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LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

THE RAILROAD.

The contested election still hangs fire, and in the minds of many of our citizens the railroad prospect is far from bright. While we are not disposed to take a gloomy view of the situation, we will not conceal from our readers the fact that the condition of matters is not so satisfactory as we could wish. The unlooked-for and unusual decision made by Judge Edwards, that the case can be entered and continued without any bond of indemnity whatever, places us entirely, so far as any trial of legality of the election is concerned, in the power of the contestants. If they agree to set an early day for trial, a trial will be had and the matter will be settled upon its merits. But we have reason to know that these parties do not intend to bring about a speedy solution of the difficulty, but rather prefer to profit by whatever advantage the technicalities of the law give them and that the fairness with which they now talk is only assumed. In a conversation with the attorney of the contestants, he unequivocally expressed himself as ready and willing to name an early day for trial, and yet within a few minutes afterwards when the attorney of the railroad pressed him to consent for an early day, he disposed of the matter by saying that he would have to consult with his clients first, and that they were not here. This did not surprise us, because we had predicted just this result, the word of the attorney notwithstanding. The friends of the enterprise, confident of the strength of their case and satisfied that the right is with them, are anxious for a prompt decision. On the other hand the only way for the contestants to defeat the expressed will of the people—the will of the enlightened, intelligent people, the tax-payers of the township, is to delay matters beyond the appointed time and prevent negotiations by reason of impending litigation. If by chance these efforts shall succeed, we shall have an example of a very small minority, men of narrow views and actuated by sectional prejudice, ruling a large majority. Many of those who voted and worked hard against the appropriation, now that passion has cooled down and reason resumed her sway, see the matter in a new light and are alarmed lest success attend the machinations of enemies of our prosperity. If the worst come it will be a slight consolation to know those who turned a deaf ear to the arguments of reason will suffer alike with those who worked faithfully for our best interests.

The petition for injunction as first filed contained the names of thirty-four alleged illegal voters. The amended petition has sixty-two. Of the first thirty-four, the names of eight are not on the polls books at all. Many of those objected to on account of insufficient residence, we know to have lived here longer than the prescribed time. Many of those objected to on account of being underage, we know to be old enough to vote, one of them being the father of grown children. Most of the others, we are assured by parties who know them, are strictly legal voters. Of those added in the amended petition we are satisfied the same proportion will hold. The whole thing shows bad faith upon its face. The purpose despite the declarations of the malcontents, is not honest. There is no possible contingency by which more votes for the appropriation can be rightly thrown out than those against it.

Since writing the above, we learn that the matter was brought up in open court, and the attorney for defendants solicited the attorney for plaintiff to agree upon a day for

trial; that the latter utterly refused to name a day, thereby falsifying his word given in previous assurances; that the attorney for defendants then appealed to the judge to appoint a day for trial, and that the judge said he had no warrant in law for such a proceeding.

The question now is, will Mr. Blair furnish the iron, taking therefor the bonds over which hangs a contest? If he will, the work will commence at once and be pushed through within the prescribed time. If he does not, we cannot tell the result. There would then be one of two measures left to our people: a new election in which the verdict would be so strong in favor of the appropriation that opposition would cease, or for our people to guarantee the legality of the election.

COUNTY GRANGE.

At the meeting of the county grange on Monday, the 29th ult., Master Beverly Duey occupied the chair. The following sub-ordinate granges were represented by masters and delegates: Brown, No. 9, membership forty-six; Millwood, 1791, membership fifty-two; Truxton, 1297, membership twenty-nine; New Salem, 1787, membership fifty; Drydenville, 1867, membership thirty-three; Oak Ridge, 1900, membership fifty; Louisville, 1285, membership forty-five; Burr Oak, 1553, membership forty-eight; Linn's Mill, 1552, membership fifty-eight; Rockford, 1902, membership forty-one; Auburn, 1550, membership forty-five; New Hope, 1549, membership sixty-five; Olive Branch, 1786, membership one hundred and thirty; Corso, 1870, membership sixty-eight; West Liberty, 1785, membership not given. Several granges not represented. Membership represented, seven hundred and sixty.

Brother John Brown, master of Millwood grange, read the following preamble and resolutions, which had been read in that grange by Sister Annie Gilliland and referred by that grange to a committee of the whole number of sisters, to be reported at its next meeting, with the instruction that each sister in the grange make a speech upon the subject referred to in them:

WHEREAS, One of the cardinal points of the grange organization is to remind its members of their imperative duty to care for their own families and the whole brotherhood; and to use all their mental, physical and pecuniary means to supply our frugal families with the greatest possible rural happiness; and whereas the sisters of this grange do assert, as a truth patent to the minds of all reasonable observers, that the sisters and wives in, as well as out of, the grange are the greatest sufferers for the crimes and sins committed by our brothers and husbands through the use of intoxicating liquors; therefore be it

Resolved, That it is not consistent with the object and purpose of our organization for our brothers to pay ten cents for a drink of whiskey to those licensed shops of iniquity that breed but disturbance, sin, misery and ruin, while their sisters, their wives and their own children are needing so many things that would add so much to their convenience and happiness, which cannot be purchased because of the ten cents so repeatedly wasted for their own debauch.

2. That our brothers should not encourage by their presence and patronage on Sunday, or any other day, those sin-retailing, money-wasting and misery-producing shops, that have obtained license to set up within our town.

3. That the members of this grange will henceforth refuse their signatures to any petition to our county court to grant license to any dram-shop for the town of Millwood or anywhere else.

4. That our worthy master use his influence to bring this subject before our county grange and to obtain its co-operation and assistance in removing this greatest of evils, the peculiar nature of which is that the sister, the wife and the children have to suffer for the crime and sin of our brothers and husbands, to the end that while we bear in painful, silent prayers and tears the bitter anguish and sorrow of our blasted hopes, we may not be deprived of the means of atoning for the past or preventing the continuance of evil in the future.

Brother Alex Mudd recommended a favorable consideration of the matter by the county grange. Bro. T. J.

Nally also spoke at some length upon the ruinous effects of licensed dram shops in our midst, asking the brethren to give the matter their serious attention. Bro. E. Myers was opposed to the county grange taking any action in the matter, endorsing his position with some very able remarks. A motion was finally adopted that the grange endorse the sentiment of the resolutions.

The secretary was instructed to notify the masters of each grange by private notice of the meeting of the county grange.

A motion was offered that the representatives to state grange be instructed to instruct our delegate to national grange to sanction the reduction of the initiation fee of men to three dollars and of women to one dollar. Lost. Notice was given that a reconsideration of the vote would be called for at next meeting.

The organization for next year was effected by the election of the following officers: T. R. Reid, master, W. E. Duncan, overseer, W. E. Brown, lecturer, A. F. Downing, steward, L. B. Cottle, assistant steward, J. C. Elmore, chaplain, H. W. Perkins, secretary, W. H. Martin, treasurer, H. H. Morris, gatekeeper, Mrs. Shelton, Ceres, Mrs. Reid, Pomona, Mrs. Wells, Flora, Mrs. Killem, lady assistant steward, J. S. B. Gregory, O. N. Coffey, W. W. Shaw and W. E. Duncan were appointed a committee to draft constitution and by-laws. C. Lindsay, A. F. Downing and Andrew Cunningham were appointed on executive committee.

The following resolutions were adopted:

That it is the sense of this grange that there should be a closer and more equal assessment of the taxable property. To that end the members of this grange pledge the assessor of our county their hearty co-operation and assistance in faithfully carrying out the law regulating the assessment, and that we will use our best exertions to expose and bring to justice all those who conceal the true amount of their taxable property, thereby adding to the burden of the prompt and honest tax-payer.

That it is the duty of every citizen who owns property in our county to pay taxes, therefore our co-operation and assistance to our county collector in making every one, who is able, pay the same.

That we meet on the third Wednesday to install the officers.

That thanks are due to the subordinate grange for the use of their hall.

The grange then adjourned.

The grand jury failed to find a bill against John R. Crouch for the killing of Aleck Carter. This disposition of the case was arrived at on Wednesday noon and Crouch was released from jail that afternoon. Several members of the jury have spoken to us to give some explanation of their action, since they find that it is the subject of very general surprise. They say that new testimony was introduced which did not appear in the examination and which, while it did not conflict with any testimony for the prosecution as it referred to time presumed not to be covered by that for the state, went to show, if true, that Crouch acted purely in self-defense. We are satisfied that the jury acted honestly and conscientiously in the matter. All its members with whom we are acquainted are men of sufficient standing in society to prevent a possibility of being placed in an equivocal position by a willingness to grant the colored man justice and a full equality before the law.

R. & J. Atkinson, St. Charles, Mo., are selling Heavy Unbleached Cottons at 7 cents and 9 cents per yard.

Black Alpaca, from 20 cents per yard upwards, at R. & J. Atkinson's St. Charles, Mo.,

If want nursery stock and live too far to go to Buffalo Nursery and back the same day, just bring along some feed for your horses, and if you will make a bill of \$10 or more, Mr. Shultz will bed and board you free. n14

R. & J. Atkinson, St. Charles, Mo., are selling Bleach and Unbleached Cottons very cheap, from 6c per yard upward.

Wm. Worrick received a very severe cut on the knee from a drawing knife, one day last week.

Early Rose potatoes at Buffalo Nursery at \$1.50 per bushel. Sweet potatoes \$2.50 per bushel; \$6, per barrel. n14

Rev. W. M. Goode will preach at the M. E. C. South, on the fourth Sunday in this month, at night. Theme: Human creeds scripturally considered.

The circuit has been crowded with litigation. The stress this week in our columns prevent us from giving extended items. It will likely adjourn to day.

Several editorials prepared for this issue are left over in consequence of the press of advertisements and other matter. We always give way to our friends in these matters.

Our readers will see from huge advertisement of R. & J. Atkinson, St. Charles, that they mean business. When our friends go to that city they will make money by calling and examining their goods and prices.

At the school election yesterday afternoon, Dr. Waddy was elected director, and the term was fixed at eight months. J. M. McLellan had the majority of votes cast for county commissioner.

Emmanuel Sedlacek, living about three miles from Troy, was kicked on the side of the head, by a horse last Thursday night. The injury to the brain is considerable, rendering him unconscious most of the time since. The symptoms, however, show an improvement and indicate his recovery.

Goods Display.

Mrs. S. Robinson will open her immense stock of millinery, dress goods, etc., for the inspection of the ladies of Troy and vicinity on Saturday, April 10th, on which day she cordially invites them to call and see the novelties and fashions of the season. Advertisement will appear next week.

A little son of Mr. Kuhns, aged about five years, had the middle finger of his right hand nearly severed by a cold-chisel last Sunday. The bone was badly fractured, and a severe gash cut in the flesh. He was playing in an ice-house with some little companions, one of whom was breaking a piece of ice with the chisel, when the little fellow reached for a piece that had been chipped off just as his companion was bringing the chisel down, which struck his finger.

The officers of the Troy Lodge of Odd Fellows were publicly installed on last Thursday evening in presence of a large number of visitors. The services were under the direction of Deputy Grand Master Alfred Bennett of Hannibal, who ended the ceremonies of the occasion by a very eloquent and instructive discourse. The newly-installed officers were: Lewis C. Wright, N. G.; Geo. W. Colbert, V. G.; Wm. Deaver, secretary; John McDonald, treasurer.

UNFORTUNATE OCCURRENCE.—A young girl of fifteen or sixteen years, whose name we have not learned, and whose mother lives in Pike county, and who was taken, some two or three years ago, by Wm. Jones, of Clark township, in this county, to be raised as one of his family and brought up in virtue and Christian instruction, gave birth to a child last week, and died about four hours thereafter. No physician had been summoned during the labor and only when the extremity of her situation became apparent was Dr. Bourland called. The unfortunate girl was at the last gasp when the doctor entered. We understand the matter will be brought before the grand jury.

We have just opened some very pretty patterns in Swiss Lawn and Jaconet Edgings and Inserting, which we are selling low.
R. & J. ATKINSON,
St. Charles, Mo.,

Embroideries.

A really elegant assortment of Swiss, Jaconet, and Muslin Embroideries, (all new patterns) from 4c to \$1.75 per yard. R. & J. Atkinson's, St. Charles, Mo.,

Black Silks.

R. & J. Atkinson, St. Charles, Mo., make a specialty of fine Black Silks. They will give you as low prices on them as any house in St. Louis.

Harry, aged between five and six years, son of Mr. Wilfred Lee, near Millwood, fell from the bed one night last week and fractured his left collar bone.

R. & J. Atkinson, St. Charles, Mo., are selling Embroideries from 4c per yard to 1.75 per yard. Cotton Edgings from 1 cent. per yard upward.

You can buy nice Two Button Kid Gloves for \$1.00 at Atkinson's—choose quantities of Kid Gloves from 60c per pair upward. R. & J. Atkinson, St. Charles, Mo.,

BORN.

McELWEE—March 31, 1875, Mary Virginia, third child and second daughter of Dr. J. J. and Mrs. Laura R. McElwee.

MARRIED.

JENNINGS—BOSTICK.—In Truxton, March 28, 1875, by L. H. Bowling, J. P., Mr. P. Jennings and Miss Alice Bostick, both of this county.

WILSON—DEGARMO.—March 7, 1875, at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. John S. Dryden, Mr. Newton A. Wilson of Montgomery county and Miss Beatie A. Degarmo of Lincoln county.

ATTEBURY—COCHRAN.—March 25, 1875, in Grandy county, Mo., by Rev. R. P. Holt, Rev. — Atterbury of the M. E. Church South, and Mrs. M. Belle Cochran.

DIED.

LOVING—March 15, 1875, at his grandfather's residence, in Manchester, Va., of cholera infantum, Benjamin Garland, only child of Mrs. Anna M. and the late Olin D. Loving.

LAWRENCE T. MYERS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, NEW HOPE, MO. Will practice in the courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. All business entrusted to him will be promptly attended to. [ptov1012]

J. B. ALLEN, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, TROY, MO. Will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Office over Withrow's hardware shop. [ptov1012]

N. H. NORTON, CHAS. MARTIN, JR., NORTON & MARTIN, ATTORNEYS AT LAW & COLLECTORS, TROY, MISSOURI. Particular attention given to controversies affecting Real Estate. We make a specialty of collecting all kinds of notes, bills, &c., at a reasonable commission. Office in the bank building. [ptov1012]

E. N. BONFILS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, TROY, MISSOURI. Will practice in the Courts of the 19th Judicial Circuit. Office in Bank.

JOSIAH CREECH, ATTORNEY AT LAW, TROY, MISSOURI. Will practice in the courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Satisfaction given or no charge made; also Prosecuting Attorney and Public Administrator of the county.

G. T. DUNN, ATTORNEY AT LAW, NEW HOPE, MO. Also Notary Public, will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Special attention given to collecting. [ptov1012]

B. C. MAGRUDER, ATTORNEY AT LAW, CAP-AUG-GRIS, MO. Will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. [ptov1012]

FRAZIER & COLBERT, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, TROY, MISSOURI. Will practice in the courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Special attention given to collecting of real estate, abstracts of titles, warrants, deeds, deeds of trust and mortgages made on short notice. Large number of valuable farms for sale. Office on Main street in Henry's building, up stairs. [2714]

B. W. WHEELER, ATTORNEY AT LAW, TROY, MISSOURI. Will attend to any professional business in the courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit; also prosecuting attorney of the county and notary public. [ptov1012]

F. T. WILLIAMS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, WARRENTON, MO. Also Notary Public and Real Estate Agent, will give special attention to collections, real estate practice, and the investigation of and titles. Office in Clark's building, west room. Satisfaction given or no charge made. [ptov1012]

Dr. W. W. BIRKHEAD, DENTIST, CLARKSVILLE, MO. Will visit Troy every two or three months, due notice of which will be given through the columns of the Herald.