

W. P. WALTON.

A LITTLE over 35 years ago, the young man who is now acting as governor of the great State of Kentucky, was born of very poor Irish parents, who kept a toll gate in Bourbon county as a means of furnishing themselves with a living. He was an unusually bright boy, and the trustees of the Garth fund, left by a wealthy old gentleman to educate deserving youths, recognizing his worth, selected him as a beneficiary. He proved himself entirely worthy and improving each shining hour, got the full benefit of the liberal education thus placed in his grasp. Finishing the collegiate course, he studied law and soon took position with the best advocates in Covington, where he had decided to make his home. Of attractive manners and winning address, he became very popular in his new home and when he stood for State Senator from his district, was elected by an overwhelming majority. Serving one session with ability and his friends recognizing that he was worthy of still higher advancement, he accepted their suggestion and ran for lieutenant governor, receiving the nomination of his party and making a most brilliant canvass. To day he is invested with all the powers of governor and if he does not acquit himself creditably, we are mistaken in the man. The record of James W. Bryan shows the possibilities of the American youth who applies himself, and it is given here for the emulation of the rising generation. There is going to be another brilliant chapter in the history of Jim Bryan and it won't be many years before it is written, if his past record is an indication of his future achievements.

THE best news we have been able to give our readers for a long time comes from Illinois. The Supreme Court has been a long time getting there, but it got there all the same and on Wednesday by a unanimous decision affirmed the judgment of the court below and fixed November 11th, between the hours of 10 and 4, as the day that the seven anarchists must pay the penalty of their heinous crimes with their necks. It has been nearly 17 months since the Haymarket massacre of the Chicago policemen and while justice has been tardy, it is gratifying to know that in this case it will be sure. An effort will be made to appeal the case to the Supreme Court of the United States, but it is said there are no grounds for hanging even a slight hope for a reversal. The whole country will rejoice at the findings of the Illinois court and breathe easier and its mandate is carried into effect and the last of the bloody fiends dangle from the end of a rope.

THE cost of publishing the act to take the sense of the people as to calling a constitutional convention, which required that it be printed a month in one paper in each county, was \$4,138.41. The Courier-Journal's bill was \$993.60 and as usual the INTERIOR JOURNAL'S was among the smallest, \$30. The Advocate charged \$35; the Harrodsburg Democrat \$35; the Monticello Signal \$57.60; Yosemite News \$45.60; Richmond Citizen \$22.50; Somerset Reporter \$25.00; Lebanon Standard \$18; London Echo \$31.50, and so on. It will be seen that our Monticello and Yosemite contemporaries have the highest rates, as they also have the smallest subscription lists. If they charge their home customers at the rate they do the poor old State, it is a wonder that they can advertise at all.

IT seems to be a settled fact that Senator Hill can hold both the office he now has and that of adjutant general. It would perhaps look a little hoggish for him to do so, but he could do this—hold the appointive office in abeyance till after the next session of the legislature and then take it. There is no special reason for his being in a hurry. Gen. Castleman has shown his superior ability to conduct the office and he can continue to do so till Senator Hill is off with his legislative duties, six months hence. Judging by the recent vote a republican would be returned in his place and there is no use in giving that party another man in the body, even if it is in such a minority as to render it entirely harmless.

THE Lexington Press continues to print that the Lincoln County Court is held on second Mondays. May be that paper knows better than this, but it is not probable consequently we shall continue to assert that our county courts are held on the first Monday in each month. If after this unqualified assertion Editor Duncan does not change his figure we shall brand him in the terms that he has so righteously earned.

A RABID republican paper published at Cincinnati and noted for its propensity to shake the bloody shirt, comes to its senses long enough to remark: While there is wrangling in Ohio over the application of black children for admission to schools for white pupils, we cannot consistently complain of our Southern friends for their race prejudices and discriminations.

NOR to be outdone by its rival, the Owensboro Inquirer will begin the publication of an afternoon daily October 1. Owensboro doesn't look large enough on the map to support two dailies, but the boys probably know what they are about.

THERE will be one widow after November 11 who will receive no sympathy from the public.—Mrs. Nina VanZandt Spice, the proxy wife of the anarchist, who will have his neck broken on that day.

THE long looked for death of Ex-Gov. Luke P. Blackburn occurred at his home at Frankfort at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon, without a perceptible tremor or struggle. He had not spoken since Sunday and then his last words were, "O! the beauty of religion." A humanitarian in its broadest sense, he will go down to history as one who did much for his fellow-man and whose errors were chiefly on the side of mercy. His efforts for the yellow fever sufferers on two occasions made him name and fame that will ever endear his memory and make it live long in the hearts of his countrymen. Peace to his ashes. May his faults be forgotten and his virtues emblazoned on tablets of gold.

OUR esteemed friend, Morgan T. Craft, passed down to Lebanon Wednesday, where he has engaged to edit the Enterprise. It goes without saying that it will be well done and here's hoping him the best of good luck.

NOTES OF CURRENT EVENTS.

—The treasury department reports that the daily product of whisky is 204,573 gallons.

—During the week 415 Mormons from Germany and Scandinavia have arrived to swell the body at Salt Lake.

—Johann Most, the anarchist, has been refused naturalization papers by the clerk of the Superior Court of New York City.

—The Ohio & Mississippi will make a rate of \$5.00 from Louisville to St. Louis and return during the grand army reunion.

—A wreck on the Colorado Midland, near Lake Ivanhoe, caused the death of three workmen and the injury of 61 others.

—James Burns shot and killed Will Jackson at Hamilton because he accused Burns of unjustly beating a man named Bender.

—New York City has appropriated \$1,000,000 a year for construction of small parks in more densely populated portions of the city.

—The President has finally decided not to go to Louisville this fall. His route to St. Louis will be by Indianapolis, where he will tarry half a day.

—Steve Dorsey and Gov. Bunt have organized a "Cattle Trust Company," whose capital is represented by millions of cattle valued at \$250,000,000.

—The progress in silk culture in the United States has been so great that two-thirds of the domestic demand is supplied by home manufactures.

—Lt. Gov. James W. Bryan is acting governor during the absence of Gov. Buckner, who is attending the constitutional convention at Philadelphia.

—The Richmond, Va., people are very indignant over the refusal of the city council to appropriate \$10,000 toward laying the Lee monument corner stone.

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—Last Saturday the sheriffs of 82 counties had paid into the State treasury \$1,265,636 75.

—The republican convention of the State of New York Wednesday unanimously nominated Col. Fred Grant for Secretary of State.

—McGarigle, the escaped Chicago hoodler, has been expelled from his Masonic lodge, he having pledged his knightly honor or that he would not make such an attempt.

—Seven Superior Court judges confirm the death sentence upon seven Chicago anarchists condemned to be hanged for the murder of seven policemen. An eighth policeman died of his wounds and an eighth anarchist goes to the penitentiary for 15 years. This would seem to be a case of mathematical justice.—[Louisville Times.

—A bill to tax wine rooms \$10,000 a year has become a law in Georgia. The local option law of that State makes it unlawful for liquor to be sold even on a physician's prescription. A bill is now before the legislature to authorize the county officers to keep a supply of liquor for the relief of those who have kind family physicians.

GARRARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT.

—A nice, warm, white snow, about two feet deep would be highly appreciated by this community.

—The Garrard county fishing club had another of their fish feasts near Col. James Herring's yesterday.

—The latest firm in Lancaster is Clay Hamilton & Co., who will do a general commission business.

—A. H. Rice, E. q., announces that he will go West about the first of the year and grow up with the country.

—The man who refuses to give anything to find water in Lancaster deserves to be deprived of water entirely a little while.

—Young Letcher Oxley successfully passed the examinations at West Point, to the gratification of his parents and friends here.

—Mr. M. T. Warner is offering some nice premiums for the get of his stallion, Ultimatus. The prizes are to be awarded Oct. 15.

—I suppose there is no doubt but that the Central Journal will be edited by M. D. Hughes next week, the trade having been closed yesterday.

—There is to be a wedding in Covington next Wednesday in which two well known young people of Lancaster will be principals. The groom is a young business man of Lancaster and the bride one of our loveliest belles.

—Miss Anna Vaughan, who has been teaching school for several years in this county, was married at Shelbyville on the 7th inst., to Mr. Joplin, of Omaha, Neb. During her stay here Miss Anna made many friends, who all wish her a happy married life.

—Mr. L. C. Drake, who owns the large peach orchard near Camp Dick Robinson, on last Sunday caught some women leaving his orchard loaded down with his peaches. He made them give up the fruit and soon after was attacked by some men who alleged that Mr. D. had insulted the women. Several shots were exchanged but I learn no one was hurt.

—Miss America Adams was adjudged a lunatic by the county court on Wednesday and will be sent to the asylum at Lexington. This is a very sad case, the only alleviating circumstances being the fact that Miss Adams is possessed of a nice sum of money, the interest on which will insure her good treatment. Her many friends hope for her sure and speedy recovery.

—It is the opinion of many that natural gas can be found at a depth of from 1,000 to 1,500 feet in Lancaster. The indications are good as the rock formation is exactly like that of the regions in which gas has been found. Those subscribing to the stock of the Lancaster Gas and Water Company might find themselves rich one day, if gas could be found here Lancaster would boom sure enough.

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"Fair Play" States the Case as it Stands at Lancaster.

(To the Editor of the INTERIOR JOURNAL.) LANCASTER, Sept. 14.—Knowing you to be a fair and just journalist, and willing to concede some rights to American citizens, of whatever politics, religion or business avocation, I undertake through your columns to give the true state of affairs in regard to the local option question in its muddled condition at present in the 3d civil district of Garrard county. Many do not seem to understand the status of affairs and some do not care to understand them; they only want the question settled to suit their own whims and prejudices, regardless of law and justice. The General Assembly passed a special act, which was approved May 17, 1886, allowing the vote to be taken whether or not spirituous, vinous and malt liquor should be sold in district No. 3 in Garrard county. This act does not define whether it is in civil district No. 3 or in school district No. 3, but simply district No. 3. It also says the election shall be held during the month of October, 1886, on a day to be named by the county judge, instead of at a regular election, as provided by the regular local option law, but the law governing the regular local option election shall govern this election and simply leaves the matter to be voted upon without any further restrictions and no penalty for a violation of same, which of course nulls it entirely. The election was held on the 9th of October, 1886 and was carried by 104 majority; and although many say by intimidation, the saloon men closed as their licenses expired and acquiesced in the decision at the polls. But being citizens and thinking they had some rights, one of the number made application in February last to the county court for a renewal of license and was refused upon the grounds that local option had been voted on and carried. An appeal was taken to the circuit court and Judge Morrow decided that the local option law was no law and was not good for anything except the holding of the election, and there its powers ceased. Therefore the county judge had no power to withhold license on account of the vote taken. The county judge acting upon the decision of a higher court thereupon granted a license according to law, to K bond, received money, &c. The local optionists asked for a new hearing, which was granted them, and when the trial came up again pleaded the question of jurisdiction of the same court they had first risked their case with, and which had decided according to law, but contrary to their feelings. The court decided that it had no jurisdiction on account of the application not being made for a tavern license instead of simply a license to sell by retail spirituous, vinous and malt liquors. This of course did not set aside his first orders, and if they had have tried the last question first they would have been successful in withholding license until the Court of Appeals had decided the case. Judge Morrow still holds the opinion that the special law under which the vote was taken is no law, and points out the defects to the county court. Now the local optionists, interperate in their demands, and with the law clearly against them, ask the county court to revoke the license; not for any crime, as the law requires, but simply because they desire it.

Now the question arises—if perchance a new man happens to be in the hotel business and with the privilege of retailing spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, is he entitled to any rights, liberties and privilege under the law? If he goes into the courts is he to get the benefit of the law as other citizens or must the courts be compelled—not according to a general sentiment—but the sentiment of a few fanatics to decide against him law or no law.

—M. H. Haggard recently bought 25 mule colts at from \$35 to \$50 per head.—[Georgetown Times.

—Ohio murderers are not allowed much scope for the display of scold "heroism." They are hanged in the penitentiary at midnight, before a dozen witnesses, none of whom are disinterested spectators, all being guards, newspaper men, or relatives of the criminal.

—Gov. Washington Bartlett, of California, is dead at Oakland, of a chronic affection of the kidneys. He was a native of Georgia, 63 years of age, and was elected Governor of California by the democrats in 1886. He will be succeeded by Lieutenant Governor R. W. Waterman, who is a republican.

—The corn crop is short, the tobacco crop shorter and the hog crop is below the average, but paw paw bushes are laden with fruit, wild grapes are abundant, and there is no end to the persimmons. There are plenty of opossums in the woods, and if old Kentucky is rather hard run in the matter of necessities, she has plenty of the luxuries at hand.—[Louisville Times

Professor Proctor asserts that 100,000,000 people lived and died in America before Columbus's discovery. No wonder old bones are dug up once in a while.

The hottest article of man's attire are his suspenders. But, oh! how much hotter and more uncomfortable he feels when they happen to give way in public.

"So you've lost your week's salary playing poker?" "Yes." "You should have heeded Solomon's advice." "I tried to, but got mixed and went to my ante."

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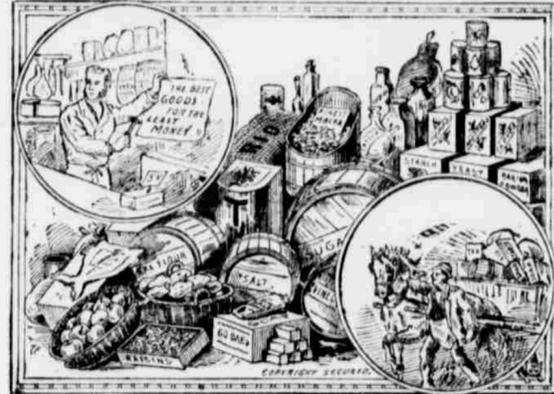
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