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The Continued Calls

upon THE LEDGER for free notices have become so burdensome that we are forced to publish the following terms:

For Notices of Suppliers,

accruals, fair, or other public entertainments where a fee is charged, and for ordinary notices, resolutions of respect, etc., THE LEDGER will charge FIVE CENTS A LINE, and hereafter this will be the invariable rule. This, however,

Does Not Include

notices of Lodge meetings or Church services, which must not exceed ten lines.

Avoidance of Disputes.

Misunderstandings are unpleasant. The rate for Business Notices in THE LEDGER is 10 cents a line for the first insertion and 5 cents a line for subsequent insertions. A customer orders a five-line local inserted in the paper for two months—32 times—the bill is \$10.00. When he finds it out there is a "kick" and a controversy, followed probably by a long feeling. Now, to obviate this trouble, no "Bill for bills" notices will be accepted hereafter. Let us have a definite agreement at the outset and the termination will be pleasant all around.

All matter for publication must be handed in before 9 o'clock in the morning of each day.



If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

George Schroeder is in Cincinnati today.

Judge Thomas H. Paynter was in the city last night.

Mr. Henry Crawford of Dover was in the city Saturday.

Miss Hattie W. Collins of Covington is the guest of Miss Marian Wormald.

Mr. J. T. Murphy of Springdale was a pleasant caller at this office Saturday.

Mrs. C. M. Bland is visiting Mr. Campbell King and family of Minerva.

Miss Bessie Carr is visiting relatives and friends in Covington and Cincinnati.

Mrs. Phillip Kemper of Cincinnati is visiting her father, Mr. T. C. Campbell.

Messrs. William Wormald and J. B. Newton are in Flemingsburg on business.

Miss Stella Redmond has returned home after a pleasant visit to friends in Covington and Louisville.

Mrs. J. K. Groninger and daughter of Aberdeen have been visiting Mrs. J. W. Morris of the Sixth Ward.

Mrs. M. W. Coulter returned home last night from an extended visit to Texas, accompanied by Master Wilson Warder.

Mr. Will Lewis Nicholson, the polite and accommodating delivery clerk of the Adams Express Company, spent Sunday in Cincinnati.

Rev. D. C. Yazell was in the city yesterday calling on his children. The old gentleman is very feeble, having nearly reached his 80th birthday.

Mrs. Charles Coleman and Miss Eva Parrish of Newport are in the city completing arrangements for the coming "Recital" at the Opera-house Thursday night.

The Maysville Steam Bakery, with bustling Fred Traxel at its head, was inaugurated upon the public yesterday. Fully equipped with latest improved machinery and with a capacity of a thousand loaves of bread daily, the Maysville Steam Bakery is prepared to furnish the public with bread equal if not superior to any that has ever been sold here. Mr. William Barthel, an expert baker from Boston, will have charge of the bakery, while Mr. F. H. Traxel will look after the business affairs of the concern. Judging from the favorable comments on the initial production of the bakery we would say the Maysville Steam Bakery is a go.



I'd like to see the color of the whiskers or the hair. Of the lynx' w-ather prophet in this mild and balmy air. The fellow that was sartin that the winter would be light. Bekase the corn shucks hardly kivered up the corn from sight.

Oh, I'd like so well to see him in the morning when I go To work, and see the mercury just twenty-five below. And the air chock-full of icicles before the day's begun. And the sun-dogs nearly freezin' up a-barkin' 'round the sun.

Oh, trot him out and let him try to prove that he was right— That the first three days of winter proved it would be awful light, And that with microbes sartin the air would just be filled, Because there wouldn't be enough of cold to have them killed.

Oh, yes, I'd like to see him when, a-jumpin' out o' bed, I feel the shivers runnin' from my heels up to my head. And find the water frozen in the hydrant that had stood the hardest freezin' for a dozen years or more.

Confound the weather prophet! If he'd only held his mouth I'd have emigrated early to some corner of the South Where the blizzards never get you—well, well, can that be true? The telegraph dis-patches say they're freezin' down thar too.

—Chicago Record.

MAYSVILLE WEATHER.

What We May Expect For the Next Twenty-four Hours.

THE LEDGER'S WEATHER SIGNALS.

White streamer—FAIR; Blue—RAIN or SNOW; With Black ABOVE—TWILL WARMER grow. If Black's BENEATH—COLDER'll will be; Unless Black's shown—no chance we'll see

The above forecasts are made for a period of thirty-six hours, ending at 8 o'clock—morning evening.

We respectfully invite the comparison of THE LEDGER with any other daily newspaper in all Northeastern Kentucky if any one can find a daily paper printed in the Ninth Congressional District that has

A Larger Circulation, or More Original Reading Matter, we will take pleasure in presenting him with a year's subscription to THE LEDGER. If this paper is furnished at same price as inferior ones.

Tomorrow is Ash Wednesday.

P. J. Hegarty, one of the best known saloonists in Lexington, is dead.

The Fiscal Court of Boyd county has levied a tax of 50 cents for county purposes.

The colored people of Louisville will hold a memorial meeting Thursday in honor of Fred Douglass.

The three-year-old daughter of Mrs. G. M. Cobb in Clay county fell in a kettle of lard and was literally cooked to death.

Stanley Smith, the sixteen-year-old son of Henry C. Smith of North Middletown, accidentally shot and killed himself Sunday.

The party who purloined a very valuable penknife from Strawder's Tonsorial Parlors returned it yesterday unknown to the proprietor. His guilty conscience must have cut him.

Ashland Commandery, K. T., gave its second annual banquet last Friday night at Ashland, which was a most flattering success, there being the largest gathering of fair ladies and handsome gents ever assembled in that city.

A "HOODOO."

It is to be seen in the Old Band-room Building, Fourth Street.

Yesterday afternoon the pedestrians along Fourth street, between Limestone and Market, noticed a strange looking animal, or man, or whatyerallit in the window of the old building once occupied by the band as a rehearsal room.

It appeared to be a colored man, in a stooping position, looking as though he saw something on the street that didn't please him.

It was first noticed by John Slitz who frequents that thoroughfare, and after he went around and rubbernecked awhile there was a large crowd gathered to see the face at the window in the lonesome house.

The boys needn't be scared at all. It isn't a thing but a "hoan," and it won't harm any good boy who stays out of nights until the rooster crows for daylight.

Born, to the wife of W. H. Cummings, a daughter.

J. D. Shutt, a prominent banker of Covington, died Sunday.

Mr. H. A. Feizer of Fleming county and Miss Alice V. Semonds of this county will wed tomorrow at the home of bride near Millcreek Station.

The well known "Eitel" or "Roser" restaurant and saloon on Market street has been bought by B. H. Bramlette Under the management of Geo. B. Power, the public can at all hours get a good meal, cigar or drink.

An exchange found the following written on the flyleaf of an old hymn book: "God made heaven and earth in seven days and then rested; then He made man and rested; then He made woman. Since that time neither God nor man have had any rest."

OUR MARRIAGE LAWS.

THE SIMONS CASE CAUSING A GREAT DEAL OF TALK THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

The case against J. B. Simons, charged with performing the marriage ceremony without the proper authority, was called up in 'Squire Bramel's Court yesterday afternoon. The defendant produced a license to perform the marriage ceremony that was issued in Robertson county. He was held in the sum of \$150, which he furnished and was released.

The case referred to above was up before 'Squire Bramel last week, and which was laid over until yesterday afternoon, has brought forth the following good article from The Courier Journal, which we double-lead, in order that the oldest inhabitant may read it with ease:

"The case in Mason county against a preacher for the violation of the marriage laws is one of interest, but may be safely left to the Court to settle.

"As some of the statements made in connection with the matter are calculated to give unnecessary uneasiness to persons having no connection with this particular case, a few words respecting our marriage laws may be timely.

"The statutes of Kentucky prescribe that marriage may be celebrated by Ministers of the gospel or Priests of any denomination, in regular communion with any religious society, as well as by the Judges of the County Courts and such Justices of the Peace as the County Court may authorize. The Minister or Priest is required to obtain a license to solemnize matrimony from the County Court of the county in which he resides. This has never been construed to mean that the authority can only be exercised in the county in which the Minister resides. On the contrary, it has been generally interpreted to mean that while the license must be obtained from the county of his residence, the Minister may exercise the authority so conferred in any county in the state. This is and has been for many years the general practice. The latest revision of the statutes did not change the law in this respect. The license may be annulled by any County Court after notice to the person having it.

"Whether a license to solemnize matrimony obtained from a county other than that of the Minister's residence would be void is a question which we need not here discuss. As to licenses to marry, the statute provides that they shall be issued from the Clerk's office of the county in which the female resides. The Court of Appeals, however, has decided that when a license is issued from a county other than that in which the female resides, the marriage under such license will not for that reason be invalid. The statute itself provides that 'no marriage solemnized before any person professing to have authority therefor shall be invalid for want of such authority, if it is consummated with the belief of the parties, or either of them, that he had authority and that they have been lawfully married.' This is a highly important provision, and protects innocent parties from the consequences of unlawful acts of third persons, who may assume to exercise authority which they do not possess.

"It follows from the provisions above cited that persons who have been married by Ministers outside of the counties in which such Ministers reside have no occasion to be disturbed as to the legality of their marriage."

Hear Vincent on "Dickens" at the High School this evening.

Mr. James Simonds and Miss Ross Thomas, both of this county, will wed today.

Master Ben Deiner, THE LEDGER's devil, is confined to his room, wrestling with a satanic cold.

The ferry-boat could resume her trips, but the heavy shore ice on this side prevents her from making a landing.

The river fell about two feet at this point last night. The ice this morning is very thin and is running out rapidly.

Manager Kinneman will put on the "Deestrick Skule" here in March. The cast will include our best local talent.

A controlling interest in the stock of the Latonia race course is said to have been bought up by the Oakley people.

The citizens of Ashland have been trying to secure a telephone company to operate in that city, but up to date have failed.

Miss Ella Brogan of Spring Hill, forty miles East of Huntington, was run down and killed by C. and O. train No. 3 Sunday.

It is reported that the Silver Wave was caught in the break-up at Vanceburg and sunk. No other casualties have been reported.

A "Carnival Tea" will be given by the Delstarte Class and Mandolin Club at St. Francis de Sales Academy this afternoon from 2 to 6. Admission 25 cents.

Mr. Thomas Brannen, a prosperous young stock buyer of this county, and Miss Ella McTie will be married this morning at the home of the bride near Lewisburg.

A. H. Thompson and wife conveyed to Thomas Brannen 153 acres of land located in the Lewisburg neighborhood, known as the Thompson Farm. Consideration, \$13,057 06.

Died of pneumonia, Mr. William Humphries at Plummer's Landing, Fleming county, February 16th, aged 75 years. Deceased was a brother of Mrs. D. C. Yazell of Plumville.

The sanctification meetings at Middlesborough, which have been in progress for the past week, reached a climax when the M. E. Church, South, the largest church in the city, was filled to overflowing. In the experience meeting more than 50 people arose and testified that they had been sanctified and made holy.

LENT.

At the Church of the Nativity services during this season will be. On Sundays as usual, except that the Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 10:30 service every Sunday; week days, except Fridays, at 4 p. m.; on Fridays at 7:30 p. m.; tomorrow, Ash Wednesday, there will be services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. All are very welcome to all these services.

Y. M. C. A. State Officers.

The late Y. M. C. A. Convention at Lexington, which adjourned Sunday night, was the most successful one ever held. The new officers elected are as follows:

President—Professor W. H. Marquess, Louisville.

First Vice-President—Thomas L. Pettit, Covington.

Second Vice-President—W. R. Irwin, Lexington.

Secretary—J. A. Schaad.

First Assistant Secretary—T. W. Henry, Versailles.

Second Assistant Secretary—H. W. Ramsey, Lexington.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

THAT'S WHAT CARL GIRVIN, A SHOE FACTORY EMPLOYEE, HAD SATURDAY.

Carl Girvin, a youth employed at the Shoe Factory, was saved from a horrible death Saturday afternoon by a mere chance.

In stooping over some machinery that was in motion his head came in contact with a belt.

Quick as a flash he was caught in the belt. He threw up his arm and extracted his head as it was being drawn toward the wheel that would have ended his life in an instant.

In throwing up his arm it struck a pulley, which slackened the speed of the belt.

The machinery was stopped, the belt cut, and the lad released from his perilous position.

His arm is badly wrenched; otherwise he is not hurt.

Fire Insurance—Duley & Baldwin.

The total clearings of all the clearing-houses of the United States for the week were \$721,778,894, against \$761,899,781 last week and \$625,785,220 the corresponding week last year.

A report submitted to the Senate, based on returns made to a committee by farmers and merchants in every cotton-growing state, shows that during the years 1891, 1892 and 1893 the cost of growing cotton exceeded the value of the production.

The Winchester Democrat says: "The editor of one of our exchanges declared that it was so cold one morning last week that the sap ran out of the wood and froze on the hearth, at the same time the back of the stove was red-hot. This story, while possible, bears a striking resemblance to a lie."

A young lady from the town was visiting in the country the other day and the farmer was showing her the fine stock. A bunch of pretty Jersey calves attracted her admiration. "See the pretty cowlets," she exclaimed. "No," said the farmer, who was showing her the sights and wanted her knowledge to be exact, "they are little bullees."

MR. WILLIS IRWIN.

He Will Appear at the Opera-House Thursday Evening.

On Thursday evening, at the Washington Opera-house, Mr. Willis Irwin, in Monodram, Monologue, etc., will be seen, assisted by Mr. Edward Weckel. Our citizens should not fail to take advantage of this recital, as it is the first time in the history of entertainment in our city that romance, comedy and pathos have been presented at the same time. Mr. Irwin appears mainly in original compositions, and while his programs are varied, light comedy predominates, meeting the public demand for healthful amusement. An Eastern Journal, in speaking of the Monodram, has this to say: "The Monodram, a dramatic performance by a single person, while it is as old as our civilization, is comparatively new to the American platform. Let us hope that it has come to stay, for it brings to the platform the charm and finish of the stage, free from the objections urged against the playhouse. One of its highest missions, however, is to reform the so-called schools of expression which make the trained speaker artificial rather than natural. The possibilities of the Monodram are as wide as the art of expression itself." Seats now on sale at Nelson's Hat Store. Admission 50 cents.

BASEBALL TALK.

THE SEASON WILL OPEN WITH NO PROSPECTS OF A CLUB IN MAYSVILLE.

The bright warm sunshine of the past few days has brought the baseball "fan" from his winter quarters. Will Maysville be in the field with a first-class team? is about the first question he asks, and when answered in the negative, like the groundhog who has seen his shadow, he feels like going into his lair and staying there.

The winning team for this season that was promised us at the close of last season to be in the gloaming.

The management of last year's team stands ready with money and energy to redeem their promise.

And the street railway company is willing and anxious to help the boys along.

A suitable park is the rock on which the baseball ship is founded. The old park at the Fairgrounds can no longer be leased.

About the only available place on the car line is the Barbour lot in the East End, but that cannot be leased either for any length of time.

It is to be regretted that some suitable spot cannot be found on which to make a park, as many and many a dollar will go to Cincinnati this summer that would otherwise be left at home.

Get together, boys, and see if something can't be done. There is no time to be lost. All the teams that visited us last year will be in the field again good and strong, and if we don't act quickly Maysville will loom up in the baseball horizon as a back number.

Nearly all the good players that appeared here with visiting teams last season have signed for 1895—Knorr, Tannehill, Grooves, Berte and Hall go to Richmond, Va. Ray Tenley will catch for the Staunton team. Vetter, the crack catcher of the Cynthians team, will play with Portsmouth, O.

The Reiman brothers have received an offer to play with the Southern League. Captain Fred Frank will play in the Virginia League, probably with Norfolk.

Let's get together!

THE COUNTRY'S WEALTH.

OVER NINETY PER CENT. BELONGS TO OWNERS OF HOMES.

The Census Office has made public a report showing that the owners of farms and homes, regarded as substantially the land owners of the United States, own more than 90 per cent. of the wealth of the country.

Of the white owners and tenant heads, more than 51 per cent. are owners; of the negroes, more than 17 per cent.; of mixed white and negro parentage, 25 per cent.; of the Indians, 65, and of the Chinese and Japanese 14 per cent. The white owners of farms and homes that are free of mortgage form 71 per cent. of all white owners; of the negroes, 89; of those of mixed parentage, 87; of the Indians, 96, and of the Chinese and Japanese 97 per cent.

The percentages of ownership are slightly higher for women than for men, and free ownership is also higher among women except with the Indians and Chinese and Japanese.

The results for farm proprietors show that 72 per cent. of the whites are owners, 21 of the negroes, 29 of those of mixed blood, 79 of the Indians and over 10 per cent. of the Chinese and Japanese, while for homes 39 per cent. of the whites are owners, more than 15 of the negroes, 23 of those of mixed blood, 85 of the Indians and 14 of the Chinese and Japanese.

The white farm owners who are free of mortgage are 71 per cent. of all white owners; negroes, 90; of those of mixed parentage, 89; Indians, 96, and Chinese and Japanese, 87. The corresponding figures for homes are nearly the same. In the 58 cities of 50,000 population and over most 28 per cent. of the white proprietors are owners and not quite 9 per cent. of the negroes. For farms and homes 53 per cent. of the native proprietors are owners; from Austria-Hungary, 41 per cent.; from Canada and New Foundland (English), 47; from Canada and New Foundland (French), 31; Wales and England, 46; France, 47; Germany, 52; Ireland, 44; Italy, 15; Norway, Sweden and Denmark, 51; Russia and Poland, 31; Scotland, 45, and from all other countries over 47 per cent.

The native farm proprietors are exceeded in ownership by the natives of all these countries except Italy, whose percentage for native owners is 69 and for Italians 68; and the highest percentage is 87, for the Irish. Ownership is more prevalent among native than American foreign-born proprietors in the case of homes than it is among farm proprietors. Of the native proprietors of homes 41 per cent. are owners, and the lowest percentage representing the ownership of homes for places of birth is 12 for the Italians.

The ownership of homes in the 58 principal cities is nearly as great among the foreign born as among the natives. Among the native home proprietors in these cities, 23 per cent. are owners. The highest percentage being 33 for the Germans and the lowest 6 for the Italians. The results of the inquiry as to nativity of parents of the white native farm and home proprietors shows that of the farms and homes 55 per cent. of the proprietors who have both parents native born are owners, and 43 per cent. of those who have one or both parents foreign born.

The percentages for farm owners having both parents native born is 69, and in the case of homes, 49 per cent. The total for both sexes and for farms and homes shows that, of the proprietors under 25 years of age, 30 per cent. are owners; from 25 to 29 years, 28 per cent.; from 30 to 34 years, 37; from 35 to 39 years, 40 per cent.; 40 to 44 years, 49 per cent.; 45 to 49 years, 53 per cent.; 50 to 54 years, 57 per cent.; 55 to 59 years, 65 per cent. and 60 years and over, 69 per cent. Percentages are generally somewhat higher for women than for men.

Farm ownership is more prevalent at all ages than home ownership. Almost 35 per cent. of farm proprietors under 25 years of age are owners, and the percentage increases with age up to 38 per cent. for owners of 60 years and over. Among home proprietors of less than 25 years of age 13 per cent. are owners, and the percentage increases without interruption to 58 per cent. for owners of 60 years and over.

Ownership is more prevalent among women who are farm and home owners and heads of tenant families than among men, the ownership of the women being represented by 57 per cent. and the men 46. The women exceed the men also in the principal 58 cities, whereof the male home proprietors 28 per cent. are owners and of the female 31 per cent.

One reason for the difference between the figures for the two sexes is the custom that makes the husband instead of the wife the head of the family. The ownership of farms and homes is divided between the two sexes in the proportion of 81 per cent. to the males and 17 to the females. Slightly more than one quarter of the 2,928,671 owned homes of the United States are owned by women and about one-tenth of the 3,142,746 owned farms.

Washington Opera-house

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

THE EVENT OF THE SEASON.

MR. WILLIS IRWIN, ASSISTED BY

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