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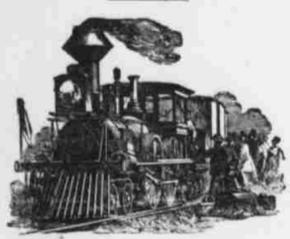


**ROYAL BAKING POWDER**  
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**YES, THEY ARE.**

Carlisle Sending a Committee South to Investigate the Black Diamond.



At a meeting of the business men and citizens of Carlisle held Monday night Mayor W. J. Kennedy, Hon. Hanson Kennedy and W. B. Rathoff were appointed to go to Knoxville, Tenn., in company with a committee from Mt. Sterling and Sharpburg, to ascertain if the city of Knoxville and the South are behind the Black Diamond to the extent that Colonel Boone reports.—Carlisle Mercury.

THE LEDGER has "been there," and has no hesitancy in saying that the Carlisle and Sharpburg and Mt. Sterling committees will find matters just as Colonel Boone has represented them.

They'll find, also, that Knoxville is the "livest" city they've struck in a decade—the only dead people being those in Gray Cemetery and about thirteen others who are opposed to the Black Diamond.

The remaining 64,987 Knoxvilleans are backing Boone and his enterprise.

**No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.**  
Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. H. All druggists.

**DECAY OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.**

The Average Sunday-School of Today is a Rebuke to Intelligence.

In the March Ladies' Home Journal Edward Bok writes on "The Decay of the Sunday school," and points out the reasons therefor. "I have in mind," he says, "not less than twelve different men who are acting as superintendents of our Sunday-schools. Not one of these men has ever a suggestion of force; not a spark of personal magnetism, not a personal possession which goes to draw children to him or to the school over which he presides. In five of these cases the men have been failures in business; by men in the outer world they are passed over, and yet the Church places them in positions which call pre-eminently for every element which they so distinctly lack.

To be a successful head of a Sunday-school calls for a man with the instincts of leadership; a man who will infuse life into the school; hope and courage into his teachers; who is fertile of mind and infinite in capacity; who can draw children to him and retain their interest. Not only must he elevate his children in a spiritual sense, but lessons of the highest morality must be taught; an influence refining to mind and nature must be exhorted, and all the time the interest of the children must be arrested and held. Infinite variety of method must be sought. The young quickly tire of anything which long remains the same, and that is why they are tiring of the Sunday school. It has too long remained the same. It has fallen into a rut, and the fault lies between the presiding spirits of the school who have no ability for their positions, and the Churches who have placed them there or allowed them to remain." Mr. Bok concludes his discussion with the assertion that "the average Sunday-school of today is a rebuke to intelligence and a discredit to the Church."

**STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO.**

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 9th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON,  
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

**APPEAL TO THE PUBLIC**

**UNCLESAM'S ARMY**

Property-Holders Asked to Aid Unfortunate Firemen.

Number State Troops and Citizens Subject to Duty.

PLEASE STAND FROM UNDER!



The Committee appointed to secure subscriptions for the purpose of rebuilding the Washington Opera-house has issued the following Address:

To the Property-Holders and Citizens of Maysville: On Sunday morning, January 30th, the Washington Fire Company lost by fire their home, together with the Opera house upon which they depended for their support, and upon which our citizens depended for an amusement hall. In the destruction of the building there went up in smoke and flame the hard earnings of the Company, covering a period of 48 years and amounting to over \$12,000. They are now without shelter and without a single dollar—nothing left save their honor. The Firemen of our city have always been faithful to duty in saving your property, and upon many occasions have saved our city from total destruction. It is now proposed, and due to this, to rebuild their home, and for this purpose a subscription has been started and a liberal amount secured. Will you be one to assist in this effort by a subscription? Respectfully,

THOMAS A. DAVIS,  
ALEX. CALHOUN,  
J. D. DYE,  
WILLIAM H. COX,  
HORACE J. COCHRAN.

The Address states the case so fully that it is not deemed necessary to add a word.

Every citizen and every merchant and property-holder is directly interested in this matter, and it is hoped that the responses will be prompt, numerous and generous.

Do not wait for the Committee to call on you, but send your name with the amount you wish to subscribe to THE LEDGER office, or give it to any member of the Committee.

**LIBERAL RESPONSES.**

Below is the list of public spirited citizens who have responded to the call for aid. It is indeed a roll of honor:

Lissant Cox	\$500.00	Central Hotel Co	\$100.00
Wm. H. Cox	250.00	McClannan & Co.	25.00
Horatio Picklin	250.00	Shen.	25.00
Bank Maysville	100.00	Martin Bierley	1.00
State Nat'l Bk	100.00	Ed Schwartz	1.00
E. A. Robinson	100.00	F. Wormsley	5.00
D. Hechinger	50.00	Mrs. A. M. Zwick	5.00
Rosenau Bros.	50.00	J. G. Zwick	20.00
J. David Dye	25.00	Neptune Fire Co	50.00
C. H. Frank	10.00	J. James Wood	50.00
John T. Martin	10.00	Lee B. Gray	5.00
J. T. Brown	10.00	J. J. Feger & Co	5.00
W. M. Peary	5.00	Geo. H. Heiser	50.00
Geo. Brown	5.00	Shurley Frost	1.00
Mrs. Wm. Peary	5.00	Laurence Frost	1.00
Mrs. Hannah M.	5.00	James Frost	1.00
C. T. West	5.00	Nettie Frost	1.00
Lady	5.00	Mellvain & Humphreys	1.00
Whis. Judd	5.00	R. F. Chitt	20.00
Co.	5.00	Jas. Redmond	5.00
T. J. Chenoweth	5.00	W. H. Ryder	5.00
Cash	1.00	James Rice	5.00
Wm. Wormald	100.00	Rev. J. C. Molloy	5.00
W. R. and J. A. Newell	50.00	G. A. McCarthy & Son	5.00
George Diener	10.00	Robert Bisset	5.00
R. A. Carr	25.00	John M. Hunt	25.00
Lee & Ballenger	25.00	H. Owens	1.00
O. H. P. Thomas	5.00	Barkley & Co.	10.00
Patrick G. Fox	5.00	Nesbitt & Co.	10.00
M. D. Shepard	5.00	C. B. Pearce, Jr.	10.00
John Rittel	5.00	John Duley	5.00
Geo. W. Crowell	5.00	R. P. Jenkins	5.00
Omar Dodson	100.00	F. P. Forman	5.00
Bull. Mich. Lick	20.00	John Ballenger	5.00
Klipp & Brown	5.00	M. C. Hutchinson	5.00
Mitchell & H. R. Co.	5.00	W. E. Stallcup	25.00
A. M. Murphy	5.00	Albert Hill	1.00
Simon Nelson	5.00	Thompson & McKeon	25.00
A. N. Huff	5.00	Leonard & Lalley	15.00
Schatzmann & Co.	5.00	R. K. Hoeltich	25.00
Mrs. J. B. Russell	10.00	Watson & Co.	25.00
J. Schatzmann	10.00	James Barbour	5.00
P. W. Waeleer	5.00	Robert Picklin	25.00
J. B. Goodman	5.00	Collins & Rudy	5.00
W. H. Peary	25.00	Lumber Co.	25.00
Jacob Thomas	5.00	Armstrong & Sons	5.00
Smith & Co.	10.00	A. Schatzmann	5.00
A. G. Brown	5.00	Rev. A. T. Ennis	5.00
M. T. Pearce	5.00	W. R. Archer	5.00
J. H. Rains & Sons	25.00	Limetone Milling Co.	5.00
Jesse B. Roper	5.00	G. T. Barbour	5.00
M. J. Shepard	5.00	M. J. Donovan	5.00
R. H. Newell	25.00	John M. Rains	5.00
Biogotti & Co.	5.00	M. C. Russell	5.00
Holt Richeson	10.00	Son	100.00
Martin Hancley	10.00	R. J. Hoeltich	5.00
Dault & Bro.	20.00	J. H. Rogers & Co.	5.00
Gable Bros.	20.00	Dr. J. H. Samuel	5.00
E. L. Worthington	25.00	H. C. Sharp	5.00
G. S. Wall	5.00	F. Owens Hardon	10.00
A. G. Brown	5.00	Daniel Hunt	10.00
A. Wetland & Co.	10.00	W. R. Archer	5.00
Chunn & Schütz	10.00	Cash	5.00
Mrs. J. B. Russell	10.00	Alexander & Bro.	10.00
Dr. A. H. Wall	10.00	Almar Dodson	5.00
J. H. Peary	25.00	W. C. Rogers	5.00
John Bensch	5.00	Geo. W. Griffin	5.00
Oliver Greenleaf	5.00	R. M. Carmichael	5.00
John W. Porter	5.00	C. W. Zwick	5.00
Geo. T. Hunter	10.00	L. Hill	5.00
D. Perkins Estate	25.00	Charles B. Wedd	1.00
Robert Wells	5.00	ding	5.00
T. A. Keith	25.00	Allan D. Ennis	5.00
Mrs. L. Keith	25.00	Wm. Trouts, Jr.	5.00
Mrs. D. Richardson	25.00	W. H. Wadsworth	25.00
Simon Davis	2.00	D. P. Ort	5.00
Girls' Mag Club	5.00	Pearce & Foster	5.00
J. S. Nicholson	5.00	Pearce & Dye	10.00
James Henson	5.00	Young Men's Hall	27.75
Geo. Schwartz	5.00	J. W. Wells	5.00
Martin Hancley	10.00	Total	\$4,538.25
Tony Pfeiffer	10.00		
Jacob Miller	10.00		
H. H. Henshaw	10.00		
J. H. Cummings	5.00		
F. H. Traxel	5.00		
Hon. C. D. Newell	10.00		
Mrs. J. B. Russell	10.00		
Geo. H. Traxel	5.00		
January & Wood	100.00		
Henry W. Hoop	5.00		
J. W. Cartmell	10.00		
C. A. Waither	5.00		
Mrs. N. G. Stone	5.00		
Mrs. H. H. Collins	5.00		
J. C. Cackley	5.00		
F. M. Chase	5.00		

**ADDITIONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

The following additional contributions are gratefully acknowledged:

Previously reported \$4,538.25

Cummins & Redmond 5.00

Stort & Kain 10.00

Schafer & Davis 10.00

Geo. M. Clinger 5.00

Total \$4,563.25



The Government has been collecting information as to the strength of the militia in the United States and also the number of men who would be available for service in case of an emergency. The returns from the states are interesting in view of the prospect of trouble with Spain. The total militia force of the United States and the territories, as shown by the returns, is 144,362, and the total number of men available for military service is 10,301,339. The militia force consists of 58 Generals, 916 general officers and staff, 2,240 regimental field and staff, 20,455 non-commissioned officers and 80,000 privates. Besides these there are the musicians and others, bringing up the grand total to the number stated. The force, organized and available, is divided as follows among the different states and territories of the Union:

	Militia.	Available.
Alabama	2,488	165,000
Arkansas	2,020	250,000
California	3,909	214,029
Colorado	1,056	85,000
Connecticut	2,739	108,646
Delaware	458	28,080
Florida	1,134	70,000
Georgia	4,450	294,021
Iaaho	568	30,000
Illinois	6,290	750,000
Indiana	72,875	508,000
Iowa	2,470	204,874
Kansas	1,463	100,000
Kentucky	1,371	361,337
Louisiana	2,093	135,000
Maine	1,345	106,842
Maryland	1,725	150,000
Massachusetts	5,154	433,975
Michigan	2,869	260,000
Minnesota	1,994	175,000
Mississippi	1,735	233,480
Missouri	2,349	400,000
Montana	632	31,381
Nebraska	1,158	101,926
Nevada	368	6,700
New Hampshire	1,365	34,000
New Jersey	4,597	385,273
New York	13,894	800,000
North Carolina	1,537	243,000
North Dakota	467	19,987
Ohio	6,804	650,000
Oregon	1,428	69,822
Pennsylvania	8,821	878,394
Rhode Island	1,315	85,000
South Carolina	3,137	177,000
South Dakota	696	55,000
Tennessee	1,096	180,000
Texas	3,023	300,000
Utah	580	35,000
Vermont	743	44,134
Virginia	2,739	334,227
Washington	737	87,879
West Virginia	965	125,000
Wisconsin	2,711	372,162
Wyoming	356	8,000
Arizona	539	20,000
New Mexico	662	35,000
Oklahoma	1,738	105,000
District of Columbia	1,271	47,000
Totals	144,362	10,301,339

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Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

**WHAT TO DO.**

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail upon receipt of three 2-cent stamps to cover the cost of postage on the bottle. Mention THE LEDGER and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

**KENTUCKY NEWS.**

The Latest News From All Parts of the Commonwealth.

**REMOVAL BILL.**

Causes a Lively Mix-Up Among the Members of the House.

FRANKFORT, Feb. 25.—SENATE—In the senate Mr. Brown offered a joint resolution to appropriate \$2000 to fit up a new room in the state library. Mr. Lay offered a resolution asking the Kentucky congressmen to urge an appropriation to look and dam Salt river, in this state. Mr. Lay also offered a resolution providing for afternoon sessions of the senate four days in the week, but it was cut off by the school book bill, which was a special order. Senator Elmore said the school book bill had been matured by frequent committee meetings and comparisons with other states, and that he thought it would accomplish the proposed object, i. e., to secure cheaper books for Kentucky children. The bill was discussed until adjournment hour.

**HOUSE.**—The house passed the bill to abolish the state board of equalization by a vote of 69 to 25. The bill to require distillers to report whisky for assessment the same as other property was reported favorably by the committee, several other minor bills were reported favorably and the house went into committee of the whole again to consider the proposed constitutional amendments. The capital removal, referendum and abolition of agricultural commissioner were discussed at length, but the only one reported on by the committee was the one proposing to abolish the office of agricultural commissioner, and it was reported unfavorably to the house, which immediately ratified the committee's report by defeating the amendment by a vote of 30 yeas to 66 nays. During the discussion in the committee of the whole on the capital removal question several warm words were indulged in between Representatives Tract of Covington, and Trimble, of Franklin county.

**Quarantine at Penitentiary.**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 25.—The penitentiary officials are preparing to take steps to quarantine against prisoners sent here from Laurel and other eastern Kentucky counties, where smallpox prevails. Dr. Bruner, penitentiary physician, Thursday night wired Laurel county officials to withhold a batch of prisoners who were to be sent here. It is also probable that the city will be asked to quarantine against the counties mentioned.

**The Bout Resulted in a Draw.**

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 25.—The 15 round bout at Music hall Thursday night between Brutus Clay, the "Blue Grass Cyclone" of Lexington, Ky., and Steve Crosby, a well known local light weight, both colored, resulted in a draw. Judged strictly on points Crosby had the best of the argument, but the advantage was not sufficient to base a decision on. Twelve hundred persons witnessed the contest.

**Offer Services to Government.**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 25.—Gov. Bradley Thursday received letters from Francis B. Douglass, a lawyer of Danville, and Robert W. Woolly, formerly of Lexington, but now connected with the New York Sun, asking that their names be enrolled on the first company of volunteers organized in this state in the event of war with Spain.

**Smallpox Epidemic.**

MIDDLETOWN, Ky., Feb. 25.—Thirteen new cases of smallpox developed Thursday. Disease seems to be beyond the control of the local health board. The assistance of the government will be invoked. Three hundred cases are reported in the mining regions of east Tennessee, south Virginia and eastern Kentucky.

**The Covington Council Case.**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 25.—The appellate court bench will meet at 11 o'clock Friday morning, when all the attorneys in the contempt proceedings fight between Circuit Judge Tarvin and the Covington councilmen are expected to be on hand. The case will be heard on its merits and decided at once.

**Bronston Not a Candidate.**

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 25.—The report that State Senator Charles J. Bronston would be a candidate for governor against Senator Goebel and Maj. P. P. Johnston is denied in an interview by Senator Bronston, who says he will under no consideration be a candidate against Maj. Johnston.

**Still in the Race.**

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 25.—Maj. P. P. Johnston, when asked what foundation there is for the report that he would abandon his race for governor, said: "The talk about my getting out of the race for governor is an invention of those who would like to see me out. I am in the race."

**Jilted Lover's Suit.**

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 25.—In the city court Thursday Mrs. Geo. Wheeler was dismissed on the charge of obtaining goods in the shape of present from her lover by false pretense of intended marriage. The charge was referred by her jilted lover, Henry Rogers.

**Cigarette Bill Passed.**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 25.—This hour at its afternoon session passed the Watkins cigarette bill, which prohibits the smoking, sale, barter or loan of cigarettes in this state and fixes a penalty for having any cigarette material in one's possession.

**Bought the Road.**

OWINGSVILLE, Ky., Feb. 25.—The fiscal court met Thursday and purchased one turnpike, the White Oak road, for \$700. This pike joins the Owingsville and Sharpburg three miles from this place, making four free roads after March.

**Debate Over the School Book Bill.**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 25.—The first matter of importance before the senate Thursday was the Chin school book bill, which came up as a special order at 11 o'clock. Bronston's substitute had come back from the printer.

**Murder at Ford, Ky.**

RICHMOND, Ky., Feb. 25.—At Ford, near here, Wednesday night, Alex. Pence killed James Smith by striking him on the head with a pistol. Officers are searching for Pence who is evading them.

**To Abolish the Board of Equalization.**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 25.—The house Thursday passed the bill abolishing the state board of equalization by a big majority.

While we have sold a great deal of our stock we still have many exceptional bargains in all departments, and it will pay you to visit our store.

We are offering some special inducements in Winter Underwear. Remember, everything is being sold at less than original cost.

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