TOWN AND COUNTY.

Friday, Oct. 3d, 1873.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Range of Thermometer and Barometer, at Winton, Residence of J. H. James, for the week ending Sept. 18th 1873.

	THERMOMETER.			BAROMETER.		
	6 A. M.	2 P. M.	10 P. M.	6 A. M.	2 P. M.	Remarks.
25	67	82	73	29.08	29.17	Variable.
26	65	85	78	29.18	29.24	Clear.
27	66	86	76	29.24	29.33	Showers.
28	69	83	75	29.20	29.15	Overcast.
29	72	70	64	29.12	29.15	Showers.
30	65	68	60	29.20	29.26	Cleared.
1	48	75	68	29.26	29.2	Fair.
2	60			29.22		Overcast.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The blind preacher, J. M. F. Smithson, will begin a protracted meeting here to-morrow night at the Christian Church. We learn that he is a close reasoner and a very fine speaker. We hope he will have a good hearing.

Dr. J. C. Mitchell is attending Presbyterian Synod at Chattanooga, and Rev. Wm. Stodert will preach in the Presbyterian Church next Sabbath.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the Methodist Church in this place next Sunday morning.

Rev S. M. Merrill, of Nashville, preached in the M. E. Church here Sunday morning and night, two weeks ago, to large congregations. He made a very favorable impression upon our people.

Rev. A. W. Swith will preach his last sermon here, Sunday, as pastor of the Methodist church in Columbia. He has been here four years, and according to the laws of his church he cannot be sent back next Conference year. If it were not so, the Methodists of this place would insist on having him sent back to them. He has made an excellent pastor, and his people love him; and wherever he may go, he will always be remembered here as one of the preachers appointed of God to preach. We learn that efforts will be made to have him sent to Lebanon Station, which people he served before he came to Columbia.

The Galloway—Kannon Case.

This important case, which has occupied the attention of the courts for several years past, was decided last Tuesday in favor of the defendant. Able counsel were engaged on both sides, and the verdict of the jury was looked for with much anxiety by the public. The plaintiff has entered a motion for a new trial, which will be argued before Judg Wallace next Monday. The following named gentlemen compose the jury that tried the case: James Dougherberry, John J. Dobbins, John T. Derryberry, Jos. M. Andrew, Manson Vestal, Green Fitzgerald, A. T. Vestal, Edmund Cooper, Jas. M. Tucker, John Adkison, Wesley Thomas, and James A. Sowell.

Nearly all the Bar were employed by Maj. Galloway. Only Gen. Whitthorne, Wm B. Gordon and Judge John Y. Wright made speeches. They spoke at great length, and with characteristic force. The counsel for the defense were Judge T. W. Turley, of Franklin, Judge A. M. Hughes, Gen. Gid Alexander and E. Y. Pillow. The first named two, distinguished both on the Bench and at the Bar, made strong and pointed speeches; while the latter two, the youngest men, did themselves great credit. Indeed, we have been told that their speeches were as good as any made in the case. We felicitate them on acquisting themselves so honorably.

A Good Showing for Maury County.

We are indebted to the County Court Clerk and Col. P. Gordon, for the following interesting facts. This is a good showing for our county. The County tax $33,310.52½ is more than sufficient to pay off all the indebtedness the county owes, and leave a balance in the treasury.

The number of acres of land listed for 1873 is 26684, being less than the amount listed in 1872 of 26685 acres.

The value of land is the sum of $7,305,181.00, being an excess in value over the year 1872 of $227,016.

The number of town lots in 1873 for taxation is 831, being the same number listed in 1872. The value of the town lots in 1873 is $1,007,698.00, being an increase in value over 1872 of $69,055.

The total amount of personal property listed for 1873 is $2,068,772.00.

The total value of real and personal property for 1873 is $10,376,408, being an increase over 1872 of $1,225,158.

The number of white polls for 1873 is 2844, colored polls, 1886; in all 4728, being an increase of 185 polls.

The State tax for 1873, including State tax on polls, is $16,265.20½. The County tax is $33,310.52½. The School tax, including county poll tax is $18,019.20½.

Cattle Thieves.

Last week Lewis Gray, col., who works with Jeff Thompson, stole an ox from Shade Bunger, brought it to town and talking to sell it to the butchers, let Mr. J. A. Irvine have it for $15 Mr. Irvine, after a second thought concluded, from the actions of the negro, that he had probably stolen the ox, and set out to find Lewis. So soon as Lewis saw Mr. Irvine he endeavored to make his escape, but John Lockridge caught him and gave him into the custody of an officer, who placed him in jail. Lewis made a clean confession of the matter, and when brought before Esq. Clear for trial, waived an examination and was commanded to jail. Lewis Gray had a confederate in the person of Porter Ezell, col., who delivered himself up last Monday. His trial was set before Esq. Clear yesterday, but owing to the absence of a witness, the case was continued to-day. The neighbors of Ezell give him a good character.

Our Fair.

The Directors of the A., M., H. & I. S. Society are satisfied with the result of their annual Fair last week. They had expended fifteen hundred dollars in making changes and improvements, and they made ball enough, over and above expenses, to meet this debt. A day before the commencement of the Fair, a good rain fell, thoroughly wetting the ground, and thus removing one great enemy, dust. The display of cattle on the first day was very fine, and the crowd was good, considering that the day looked threatening. In fact, the attendance every day was large. On Friday, the crowd was about as large as we ever had at any of our Fairs; about 2500 persons were supposed to be present. The music, by Jordan's band, was excellent. The President had it announced that a promenade would be erected by the next Fair, and that the Floral Hall would be more conveniently situated. A heavy rain fell Saturday about noon, and another, in the afternoon, which made the ground very sloppy and disagreeable. The ladies' fine feathers became very much bedrabbled. The most interesting trotting race of the week was appointed for that evening, but the track was in such a condition that the owners of the horses refused to make the race.

When we reflect that Fairs are dying out in many counties, the success of our Fair will be fully appreciated. Its success has been assured, in a great degree, by the indomitable energy of the Directors and officers of the Society, and especially the President and the Executive Committee. And while we do not wish to reflect on others—for all did well—simple justice demands that we should say something of the great interest taken in the Fair by Col. T. W. Reese, who has spent much precious time to ensure its success. Walker Scott made a good ringmaster.

Atonement Day.

All of the Hebrew business houses were closed Wednesday. That day corresponds with the 10th day of the Jewish month Tishri. It has always been observed by the Jews in all ages as a day of fasting and atonement. They transact no business of any kind; but devote their time to squaring accounts with the Almighty. In this world there are none who are more sedulous and exact in the observance of their appointed days, than this peculiar and wonderful people.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following persons since Sept. 23d:

Robert Ragsdale to Mrs. Emma J. Sparkman.
Willis Perry to Martha Denton.
Wm. Nicholson to Minerva Thomas.
John Love to Margaret Curry.
Allen Watson to N. J. Hambrick.
G. A. Dobbin to W. C. Gordon.
Hamp Duke to Mary Erby.
T. J. English to Eudora C. Akin.
T. J. Whitaker to Mrs. Mary Akin.
J. R. Hammons to Minnie Murphy.

Thomas Tarwater, was accidentally killed near the Depot, in this place, on the 19th September, while uncoupling freight cars. He leaves a wife and several children. The railroad company had him buried decently.

Quite a respectable sum was raised this week, in this place, by John Latta Jr., for the Shreveport sufferers.

If the planters will sell cotton to the Factor and receive certified checks, they can generally be used in settlement of debts. Merchants generally will take them, and many debts banks and merchants can be adjusted in this way.

Our Mt. Pleasant correspondent says Rafe Williams denies that he and Nick Brown said they would never be caught in such a crowd as the one that recently went to Cecil's Camp. Capt. J. C. Cooper is responsible for the statement, and requested one of the proprietors of the HERALD to publish it.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Mrs. Carter, an accomplished lady of Franklin, and her beautiful daughter, attended our Fair, last week.

Mrs. W., a charming and handsome widow, of Bedford county, was at our Fair.

Mrs. Jackson, one of the most intelligent and accomplished women in all the land, and her friend Miss C., of Pulaski, honored our Fair with their presence.

Mr. James Brown, son of Col. Joe. Brown, one of the earliest settlers in this county, has been in Maury for a fortnight past, the guest of Col. L. D. Myers. He married a Miss Williamson, a sister of Mrs. P. D. Franklin.

Major Willis Jones returned from Cincinnati last week.

Rev. James A. Orman, of Culleoka, who gave such a good Sunday School report at the District Conference in April as to gain the commendation of the Bishop, was in Columbia one day last week.

Hoggat Clopton and Jesse Perkins Clopton, Arkansas planters, come to our town last week, to get some of the Arkansas malaria out of their systems, in this healthful climate.

Mr. Edward T. Tabiaferro, of Pulaski, was in our city one day last week, attending to business in our Circuit Court. Mr. Taliaferro is not only a young lawyer of first-rate ability, but is also a gentleman of culture, and hence is a charming companion to men as well as ladies.

W. S. Porter, better known in this his native county as Will Porter, now a General Merchandise broker in New York, spent the Fair week with his friends and relations in and around Columbia. We are glad to learn that he was not hurt by the great money crash in his adopted city.

Reese Porter, of the Memphis Register, spent a few days in our town last week. He brought the welcome news that his associate, Dug. Irwin, was not dead, as was announced.

Col. Geo. F. Akers, of Nashville, and Elbert James, of Memphis, were seen gallanting some of our beautiful young ladies at the Fair.

Gen. Beverly Robertson, of Memphis, attended our Fair last week, and was frequently called upon to be one of the Judges of fine Horses. The General also appreciated the beauty of our beautiful ladies, although we are not aware that he come to any conclusion as to who was the prettiest one, and therefore entitled to the premium.

N. B. Shepard, formerly of this place, is at McKinney, Collin Co., Texas, this health is still bad.

Charles Sheridan Newman, Professor of Languages in the East Tennessee University, has resigned his position, on account of bad health, superinduced by confinement in school. He should breathe the air of fields and woods. He will remain in Knoxville.

Capt. H. H. Taylor, formerly of this place, was recently made special Chancellor to try certain causes at Knoxville. This was quite an honor to a young lawyer, especially at a bar that contains eminent lawyers.

Messrs. P. F. and A. L. Johnson and four Badger brothers, and Ed. Martin, son of Judge W. P. Martin, will start from this place to Dallas, Texas, about the first of October. They are all going into the farming business.

Miss Mattie Herndon, organist for the Methodist church, is teacher of instrumental and vocal music in the Mt. Pleasant Female school. We congratulate Prof. Hamilton in securing the service of so proficient a teacher. She will come home every Saturday so as to be here on Sunday, and will continue to lead the Methodist Choir. We are glad of this, as she is one of the best vocalists in the city.

J. O. Griffith, of the Rural Sun, a capital agricultural paper, was at our Fair last Saturday.

Dr. J. T. S. Thompson, of Miss., was in Columbia a portion of last week.

Dr. John Moore, of Tipton county, West Tennessee, spent Fair week with us. His many friends here are always glad to see him.

Among the distinguished visitors here during the Fair were: Col. P. C. Bethel, of Memphis, Judge Davidson, of Shelbyville, brother of our fellow citizen W. M. Davidson, Gen. W. H. Jackson, of Nashville, and his father, Dr. Jackson, of Madison county. Col. John McGavock, Capt. W. M. Allison, J. P. Johnson, of Williamson county, John Bullock and Bob Winstead, of Nashville, Van Kirkman, Mr. Pritchett, Nashville; Marsh Johnson and wife, H. Clagett and daughter, of Hickman county; Clark Tindal Jones, of Lawrence Co.; Col. J. Hubson, of Memphis; Major W. D. Hardeman, of New Orleans.

Z. M. Cypert, a talented young lawyer of Waynesboro, was in Columbia on Monday of last week.

Prof. W. K. Jones, Principal of the Martin Female College, at Pulaski, was at our Fair last Friday. Although his school has just started he has a 140 or a 150 pupils. He deserves the success he is achieving.

Major Boiling Gordon, of Hickman county, has gone to the Hopkinsville, (Ky.,) Fair.

Col. R. F. Looney, of the Memphis Register, and his charming family, all of Memphis, arrived in our town last Monday night.

Capt James H. Polk, of Mississippi, was at our Fair last week, not looking, as he usually does, the very picture of health. He was at the Hop, but his late illness prevented him from looking as dashing and splendid as he did some months ago, when he represented "Sir Walter Raleigh," at a fancy dress ball, in this place.

Mr. Will May, of Davidson county, and Sam Clayborne, of West Tennessee, were in our town last Tuesday.

T. Jeff. Haley, of the Bigbyville country, left for Bailey's Springs, Ala., a few days ago. We trust that the excellent waters will completely restore him to health.

Wick Frierson has gone to Baltimore and Robt Pillow to Philadelphia—to attend Medical lectures.

Col. Powhatan Gordon left for Hopkinsville, Ky., last Wednesday, to see his relatives, Col. Wallace's family, and Mr. M. Nelson's, and to attend the Christian county Fair.

Mr. Hardin Perkins, of Senatobia, Miss., was in town last week. He came up to bring his sister to be educated at the Athenaeum.

Mr. B. F. Hill, of Lebanon, Ky., father of C. S. Hill, was in the neighborhood of Mt. Pleasant last week.

Miss Kate Jackson, one of the prettiest young ladies in the world, has gone to her home near Florence, Ala., and C. S. Hill is not happy.

Mrs. M. J. Bryant, who has just returned home from New York, was accompanied by her two sisters, Mrs. Mary A. Manning, from Texas, and Mrs. Elizabeth Hopkins, of Lexington, Miss. The three sisters had not met each other for thirty odd years.

General Beverly M. Robertson left our town a day or two ago, for his home in Memphis. The gallant and handsome General bears a striking resemblance to the Imperial Bonaparte family, and yet is also, in physique as well as in bonhommie, etc., a fine representive of the Southern Gentleman—we will not say of the "Old school."

Rev. Mr. Bate, agent for the theological department of the Cumberland University, Lebanon, was in our town last Wednesday.

Mr. S. S. Cross, the excellent superintendent of the Poor House, after a protracted spell of flux, is able to be up and going again.

The many friends of Esq. A. L. Prewett were pleased to see him at the Fair last week. He had a severe attack of flux.

Aleck Titcomb and Chris Looney have gone back to Davidson College, N. C., to be gone two years. In that time, Prof. Martin can teach them much. By the way, we learn that the Professor, whom our readers remember well, spent the summer vacation rambling over the mountains in North Carolina, in behalf of Geology.

Miss Julia B., after an absence of three months in Norfolk, Va., has returned home, looking even prettier than ever, and talking in eloquent strains of the Virginians.

The Earl of Roscommon, otherwise Charley R. Dillon, of Memphis, is in town.

Hugh B. Martin and lady, of Memphis, are on a visit to his father, Judge Martin, of this county.

A Young Lady Criticizes the Bachelor Lecturer.

How sadly the world affected Thackeray is well known; yet some perversity in his nature caused him to laugh in his sadness. He hated sham and boldly cried them down, but his keenest sarcasm has in it a tender pathos. He was no cruel austere reformer, he pitied, when loved, where he reproved. Ever hiding a heart-throb in a sarcasm, a tear in a smile, he gave but the faintest semblance of his tenderness; yet how is it we know so well from what deep springs these tears came half-frowned sight! However entertained and amused we may have been during a few hours reading of this great humorist, we are sure to rise saddened. This, perhaps, is the final result of all but superficial readers. Returning from the lecture Friday evening, after convulsion of laughter every woman at least, whom the subject of fashion sacred by concerns, must have felt this wholesome pressure of gloom.

The lecture, instead of overwhelming us with one burst of wit after another, came upon us unexpectedly, it is true, with gliding eloquence so unusual to forcible humor. It was like the sky whose varying and irregular clouds are all harmony and smoothness; or like the ocean waves in their fury are referred rough, simply because there is no name for their peculiar smoothness. Yet one would not think of laughing at a sunset, or of being carried by a rolling wave into transport of merriment. Such, however, was the effect of the lecture, and it was both gratifying and delightful. It is needless to say wit was not the aim, for despite the spray and foam of humor there was the undercurrent of sadness swollen by proofs of human frailty. The criticism of "the respected relations," the brute creation, while it convulsed us with laughter, left the painful consciousness of certain ridiculous attitudes we must have assumed before even the glowing fancy of the lecturer could have painted such a picture.

We have all writhed under the voice of the ranting reformer, whose religion like, a bellows, seems only wind, but who

"Severe blows and hard knocks,
Proves his faith is orthodox."

As if a breath of Heaven had never swept past him, he rants fearfully of hell, hell, only hell, till he very garments smell of brimstone. We doubt not that he has his place in the world and fills it well; but timidity, exclusively feminine, is apt to flee from his voice and his counsel.

Instead of boldly asserting it, how much better to prove good humoredly to woman that her name is frailty and her destiny ruin—truth whose justice we must readily concede, if we resign our hearts, brains, souls and bodies to the resistless tide of fashion.

YRAM.

AROUND TOWN.

Dr. W. H. Brown has recently made an addition to his stately residence.

Henry Davis, col., was billed to give a grand concert at Hunter's Hall last night.

Miss Pet P., has returned from the city which boasts of the beauty of its Cemetery, Cave Hill.

Edward Sheegog, Sr., of the house of Sheegog & Son, has returned home with a large and superior stock of Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps.

One day during the progress of the Galloway-Kannon case, last week, there happened to be present in the Court-room, a large number of judges, almost enough for a jury.—Judge Wallace, on the bench, Chief Justice Nicholson, Judge Martin, Judge Turley, Judge Wright, Chancellor Fleming, Judge Hughes, Judge Davidson

A friend, who has a great partiality for wild and loyal horses, says that the man that will trust his family in a vehicle, which is drawn by a bay horse, is a fit subject for the lunatic asylum. He never knew a bay horse in his life that would not destroy you.

New Cotton is coming in to market in small quantities, but the price is reduced some 2 cents, owing to the money panic.

Mr. Knipe, of Nashville, is with J. N. Walker.

Three wagons, containing iron from the Napier Iron Works, Lewis county, came to town yesterday. It was shipped to Louisville. The furnace is run by Ward, Bains & Co.

The first drove of wild geese passed over town last Tuesday morning. The leader said "Honk," and passed on.

There will a free lecture in the Athenaeum study-hall this evening at 7 o'clock. At the request of the Athenaeum seniors Dr. Wm. A Smith will lecture about Pompeii, and says he saw there during his recent visit. The public are invited to attend.

Quite a number of our young folks are talking of attending the Sociable at the Masonic Hall, Culleoka, to-night. It promises to be a splendid affair.

Fair Ground Notes.

The premium on Thursday, in the sweepstake ring for the best saddle stallion, was hotly contested. The premium was not awarded to Reckless, as many thought it would be, but was given one of his colts, an excellent young stallion. For the best colt (saddle stock) Mack Campbell's chestnut sorrel colt took the premium,—of course it is a nice colt, as is Mr. Faris', which also deserved a premium.

In the Floral Hall we noticed some magnificent corn entered by Mr. R. P. Ledbetter, the largest white corn we ever saw.

Horace Rainey's premium sweet potatoes were very large, and solid to the core—they are the Brazilian variety, said to be the best grown. Mr. Rainey also took the premium for the best variety of apples.

The large display of vegetables, noticed on the right, were raised by Mr. Jack Gordon, and of course took the premium. There were 40 varieties.

We regret that the display of agricultural implements was so meagre.

Mr. Elam's show case of household articles attracted the attention of all good wives. The self-heating smoothing iron, took the premium, as it should.

The display of photographs by Mr. Searry, was equal, if not superior to former entries by this excellent artist. Among the pictures we noticed many a familiar face and dear friend.

Mrs. Rushton's beautiful display of millinery goods attracted the attention of the misses and matrons.

The agents of the Singer, Weed and Howe Sewing Machines, were busy showing the different kinds of work to be done by their respective machines,—but as no premium was offered by the Society, none was awarded. There was some talk among how soon the ladies by the agents themselves to be given the machine receiving the premium, but it was not done.

Lovers of art no doubt observed some beautiful pictures of Berkshire swine and a bull, the work of Esq. Thos. A. Harris, who certainly has very superior talent in that line. The pictures are life like as possible, and are full of artistic beauty. "Attic Bryant," property of J. P. Baird, weight 966 pounds; "Geo. D. Prentice," property of Henry C. Jones, aged 18 months, weight 800 pounds; "Britain Lion," property of R. P. Ledbetter, imported from England. The bull, "Lexington," property of Harlan & Williams, weight 2000 pounds.

We noticed a great number of quilts, cover lets, blankets, &c., but could not learn who made them.

The pacing race of Joe Bowers, against time, was very exciting.

Black Prince, who looks every inch the Royal horse, took several premiums, after a spirited contest.

It affords us unfeigned pleasure to state that Jimmie O. Pillow received the premium for the most graceful rider. He invariably receives a premium wherever he contends for it. But the best pony the premium was also awarded his property.

Messrs. Ingram & Gordon sold some thoroughbred cattle, at figures not at all commensurative. The purchasers, so far as we could learn were, Theo. Lipscomb, 1 heifer and two bulls, $145; Dr. J. T. Akin some two or three. Jas. H. Thomas gave $45 for a 5 months old sucking calf, the premium on which he also bought, one or two days before the fair. Mr. Joe A. Irvine gave $45 for a 2 year old Ky. bull, and A. F. Sowell $55 for a 5 months old Ky. bull. Several of Col. G. W. Polk's herd were sold, but we did not learn to whom or at what price.

The herd of short horns owned by S. W. Scott, on which he took several premiums, was greatly admired, of which the owner seemed quite proud, as well he should.

There was much talk of a race between Joe Bowers and a Nashville horse, but it did not come off, the Nashville man, we understand, backing down.

That was a good joke on Jack Daw, who at dinner, mistook a corn cob stopper (to a whisky jug) for a piece of light bread.

We noticed several persons who had been partaking too freely of "lee cool strawberry lemonade," or something else stronger, to be found "just around the corner."

The beautiful silver tankard and goblet, offered as a special premium by Capt. Thomas Gibson to the lady taking the greatest number of premiums, was awarded to Mrs. Cockrill Gordon, she received 22 premiums, on 34 entries. This is very complimentary to Mrs. Gordon, in being so successful over several others who had a greater number of entries, but the premium could not have been awarded to one more deserving than Mrs. G.

There was a general desire to buy stock in the Association, and we hear of several shares changing hands at good prices.

Messrs. J. W. Rushton & Co. had on exhibition a roller attachment for sewing machines. Every person having a sewing machine should have one.

The large boquet of flowers arranged by Mrs. Mack, received the premium and the encomiums of all who saw it.

Dissatisfaction, as to the arrangement of the grounds, was expressed by many.

The music was by a Nashville band of colored men. It was pronounced good.

Saturday afternoon the grounds were wet and slippery, and several persons fell to the ground. Sam Hays, who could not stand up very well any way, owing to so much water, measured his full length on the ground several times.

Strange to relate, "Judge" Timmons was seen without an umbrella during the rain Saturday—he had laid it in the cottages in fancy, and that was his last of it. He was never known to be without an umbrella, sunshine or rain.

The absence of the promenade was lamented by the young folks. The Directors would do well if they would replace it by the next Fair.

The special premiums offered by the livery men of Columbia, for the best mare or gelding to harness, were awarded Mays & Dodson, in a ring of 19 entries.

The ladies came nobly to the rescue, and the exhibition in the Floral Hall was much superior to last year. We knew they would; they are never appealed to do a good work in vain.

Mr J T L Cochran, as Secretary of the Floral Hall, was kept busy, but he was the right man in the right place.

WAYNE COUNTY ITEMS.

Circuit Court has adjourned. Very little business of importance was transacted. The case of the State against George Jackson, charged with the murder of Walker, was tried and resulted in his conviction of voluntary manslaughter, and his term in the State prison fixed at three years. The case was ably argued by Capt. John M. Taylor, Attorney General, Capt. O. T. Plummer and Col. T. P. Bateman, for the prosecution, and Judge B. F. Mathews, Capt. Easley and R. P. & Z. M. Cypert, for the defense.

The motion for failure to pay over State revenue against R. M. Alexander, tax collector, was argued by the Attorney General for the State, and R. P. & Z. M. Cypert, Judge Mathews and Capt. George W. Shipman for the defendant. The jury failed to agree, and a mistrial was entered. A number of misdemeanor cases of minor importance were disposed of, and it is said the grand jury did a "smashing business." They indicted the county jail, the corporation of Waynesboro, and one or two other little institutions of less notoriety.

The survey of the Memphis & Knoxville Railroad will begin on the east side of the Tennessee River at Clifton, on the 15th of October. Major Sykes, Hon. Jonathan Morris, Capt. G. W. Shipman, Hon. Thos. J. Cypert and other prominent citizens, are expected to accompany the surveying party through Wayne county. The road will be built. The world is compelled to open an outlet to the immense mineral wealth in our hills. The necessities of commerce demand our iron and our timber, but our people will not stand aloof and depend upon the road being built wholly by others. The people will respond when the call is made. We call upon Maury county to lend a helping hand to the road through their own county, and they need not have any fears for old Wayne. Look out for the whistle, gentlemen, when you hear the cars.

Notice to the Public Generally.

Mr. Gardner Dobbins, living near Williamsport, Maury County, is the best teacher in the science of Pleasant Joking, perhaps, in the county. Any person wishing to take lessons in that particular art would do well to give him a call, as his terms are very reasonable—the first three days gratis, and the balance of the time thrown in. Be sure to give him a call.

A NEIGHBOR.

OVER THE COUNTY.

Jacob M. Delk, of Delk's Bend, in one day, picked 204½ pounds of cotton.

Capt. A. C. Hickey has shown us a sweet potato, of the Strasburg variety, introduced by by Mr. J. H. Stratton, that measured twenty four inches in circumference, nearly eight in diameter, and weighing eight pounds and one ounce.

Farmer Hampton says that corn is a slim crop this year, but Stanford Ray, a genial ray from the Emerald Isle, shelled one of his ears, and it measured one quart and nearly a pint, and weighed, minus the cob, two pounds and four ounces. The cob was thirteen inches long. Billy Joyce weighed and measured the shelled corn.

R. J. & S. P. Perry, of the vicinity of Bigbyville, are running their Gullett's Patent Steele Brush Cotton Gin, by steam. The cotton is opening fast, and they are doing a good business, which they certainly deserve.

R. P. Ledbetter, President of the Maury County Farmer's Club, was one of the Committee on Permanent Organization, at the Farmer's State Convention, and was on the committee to draft constitution and by-laws, and Capt. John B. Hamilton was one of the Vice Presidents. We understand that Mr. Ledbetter perpetrated a verse of poetry on the occasion.

An old farmer tells our reporter, in speaking of hogs, that spaying and castrating should never be done after dark,—they invariably die. He never knew of a hog dying from the effects of being spayed white suckling. If you desire to feed your hogs but once a day, do so at night, never in the morning.

The Mowing match between gentlemen, from Maury county, went to the Farmer's State Convention. Henry Jones, W. J. Strayhorn, C. C. Gordon, Capt. Thomas Gibson, Maj. Cam Brown, Thomas Hughes, R. P. Ledbetter, J. L. Williams, J. B. Hamilton, S. W. Scott, D. J. Estes, J. J. Granbury, M. L. Stockard, R. Jennings, J. B. Hamilton, of Maury, was elected one of the Vice Presidents.

At the big joint stock sale of Messrs. Gibson, Brown and Johnson, and Cockrill Brothers, at Nashville, on the 18th inst., at the fair grounds, Major Wm. Polk, of Columbia, bought a trotting Stallion; Capt. W. D. Bethel, of Maury county, bought "Third Duke of Richland," a red roan bull, 2 years old, property of M. S. Cockrill, for $250; and Capt. Thos. Gibson, of Maury county, bought "Cambridge Rose," yearling heifer, by the 8th Duke of Thorndale, dam, Fancy, by Derby, bred by A. G. Alexander, of Kentucky, and running into the family of the Rose of Sharon, red roan in color, the property of M. S. Cockrill for $1,010. The Rural Sun says this animal was the flower of the flock. We are sorry to see our wealthy farmers stocking their farms with the very best animals to be found in the world. The day is coming when farmers will come to Maury county to buy thoroughbred cattle, horses and sheep, as they now go to Kentucky and to England.

Three venerable sisters recently met at the residence of Mrs. Simpson Ferry, in this county, and spent a week together. Mrs. Simpson Ferry, aged 76, Mrs. John Wright, of Lavergne, Tenn., aged 79, Mrs. McLaughlin, of Thompson Station, aged 70. Mrs. Wright had not been here before in forty years. Another sister, aged about 72, Mrs. Turner, of Johnsonville, was absent. Their father, John Thompson, forted at Nashville, in the last century and lived on the farm now owned by Gen. W. G. Harding. These four sisters are the last of sixteen sisters and brothers. They still have their flax wheels given them by their father when they were married.

Mrs. Ferry, is the mother of seventeen children, the youngest of whom, Benjamin Franklin, died during the late war, in 1863, in his twentieth year.

Mr. "Arter" Cranford, as he is familiarly called, who was married on the 17th ult., was a soldier in the war of 1812. He invited to his wedding, Major John D. Fleming, aged about 82, and Thos. J. Whitaker, of uncertain age. Major Butler, of Bear Creek, was not invited, but he says there was a fine dinner at Mr. Cranford's on the 18th. Sixty years ago, Major Fleming, then a young man, went from here to the South Carolina rice mills through a wilderness, and broke the ice in Chickamauga River and swam it, on the way—just to get to see his sweetheart. The reminiscences he still treasures, and full of the good old days, which make life pleasant. How many young men, nowadays, would travel on horseback six or seven hundred miles, through a wilderness, to see their sweethearts? We fear each old bachelor will answer, that the girls of these days are not worth that much devotion.

Major W. J. Sykes is not only a great railroad man, but he is a sensible on all subjects. He appreciates a good thing when he sees it, from railroads down. He says that nowhere do the people live better than they do in Middle Tennessee. The world does not furnish a better dinner than is to be found at the houses of our farmers,—the Websters, Sidleys, Polks, Gordons, Bethels, Flemings, Frierson, Perrys, Harlans, Gants, Mayrses, Jones, Tindals, Polks, Phelps and hundreds of others. And the main thing that makes their dinners superior—better than any hotel in the land—is because the victuals are cooked as they ought to be. Our farmers' wives understand good cooking than in variety of viands. Major Sykes is right, as our Fairs every year testify. The dinners eaten at our Fairs are only equaled by the warm-hearted hospitality with which they are dispensed.

About three years ago, ten young men of Knob Creek, came to a circus at Columbia, and were so much carried away by the acrobatic performances, that they went home determined to practice until they were able to do the same athletic feats. They did practice together for some time, but finally they all quit except John and Bradley West, J. W. Foster, and Riley Haywood, who kept it up until they attained wonderful skill. Last week they made their debut at the Fair, assisted by Frank Holler, an student of the Hardin Academy. There was such a rush to get a good view of the acrobats, when they made their appearance that those on the seats could not see their feats, and it was announced from the stand that all who remained in the ring would have to pay an extra half dollar, whereupon there was a general stampede. Those who remained near the athletes say that they executed many wonderful feats, which can only be performed after long and rigid practice.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Dr. B. F. Crockett, of this county, has a long notice of his famous medicine, "Anti-Dyspeptic Compound." He furnishes certificates from well known men.

L. D. Sims, of Cincinnati, has a notice of his grand gift enterprise.

Mr. John T. Brown advertises a fine farm, in Obion county, for sale.

Sheegog & Son have in new specials.

W. E. Brown & Co., have a notice of their new goods in this issue. Mr. Brown spent seven weeks in the eastern cities, laying in his stock, and has one of the largest ever brought to this place. He buys for cash, and gets all the advantages of so doing; hence is enabled to sell goods low. He invites the public to call and examine his goods and save money.

Read original attachment notice by J. T. Hunt, Esq.

A. Boshmaid & Bro. have just received the largest and finest stock of goods they have ever brought on—nearly double as much as they usually do. They have a specially good stock of men and boys' ready-made clothing, which they are selling very cheap. Read their advertisement and give them a call.

Mr. D. A. Craig publishes a notice to tax-payers of his appointments.

Mr Charley Reynolds has opened an Artist's Studio on Garden street, nearly opposite the Presbyterian Church in the new Fleming block. He has specimens of his own productions on hand; and states in a card elsewhere that he is ready to paint portraits from photographs.

See card of Linck's Hotel in another place. Mr. Thos. M. Benner, well and favorably known in this town and county, is there, and will do delighted to entertain his many friends and acquaintance when in the city. We are told that the hotel is kept in excellent style. Call on Tom, when you go to Nashville.

Our talented and clever young friend, W. C. Sheppard, announces in a card, in this issue, that he is now prepared to give his professional services to the public. His office is in the new Fleming block, and is one of the neatest and best arranged offices we ever saw. He has all of the latest improvements. His chair is a curiosity. He is a skillful accomplished dental-surgeon, and will do a good business. Success to him.

E. L. Williams offers a good farm for sale, near Williamsport.

Joel J. Foster offers a reward to the finder of his pocketbook.

C. B. McLean, of Wayne County, publishes a non-resident notice.

A. W. Stockard advertises an administrator's sale of T. A. Thompson's estate.

Wash Webster advertises for a horse lost during the Fair.

J. C. Gordon offers a fine place, near Columbia, for sale.

R. M. McKay publishes a notice of his appointment as Assignee of P. Caperton.

See notice to the Poor House Commissioners.

Anthony Gholson offers good brick for sale. His brick are always as good as it is possible to make them. Whoever buys brick made by Mr. Gholson, may be sure of getting the best quality.

B. Harrison, Ranger, inserts an estray notice.

Mrs. M. J. Bryant announces that she has received, at the Emporium of Fashion, fall and winter goods, for the ladies.

The Bank of Columbia publishes a satisfactory statement of affairs in this issue. Its resources are very largely in excess of its liabilities, and it is as sound as a gold dollar.

Read W. J. Philips' new specials.

First National Bank.

It having been currently reported on the streets that the First National Bank of Columbia had suspended, we deemed it our duty to call on one of the Directors and ascertain the condition of the Bank. He stated most emphatically that the Bank had not suspended, and had been paying checks as usual, and would continue to do so.

The new iron bridge, near Chumbly's Ford, will be completed to-day and to-morrow. The Commissioners will subject it to a severe test before receiving it. The public are invited to inspect the bridge.

CARTER'S CREEK ITEMS.

RELIGIOUS.

Quite an interesting meeting has been going on at the Christian Church at Beech Grove for the last week, the Rev. Mr. Barnes, of Ala., a very eloquent and talented minister, officiated. He has added several new members to the church, and done much good to the cause of religion, during his short stay. The parting scene between Mr. Barnes and the members of the church he has been laboring so faithfully for, at the close of services on Sunday night, was quite affecting indeed.

WHY IS IT THUS?

The once flourishing Sabbath school at Lockridge's Church has been growing beautifully less by degrees, and from seventy members there are not more than twenty now that attend. If members of the church and the parents of the many interesting children here, lose all interest in the school, it is no wonder the children do the same. They generally follow the example set them.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

It is generally understood, about tax assessing and collecting time, that part of the tax money is for the purpose of establishing public schools for the education of the children of the county. Why is it, then, that the citizens of the 19th and 22d districts, surrounding Carter's Creek, cannot have a school? If not, can they not draw their proportionate part of the school fund, to help defray the expenses of a subscription school?

The cotton crop, of which there will not be more than half a crop made, is being rapidly picked out, and ginned. If the weather continues good, nearly the entire cotton crop will be ready for market by the 15th of October, but owing to the stringency of the money market, there has been but little of the staple put upon the market.

Farmers are asking $2 50 per barrel for corn, and they will doubtless find ready sale for it before Christmas, for the cotton planters must live, and as much as they hate to part with the love corn more—when they are hungry.

NEW GOODS.

Mr. Tate has returned from the East with an elegant assortment of dry goods, boots, shoes and notions, and is offering them at prices to suit the times. He has secured the services of a broken legged miller as salesman. He could not have done a better selection than the said miller. He is polite, accommodating, good looking, and a universal favorite with the old ladies. But he can't keep hotel.

JAMES M'KAY

—that grand old bachelor, who would smoke his pipe, if Jay Cooke and all the rest of the bankers in the world were to suspend—is now receiving and opening a large and well selected stock of goods, staple and fancy, and in fact everything that is kept in a well regulated house. Cripples seem to be the rage now. Jim also has a crippled spirit behind the counter, with doubtless many good qualities, but he (alas, for one so young) has had his troubles, too.

FALL FIGHTS.

From some mysterious cause, a barrel of fighting whiskey has made its appearance in our midst, and consequently the fall fights have opened much earlier than was anticipated, although much blood and heaps of hair are prominently scattered around on this sacred soil. The services of the undertaker have not been called in yet, but deponent cannot say how soon he may be needed, if things remain thusly.

Neapolis, alias Poplar Top, alias Brown town, &c., &c., Phœnix-like, is again rearing its head above the ashes of oblivion that have so long covered it like a pall, and the citizens of that little wayside village can now boast of a large grocery house, well stocked with choice groceries, presided over by W. J. Brown, an old citizen and full of the grocery business. Success to Mr. Brown's establishment, Messrs. Adkisson & Ray, of Nashville, are now opening a large stock of boots, shoes and hats. Mr. Trulove, formerly with A. & W., of Nashville, will have charge of the stock.

HYMENIAL.

If Madame Rumor is correct in her surmises, there will be a good deal of marrying round about here this fall. At least, the probabilities point that way now.

CONUNDRUM.

Why is it that the robust, manly form of that jovial, fine looking widower of the Culleoka neighborhood, is so frequently seen on his fiery steed, silently following the meanderings of the road that leads towards the head of Carter's Creek? Answer next week.

SPRING HILL ITEMS.

Mr. R. A. McLemore narrowly escaped being killed a few days ago. He had been to a saw mill for some plank, and after loading his wagon, started home, but soon after leaving the mill, his driver discovered that he had left his coat