

THE CLIMAX.

Wednesday, - December 31, 1900.

Summer weather again.

The banks will be closed tomorrow.

Several new houses in the Dillingham addition.

Strong is closing out his boots and shoes at cost.

Levi Benna, of White Hall, has been granted a pension.

Residence for rent by G. H. Myers, on Parrish street. See ad.

The snow and the patrolmen have knocked the robbers out.

Jim Colter was seriously cut by Bill Edington at Silver Creek, Christmas eve.

W. P. Baxter, painter and paper hanger, asks your attention to his loans in this issue.

The resources of the banks of Richmond are \$2,000,000. See reports elsewhere in today's CLIMAX.

Jim Francis, colored, plead guilty yesterday, in Judge Chensault's court, to stealing goods from Ransom & Fife.

The frame work of the Three Forks depot in this place is up and ready for the roof. It is going to be a dandy.

Mr. W. A. Powell, clothier, received from a Cincinnati friend a nice Christmas present—a case of imported French wines.

The CLIMAX begins the new year with one hundred and five thousand envelopes—the largest number, decidedly, ever in Richmond at one time.

The last relic of the late and eccentric "Judge Ep"—the cedar tree planted by him in front of the court-house—has been destroyed by the sheet.

Tom Bradley and Dave Oldham are under arrest for the murder of a boy named Parrish near Red House, Christmas night. All colored.

Miss Mary F. Huls is receiving pupils for guitar, banjo and piano at her residence, cor. 2d and Moberly streets. She is an accomplished musician.

See the statements of the four banks elsewhere in today's CLIMAX. Don't they look about as solid as they ever did? Plenty money in the banks and among the people.

Ben Francis, a sorry negro, robbed the till of Moberly & Creel's confectionery on First street, Sunday night, of \$13.10. He was tried yesterday and held over to Circuit Court.

The Register says the robbers have not gotten \$500 altogether in the county. There's Hamilton's \$25, Phelps' \$17, and Parks' \$10—how much is that on the first three nights?

Capt. Tom Ferrill will remove to town, this week, and occupy the residence on Second street just beyond the Three Forks road. He will be more convenient to his patrons who want his services as a musician.

Two of the danger-signals lanterns, belonging to the Water and Light Company, were stolen from an embankment in the streets, Thursday night, thereby endangering the lives of passers by. See reward offered.

On Tuesday last Mr. Rice Sifflet was walking along Second street in front of T. S. Moberly's, he stepped on a cap used by the Water-works Company for discharging dynamite cartridges. It exploded, tore his leg, and hurt his foot.

The announcement, last week, that Dr. J. W. Harris, of Union City, had rented the new residence of Mr. E. C. Boggs on Broadway, was premature. The doctor had only been looking at the property and talking of removing to town.

The Stuffed Indian business seems to be played entirely out. Rev. Geo. W. Dunlap and family have returned from that and none is left to perpetuate its memory. Thus has passed away another or sally visionary scheme.—Standard Journal.

Mr. W. H. Harber, near Red House, was the last man visited by the robbers. Three of them stood on the front porch, while he stood just inside the door with a revolver. When he invited them in, they moved off. What a mistake he didn't kill one or two of them.

The cases from Madison in the Court of Appeals are Pigg vs. Madison National Bank and Collins vs. Terrill, and set for hearing respectively February 17th and March 26th. One case in the Superior Court, Kentucky Mutual Benefit Society vs. Evans & Co., set for January 7th.

Mr. Alexander Campbell Thompson, grandson of the great reformer, must be a very versatile young fellow. As a resident man, a country editor, a city journalist and a prospective brigadier he has figured within the last six months and now comes the announcement by the Louisville Critic that he has decided to enter the ministry of the Christian church and is making preparations to begin his studies.—Standard Journal.

Auction. Crooke, Bennett & Urmoston will begin an auction of the recent line of dry goods at 10:30 o'clock, Friday. This is your chance for bargains. They mean to quit business.

Stolen Horses. Mrs. A. T. Millon's horse was stolen on Thursday night and Mr. Albert Prather's on Sunday night. The former was abandoned at Boonesborough and the latter at Kirksville. The robbers are getting out of tight money. The patrolmen are too many for them.

Musical. The musical talent of the Christian Church assisted by other talent of the city, will give an entertainment the latter part of January or first of February. Exact date and nature of entertainment we have been unable to learn, but presume it will be fully announced.

Dr. Ault Will Remain. Dr. A. E. Ault, who located in Richmond about a year ago, has not been altogether satisfied, and recently signified his intention of leaving. But now he has changed his mind, resolved to remain here permanently, and devote his entire time and attention to the practice of medicine. He is a fine physician, has grown popular with the people, and they will be glad to know that he is to stay with them.

\$67,957.36. And you say there is a scarcity of money? Who said so? Look at the figures at the head of this paragraph. That is the amount of money on individual deposit in the four banks of Richmond. When did their statements show a greater amount? Nearly \$700,000 in cash that belongs to the people, and that they can have any moment by writing their checks. So stop your blather about tight money matters—they are not had so tight as some of you were the past week.

U. S. Repositories.

But 13 banks are used in Kentucky as depositories for government funds. They are distributed over the State as follows: First National and the Carrollton National, of Carrollton; First National, of the Covington City National and the Farmers' and Traders' National of Covington; the Lafayette National and the Lexington City National, of Lexington; First National and Kentucky National, of Louisville; First National and Owensboro National, of Owensboro, and the Madison National, of Richmond.

None of the banks pay any interest on the funds which are deposited for the convenience of the government officials of the State.—Cincinnati Post.

Forteen Feet of Water.

The progress of the Water-works dam, during the recent dry weather, was fine indeed, and it is now about eighteen feet high. During the snow, rain and sleet of Wednesday night and Thursday, water accumulated in the reservoir to the depth of fourteen feet, submerging the dam and a lot of carts, and flooding a house or two, a barn and a tent, notwithstanding the 20-inch escape pipes were still wide open. A number of trees are yet standing in the reservoir, and the scene was not unlike a river flood.

The brick buildings, including the boiler-rooms and pump house, are ready for the roof and the machinery has been received from the factories.

Our County School Superintendent.

Miss Laura Clay in Lexington Gazette says: Hon. Curtis F. Burman, in the recent discussion in the Com. Con. on School Sufferage for women, paid a well-deserved tribute to Mrs. Amanda T. Millon as the most efficient and faithful county superintendent of public schools Madison county ever had. Mrs. Millon was at first appointed to fill the short vacancy left by the death of her husband. She has since been elected twice, and the last time having been nominated by the Democrats, the Republicans declined to nominate an opponent, but parties joining cheerfully in their testimony for her excellent work. Besides Mrs. Millon, there were three other ladies elected as County Superintendents at the last election: Miss Lillie B. Mahan, Lee county; Mrs. Lucy V. West, Spencer county, and Mrs. Mollie F. Denney, Wayne county.

Masonic Elections.

St. John's Day, Dec. 27th.—Richmond Lodge, A. Y. F. & A. M. No. 25.—Wm. L. Crutcher, W. M.; E. E. Mitchell, S. W.; R. C. H. Covington, J. W.; S. S. Parkes, Treas.; J. Speed Smith, Sec'y.; M. McSwain, D. L. C. Stockton and W. G. White, Grand.

J. D. Hamilton Lodge, Union City.—John Hill, W. M.; J. D. Hamilton, S. W.; Shelby Jett, J. W.; Thompson Keen, Treas.; J. F. Oldham, Sec'y.; Irvine Azbill, S. D.; J. W. Walden, J. D.; James W. Bonny, S. & T.

Berea Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 617.—E. T. Fisk, Master; John Johnson, S. W.; J. M. Hart, J. W.; A. T. Fish, Treas.; C. E. Hostetter, Sec'y.; J. C. Davis, S. D.; G. E. Anderson, J. D.; L. C. Gabbard, S. and T.

Waco Lodge, No. 338.—J. H. Tolpin, W. M.; John Hall, S. W.; O. K. Nolan, J. W.; W. D. Barker, Treas.; W. T. Fielder, Secretary; R. E. Moberly, S. D.; Tom Cain, J. D.

A Destructive Sleet.

The first snow of any consequence in this locality, the present winter, fell on last Wednesday night to a depth of four inches. On Thursday morning it changed into a sleet and continued to fall until Friday morning. About noon on Thursday night the sleet began to melt, and the limbs began to break. Throughout the night the crust continued and Friday morning revealed great destruction. All kinds of trees suffered severely, including forest as well as ornamental growths of all ages. Not only limbs of the largest size were broken off, but in some instances the body of the tree was broken, while others were pulled up by the roots. The streets and roads were impassable in many places. Saturday and Sunday brought little relief, notwithstanding a bright sun shone all day Sunday. But Monday a warm sun and a moist South wind relieved the trees and fences and the ground in numerous favored places.

Nobody can recall so destructive a sleet. It has been nearly 40 years since one happened that was near so bad. But careful pruning will do much towards restoring the ornamental and fruit trees.

The Three Original Counties of Kentucky.

In 1776 Kentucky was formed into a district by the Virginia Legislature, and in 1777 Burgesses were chosen to represent the district of Kentucky in the Legislature of Virginia, sitting at Richmond. In May, 1780, Kentucky was divided into three counties, Jefferson, Fayette and Lincoln. The next county to be formed was Madison, in 1780, from a portion of Lincoln; Meade, in 1785, from a portion of Lincoln; Mason, in 1785, from a portion of Lincoln; Marion, in 1788, from a portion of Mason; and Woodford in 1788 from a portion of Fayette. There were nine counties formed from the District of Kentucky prior to her admission into the Union. The first act of the first Legislature of the State was first made for admission into the Union in July, 1790, and was recommended to Congress by President Washington in December, 1790, for which an act passed both Houses of Congress February 4, 1791, and received a signature of the President. The Kentucky name to be the first daughter of the Republic. The formal admission was delayed, however, by circumstances until June 20, 1792.—Trade Journal.

Robbers Caught.

The Lexington Press of Tuesday says that a negro man giving his name as John Lewis, appeared Sunday night, December 21st, at the office of Dr. Pryor to have a wound dressed. He had been shot in the leg but refused to tell anything about it. The Press closes its account with the remark that Lewis was sent to his home in Richmond yesterday.

Saturday, Jan. 10th.—The Family—Prayer for sons, daughters and servants; for Sunday-schools and all Christian Associations; for young people, for schools, seminaries, colleges and universities, prof. iv. Dent, 4, 15; Mark x, 13, 16; Eph. iv, 1, 4. At Baptist Church, Rev. C. P. Winters, pastor.

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The Messrs. Colt, Hartford gunmakers, gave \$100,000 for the right to make in the United States, Gilfillan's new carbolic acid gun, which kills at 600 yards.

Real Estate Transfers for December.

Town Lots—G. W. Evans to Dr. C. S. Holton, \$3,500; R. I. Co. to T. T. Covington, \$402; same to T. C. O'Neal, \$400; same to H. P. Glass, \$300; H. T. Ross to C. C. Christian, \$500; T. S. Bronston to M. M. Harber, \$1,800; T. T. Covington to Thos. Donahill, \$200; K. I. Co. to C. & C. L. Miller, \$250; same to Mary Miller, \$250; same to Wm. Ballard, \$140; W. W. Smith to Greenleaf & Buchanan, \$400; J. H. Powell to T. M. Pope, \$350; Evans & Brooks to Cyrus Shillett, \$250; same to C. W. Owens, \$300; same to S. D. Smith, \$200; same to Edwin Brown, \$50; same to A. T. Martin, \$300; I. Ratcliff to A. R. Burnam, \$400; Maud Wallace to Susan T. Doty, \$1,400; Susan P. Doty to Water & Light Co., \$100; Mike Buckley to Ellen Buckley, \$100; Evans & Brooks to J. B. Wortham, \$300. Total, \$14,100.

The land sales in the county for December amounted to \$16,000. Among them were Socrates Mumpkin, J. R. Azbill, \$2,000; J. H. Boggs to Wm. J. Pigg, \$3,500; J. B. Ellison to G. J. & R. C. White, \$1,200; W. W. Smith to Bennett Kennedy, \$1,250; John G. Galloway to J. Newton Oger, \$7,500.

Due in December.

County Clerk Hill had a big run of luck this month in the license department of his office. The record shows: T. C. O'Neal, Katie Powers; James A. Smith, Martha Jane Gentry; John Cox, Sally Ann White; Riley; Dora Belle Peck; W. B. Stapp, Ida B. Brink; Pleasant Benton, Maggie Park; Wm. Johnson, Lela Wells; James W. Bonny, Mary A. Howard; Talton Kelley, Mary L. Foster; James Early, Beersha Jones; Wm. Harmon, Maggie Harlow; Z. T. Lamb, Nannie Harris; Wm. M. Terrill, Lizzie Duncan; F. J. Snider, Carrie J. Swearingen; James G. Chastain, Mary E. Ambrose.

Looking over the long list, it naturally occurred to us how convenient and inexpensive, so far as obtaining the license is concerned, it would be to the applicant. The County Clerk to get married, and asked him when he meant to issue his own license. He replied that he had serious intentions on Thanksgiving day, but postponed the matter for Christmas, and then till New Year, and if he doesn't get to it to-morrow, he thinks the 22nd of February will catch him.

The Patrol Question.

The CLIMAX is in receipt of two communications—one from Union City, the other from Foxtown—taking the Register to task for its remarks concerning the appointment by the County Judge of patrolmen. We do not give them space, because they came too late.

We agree with the communications so far as they claim a right of protection for the people in the county by the county authorities. We know that a dozen or more houses have been entered and attempts made on perhaps as many more. We know that money and things of value have been taken and in two of three cases the occupants drunk. We know too that great alarm prevails throughout the county, and that hundreds of people are nightly losing sleep. This ought not to be, and we agree with the communications that the patrolmen, even though comparatively uneducated, ought to be run out of the county, and that patrolmen can do and perhaps have already done that. As the writers say, the country people pay their taxes and are entitled to protection. Patrolmen are empowered to act in effective ways that private citizens are not. They can make searches and arrests that citizens can not. Besides men are not expected to do police duty without reward. A man in town with the police, sheriff and deputies at hand does not realize the duty or helplessness condition of the country people.

A month at least will do the work effectively, and the cost to the county, if every precinct has its squad, will be about \$75, or about 1 cent on the \$100 taxable property.

Week of Prayer.

The pastors of the different churches in Richmond have organized the following for the "week of prayer," beginning the first Sunday in January. The time, subject, place, and chief speaker are set forth below:

Monday, Jan. 4th.—The Glory of the Trinity, Jan. 3, 6, 7; Hab. iii, 4, 11; II Cor. vi, 4; 1 Cor. xiii, 14. All the churches by the pastors.

Monday, Jan. 5th.—Confession and Thanksgiving.—For the nation, community, church, family, and the individual. Confession, Hosea, xiv, 1, 2; John 1, 9, 10, xxvii, 1-5; II Sam. xli, 13. Thanksgiving, I Thess. v, 18; Psal. cxli; Neh. x, 43. At the Christian church, Rev. Thomas Cummins, leader.

Tuesday, Jan. 6th.—The Church Universal.—Prayer that the power of the Holy Ghost may rest upon it. Acts ii, 1-18; that the disciples of Christ may be one, John xvii, 21; that the Church may gain a truer and broader conception of her mission, Matt. xxiii, 35-30; Matt. xxv, 1-13. Prayer that the International Conference at Florence, next April, may be crowned with special blessing. At the Baptist Church, Rev. J. O. A. Vaughn, leader.

Wednesday, Jan. 7th.—Nations and Nations.—Prayer for all in authority. I Tim. ii, 1, 5; for peace, Isa. ii, 4; for the abolition of the slave, opp. and strong drink traffic, Exod. xxii, 16; Psal. lxxii, 4; for all needed reforms—temperance, Hab. ii, 16, 12; Sabbath, Neh. xiii, 15, 22; industry, Jer. xxiii, 13; social, I Cor. vi, 18, 20; political, I Sam. ii, 28, and viii, 2. At First Presbyterian Church, Prof. B. C. Hagerman, leader.

Thursday, Jan. 8th.—The Church at Home.—Prayer for a sense of personal responsibility and co-operation in the evangelization of the city, county and region. Matt. x, 5, 15; Mark xiii, 34; Acts vi, 4. At the Methodist Church, Rev. L. G. Barbour, D.D.

Friday, Jan. 9th.—The Church Abroad.—Prayer for increased missionary spirit, co-operation and enlargement. Joel ii, 28, 32; Eph. iv, 16; Psal. lxxvii. At the Christian Church, Rev. Preston Blake, leader.

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Table with 2 columns: Assets and Liabilities. Assets include Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, and U.S. Bonds. Liabilities include Capital stock, Surplus fund, and Undivided profits.

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AUCTION

OF Dry Goods, &c.

This is an opportunity to buy first-class Dry Goods, &c., at your own price. All are cordially invited.

AUCTION, FRIDAY, JAN. 20, AT 10:30 O'CLOCK, A. M.

By means of improved machinery the entire process of manufacturing horse shoe nails is now made automatic, the capacity of a single machine being over 600 pounds of average size nails per day of ten hours.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. Paul Noble, of Mason county, Ill., is in the county on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Phelps are spending the holidays in Lincoln county.

Mrs. W. C. Fitzpatrick has returned from Shelbyville after a protracted visit.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Frazier, of Booneville, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Gentry.

Mrs. Mary Taylor, of Great Falls, Montana, nee McCord, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. P. T. Tribble, this place.

Miss Della Ramsey is visiting Miss Virginia Bell in St. Louis, and will be given a handsome party to-morrow eve.

Mr. Wm. Thalheimer, of Louisville, formerly a prominent merchant of this place, was here this week looking healthy and prosperous.

Miss Sallie Owens has returned from a three months visit in Cincinnati, Lexington and elsewhere. She offers her nice residence on Main street for rent.

Misses Alma Hagan and Minna Crutcher, of Richmond, and Miss Taylor, of Cincinnati, arrived yesterday, to visit Miss Mamie Curry, "Lonest Grove."

Mrs. Belle Rice and Miss Deulah Davis, of Nicholasville, visited friends and relatives in the city last week. They also attended the Terrill-Duncan wedding, near Wood.

The Paris Kentuckian-Citizen, writing of the Charity Ball at that place says: "Miss Bella Harber, one of Richmond's finest daughters, wore black lace jacquard and diamonds."

Dr. Vaughn, a member of the graduating class of the Louisville College of Medicine, is in Richmond on a prospecting tour, and will probably locate here. He has been elected valedictorian of his class, and is a prepossessing gentleman.

THIN COLUMN.

The sleet was so ugly that it stopped the town-clock.

A Foxtown man is in a bad way—he is more afraid of the patrolmen than of the robbers.

Everybody had a big time Christmas night—a regular break down. If you don't believe it we can show you the proof.

A man sitting in a dark corner of a road out in the Union City neighborhood one night recently, on the lookout for robbers, heard two men coming. When near him he heard them talking. One of them remarked: "I wish I hadn't taken those socks." "Why?" "They smell so bad."

We find the following anonymous paragraph on our table: "In an advertisement written by our Jr. examiner for common school certificates, he states, 'chief of tools for sale.' Tell Mr. M. if he can't spell chest, let us call on any of the young ladies whom he marked so rapidly last summer on spelling, and we can surely give the needed information."

Our quiet friend, David Noble, is a dyed-in-the-wool Republican. When Kentucky gave that tremendous Democratic majority in August, he got his back up and left the State. He selected Illinois as the future great Republican banner State, and settled in Decatur, the center of a life-long Republican stronghold. Strange to say his present vote Democratic at the November election, better go to Texas.

RELIGIOUS.

Rev. Preston Blake will preach at Union City at 11 o'clock, next Saturday.

Rev. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore, in a meeting at Amistion, Ala., had 50 converts and 50 additions to the Baptist church in one week. At the meeting for men about 100 went forward to be prayed for.

Seven confessions were taken at the Baptist church on Wednesday evening, and there were nine baptisms, making a total of thirty-eight as a result of the protracted meeting there.—Wheatcroft Sun.

S. A. Keen, a Chicago banker, who did business according to his advertisement, "on strictly Christian principles, and in conformity to the teachings of the Bible," has failed, and an investigation shows a very rotten state of affairs and a systematic swindling of depositors, most of whom are poor people. All business should be conducted on Christian principles, but it is best to beware of the man who advertises that he will manage his in that way. He is a wolf that has donned the clothing of a sheep, and will yet return at any time would be easy enough if he knew or could agree, where to begin. But one of the perplexing questions is whether we should begin with the men or with the women.

Charles Egbert Craddock's new novel, "In the Stranger People's Country," will be given in Harper's Magazine for January. The scene of the story is located in the neighborhood of one of the strange but beautiful grounds of the far-famed pigmy dwellers of Tennessee, familiarly known among the mountaineers as "the little stranger people." None might know that they had ever lived saved for a dim tradition connecting them with the ancient history of old neighbors of ours that we are wont