

The Most Destructive Flood Ever Known on the Ohio.

TERMS PER YEAR, 2.00. Thursday, Feb. 14, 1884.

The Kentucky Legislature, after an unusually protracted contest, has elected Capt. Joe Blackburn United States Senator.

FURIOUS AND FOAMING WATERS EVERYWHERE.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 11.—The river at 3 a. m., Monday, was 65 feet 6 inches and rising. Forty thousand people of the city are homeless and dependent upon public charity for relief.

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The above is a Map of the new Congressional Districts. It is furnished us by the Columbus Journal...

Thanks of the Miners. The Straitsville Independent, in replying to the attempted discussion of the Logan Republican Gazette on the bill introduced by Col. Weldy, concerning the script system, says this:

Col. Seth Weldy has the thanks of the miners of Ohio for his efforts to introduce such a bill and if it is passed, he may feel justly proud of it.

THE CAXAL—SHALL IT BE ABANDONED?

The Hocking Canal has been badly damaged by the flood. Possibly it has been injured to an extent beyond repair.

Before the waters began to subside, and before it was possible to know whether the damage done was greater than a summer drouth or a summer shower, petitions were put in circulation urging its abandonment.

It strikes us that this is unseemly haste. It looks like administering on an estate before the old man is cold in death.

Had we better not take some time to calmly consider. Let us inquire who is most urgent and why? Let us ask whether it is private gain or public good that inspires this hot haste in the abandonment of a State and County public improvement.

The Public Works of the State will not be abandoned. Some parts may be. The taxpayers must pay their proportionate share for such as may be maintained.

The State of Ohio pays for State taxes, in round numbers, five millions of dollars. Hocking county pays, (1883) in round numbers, seventeen thousand, or in other words about one dollar for every three hundred paid by the other counties of the State.

It is roughly estimated that it will cost thirty thousand dollars to repair the canal. If it does, Hocking's share of that expense will be one hundred dollars—the other counties of the State pay twenty-nine thousand nine hundred dollars. As a business proposition, cannot Hocking afford to pay a hundred dollars in order to have labor employed by the State and paid for by the State in our county, twenty-nine thousand nine hundred?

Ninety per cent of the money paid to laborers would be spent in Logan and Hocking county. Our business and laboring men can calculate on that.

If our canal is abandoned and repairs made on others, we have our taxes to pay out, all the same, and nothing for it.

Let us consider also what it will cost us for water supply in case of fire; what it will cost to fill up the muddy ditch.

Let us take time to consider our interests as a community, and not rush hastily into a movement that may result in the benefit of the few, and to the disadvantage of the general public.

Laban Stevens Found Guilty of Murder in the First Degree.

Laban Stevens, an accomplice of the Jones Brothers in the murder of Anderson Lackey, of Jackson County, was tried at Waverly on Tuesday last week, and found guilty. When the Jones boys escaped from the Jackson jail, Stevens refused to go along for fear, he said, the Jones would kill him. He was tried twice, and his counsel succeeded in getting him a third trial, and the change to Waverly. The Jones boys, under sentence of death, were the principal witnesses, testifying to the murder, and the active part Stevens took in it. The trial was long, lasting less than two days. Judge Tripp sentenced him to hang on the 23d of May.

The crime was a deliberate, cold blooded murder, planned by three ruffians to secure money from an old and helpless man who had lived some distance in the country. He had sold a horse a few days before, and for this money they planned and executed the murder. The evidence did not show that Stevens actually did the killing, but Judge Tripp charged that when Stevens conspired to do the unlawful act of robbery and attempted to carry that unlawful act out, he was responsible for the life that took the old man's life.

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Sudden Death in Lucas Co.

Mr. Ben Lewis was taken Thursday, trading apparently well but complaining to some of his friends of not feeling well and in the afternoon started home with his little boy in the wagon. Between town and M. H. Richman's place his little boy noticed the approaching stroke and turned in and stopped with Mr. Richman's when he received a stroke of the paralysis from which he died, surrounded by sorrowing friends and neighbors.

The Latest News From The Scene of Disaster.

At 12 o'clock to-day (Wednesday) the river at Cincinnati was 70 feet.

The Kanawa valley is a sea of water. Point Pleasant is six feet under water.

Marietta, Pomeroy, Middleport, Gallipolis, Ironton, Portsmouth, in fact all the towns on the river are in despair. In some of the towns not a single house is on dry land.

The lower Mississippi is rising rapidly and great damage and suffering is apprehended.

Congress has appropriated \$300,000 for relief.

A bill was introduced in the Legislature at Columbus yesterday, appropriating \$300,000. The appropriation will probably be made a half million.

All of central and northern Ohio are sending provisions. The cities of the east are organizing committees to send relief.

The citizens of Logan contributed an additional supply, half a car load, to-day.

Mr. Tress telegraphs from Pomeroy, that his house, a two-story business block, with hundreds of others in the same street, has been swept away.

Mayor Brehm telegraphed Gov. Hoadly, tendering shelter for 150 people.

Gov. Hoadly has issued a proclamation calling on the people to organize relief committees.

The contributions from Logan thus far amount to over \$1,000.00.

The Relief Committee delegated Chas. Rose, Frank Wheeler, Jesse Butin, Eli West and Lloyd Myers to go to Gallipolis Wednesday night and give such assistance as might be needed.

Sheriff McCarthy telegraphs that he and the committee accompanying him are employed at work and will remain whilst their services are needed.

The Messrs of Logan contributed \$50.00 for the Flood sufferers.

The 2nd ward contributed the largest sum in cash. John Donoham collected twenty-six dollars and twenty-five cents.

St. Joseph's (Catholic) Benevolent Society donated \$25.00 for the relief of the sufferers.

The Webb Post, Sons of Veterans, contributed \$10.00.

A number of farmers from the surrounding country here, bro't in supplies.

All provisions intended for the starving people should be bro't to the City Building, where it will be cared for and properly distributed.

Other Great Floods.

The first great flood in the Ohio occurred in 1832. The river was higher then than ever known before. A disastrous flood occurred in 1850, but last year, in February, the waters were higher than in 1832, reaching 66 feet 5 inches above low water. At 12 o'clock to day (Wednesday) the river is 70 feet and rising.

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James McGrady's Estate. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed and qualified administrator of the estate of James McGrady, late of Hocking county, Ohio, deceased.

SHERIFF'S SALE. James R. Grogan, Auctioneer. In the Court of Common Pleas of Hocking county, Ohio.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Sheriff of Hocking county, Ohio, by virtue of a writ of execution, do hereby direct the sale of the real and personal estate of John W. Fisher, deceased, situate in Hocking county, Ohio, to-wit:

The east half of Lot (number 67) three hundred and seven, incorporated Village of Logan, Ohio.

Approx. of said cash in hand. Given under my hand and Seal, this 30th day of February, 1884.

W. E. Hamlin, Sheriff. John F. White, attorney for said estate.

SCHOOL EXAMINERS MEETINGS.

The Board of School Examiners of Logan Village will hold regular meetings for the purpose of examining teachers' certificates as follows:

On the Third Wednesday of February, April, June, August, October and December, at the office of the Superintendent, in the School Building in Logan Village, commencing at 10 o'clock, a