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J. H. HARNET, senior editor and proprietor of the Louisville Democrat, died Sunday morning.

A St. Louis insurance company was driven into bankruptcy by the presentation of a claim for \$26.

A NEGRO has been sentenced, at Indianapolis, to pay a fine of \$5000 and two years in the penitentiary, for marrying a white woman.

A GEORGIA freedman recently eloped with the wife of his former master, and the pair are living pleasantly together in the suburbs of Macon.

It is said that an old picture in Vienna represents Adam as smoking a pipe and playing billiards under a grove of trees in the garden of Eden.

Mrs. MARY A. ETHERIDGE, of Meridian, Miss., died the other day of medicine wrongly administered by a couple of medical bunglers.

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The Coming County Election and Registration.

EDITOR LEDGER: Who are to vote in this county at the coming county election this spring? I propose a brief answer to this question; and in doing so I shall waive all anterior inquiries, and assume that Brownlow and his Rump are really and truly the Governor and Legislature of the State. This being so, they are of course legally bound by the Constitution of the State, and their official acts as such are valid and binding only when within the scope of these constitutional limits.

A State Convention. We have repeatedly called attention to the matter of a State convention, than which nothing can be of more importance to Tennesseans. There is no doubt a convention would do infinite good, there is no doubt about the right to it, and we do not believe there are five hundred white men in Tennessee who will have the impudence to deny it—not one hundred who have brains in their heads and the least possible spark of common candor and honesty in their hearts.

Editors FALCON: Permit me, Messrs. Editors, to call your attention to a question of first importance, now just beginning to awaken public interest, and which our people must look upon—most fully comprehend and act upon—for their own benefit, and for the benefit of their children and posterity.

That the present so-called State Government is both theoretically and practically a usurpation and an intolerable nuisance, no sane man can honestly deny. All true men whose personal interests are not bound up with the present organization, see and feel and admit the necessity of a change.

SECTION I. The powers of the Government shall be divided into three distinct departments—the Legislative, Executive and Judicial.

SECTION II. No person or persons belonging to one of these departments shall exercise any of the powers properly belonging to either of the others, except in the cases hereinafter directed or permitted.

SECTION III. The Legislative power of the State shall be vested in a General Assembly.

SECTION IV. The supreme Executive power of the State shall be vested in a Governor.

SECTION V. The Judicial power of the State shall be vested in one Supreme Court, and in such Superior Courts as the Legislature shall from time to time ordain and establish, and in the Judges thereof.

One judicial tribunal or superior court established by Brownlow's Rump, has passed judgment upon a large number of the citizens of this county, and adjudged them to be qualified voters, according to law.

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RALEIGH SPRINGS. GRAND SPECIAL SCHEME. OF THE Raleigh, Mineral Springs, TO BE DRAWN ON OR ABOUT FEBRUARY 15TH, 1868.

UNDERTAKERS. EMBALMERS OF THE DEAD. NO. 300 SECOND ST., NEAR MONROE, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

WHEATON NURSERY. Two Miles South of Memphis, on the Horn Lake Road. JOHN TRENT & CO., PROPRIETORS.

WE ARE PREPARED TO FILL ORDERS for every description of Fruit, Flowers and Ornamental Trees, Grape and Strawberry Vines and Hot House Plants, Roses, etc.

LUMBER, LATHS, SHINGLES. 600,000 feet Cypress Lumber; 200,000 " Poplar " 300,000 Laths and Shingles.

WOOD. 300 CORDS DRY WOOD, AT \$2 50 PER Cord, at VENABLE'S SAW MILL. Bricklaying.

IF YOU WANT A STEAM-BOILER, A kitchen range or a grate set, or a bread oven built, or flues remodeled so as to prevent smoking, a cistern built or repaired, or brick work of any kind, leave your order at 191 Main street, or at JOINER & KIRBY'S, 31 Main street, or call upon THOS. CUBBIN.

NOTICE. I HAVE A GRAY HORSE SENT ME BY the Agent of the Miss. & Tenn. R. R., at the property of Maj. J. W. Green, of Sardis, Miss. If not called for in three days, the same will be sold to pay charges. J. SELIGMAN.

STARSHUTTLESEWING MACHINE.



PRICE—\$25, \$35, \$40, \$50 and \$100. According to Style and Finish.

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NOTICE. I WILL EXCHANGE BUILDING LUMBER for a small stock of Groceries, Provisions, or Dry Goods.

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NOTICE. Persons ordering Certificates by mail can send greenbacks to the amount of five dollars in registered letters, and postoffice order drawn payable to our order for same amount, at our risk, with address of town, county and State carefully written.

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