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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Lewis Davis, of Elwood, is visiting relatives here.

T. J. Thompson is visiting his son at Topeka, Kas.

Mrs. Mattie Samuels has returned from a visit to Hamilton, O.

Miss Addie Fish has returned from a visit with relatives at Somerset.

C. F. Hanson was in London on business the latter part of last week.

Miss Smith, of Lexington, has been visiting her sister, Miss Jessie Smith.

Bicknell & Early have a very nice line of caps for men, boys and girls.

Mrs. J. J. Brannaman fell the other day, receiving quite a serious hurt.

Mr. Dave Best, of Lancaster, is here visiting his niece, Mrs. Alex Moore.

Miss Virginia Dox, who was in Berea this summer and fall, is ill at her home in Boston.

Mr. Sam Lucas and wife left Thursday for Iuwood, Ind., which is to be their future home.

Miss Jennie Hanson came home from Cumberland Gap, Tenn., to spend the holidays.

Mr. Jeff Davis and Miss Mattie Graves were married Friday at the residence of the Rev. H. J. Derthick.

Miss Ethel Richardson and Miss Daisy Coddington paid a visit to Mrs. Harry Blazer, of Scaffold Cane, last week.

Stanley Van Winkle is at home and is so far recovered from his accident as to be able to walk with the assistance of a cane.

At the Baptist Church next Sunday the morning subject will be "Is the Bible true?" At night "The Essence of Manhood."

Mrs. J. F. Schara, of Flint, Mich., came on Christmas day to visit her sons who are in school, returning home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, of Hoopston, Ill., spent the holidays with Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Detherage.

Mr. Sherman Robinson, of Berea, and Miss Flora Shookly, of Wallaceport, were married at the home of the bride Thursday evening.

Miss Nourse, of Cincinnati, O., an ardent friend of Berea College, is spending the holiday season with President and Mrs. Frost.

Miss Grace Clark, of Clear Creek, former secretary of President Frost, called on us Friday. Miss Clark is looking well and says she is happy on her farm.

At Berea Church next Sunday morning Dr. Burgess will take for his subject: "Necessary Conditions for a Revival of Religion." Rev. H. M. Jones will preach at night.

MADISON COUNTY.

Geo. D. White, of Whites Station, who recently lost his residence by fire, has moved with his family to Richmond.

Valley View is happy. Lots of logs on hand, and the mills of the Southern Lumber Company with a long run ahead of them.

The livery stable outfit of J. V. Gibson, of Richmond, was sold at auction last Monday. Good prices were obtained.

Mr. C. E. Boucher, of Owensboro, has been appointed to take charge of the Y. M. C. A. work in Madison county, with headquarters at Richmond.

At the second day's session of the Kentucky Educational Association in Louisville Prof. J. W. Dinsmore, of Berea College, delivered an address on "Professional Training for Teachers." Prof. H. H. Brock, superintendent of the public schools in this city, delivered an address on "The Waste of Educational Energy." In fact, Madison county's representatives took an important part in the Association and distinguished themselves.—Pantagraph.

At a meeting of the Fiscal Court, at Richmond Thursday, the right-of-way was unanimously granted the Bluegrass Traction Company from the Madison county line to the city of Richmond, and from Richmond to the borders of Rockcastle and Jackson counties. The electric company binds itself to begin work on the road during the present year and to have the line in operation within three years from date of contract. This is a move in the right direction. The line will be a direct benefit to this whole district.

COLLEGE ITEMS.

Tom Lytle has arrived from Knox county.

Stanley Frost spent Christmas in Oberlin.

Mrs. Nickum, from Ohio, has been visiting her daughter, who is in school.

James Combs, of Collins, Letcher county, is among the numerous new arrivals.

New students continue to arrive almost as rapidly as at the beginning of the term.

D. B. Tower, a former student from Hopeville, N. J., thinks of returning for further study.

Mrs. Nannie Jarrett from Brodhead was in town this week arranging for her daughter to enter school.

Mrs. Gunn, mother of Miss Douglas, our Assistant Lady Principal, is spending some time in Berea with her daughter.

Supt. Woollum, of Bell county, arrived in Berea Tuesday with quite a company of young people coming to attend school.

P. W. Woollum, School Superintendent of Bell county, is visiting in Berea this week. Mr. Woollum brought two students for the college.

Miss Almy, our teacher of Cooking and Domestic Science, has been confined to the Hospital for a few days by a painful attack of neuritis.

Rev. E. A. Potter, student at Berea, '97-'99, is now preaching at Mukwanago, Wisconsin. He is a member of the Wisconsin State S. S. Association.

Arthur Sizemore, of Asher, Leslie Co., a Berea student, who is working at the logging business in order to accumulate a "pile" for future education, spent a few days here at Christmas time.

D. F. White, a former student, is taking a professional course in Knoxville College, Tenn., where he has been instrumental in founding a Y. M. C. A. He was in Berea over Christmas and spoke at our Y. M. C. A. meeting.

Watch Night was observed by appropriate exercises at the Chapel, beginning at 9:30 P. M. and closing with the tolling of the bell as the old year died at midnight. President Frost preached on the subject of "Good Resolutions," and Dr. Burgess led a prayer and consecration meeting the last hour of the Old Year.

A sad event occurred at Howard Hall Friday night, the details of which may be ascertained by the court. Mr. Ito, a young man from Japan who has been attending school at Berea, was stabbed in four places by Richard Terry, a young boy in the A Intermediate school, who has fled. This is the only act of violence which has been known among the hundreds of students at Berea for a long time.

A special convocation for all the advanced students was held in the Chapel Tuesday morning, at which President Frost spoke of the necessity of cultivating good manners and good habits among the students in their several buildings and in all the students' rooms. Recent disorders in Howard Hall were referred to. Several students were suspended last Friday night for boisterous and disorderly conduct in Howard Hall after the curfew bell, until the Faculty Meeting on Monday night, when they gave pledges of good conduct in the future. The reports that their action had extended to the damaging of property were wholly without foundation. The gravity of their offense was in the fact that the disorderly conduct was indulged in after great efforts had been made to secure good order, and that some who participated in it had recently been dealt with for similar offense.

NEW YEAR'S DAY.

New Year's Day classes were omitted. The morning was quite generally devoted to manual labor on the part of those students who have work on the farm or at the wood-pile and in various shops. In the afternoon there was a series of receptions. Miss Clara E. Nourse, through whose kind efforts the Christmas trees have been provided the past two years, gave a reception for all students above fifteen years of age at the President's House. The guests were served with refreshments by the advanced cooking class. Receptions were also given by Prof. and Mrs. Jones, Prof. and Mrs. Mason, Prof. and Mrs. Dinsmore, Prof. and Mrs. Marsh, Mrs. Yocum, Mrs. Putnam and Miss Robinson. The Mountain Club held a social at night at the Ladies' Hall.

BUY AND BUILD.—Treasurer Osborne has several fine building lots in different parts of the town for sale cheap to persons who desire to build and make a home in Berea.

Correspondence.

Owsley County.

Christmas passed off quietly here. There was a shooting-match at this place Christmas eve.

John W. Wilder and Miss Hix were married Christmas eve.

Thomas Wilder and Mary Jane Wilder were married Christmas Day. During the late cold snap the thermometer here registered 15 degrees below zero.

Hon. Ed. Parker, of London, Laurel county, will speak at Booneville, Jan. 20, in the interest of his race for congress.

Rockcastle County.

Lee Wren was shot and slightly wounded last week. The shooting was accidental.

On Friday last Melvin Simms, son of M. M. Simms, was killed by a freight train near Snyder's switch. The body was badly mangled. The young man was much respected by all who knew him. The burial was at Scaffold Cane cemetery on Sunday.

While out hunting one day last week Robert Cook received by accident a load of small shot from the gun of John Gadd his companion. One of the shot went through Mr. Cook's ear another struck him in the shoulder. No serious harm was done. The shooting was purely accidental.

Mason County.

Arthur Whaley is indisposed with a cold.

Miss Alice Sims spent the holidays in Cincinnati.

The teachers of the city schools will resume their work on Monday.

Mrs. L. D. Henderson spent Christmas in Lexington with her mother.

William Brown, of Dayton, Ohio, spent the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Mary E. McCarthy.

Miss Dinwiddie, of Danville, one of the city's ex-teachers, is visiting Miss Lida Walker on East Fourth St.

We are glad to know that Mrs. Hattie Anderson, who has been ill for several weeks, is able to be up again.

Miss Hattie Williams, who is attending school in Cincinnati, spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Rosa Williams.

Madison County.

Rev. S. M. Watts spent Sunday in Farristown.

Chas. Burnam visited Merrit Montgomery last Sunday.

Rev. R. H. Munday filled his appointment here Sunday.

G. W. Wright entertained a number of guests at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Beard Shearer is employed for a while at Mrs. G. W. Gates, of Silver Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Mason were guests with Miss Mary V. White on Sunday.

Rev. I. Miller and several friends were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Warner on Sunday.

The Christmas entertainment given by our Sunday-school board was a grand success, netting \$8.98.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Campbell and Miss Mary V. White spent Thursday and Friday last with friends in Cincinnati, O.

Rev. R. H. Munday has been re-elected pastor of our church for the coming year. He is a faithful, earnest worker.

Jackson County.

Reuben Coyle, of Ohio, was visiting friends here recently.

Miss Pattie Mayers will teach in District 23 this winter.

Green Durham is at home from Doyleville for a few days.

Circuit Court convenes at McKee Jan. 6, to continue two weeks.

John Dean came home from school to spend Christmas with his parents.

Misses Mary and Bertha Powell entertained friends at dinner last Thursday.

Our Sunday-school enjoyed a Merry Christmas through the kindness of Northern friends.

Mr. Ham, of Richmond, was the guest of Leonard Williams during the Christmas holidays.

Dr. and Robt. Daugherty will go to Louisville at an early day. Robert will enter a dental college in Louisville.

A series of meetings commenced at Second church here on Dec. 29, conducted by Revs. Combs and Van Winkle.

AGAINST VENEZUELA

Germany May Postpone Her Naval Demonstration.

DESIRE INSURRECTION SUPPRESSED.

Kaiser's Minister Continuing Negotiations at Caracas—Fleet in South American Waters to Be Augmented. Understanding Wanted With the People of the United States.

Caracas, Dec. 31.—It can be said upon excellent authority that Germany's contemplated naval demonstration against certain Venezuelan ports will be postponed until the termination of the present revolution against President Castro.

Berlin, Dec. 31.—An official note published here says the negotiations between Germany and Venezuela continue, and that the German minister is still at Caracas.

The government intends to send one or two other small warships to reinforce the present German squadron in the Caribbean sea. The additions to Germany's naval force in the Caribbean will not be sufficient to give rise to suspicions among the people of the United States that Germany meditates anything beyond the collection of claims due German subjects. The German government desires, beyond anything else in this matter, to avoid disturbing the government or the people of the United States. German newspapers are full of expressions of this kind, and many of these expressions are so much alike that it is easy to infer their utterance was suggested by the government. A remarkable thing is the fact that there is not a single unkind expression towards the United States in any of this newspaper comment.

Passenger Train Wrecked.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—In a collision on the Chicago and Northwestern railway at Malta, Ill., four persons were killed and 29 injured, several of them possibly fatally. The trains in collision were "The Omaha Flyer" and an eastbound passenger train and an eastbound freight train. The wreck caught fire and two passenger coaches, one sleeping car and eight freight cars were burned and another sleeping car was partly burned. The dead: George W. Rudlo, Omaha; Mrs. George W. Rudlo, Omaha; E. B. Duncan, sleeping car porter, Chicago. The freight had taken a siding at Malta, but the train was longer than the siding and the freight locomotive protruded upon the main track beyond the side track.

Wild Plunge of a Train.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 25.—An Ontario and Western railroad train ran away on the heavy 80-foot grade going down the mountain on the Scranton division, east of Poynette. Near Preston Park, in passing a switch frog, it jumped the track, plunging down a hill nearly 100 feet. The engine and 40 gondola cars all loaded, piled up in a mass. Engineer Whitney of Mayfield, Fireman Charles Millard of Carbondale and two trainmen were killed. Conductor Smith escaped death, but is badly injured. The track was covered with sleet and snow and the air-brakes refused to work.

Women Robbed.

Washington, Ga., Dec. 30.—The Misses Battle, two elderly maidens living at Barnett Junction, on the Washington branch of the Georgia railroad, were robbed of \$6,000 in gold. When the robbers entered the house the women, hearing a noise, investigated and lighted a lamp. The robbers dashed a bucket of cold water on the one holding the lamp and over-awed them. An alarm was raised and when help arrived the robbers had fled, after rifling a trunk containing the amount mentioned. The ladies claim to have recognized one of the robbers.

Governor Taft Sails.

Manila, Dec. 25.—Civil Governor Taft left here for San Francisco on board the United States army transport Grant. There was a popular demonstration on his departure. Governor Taft told his associates that he was pleased with the progress of events in the Philippines and exceedingly glad that General Chaffee had expressed the opinion that he could quell the insurrection, except on the island of Samar, by next February. The health of Governor Taft has considerably improved. He was able to walk on board the Grant.

Scaffold Gave Way.

Delphos, O., Dec. 30.—By the giving way of a scaffold on the new Presbyterian church at Gomer, William Dickey of Dupont, Isaac Gray of Kalida and Frank and Samuel Bushey of Gomer were precipitated to the ground, 60 feet below. All were badly injured, Gray and Dickey probably fatally. After falling a distance of 40 feet Sam Bushey's leg was caught in the scaffolding and he was held suspended for some time before he could be released and lowered to the ground.

Landslide Causes a Wreck.

Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 30.—A landslide on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad near Reusen station, five miles south of Lynchburg, on the James river branch, caused a wreck in which the engineer, conductor, fireman and baggage man of a passenger train were killed and several other persons injured, but none of them seriously. The slide was caused by washouts, due to the heavy rains.

Governor Rogers Dead.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 27.—Governor John R. Rogers died Thursday night. He was taken sick a week ago with a cold, which developed into pneumonia. Mr. Rogers was born in Brunswick, Me., Sept. 4, 1838.

HEAVY ROBBERY.

New Yorkers Lose \$50,000 in Jewelry. Valet Missing.

New York, Dec. 30.—Precious stones valued at \$50,000 were stolen from Mr. and Mrs. Paul G. Thebaud of Madison avenue, this city. This report was corroborated by Mr. Thebaud himself at headquarters, where, in company with a member of the firm from whom most of the jewelry had been purchased, he gave to the police a partial list of the jewels taken. The valuables consisted in part of one pear-shaped diamond, said by Mr. Thebaud to be worth \$20,000; one pearl, weighing 44 grains, said to be worth \$15,000, and 300 small ornaments, making up a total of about \$50,000. The robbery is said by the police, and also by Mr. Thebaud, to have been the work of a newly engaged valet, who had been employed by Mr. Thebaud about two weeks. The valet is missing, and the butler who recommended him is under constant police surveillance.

Methodist Constitution Adopted.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Announcement was made here that the new constitution of the Methodist Episcopal church, which was adopted at the last general conference of that denomination, held at the Auditorium in 1900 and referred to the various conferences throughout the country, has finally been approved by the three-quarter vote required. The vote is as follows: Ayes, 8,196; nays, 2,513. The principal changes provided for by the new constitution are: It gives women the right to sit as delegates in the general conference; it gives laymen's electoral meetings authority to vote on constitutional questions; it changes the vote necessary in the general conference to amend the constitution from three-fourths to two-thirds.

Senator Sewell's Passing.

Camden, N. J., Dec. 28.—The funeral of United States Senator William J. Sewell, who died of diabetes and stomach and heart trouble at his home here after an illness extending over a period of two years, will take place Tuesday next. The place of interment will probably be in Coles-town cemetery, seven miles from here. United States Senator Sewell was born in Ireland in 1835, coming to America at an early age. He served with distinction in the civil war, being brevetted major general. He was prominent in politics of his adopted state, holding a number of offices. He was elected United States senator in 1881, next elected in 1895 and re-elected in 1901. He was a Republican.

Steel Crane Fell.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Three men were instantly killed and four injured by the falling of a steel crane at the American bridge works. The killed: John Swan, John Traver, Albert Rock. Injured: John Doyle, Charles Warren, Matthew Hogan, Patrick Murphy. All of the injured, with the exception of Murphy, are seriously hurt. Thirty men were working in the vicinity of the crane at the time of the accident, and many of these had narrow escapes. Swan, Traver and Rock were caught beneath the huge mass of steel and each was crushed so badly as to be almost unrecognizable.

Agreement Signed.

Santiago de Chile, Dec. 26.—After a fresh conference between President Riesco, Foreign Minister Yanex and Senor Portela, the Argentine minister, the new agreement was signed, the latest modifications to the former proposals being accepted. The government has officially confirmed the statement that the new agreement has been signed, putting an end to the conflict between the two nations.

Americans Suffer Loss.

Manila, Dec. 27.—Captain Schoeffel, with a detachment of 18 men of Company E, Ninth Infantry, at Dapday, Island of Samar, was attacked by a large force of bolomen. A severe hand-to-hand fight ensued in which a sergeant, a corporal and five privates were killed. Captain Schoeffel was wounded, but not dangerously. No property was lost. The enemy was finally repulsed with heavy loss.

Christmas Tree Caught Fire.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—A Christmas tree loaded with inflammable ornaments and candles caused a fire that destroyed the Alexander apartment building, a six-story structure, corner of Bowen avenue and Cottage Grove avenue. The loss will exceed \$100,000. Twenty families lived in the building, and the flames spread so rapidly that a score of persons barely escaped with their lives.

Struck at a Crossing.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 26.—Mrs. Lucy M. Brass and her 4-year-old daughter were killed by being run over by a Baltimore & Ohio train near Elliott City. It appears that the child had wandered unobserved on to the railroad track just before the train came by. The mother rushed forward to snatch the little girl out of the way, but both were crushed to death.

Maclay Discharged.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Secretary Long has discharged Edgar Staunton Maclay from his position as a skilled laborer in the Brooklyn navy yard. Mr. Maclay having refused to resign when requested to do so. Mr. Maclay is author of a naval history, and in its last volume sharply criticized Admiral Schley and denounced him as a callid, potroon and coward.

Through the Ice.

Milan, Ind., Dec. 31.—John Dever, 26, and Mrs. Grace Fallis, 24, were drowned while skating on the Milan ice pond. Dever leaves a widow and one child. Mrs. Fallis was the wife of Charles Fallis, a railroader, with headquarters at Terre Haute. Henry Hix, another skater, went into the water also, but was rescued. The bodies were recovered.