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RAILROAD TIME TABLES.

Union Ticket Office, Maxwell House.—A. H. Robinson, Agent.

Arrival and Departure of Trains at Nashville.

LOUISVILLE AND NASHVILLE AND GREAT SOUTHERN.—Depot, North College street. J. N. BROOKS, Agent.

TRAINS.	LEAVES.	ARRIVES.
Northern, Eastern and Western Express.....	12:15 a m	
Franklin (Ky.) Accommodation.....	8:30 a m	6:25 p m
Northern, Eastern and Western Express.....	1:40 p m	*8:35 a m
Mobile and New Orleans Express.....	6:40 p m	12:30 a m
Decatur Mail.....	8:30 a m	†12:50 p m
Columbia Accommod'tion	2:00 p m	10:45 a m
Gallatin Accommod'tion	3:30 p m	11:40 a m

G. P. ATMORE, Gen'l Pass. and Ticket Agent.

NASHVILLE, CHATTANOOGA AND ST. LOUIS.—Depot, Church street.—T. M. CUNNINGHAM, Ticket Agent.

TRAINS.	LEAVES.	ARRIVES.
Southern & Eas'rn Mail	49:00 a m	†12:30 p m
Southern & Eas'rn Ex...	*8:00 p m	*12:01 a m
St. Louis & Memphis Ex..	*12:10 a m	*6:30 a m
St. Louis & West'n Mail	†12:30 p m	*3:00 p m
Shelbyville Accommod'n	†5:30 a m	†9:35 a m

W. L. DANLEY, Gen'l Pass. and Ticket Agent.
* Daily. † Daily except Sunday.
The 8:00 a m and 12:35 p m trains will not stop at flag stations.

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Via Parkersburg, May 10.	Express.	Past Ex.	St. Louis Express.
	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Leave Cincinnati..	9:00 am	4:30 pm	11:10 p m
Arrive Washington	7:15 am	12:40 m	8:20 p m
Arrive Baltimore..	9:05 am	1:50 pm	10:20 p m
Arrive Philadelph.	1:30 pm	6:50 pm	2:25 a m
Arrive New York...	3:10 pm	10:22 pm	6:15 a m
Arrive Boston.....	5:50 am		4:30 p m

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Through tickets and further information can be obtained at the principal Ticket Offices throughout the West, South-west and Northwest. THOS. P. BARRY, Western Passenger Agent, Cincinnati.

LOUISVILLE & CINCINNATI SHORT LINE RAILROAD.—Trains leave and arrive at Louisville as follows:

TRAINS.	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Eastern Fast Line, except Sunday.....	8:10 a m	7:30 p m
Eastern Express, daily..	2:00 p m	10:20 a m
Eastern Night Express, except Sunday.....	11:15 p m	1:05 a m
Mt. Sterling Mail, except Sunday.....	6:00 a m	10:50 a m
Lexington Express, except Sunday.....	2:00 p m	6:55 p m
Lagrange Accommodation, except Sunday..	9:15 a m	8:05 a m
Lagrange Accommodation, except Sunday...	4:45 p m	3:30 p m
Shelbyville Mail, except Sunday.....	6:00 p m	8:05 a m
Shelbyville Express, except Sunday.....	2:50 p m	3:50 p m

New Advertisements.

Insure in the State Insurance Company
Top buggy for sale cheap.
Nice brick cottage for rent.
A white milley cow taken up.
Money to loan by R. W. Brown.
White cook wanted at 75 Church st.
Twenty-five cottages in South Nashville for rent.
House, corner of Market and Church streets, for rent.
Stated meeting of Benhah Lodge, F. & A. M., to-morrow evening.
Mr. R. E. McDuff will lecture at McClure's Hall on Monday night.
Rowell & Chesman give valuable information on the subject of advertising in a card on second page.
The copartnership heretofore existing between Jas. A. McClure & Bro. was dissolved Jan. 1.
S. W. Keeble has removed his barber shop to No. 70 Church st.
Mrs. A. Toney has reopened the City Hotel under the name of the Capitol House. Accommodations guaranteed first-class.
Ten dollars reward offered for recovery of stolen kettle.
Go to the Maxwell House Shoe Store for your boots and shoes. You will be certain to get your money's worth.
A new and magnificent stock of fancy goods, cutlery, plated ware, novelties, etc., will be opened at the Dollar Store on Monday morning. Do not fail to call and examine.
The Elmwood collar always looks well. Try it.
The proprietors of the Philadelphia Store announce, in city notice column, that they will offer at cost, during the next thirty days, their entire stock of winter dry goods, boots, shoes, etc.
George P. Kirtland, 15 Cherry street, opposite Maxwell House, is prepared to do all kinds of watch repairing, guaranteeing his work always to give satisfaction.
Joe Frankland & Co., 17 Public Square, appreciating the present hard times, have determined to contribute their share toward making them easier by a sweeping reduction in the prices of their goods. Our readers would do well to call and see for themselves.
The Louisville Library drawing will certainly take place on the 27th inst. Persons wishing to participate should purchase tickets immediately.
A called conclave of Nashville Commandery will be held to-morrow (Monday) evening at 7 o'clock. See advertisement, by Recorder Howell, on second page.
Called meeting of Jackson Guards on Monday evening.

Gallatin's Blacking Manufactory.

A part of the machinery and supplies for the Southern Blacking Manufactory to be established at Gallatin, will reach this city early this week. It is thought the factory will be in full blast by the first of next month. The company will operate on a capital of about $25,000.

Personal.

Col. Paul F. Anderson, of Helena, Ark., is at Lebanon, among his friends and old comrades in arms. Those gallant "Cedar Snags," whom he led to victory so often, never called him anything but "Old Paul."
Messrs. Joseph Frankland and Leopold Sobel left last night for New York, to purchase spring stocks in their respective lines.

To Swing Round the Circle.

Dr. Lindsley, President of the State Teachers' Association, will repeat his plea for Normal Schools in Tennessee in Murfreesboro on Monday evening, Feb. 15, in Chattanooga on Tuesday evening the 16th, and in Knoxville on Thursday evening the 18th. This lecture gives the people information of great value at this time. No charge for admission. The object is to arouse attention to the great want of educating the people and thus developing all the resources of Tennessee.

Boiling Springs Academy.

The above institution, a select classical and mathematical school, was opened last Monday, at Owen's X Roads, Williamson county. Besides having many desirable local advantages, the school building is entirely new, and has all the modern improvements. W. G. Paschall, the Principal, has had ten or twelve years experience in teaching, and is well fitted for the position he occupies.

The Revival in Edgefield.

Interest continues unabated in the revival at the Edgefield Baptist Church, and the work is carried on with much earnestness. Dr. G. W. Griffin, of Brownsville, who is assisting the pastor, will preach this morning and evening, and every night during the incoming week. He is both able and earnest, and all are deeply impressed who hear him. Prayer-meetings are held at the church every afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Lecture on Man.

Under the auspices of the Robertson Association, R. E. Macduff has already made the acquaintance of the lecture-going public of Nashville. He announces this morning that he will give another lecture here to-morrow night, at McClure's Hall, Cherry street, on, what is the proper study of mankind—Man. The question how to understand him will be discussed. We hope the lecturer may receive a good patronage.

Juvenile Concerts at Murfreesboro.

The pupils of the public schools of Murfreesboro gave concerts Thursday and Friday evenings last, under the direction of Prof. Hindle, which are pronounced complete successes. Large audiences greeted the youngsters each night. Mr. and Mrs. Ashford, of this city, were there and sang several duetts and solos to the delight of those present. Several excellent quartetts were sung by Mr. and Mrs. Hindle and Mr. and Mrs. Ashford.

A Sleeping Car Conductor in Trouble.

W. E. Keys, a sleeping car conductor on the Louisville, Nashville and Great Southern road, was arrested at the Maxwell House yesterday, on the charge of a breach of trust by a fraudulent appropriation of money. He was taken before Justice Cassetty and committed to jail for trial before the Criminal Court. It is alleged that he collected money to the amount of about $250, of which he failed to give any account to his employers.

Died at St. Vincent's Hospital.

G. C. Rives, of Obion county, died quite suddenly at St. Vincent's Hospital yesterday evening. He was severely afflicted with dropsy, and, having spent some time at Epperson Springs without relief, came to this city for treatment. Dr. S. H. Bundy, the hospital physician, performed an operation on him yesterday afternoon, and he seemed to be doing quite well till towards night, when he began to sink very fast, and soon expired. He leaves a large family.

Gen. Grigsby's Good Luck.

The Supreme Court, yesterday, reversed the judgment of the court below in the case of Gen. Grigsby, colored, (plaintiff in error) vs. the State. Grigsby was convicted at the May term 1874 of the Circuit Court at Pulaski, and sentenced to be hanged for the murder of Maggie McEwen and Martha Wagstaff, colored, which was committed on the 9th of June, 1873, by the burning of a house in which the parties were sleeping. The 17th of July last was fixed for his doomsday.

The Jail Delivery Investigation.

For want of a quorum yesterday, the Jail Commissioners did not conclude their investigation of the mysterious escape of Woodward and Mason. They will complete and sign a statement on the subject at a meeting to be held next Tuesday morning. It is at Jailer Heverin's suggestion and solicitation that they are taking steps in the matter. He wishes the matter explained, as best it can be done, in order that the responsibility may be properly guaged and rest where it belongs.

Dr. Callender on Hamlet.

The next lecture of the Robertson Association will be delivered next Tuesday evening, at McClure's Temple of Music, by Dr. J. H. Callender, on the subject of "Hamlet's Insanity," and in response to Rev. T. A. Hoyt. It may well be presumed that the doctor will handle the subject in a masterly manner, sustaining his reputation in this respect. The old controversy in the hands of such thinkers as himself and Mr. Hoyt, glows with a new interest. The lecture may be looked to as a literary event.

How We Are Dying Off.

The Health Officer reports that 23 persons died in the city during the week ending yesterday at 12 M: Whites 11, colored 12; adults 7, minors 16; natives of Tennessee 19, other countries 4. The prevailing disease as usual this winter was phthisis pulmonalis. As to age, 9 of deceased were under one year, 3 from one to five, 1 from 5 to ten, 3 from ten to twenty, 2 from twenty to thirty, 2 from thirty to forty, 1 from sixty to seventy, and 1 from seventy to eighty. Number of deaths last week, 17; previous week, 21.

Massachusetts Mechanics' for Tennessee.

The following letter was received by Mayor Howell a few days since, from an intelligent mechanic in Massachusetts, who contemplates emigrating to this State:

"SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed favor, and that much-sought-after book, 'The Resources of Tennessee,' for all of which I am, together with my family and friends, exceedingly obliged. Trade in Massachusetts is so very much overdone, and mechanics, as a rule, so poorly paid, and their employment so very uncertain, that I believe we shall have a large emigration in the spring, and, as far as appearances go, Tennessee is likely to get a large share of it, if the people could only get the means to take them there."

The Banker's Almanac and Register for 1875.

It is hard to understand how any banker or merchant can manage do without this valuable publication. The twenty-fourth annual volume has recently been issued, and contains full and carefully corrected lists of—1. The National Banks, State Banks, and Private Bankers of every city and town in the United States and Territories; the President, Cashier, and Capital of each bank, and the New York correspondents of all. 2. The Banks and Bankers of Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, etc. 3. The Banks and Bankers of over one thousand cities and towns of Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, South America, West Indies, etc., with the population of each place. 4. The Savings Banks of the United States. 5. National Banks in Liquidation. 6. The Stockbrokers and Gold-brokers of New York City. Also, full statistics of—1. The Loans of the United States. 2. The Treasury Calls of 5-20 Bonds. 3. Prices of United States Securities each month, 1862—1874. 4. The Premium on Gold at New York, highest and lowest each month, 1862 to 1868; each day 1869—1874. 5. The United States Treasury, six years. 6 Sources of Internal Revenue, five years. 7. The Interest Laws of all the States and Territories—Grace on sight bills, etc. 8. The Banks of New York City: Liabilities, Resources and Dividends of each. 9. The New York Clearing-House and its operations. 10. Earnings of the National Banks of each State. 11. Prices of seventy-five Staple Commodities at New York for thirteen years, 1862—1874. 12. Commercial Failures in the United States in the years 1857, 1861 and 1874. 13. The Railroads of the United States; their Mileage, Cost, Receipts, Expenses and Dividends. 14. Railroads in Default; Full exhibit of each to December, 1874. 15. The Railways of the World—Comparative exhibit of mileage, cost, etc. 16. The Parities of Exchange; tables of value of United States Gold ($1 to $100,000) in the principal European moneys. And a variety of other valuable information.

The illustrations comprise—1. Twelve original designs of buildings for city and country banks; elevations, ground plans and descriptions of each. 2. Engraved facsimiles of the new coins of the world, including the new twenty-cent piece of the United States. 3. Engraved views of the mint of Brazil; the new bourse of Brussels; and of new bank buildings in Philadelphia, Montreal and other cities.

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ALL OVER THE CITY.

St. Valentine's Day.

The room at the work-house, occupied as police headquarters, has been neatly papered by Forbes & Doyle.

Trade in the comic and sentimental missives peculiar to St. Valentine's Day has been brisk with our local dealers.

The concert at the Second Presbyterian Church did not take place last Monday night, but will be given to-morrow evening at 7½ o'clock.

The fire alarm sounded at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, from box 56, corner of South Franklin and College streets, was caused by the ignition of a kettle of tar, near the Decatur depot.

With the approach of spring there has been a much greater demand for farming stock, and a decided advance in the prices. Yesterday at the sale stables on Front street, a large number of horses and mules were disposed of.

Our Irish citizens are already beginning active preparations for the proper celebration of St. Patrick's day, and the 17th of next month is likely to witness a larger turnout of Erin's representatives than has been seen in Nashville for many years.

J. G. Csongrady will deliver a lecture on "Interesting Subjects and Revelations of the Bible," at McClure's Hall, on the evening of the 25th inst.

A horse fell on Union street, yesterday afternoon, causing a temporary blockade on that street. The animal, in his prostrate condition, was the means of frightening several other teams, almost resulting in some runaways.

Quite a number of members of the House of Representatives obtained leave of absence, yesterday, to return to their family firesides and enjoy the comforts of home during the brief intermission.

The washing room of the Maxwell House has been closed to outsiders, and a sentinel stands watch at the door and receives tickets entitling those who obtain them from the office to admission thereto.

Persons leaving Waynesboro can now arrive here the same day, the stage schedule from Columbia to Mount Pleasant having been changed so that they are not delayed en route, as heretofore.

For the past few days the show windows of the book stores and news-stands have presented a very gay and festive appearance and judging from the crowds that gathered about these places last night, the observance of St. Valentine's day will be general.

Robert L. Carothers, Jr., and John H. Campbell will organize a Mission Sunday-school at the Methodist Church on North Summer street this afternoon at 3 o'clock. It is to be a revival of the Sabbath-school formerly held in the German Lutheran Church on Market street.

McClure & Bro. have favored us with copies of three pieces of popular new music—"Coming Down the Stair," words by Edith Moore and music by Violitta; "Marion Schottisch," by Jno. R. Sweeney, M. B.; "Golden Locks," words by D. C. Addison and melody by G. W. Persley.

The Enosophian Literary Society of the University of Nashville will hold its semi-annual celebration on the evening of the 26th inst. The programme is an oration, by W. L. Calhoun; essay, by Paul Jones; dialogue, by B. A. Calhoun and A. B Grasty; declamation, by C. D. Williams.

Hon. Horace H. Harrison has drafted an amendment to the Postal Route bill, for a mail route for Fountain Head, Sumner county, to Lafayette, in Macon, via Coatstown, Brackentown, and Epperson Springs, and handed it to the chairman of the committee, with the request that it be reported.

A temperance meeting, suitable for the Sabbath, will be held to-day at 3 P. M. in the Central Baptist Church on Cherry street, South Nashville. The pastor and Drs. A. Hamilton and Perkins will be there to make addresses. It is desired that this shall be a big rally of friends of temperance.

Telegrams remain at the Western Union office for the following: J. A. Saterwhite, W. M. Spence, Gennett & Co., Morris & Stratton, Geo. F. Akers, Hooper, Whitworth & Co., Gen. R. P. Neely, Jno. J. S Hook, Cheatham & Kinney, W. Martin, Rev. A. H. Redford, Equitable Insurance Co. Office hours 9 to 10 A. M. and 5 to 5 P. M.

Something altogether unique in the way of a wedding and reception invitation was left at this office yesterday. Above the usual "At Home" formula appeared the photographs of the bride and groom that are to be, admirably executed by Giers. The interesting event occurs at Concordia Hall, next Tuesday evening, to be followed by a reception on South Cherry street.

They have a new kink in bowing, which is the height of elegance, because it is "foreign." You are not to bend your head with the least degree of reverence. That's only suitable in saluting your acknowledged superior; but you are to look the party you address, coolly in the eye, smile your sweetest and gently incline your head toward the right shoulder with a little backward movement at the same time. It's a little difficult to do at first, and practicing before the glass you look as silly as you feel, but never mind, it's "the thing," and such matters are as contagious as the measles; so you'll get it, after a little.

CRIMINAL NOTES.

Jack Holden, colored, was arrested by officer Broderick yesterday for running a wagon without license.

Six offenders put in an appearance before the Recorder yesterday morning, all of whom had been arrested on the charge of assault and battery.

Oliver Patterson colored, was driving along yesterday at a rate much faster than that allowed by the municipal law, so he was arrested by officer Fletcher.

Charles Hayes, colored, was arrested by officers Maskey and Jackson yesterday on the charge of stealing a hog from Chris. Powers. He was committed to jail by Justice Cassetty for trial before the Criminal Court.

Leander Rogan, colored, was arrested by Wash Withers yesterday, on the charge of stealing mortar from Wade Cullom, colored. He was committed to jail by Justice Campbell, to await an examination of the matter. The prisoner says he was authorized by Cullom to sell some of the mortar, which he did, but lost the money he received for it.

Willis Jordan, colored, was arrested by officer Fletcher yesterday, on the charge of stealing an overcoat from Mr. Landrum. He was taken before Justice Everett and committed to jail for further examination to-morrow. After having been placed behind the bars, he was seized with a violent fit, and it was some time before Dr. McMurray brought him to consciousness.

Officer Bolton yesterday arrested Willis Halfacre and William Hardeman, both colored, on the charge of having stolen a bag of wheat from a wagon in Dement's stable last Friday night. The darkies disposed of the wheat yesterday, and were several miles from the city, on the way to their home in Williamson county, when collared by the officer of the law. At the preliminary examination Halfacre wept bittery, said it was his first offense, and promised if he were released to do better in the future. The prisoners were committed to jail by Justice Everett, for trial before the Criminal Court.

Knights of Honor.

A new lodge of Knights of Honor, with twenty-eight members, was organized in this city last Wednesday night. It will be known as Vanderbilt Lodge, and its regular meetings held every Friday night. At the last meeting the following officers were installed:

W. F. Meachum, Past Dictator; John W. Edwards, Dictator; Daniel Dillon, Vice Dictator; Harry Dunn, Assistant Dictator; Wm. H. Haslam, Guide; Reporter, G. W. Hutchison; Financial Reporter, J. M. Elliston; Treasurer, George W. Stainback; Sentinel, W. T. Auten.

A Library Benefit.

Next Thursday night Mrs. M. V. Brown, City Librarian, proposes giving a reading for the benefit of the library, with the following programme:

PART FIRST.

1. Music—Instrumental.
2. High Tide—Jean Ingelow.
3. Music—Cornet and piano.
4. After the Ball—Nora Perry.
5. Music—Song.
6. The Bells—Poe.
7. Music—Instrumental.

PART SECOND.

1. Dream of Eugene Aram. The Murdered Hood.
2. Music—Instrumental.
3. Dora—Tennyson.
4. Music—Song.
5. Tetterby's Baby—Dickens.
6. Music.

THE BIBLE WOMAN.

Some Emphatic Statements of a Controversial Character.

To the Union and American:

Being, myself, responsible for the springing of a question in the "Woman's Bible Mission of Nashville," which I see treated of in an article in last Sunday's issue of the UNION AND AMERICAN, over the signature of Mrs. D H. McGavock, I regard it as my duty, both to the society and the public, to submit the following explanation:

The question is:—Does the law of the M. E. Church, South, permit any society within its pale to appropriate and send its missionary contributions to special enterprises, through any channel itself may choose, without submitting such contributions to be settled by the regular church authorities, in the apportionment assessed upon the charge in which the contribution was given? I took the negative side of the question before the society. This occurred on the 6th of last month, just one month before the "recent action of the Board of Missions," mentioned by Mrs. McG. which "recent action" was brought about by Dr. D. C. Kelley, with evident reference to the position he had already taken months before, in the handling of our funds. When the subject came up before the Society, he evaded explanation, but very emphatically contradicted my statement; yet he afterward applied to the Board of Missions to grant a special privilege, in the form of a restoration, which, whether valid under the constitution or not, might serve the great end of making his contradiction appear truthful. Mrs. McG. does not quote the whole of Art. XV, but leaves off the last clause, which decides the point in dispute. Art XV reads as follows:

"Any person or Sunday-school, or church or conference may assume in whole or in part, the support of a Mission or a mission school established by the board, and send their contributions directly to such mission or school, of which the General Treasurer shall be immediately notified; Provided, that the Conference in whose territory such moneys may be given, shall have credit for the same, *in settling the apportionment* of the General Board." Please notice that the object in requiring the reporting of a special contribution to the conference in which it is given, is clearly stated to be, *that the proper credit* may be given *in settling the apportionment*, divided by said conference among its several charges, according to Art. XIV. Now the question is: Can any power short of the General Conference itself change this organic law? Again, if it can be changed, or so construed as to admit the sense imputed by this late resolution, will not the laymen of the church, whose purse is to supply the treasury, feel sorely aggrieved? It takes from him the right and power to give direction to his contributions, and at the same time to support the credit of his church—a privilege he has enjoyed all his life, and one which his fathers before him heard sounded out from the pulpit in trumpet tones, times without number. Now the moment he suggests what purposes he wishes his contribution applied to, that moment he forfeits the right to have it credited on the record of his church.

Furthermore, I claim that in the defense of this negative position lies the true interest of foreign missions, no less than of the church at home. Our great missionary system, as embodied in the constitution, and acted out in the past, is quite sufficient for all practical purposes. It is the grand bulwark of the church—the priceless legacy of the *mighty*, the *sainted*, the *deathless* dead. Our money is safer going through this channel than any we can devise ourselves; and I can see nothing good in the beginning or the ending of an attempt to usurp prerogatives which inhere in the very construction of the church, and which it cannot surrender and maintain its own existence.

L. A. ROBERTSON.

P. S. I see the origin of the Mission House noticed once more, and I take occasion hereby to donate, and bequeath, and fully and freely transfer and convey to Dr. David Campbell Kelley, his heirs and assigns, forever, to have and to hold whatever of credit the public may have honored me with personally in the matter of said Mission Home enterprise. Most probably this is the cordial for which the Doctor has been fretting for, lo! these several months.

BRIGADIER GENERAL SPENCE.

He Accepts the Honor but Declines the Profit.

Brigadier General Spence writes the following patriotic acknowledgment of his recent promotion:

MURFREESBORO, Tenn., Feb. 13, 1875.—Brigadier General Wm. R. Hamby, A. G.—I accept with very great pleasure the commission tendered me by his Excellency Gov. Porter.

I appreciate it as a high personal compliment from a friend whose compliments I estimate very highly.

I hope to bear the *honors* meekly and gracefully, and to avail myself of the privileges fully; but I must insist that the *emoluments* must be set aside in your hands and bestowed entirely upon the suffering poor of our beloved but tax-ridden State.

Respectfully,
D. H. C. SPENCE,
Commissary General.

THE COURTS.

Decisions by the Supreme Bench.

The following decisions were rendered by the Supreme Court yesterday:

By Chief Justice Nicholson—Boyles, adm'r, vs. Fulton; affirmed.

Duncan & Co. vs. Woodall; affirmed.

By Justice Deaderick—Tally et al. vs. Chunn et al.; reversed and remanded.

Hunter et al. vs. O'Neal et al.; reversed and remanded.

Gen. Grigsby vs. State; reversed and remanded.

Bond vs. Davis; decree in accordance with opinion.

Patton vs. Irwin et al.; reversed and bill dismissed.

Black vs. F. and F. T. company; affirmed.

Jones vs. Cannon; affirmed.

Cross vs. Ricketts et al.; decree in accordance with opinion.

By Justice McFarland—Hill and wife vs. Goodman and wife; decree in accordance with opinion.

Weller & Son vs. Newsom; remanded for account.

Seat, executor, vs. Knight et al.; reversed.

Hamilton & Co. vs. Ellis; affirmed.

Martin et al. vs. Pryor; affirmed

Brown vs. Brown; reversed and remanded.

Robertson vs. Winston; affirmed.

By Justice Freeman—Gleaves, administrator, vs. Wilson et al.; reversed and petition dismissed.

Frierson & Dale vs. Heffner & Duncan; affirmed.

Fogg vs. Union Bank; appeal dismissed.

By Justice Turney—Allen vs. State; judgment arrested and prisoner remanded.

McNish vs. Mags and wife; affirmed.

Compton vs. Dickerson; reversed and bill dismissed.

Dennis vs. Rainey et al.; motion allowed.

Harrison vs. Harrison et al.; affirmed.

Carpenter vs. State, affirmed.

Jordan et al. vs. Craig; affirmed and remanded.

Redmond vs. Wilson; reversed and remanded.

Wagstaff vs. Thorp; reversed and decree here for $250, etc.

By Justice Sneed—Shegog and wife vs. Perkins et al.; affirmed.

Black et al. vs. Carpenter et al.; reversed.

McLean vs. Adams; affirmed.

Kimbrough vs. Mitchell; affirmed.

Sweeney vs. Wysong; affirmed.

State vs. Glenn; affirmed.

Finley et al. vs. Allison & Co.; affirmed.

Harris, administrator, vs. Hughes et al.; reversed and remanded.

Jones vs. Turley et al.; motion to dismiss allowed.

Ewing, guardian, vs. Currin et al.; petition dismissed.

LAW COURT.—H. Zebbert vs. E. Franklin; leave granted to supply papers.

John A. Cartwright vs. John P. Waller; H. C. Moore vs. T. F. Saltsman; motion for new trial continued.

Henrietta Thomas vs. John Thomas; final decree of divorce granted.

PROBATE COURT.—A. C. Carter gave bond and qualified as guardian of Frank, Ella and Vaulx Carter, minor orphans.

Alice E. Kramer was granted letters of administration on the estate of T. R. Kramer, deceased.

TEACHING THE TEACHERS.

A Successful Educator on Normal Schools.

To the Union and American:

As the establishment of a normal school in our State is a subject of much moment to the people, a word in its behalf just now, while a bill looking to this end is before the Legislature, would not be out of place. True, we have heard from our educational leaders, Drs. Sears, Lindsley and others, from our Governor and many legislators and prominent citizens approving the enterprise, yet I desire to speak, adding a word, from an intensely practical and experimental standpoint, having spent years in the country school rooms of our public and private schools in this State and in Georgia, before and since the war. All this time I have labored and studied to learn how to teach—studied teaching as an art and science, and every day am I more and more convinced that bad teaching is worse than no teaching, and that our public schools, simply on account of inefficient teachers, are deprived of fifty per cent. of the good that otherwise might be accomplished.

You may go to Massachusetts, Ohio or elsewhere for systems, to this or that city for models, but they will all fail unless you have thorough teachers in the school rooms. It is directly under their manipulations and superior skill that any system will succeed, its good points appear or any benefit result to the children.

It is difficult, generally, for people to see and appreciate the difference between efficient and inefficient teaching. There is nothing which concerns them so much, and yet about which they know so little. Hence the greater necessity for guarding against imposition by giving to the country professional teachers from Normal schools.

I have known a community taught for years by a fewling, routine, parrot-worded pedagogue with only this result—dull children worse blunted, and sprightly ones crushed or disgusted. So far from being improved, they were actually less fitted for the battle of life than if they had been left to chance. Again, I have seen a skillful educator, in the same period, bring up, as if by magic, a community of children to the verge of manhood, bound to each other and to himself by the strongest fraternal ties, sensibly polished in manner, refined in feeling, sound and practical in education, a blessing to the country and an enduring monument to his memory.

The object of the Normal school is not to add higher grades to the public school course; not at all, but to give to masters that can impart readily and fascinatingly a thorough, fundamental, English education. It is a sad fallacy that *any body* can take charge of the primary department. Irreparable evils have had their source in this mistaken idea. Defects and bad habits have been contracted, resisting every effort of eradication in after life. Indeed none but accomplished teachers should take charge of the pupil from the first to the last grade.

Now if so much depends upon teachers that understand their business, if the results of our system are to be so vastly increased by the elevation of the professional standard, is it not wisdom and economy to establish schools in which *the teacher will be taught how to teach?*

If Massachusetts and other old States find it so necessary, even in their advanced condition, to spend millions on their Normal schools, how much more do we need them in our green and incipient stage.

I strongly advocated this measure in our State Teachers' Association, conscientiously, too; and I feel it my duty to the children of the State to say this much to our Legislature in behalf of Uncle Henry's bill, now pending in the Senate.

A. B. MARBURY,
Principal High School, Goodlettsville.

THE MISSING MERCHANT.

No Clue Yet as to His Whereabouts.

Diligent search was made yesterday by a party of young men, composed principally of clerks in wholesale houses, for Mr. H. B. Allen, whose sudden and mysterious disappearance on Thursday has caused so much alarm. The party, mounted on horses, commenced at the race track and followed the river down stream as far as they conveniently could with their horses. They then abandoned their steeds, and proceeded afoot, but after a long search and, after having reached Hyde's Ferry without discovering any trace of the missing man, they returned to the city.

Telegrams were sent yesterday to Columbia, Franklin, Lynnville and other places, but no satisfactory responses were received.

ROBBED ON THE RIVER.

The Bad Fortunes of an Overton County Dame.

Yesterday's *Evansville Journal* has the following:

Among the passengers up by the omnibus yesterday at noon, from Henderson were an old lady named Ellen Hughes, aged fifty years, and her son, a puny lad of fourteen or fifteen. They hailed from Overton County, Tennessee, and were en route for Worden Station, Madison County, Illinois. When they took passage on a boat at Butler's Landing, Upper Cumberland, the old lady had $56, of which she paid $10 for their passage to Nashville. During the first night out she was robbed of $36, the money being taken from the pocket of her dress, which she had hung up in her state room. The $12 left paid their way to Henderson. Leaving their baggage at that place, they started on foot to Evansville. They were overtaken a mile or two from Henderson by the bus when their destitute condition being made known, they were taken up and brought to this city, the passengers paying the fare of one and the driver bringing the other free. When they reached the river they had only one dollar, which some kind hearted citizen of Henderson had given them to pay their ferriage. The lad offered the dollar to the purser of the Uncle Buck, who, of course, declined to take it and set them over the river free of charge. They were directed to the Mayor with the hope that he would have them forwarded to Worden Station, where the woman has friends in good circumstances. The woman was plainly dressed in lindsey-woolsey, home made, and expressed a willingness to go to work if she could find employment to earn sufficient money to carry them through. In addition to her money, the thief had also purloined her shawl, leaving her illy clad, but some kind-hearted person, by the way, had given her another shawl. The woman seemed to be an honest, artless old lady and inspired the fullest confidence on the part of those who befriended her."

The Jackson Guards.

A good hall in the Porter Block has been secured by the above named company. It is composed entirely of Irishmen, and devotes two nights in each week to drilling. Capt. Tim Kelly has made the boys quite thorough in the handling of firearms, and when they turn out in full uniform on St. Patrick's Day, they will make a very respectable showing.

Dr. Villers' Matinee.

The Doctor had a fair audience at his matinee yesterday. His impersonations provoked the liveliest merriment, and kept up a perfect flow of fun till he left the stage. He left last night for Dayton, Ohio. Those who heard him here are desirous that he may make another visit to Nashville ere long, on a similar mission.

CITY NOTICES.

Go to the Maxwell House Shoe Store to get cheap boots, shoes and hats. feb14 1w

Ladies' box-toed shoes and gents' fine spring style hats at T. E. Winstead & Co's. feb14 1w

Spring Opening of new and attractive stock of latest novelties and fancy goods on Monday, March 1, at the Dollar Store. feb14 4t 14,20,21,27

Steel table cutlery, dessert knives and silver-plated table-ware, bowls and pitchers at the Dollar Store. feb14 2t 14,20

New Argand burner and lamp complete at the Dollar Store. feb14 2t 14,20

Cheapest dry goods ever offered in Nashville at the Philadelphia Store. feb14 1t

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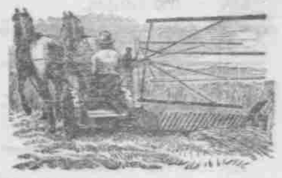

The firm heretofore known as T. H. Jones & Co. having sold their entire business to John J. McGavock, the business in the future will be conducted in the name of

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Dry Goods less than cost.—The entire stock of winter dry goods will be sold less than cost, for the next thirty days, at the Philadelphia Store. feb14 1t

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Shoes at greatly reduced prices, to close out the winter stock, at the Philadelphia Store, 27 Public Square, second door from Deaderick street. feb14 1t

Notice.—We will open, Monday morning, bleached and brown domestic and Irish linens, which will be sold at prices to defy competition. Call early and examine bargains at Joe Frankland & Co.'s, 17 Public Square. feb14 1t

Extra bargains in Hamburg edgings, from 5c and upwards, at Joe Frankland & Co.'s, Public Square. feb14 1t

Special bargains will be offered in all kinds of dry goods, notions, corsets, etc., at Joe Frankland & Co.'s, Public Square. feb14 1t

Travellers should not put up with the badly washed collars that are sent to them by hotel laundries, but wear the Elmwood, which always looks well. feb14 1t

Chronometer, quarter, second, and all other fine watches, repaired and warranted to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. George P. Kirtland, 15 Cherry street, opposite Maxwell House. feb14 1t*

Fine, difficult parts of watches made and repaired for watchmakers, at short notice, and warranted equal to new. George P. Kirtland, 15 Cherry street, opposite Maxwell House. feb14 1t*

Reopened.—The City Hotel has been reopened by Mrs. A. Toney, under the name of the Capitol House, and we can say, without fear of contradiction, for neatness and handsomely furnished rooms, and splendidly furnished tables, there