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NEWS IN THE VICINAGE.

Samuel Gover, aged 88, died in Pulaski.

The wife of Judge B. F. Roach died at Harrodsburg.

The graded schools of Somerset have an enrollment of 608 pupils.

John B. Thompson bought the \$145,000 4 per cent Mercer county bonds at par.

W. M. McKinney, a well to do farmer of the Plato section of Pulaski county, is dead.

Sam Bell, for killing Joe Johnson, also colored, at Somerset, was held in \$1,500 bail.

Mrs. Geo. Naylor, of Lancaster, aged 83, and one of the oldest women in the county, is dead.

Dr. I. S. Warren, of Somerset, came near dying at Lexington from an overdose of morphine.

A three year old daughter of Sam Ahler, of Grays, choked to death in attempting to swallow a soap bean.

The Somerset papers make a greater ado over the new band than that the average man does over his first son.

Edward Montgomery confessed judgment and was fined \$100 for assaulting Prof. W. G. Frost, of Berea College.

News comes from Jackson county that indignant citizens drove the small-pox patients off and burned the pest-house.

Thomas Johnson, aged 104, reputed to be the oldest white man in Kentucky, died at home near Doyleville, Madison county.

Regulators are operating in Jackson county. They undertook to chastise Baker Perry and he shot three, none seriously.

The jury hung in the case of Henry Giles at Richmond, for the murder of Joe Gatliffe and he was allowed bail in \$2,500.

Gov. Bradley extended executive clemency to Col. Coffey, of Garrard county, sentenced to six months' imprisonment for malicious wounding.

In Covington, John Osteel, aged 80, and Mrs. Mary Detheridge, aged 56, were married. They are of Pendleton county, and this is the third matrimonial venture of each.

At a dance near Middlesborough, John S. Turner, the host, and J. F. Ball, a guest, exchanged shots. The latter and J. Kirkpatrick, another guest, were wounded.

Cleo Smith and Willie Brummett, two smart Pulaski boys, who attempted to break up religious services at a country church, are serving out a \$50 fine and 20-day jail sentence each at Somerset.

H. J. Yantis, of Bryantsville, father of Mrs. W. A. Carson, of Crab Orchard, is 92 years old and has 12 living children. He has had 80 grand and great-grandchildren and all are living with the exception of one. He made Mrs. Carson a visit a few days ago.

J. R. Justice, mining engineer at Bear Creek Coal Mines, near Pineville, perished in a room of the mines. His clothes caught on fire from the gas and were burned from his body in an instant. His body was completely burned and blistered all over. His home was in North Carolina.

DANVILLE.

Many of the college boys arrived as early as Saturday, which proves their love for Danville.

Mr. W. D. Nash, one of Danville's oldest citizens, died Thursday night of pneumonia at the age of 74. Four daughters and one son survive him. He was a Confederate veteran. The funeral was held at the 1st Presbyterian church Saturday morning and interment in Danville cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Forester Reid and family have moved into their new home recently purchased from W. W. Wiseman. Walter Scott Gore gave a stag supper Friday night to a few of his friends. Mr. S. D. PanPelt's corner cracker banner attracted much attention at the G. A. R. Mrs. John C. Fales entertained at a garden party Friday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Butler, of Louisville. Miss Lillian Bohon has returned from Decatur, Ill. Miss Carrie Currey, of Lancaster, arrived Saturday to remain a few days with her sister, Mrs. Fisher Galnes. Mrs. Robt. Hann and Miss Sidnie Hall, after a pleasant visit to Mrs. Mary Downton, left Friday for McGregor, Ia. Miss Nannie Batterson has returned from Colorado Springs. Miss Bessie Dunlap returned home Saturday, accompanied by Mr. Agnew Cheatham, who will visit her brother, Archie Dunlap. Miss Luey Kerr, of Fulton, Mo., is the guest of Miss Elizabeth VanMeter. Mrs. Emma Hamilton and Miss Mabelle VanMeter are visiting Mrs. J. M. VanMeter.

A gentleman whose surname was Peet, was introduced to a beautiful young lady who persisted in calling him Mr. Peters. It annoyed him very much and he earnestly remonstrated, "Don't call me Peters—call me Peet, please." "Ah, but I don't know you well enough, Mr. Peters," said the young lady, blushing, as she withdrew behind her fan.

CHURCH CHATTER.

Elder Mark Collis held a meeting at Hodgenville with 19 additions.

Elder W. B. Taylor, of Chicago, held a meeting in Harrison county with 38 additions.

At the Maysville Conference, Rev. J. M. Cook, of Highland, was again placed on the superannuated list.

Rev. Henry Miller, synodical evangelist, suffered the loss of his little daughter, Elise. She died at Rockbridge Baths, Va.

Rev. Jasper Field, of the Northern Methodist conference, was acquitted at Maysville by a church court, of the charge of being the father of a babe born to a girl in his congregation at Olive Hill.

Rev. J. W. Saunders, D. D., the oldest member of the Louisville Presbytery, is lying at his home at Bloomfield critically ill. He is an uncle of Hon. J. N. Saunders.

The Methodist Conference at Nashville exonerates Dr. Barbee, book agent for the publishing house, of any complicity in the rascally methods by which the appropriation was secured from Congress.

A \$2,000 Methodist church will be dedicated at Harlan C. H. on the 4th Sunday, and next day the corner-stone will be laid at the Nolan cemetery, on Poor Fork, of another Methodist church, to cost \$1,400.

The new Christian church at Van Buren, Anderson county, will be dedicated the fourth Sunday in this month. The sermon will be preached by Prof. J. W. McGarvey, of Lexington. A large crowd will be present.

The Monticello and Jamestown Telephone company filed articles of incorporation with the capital stock fixed at \$3,000, and the incorporators are J. B. Patterson, W. W. Jones and W. F. Rowe.

A bright bit of repartee was exchanged the other day between two prominent churchmen of Paris. The Methodist remarked "Your Presbyterian picnic made me sick," and the Presbyterian replied "Oh no, brother, it wasn't the Presbyterian picnic—it was your Methodist appetite."—News.

Mr. E. B. Caldwell, Jr., who has been clerk of the Cumberland River Baptist Association for many years, was up from Waynesburg and gave us the minutes to print as usual. The meeting was held at Salem church in Pulaski and was a most delightful one. We will give extracts from them in our next.

MATRIMONIAL MATTERS.

Mrs. Alex Swift, of Anderson, Ind., aged 76, has just married for her fifth time.

Mrs. W. G. Welch will receive subscriptions for Rev. George O. Barnes, who is in a very needy condition at present.

Gen. Cassius M. Clay was granted an absolute divorce from his child wife, and she is restored to her maiden name, Dora Richardson.

Leonard Leachman, 57, and wife, 86, of Carroll county, have just celebrated the 63d anniversary of their marriage.

Mrs. Mollie Pence, wife of Alex Pence, who is awaiting trial at Richmond for killing James Smith, has sued for divorce, alleging cruelty.

A tragedy is recalled by this announcement: The marriage of Mrs. Virginia Marshall Brown, widow of the late Arch D. Brown, and Mr. Jo W. Posey, of Denver, occurred at Omaha, Neb., yesterday. Brown was a son of ex-Governor John Young Brown, and was killed by Fulton Gordon in Louisville in 1895. Gordon also killed his wife.

SIMS-HIGGINS.—During the last of August, Miss Julia Higgins received information that her lover, Mr. Robert E. Lee Sims, of Tuscaloosa, Ala., was very ill and she with her father, Mr. J. B. Higgins, responded to his request to come to his bedside. He had been very sick, but the prospect of her coming revived him and he took up his bed and walked, metaphorically speaking. He met her at Chattanooga and insisted that the marriage, which was to have occurred this month anyway, be consummated at once and with her father's consent she yielded. Feeling that she would so, Mr. Sims had already procured the license and a preacher and the words were soon said that united them for life. The whole party went at once to the groom's home at Tuscaloosa and remained till Friday, when the bride and her father returned here, so that she could settle up some of her business. Mr. Sims is a son of the late Widow Sims and was raised here where he is highly thought of. The bride is a most estimable young lady and in winning her Mr. Sims gets an excellent wife and a nice little fortune besides. Good luck and good cheer to them.

Early to bed and early to rise, does very well for preachers and guys, but makes a man miss all the fun till he dies and joins the old stiffs that are up in the skies. Go to bed when you please, and lie at your ease, and you'll die just the same from a Latin disease.—Es.

McKINNEY.

The Lord's supper was observed at the Baptist church Sunday morning. This ordinance the communicants here observe quarterly.

Clay Gooch has been on the sick list for the past few days and with this exception we know of no one confined to his bed in this section.

Campbell McKinney and Ike Gillispie have dissolved partnership in the barber business here, Gillispie retiring. McKinney will continue the business at the old stand.

The colored Baptists closed a two weeks' meeting here Sunday night. Several were baptized Sunday morning but the number of converts is not known to the writer.

Rev. M. P. Morgan, a Methodist minister of Crab Orchard, has rented Mrs. W. T. Dodd's property and will move here about October 1st. Mrs. Dodd will likely move with her children to Illinois.

W. D. Gooch, the section foreman here, found a package of letters and other mail matter, bearing post marks under date of August 9, in the grass near the R. R. track at South Fork, Saturday, last. Some of the letters contained money and checks, and all were addressed to Wayne county people. The weather had softened the adhesive matter, and all letters were open on that account. It is supposed that the package was thrown accidentally from the mail train and not noticed by the clerk, who did it. Mr. Gooch turned the matter over to the P. M. here.

The teachers' association held here Saturday was pronounced a success by many attendants. Several visiting teachers present were made honorary members and took part in the discussions. The old, or retired teachers of the town, entered the association. Prof. Hall sharing a part with the veterans of the profession. The noon hour was spent at the homes of the several entertainers where, it is said, the teachers all "got full." We are sorry to say that our trustees did not attend this meeting and that comparatively few patrons of the school here were present. Such neglect of opportunity we were told by teachers was common in other districts. "This thing ought not to be."

A "stinging" scorpion was discovered on the hearth in the home of the writer Sunday morning. It was about two inches long and properly armed for dangerous execution. A fire had been kindled in the grate and the heat must have driven the reptile from its hiding about the lower portion of the chimney. When discovered it was crawling rapidly toward the feet of one of the children of the home, who, we believe, barely escaped a dangerous, if not fatal wound. The stinging scorpion is rare in this country, where they seldom reach a length more than two inches, though in Europe they are sometimes found to exceed a foot in length. Excuse us from housekeeping even with the smaller ones.

Hampton Eason and wife, of Ottawa, Kansas, are visiting relatives in this section after an absence of 14 years. Charley Hoeker, a former citizen of this county, but now of Missouri, was with Mr. A. B. McKinney a few days last week. Capt. W. H. Cundiff, of Somerset, stopped off here on his return from the G. A. R. encampment at Cincinnati and spent some time with his niece, Mrs. Vienna Carson. Capt. Cundiff has attended seven National and seven State encampments of the G. A. R. Mrs. E. H. Hansford and children, of Somerset, are visiting relatives here. M. G. Hughes, son of G. H. Hughes, of this place, after an absence of 17 years, mostly spent, we believe, in Kansas, is here with his father, brothers and sisters. Miss Anna Taylor has returned home from a two weeks' visit at Rock Castle Springs. John Carter, who has been home on a furlough, returned to his post with the 2d Kentucky Volunteers Friday night.

POLITICAL POINTS.

The republicans of the 6th Tennessee congressional district nominated a Negro.

The populist convention at Campbellsville nominated W. P. Marsh for appellate judge in the Third district. So far the elections are a dog fa Vermont went republican, but Arkansas went democratic, as they always do and always will, world without end.

Eleven of the counties in the 11th congressional district were not represented at all at the democratic convention held at London last week and three were represented only by proxy. Democrats do not seem to take much interest in party affairs in that district.

The Advocate says of Judge H. H. Tye, democratic nominee for congress in the 11th: "If Tye can not be elected in that district, there is no use making any more nominations. One swing around the circle with that captivating smile and smooth manner of his will capture every man, woman and child he meets." Judge Tye is a graduate of Centre College and a fine lawyer.

Fusion between the democrats, populists and the Teller branch of the silver republicans is an accomplished fact in Colorado. The democrats got the governor and a member of the board of regency of the State university. To the populists were accorded the offices of lieutenant governor, secretary of state, attorney general and one regent, while the silver republicans received the treasurer, auditor, superintendent of public instruction and one regent.

In President Lincoln's address, delivered at Gettysburg, November 19, 1863, he said "That this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth."

THE WILLIAMSBURG FAIR AND OTHER ITEMS.

The inclement weather of Wednesday caused the directors of the Williamsburg fair to declare the first day's exhibition off and Thursday was the first day, when a fairly good crowd was present. A larger one was on hand Friday when the I. J. representative had the pleasure of being there. The show of stock was hardly up to that of last year, but the stables were full of runners, pacers and trotters and some good sport in that line was enjoyed. A \$500 trot was on the card for Saturday when the track record was expected to be broken. Tom Napier, of Crab Orchard, is Lincoln's only representative with stock and he has wished several times that he had given up the game after the Barbourville fair.

The women's department of the fair was unusually good; some fine specimens of needle work attracting much attention. Mrs. J. L. Whitehead took a number of blue ties on her exhibits in this line, and her work was greatly admired. Her husband, who has recently been made police judge, was too busy in court to give the fair much attention.

The farmers' running race Friday was an exciting one and some money changed hands on it. The winner came last the first heat, but the next two he gave his competitors dust from start to finish.

Nick Daniel, the competent and clever secretary, was as busy as a bee, but not so much so that he could not treat the visiting guests courteously. He is the right man in the right place.

Williamsburg is growing and some splendid business houses have been built since my last visit there. Business is a little dull just now though and dollars are hard to get hold of. The recent tides have helped the saw mills to a great extent, but even those enterprises are shut down during the fair.

Judge H. H. Tye, democratic nominee for congress in the 11th, is a citizen of Williamsburg and one of the most popular men in Whitley. He has a large relationship, the majority of whom are republicans, that will stick to him in November, and if he does not materially decrease Whitley's big republican majority, signs go for naught. He will make an active campaign, is a very fine speaker and will take the stump at once.

Judge Boreing, of course, was at the fair, shaking the hands of the dear voters. From there he went to Corbin to attend the Baptist Association. The judge is a versatile man and can make himself as much at home at a horse race as he can at a protracted meeting. John D. White is evidently working the other end of the district, as he has not been seen in this section for some time.

Mrs. Josephine Card, mother of Mrs. John Bell Gibson, who lived here a number of years, is very anxious to buy a farm and move to Lincoln, not withstanding her large interests at Williamsburg. She and her family are splendid citizens and I am as anxious for them to move to my section as the Whitley people in general are loathe to give them up. E. C. W.

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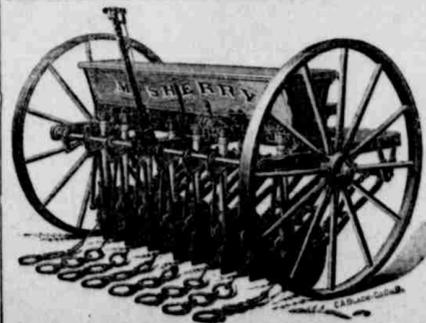
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