 1914

To be held at the Public School Building, beginning at 1:30 P. M. Roll Call—Answer by Quotations. Grade One—Miss Nannie Ringo. Grade Two—Miss Essie Tolson. Busy work for grades one and two—Miss Lucille Prince. Grades Three and Four: 1. Reading, Language and Spelling—Bessie Hotson. 2. Geography (As basis for arithmetic and language)—B. W. Loomis. Grade Five: 1. Reading—Allie Patton and Lola Hawkins. 2. Geography—Elsie Lueddecke. Grade Seven: 1. Reading—G. W. Hanson. 2. Arithmetic—R. E. Marshall. School Improvement.—General Discussion.

Reading Circle Session: The advantage of the Reading Circle Books to the teacher. What is required before a certificate can be issued or renewed.—General Discussion. School Morals Session: 1. Why should the public schools teach morals? And what is the teacher's duty in aiding his pupils to be moral, clean, pure, righteous and reverent?—Discussion by the teachers' training class of Iron County High School. School Law Session: 1. State Aid to Rural Schools, value of, how obtained?—Discussion by Rural Teachers. 2. State Aid to High Schools, how secured?—Discussion by High School Teachers. 3. Free Text Books, value of, cost of, how secured?—General Discussion. The High School: Its purpose and value.—Anna Shupe. Curr. Working Contest: (1) County; (2) 13th Congressional; (3) State.—General Discussion.

Academy of Music Monday Night, Jan. 5th Uncle Josh Spruceby A Truthful and Natural Picture of Rural Life No Over-Drawn Scenes BAND AND ORCHESTRA PARADE AT NOON ALWAYS GOOD—THIS YEAR BETTER THAN EVER Every Dramatic, Musical and Scenic Detail complete to the Minute SCENIC EFFECTS... THAT WILL SURPRISE YOU BIG SAW MILL SCENE POPULAR PRICES

All the teachers of this section are required to attend this meeting and perform the duties assigned them (Sec. 10933 R. S. Mo.) All other teachers of the county are invited to attend and take part in the work. Especially the general discussions that follow each subject. The amount of good you receive from a teachers' meeting depends, greatly, upon the amount of energy you put forth to make it a success. So let us all be ready with our parts. Ask your School Board, Patrons and Pupils to meet with us. These meetings are to promote the cause of Education. Let us all work together for better schools. I am Very respectfully, B. P. BURNHAM.

Tremendous bargains at Brown's clearing sale.

School Notes.

Several new pupils are entering for the second term of school. Some have been teaching in the rural schools.

The teachers and pupils report a very pleasant vacation and have returned to their work with renewed zeal and vigor.

Supt. Loomis and wife visited friends in Alton, Ill., and spent the last of the holidays with his mother at Belgrade, Mo. Miss Shane was in St. Louis for a few days. Miss Gilliland enjoyed a visit to her home at Cooter, Mo. Mr. Hanson and wife visited their parents at Belgrade and Caledonia. Misses Mitchell, Lueddecke, Hotson, Prince and Ringo remained in Iron County for their holidays.

Miss Lucile Farrar, one of our first graduates, and who is attending school at the Cape Girardeau Normal, and Esther London, of Farmington, a former student of Iron County High School, made us a visit the first of the week. We are glad to see these old students.

The Christmas Exercises in the various rooms are very favorably reported and much enjoyed by patrons and friends. The primary room entertained their mothers with a very unique program and Christmas tree. The program consisted of songs, dramatizations and stories—which were given in a very creditable manner. The tree was decorated with ornaments the children had made. It was very pretty and gave great delight to the children. Prizes were awarded on school work and conduct.

The second primary gave "The Spirit of Christmas," and a dramatization of "Hans and Gretchen," with motion songs and recitations. "The Spirit of Christmas" was given by the fourth grade children; "Hans and Gretchen" by the third grade. The program was greatly appreciated by the visitors, who were greatly pleased to see the long parts of these stories so well done by the children.

The other rooms gave less time for their program but observed the season with fruit showers, stories, etc.

B. N. Brown certainly is making some big bargains at his clearing sale.

Annapolis News.

We have had a big snow storm since I wrote you last, but the ground being wet and muddy it has thawed quite a lot.

Christmas passed off quietly in Annapolis. No one intoxicated to any great extent. One man busted open on one of Gus Funk's salt barrels, but the salt kept him from spoiling.

Your correspondent acknowledges the receipt of a quart of rye whiskey, a quart of peach brandy, and a quart of port wine as a Christmas present from the Kirkhoff Distilling Company of Poplar Bluff; also two quarts Hayner Private Stock from H. B. Case and a Christmas chocolate cake from the Bon Ton Bakery at Poplar Bluff.

A dance at the city hall Christmas eve. A few heads skinned with beer bottles, but no one badly hurt. Eimer and Ida Loyd have bought the J. S. Benson property, east of the city hall. Price, \$200. A cheap home. Bill Kitchell and Bob Funk captured thirteen rabbits yesterday, and it was not much of a day for rabbits, either. Squire Kitchell was called to John W. Alcorn's on legal business and was sorry to find both Mr. Alcorn and his wife in bed suffering from rheumatism.

I am in receipt of a letter from the Sheriff at Gallatin, Davies county, making inquiry of a boy who jumped from a train and made his escape as he was being taken to the reform school at Booneville. The last heard of him was a letter mailed at Annapolis three weeks ago. The boy is described as being fifteen years of age, five feet, seven or eight inches tall, black hair and blue eyes; weighs about 125 pounds.

W. P. Palmer of Brush Creek was in town last week and made application for a Confederate pension.

Lots of ties and other hardwood being loaded. D. A. Worley and family spent the holidays on Black river.

Oscar Funk has quit barbering in Flat River and will now try saw milling with his father here in Annapolis.

Wm. (Skip) Lewis was a caller at Annapolis last week. This bad weather has interfered with the hauling from Bedford. Usually we have ten teams a day from there, anyway.

Mrs. Mathina Bolch is visiting her mother and brothers in St. Louis. I saw my old friend, Kit Carson, on a passenger train to-day. He has gained considerably in weight the past year.

Gus Funk has been delayed in getting the boiler for his saw mill. He has been unable to trace its whereabouts, although shipped some time since.

Alonso Miller of Crane Pond will have a sale of his personal property and move to Dunklin county and grow cotton. BULLETIN.

Goodwater News.

Mr. L. W. Scott and family visited his father Saturday night. A number from this community went to Sligo to attend the Railroad trial last week, thus manifesting their interest in the progress of Iron County.

Miss Lucie Carl and brother, Roy, also their nephew, Master Hassall Lucas, are gone to Salem, Mo., to visit relatives during Christmas week.

Miss Elsie Payne is home this week. Another wedding in this community since our last communication.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mayberry and daughter, Maggie, and Mrs. James O. Scott, visited Mrs. N. W. Short at Goodland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Merritt visited their sister, Mrs. James Payne, Sunday last. Mrs. Sam Crocker visited her daughter, Mrs. Fred Vest, last Thursday.

Miss Eva Merritt visited relatives near Quaker, Mo., recently. Bro. J. T. B. Station postponed his appointment at Graniteville last week on account of ill health. We are glad to state he is better.

Master Rayna Dennis spent Saturday with his sister, Mrs. W. S. Mayberry. Merry Christmas to the REGISTER and its many readers. Let us try to keep this holiday in a manner well-pleasing to Him whose birth we commemorate. VIOLLET. December 22d, 1913.

Notice of Resignation.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss. COUNTY OF IRON. To the February Term of the Probate Court, Iron County, Mo., 1914. In the matter of the persons and estates of Paul Thomas Leonard, and George Dewey Leonard, minors. To All Persons Concerned: Take notice that the undersigned, Public Guardian and Curator of the aforesaid minors, at the February term of said Court, to be held at the courthouse in the City of Iron County, county aforesaid, on the 8th day of February, 1914, will apply to said court for leave to resign the office and trust of Public Guardian and Curator of said minors.

PAUL P. ROSENTRERER, Public Guardian and Curator of the minors aforesaid. Dated December 24, 1913.

NOTICE OF LETTERS.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary, with will annexed, on the estate of Harry Webber, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 16th day of December, 1913, by the Probate Court of Iron County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the last insertion of the publication of this notice, they shall be forever barred. This 16th day of December, 1913. E. Z. BETH WEBBER, Administratrix.