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Every Week in the Year

LEGISLATURE

Adjourns After Passing One Hundred and Thirty Measures.

Redistricting Bill Failed to get Through Either House.

Harmony Prevailed Throughout and all Return Home Jubilant.

Frankfort, Ky., March 21.—The Legislature which has just adjourned had introduced into both the Houses seven hundred thirty bills. Of this number 478 were introduced in the House and 252 in the Senate. Only one hundred and thirty of them succeeded in passing both branches and now await the signature of the Governor to become laws. The most important are the Revenue bill increasing the tax rate, the Capitol appropriation clause was stricken out, so Frankfort will have no new capitol for a while. The bills of appropriations amount to about \$500,000 and of this amount the Normal School gets \$15,000.

The Registration bill requiring certificates of registration. Among the rejected ones are the redistricting bill, the school bill, St. Louis World's Fair appropriation.

The Republicans are to be congratulated upon their success in preventing the Democrats passing the redistricting bill, although they went to sleep and let the Democrats get their registration bill through.

Several ululating speeches were made at the closing and the best of feelings prevails among both Republicans and Democrats.

The lecture of Dr. Lucas, at the Fourth Street Baptist church on 11th, was quit interesting and was enjoyed very much by his hearers. He told them of many incidents that were connected with the Negro christain convention in Atlanta, Ga. Aug 6th. He spoke timely and to the point, advising the negro to come together organize less lodges and more business co-operations and put our boys and girls to work.

The Dr. proved himself somewhat of a reciter as well as a lecturer, by reciting some selections from Paul Lawrence Dunbar's famous negro dialect.

SORGHO NOTES.

Little Flock is yet alive Rev. S. A. Ervan preached Sunday and Sunday night.

Mrs Rachel McFarland funeral was attended last Wednesday by Rev. S. A. Ervan, she leaves a husband and 6 children and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Rev. Dan Crump will preach at Little Flock the 5th Sunday in March.

Brother Fry is reported no better.

Mrs. Sarah Willingham is able to be out again.

Mrs Lou Sterling has returned after a long visit.

LIVERMORE DOINGS.

Rev. M. L. Porter of Owensboro, preached for us Sunday and

Sunday night he preached two very interesting sermons.

Miss Siloh Spotton taken sick last week.

Mrs. Susan Hunter of Calhoun was in the city a few days.

Mrs. Martha Terry of Louisville is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Top Bowman.

Messrs James Cox, George and James Tinsley of Pleasant-Ridge were in town a few days.

Mrs Lady Johnson who has been sick is improving slowly.

Miss Emma Pope is in Owensboro, Sunday where she expects to spend the Summer.

Mr Jon Mootman looked quite pleasing Sunday night as he filled his old stand.

Miss Laura Swain returned from Sebree city Friday.

The Moorhau's of Buckhorn were in with more tobacco Tuesday.

Dont forget the concert to be given the second Sat. night in April, at Masidonia church.

Mr Luther Johnson of Pleasant Ridge is in the city.

BROWN

Cheated Out of His Election by the Election Officers.

Wants a Count Which May Cause Another Election.

Indianapolis, Ind.,—Charles W Brown, of this city, who made the race for a member of the General Assembly and was defeated by Chalmer Brown, white now claims a fraud was committed upon him and will seek redress. He claims that the Republicans in order to deceive a number of the Negro voters they induced Chalmer Brown to make the race, and in so doing Charles Brown claims that a number of votes intended for him was counted for Chalmer Brown, and that he will be able to prove the same and now seeks the court to have a fair deal.

If he should not succeed in getting them counted, it may cause another election next fall. Brown is one of the leading Negroes of the city.

ROME

Mr Jas Hayden left for Owensboro Saturday on business,

Mr L. B. Johnson is on the sick list this week,

Mr. Peter Folks was the guest of Miss Noardus Sunday.

Mr Geo. Grundy left for Grisun Landing Saturday

J. E. Johnson went to Sorgho Sunday.

Rev. Ervin delivered a wonderful sermon Sunday.

Miss Maggie Willit of Henderson, is visiting Mrs Joe Logan.

Little Robert Dueson the son of Mr. and Mrs Dubs Dueson fell from a wagon Friday and was seriously hurt.

Miss E. Dueson who has been sick for several weeks is up again.

Miss Sarah Grundy is visiting Miss L. B. Johnson this week.

Mr James Hogdon is getting along nicely with his new house.

The wheat in this country is looking very bad.

WANTED—Agents to represent their county in the interest of this paper, liberal commission to right parties.

EXCITEMENT

Prevails And Negroes Are Shot And Chased In The River.

Two Negroes Killed and Others Wounded in Paducah Kentucky.

Governor to be Asked to Offer a Reward for the Murderers.

Paducah, Ky., Mar. 21.—News has reached here of horrible tragedies enacted in Madrid Bend, Ky., 40 miles from Hickman in Fulton, county. It is claimed that Morgan Ball, a white man, made Elijah Drake, colored walk into the Mississippi River, then shot him dead.

The body washed ashore and Ball compelled another Negro to drag the body out into midstream. Another Negro was killed and several white men are charged with the crime, but no names are given. Henry Smith, colored was beaten with clubs and whipped. He will die. Another Negro was shot twice and is dying.

The trouble is said to be the result of chicken stealing by one of the Negroes. Madrid Bend is located on a little projection extending into the Mississippi River and is many miles from any town of importance. There is much lawlessness there where one of the bloodiest feuds ever took place in Kentucky was fought before the Civil war.

The Governor will be asked to offer a reward for the murderers.

AN ELEGANT SERMON

By Rev. G. M. Fisher, on The Subject of "Will Power"

The Will is that power which acts to accomplish an object. It signifies a desire. It is said of Apollon his will was not at all to come at this time, that is he had not decided because the time for which he was to go to campish a certain object had not yet come. In this sense the will of God is spoken of; who worketh all things according to the counsel of his own will. Intentions or purposes may exist before the time of action arrives. When the time arrives an action put forth by the mind called volition. To produce the desired affect the purpose of human beings may be fickle and undergo a change before the time for action comes. But the intention of Gods purpose hangeth not and when the arrival of the proposal affect is due then action takes place.

In Matthew, 8-3, the will of God is expressed according to the desire and faith of the man who was unclean with Leprosy, this we may call the will of his pleasure. This is fully demonstrated where persons express their will to him by actions from a purpose of heart. If the person who is unclean does not put forth an effort of the will it is not the purpose of God to cleanse, or in other words it is not his purpose to act where the will of the person is in opposition to the will of God, but in this case the divinity of God is acknowledged in these words, "If thou wilt thou canst" this ability to act was perceived by the leper as being absolute and infallible. Yet the time of Christ could only be affected when the leper expressed his desire to be cleansed.

This is the will of command; it never acts until the person involved is submissive and obedient. The purpose for action has not become a matter of consideration until the will of man is in accord with the will of God. Thus it is the time of obedience that calls the attention of God to act and not the condition of man. There are such passages of scripture as is found in the new Testament, many give us a leading thought to believe that God acted in

mercy towards us without an act of personal obedience on our part.

But a close consideration of this thought will condemn the idea though it reads in Romans 5-10. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his son, much more being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. Here the act from God seems to have taken place without obedience on our part. But when we consider that Christ in human flesh stood for us we see obedience in him to the father before the act of his will took place this is the will of command spring in love, for it is written in the 8 verse. But God commandeth his love toward us in that, while we are yet sinners, that, is in that death therefore to receive the blessing of God, we must be obedient. This involves necessity of action on part of man which becomes a duty not to God only but to each other love thy neighbor as thyself, do unto others as you would have others do unto you if we do this there is a result of good to follow. The former proposition shows that God acts with good results toward man when obedience is regarded. The later proposition shows a penalty for neglect of duty, man is corruptible and changeable, his mind may be to accomplish an act at the expense of dispossessing his brother of a great reward, God is unchangeable the reward that was willed to us from the foundation of the world for our obedience in Christ stands in connection with eternal life in the great plan of salvation. Therefore Christ said to satan "Get ye hence for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and him only shalt thou serve." There is no power or inducement that is able to change the will of God in this purpose to accomplish the great end of redemption. We may conclude this subject by saying investigating the inextinguishable power of will. In the 6th chapter of Rom. the power of God will seem to be absolute and unconditional and working to one glorious end.

Excluding the power and relation of the flesh from being a participant in the seed of promise. Rom. 9-9 "For this is the word of promise, at time will I come and Sarah shall have a son" Is this the will of the purpose is clearly seen moving in the direction of vine order by the power of his will to accomplish the promise which took place at a time when Sarah was old and beyond the days of natures pleasure and the death of her womb was beyond hope Gen. 18. 11. Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. There the power of the will of purpose displayed the divine secret and adopts the royal seed out of which Christ was born.

CORN IN LUNGS

Slowly Causing The Death Of a Child

Parkersburg, W. Va., Mar 20.—Slowly gasping her life away at her home in Williamson, 12 miles north of this city, lies little Helen Roe, the infant daughter of Caddian W. E. Roe, of the steamer Kanawha. The cause of this sad state of affairs is probably the most peculiar in the medical annals of Wood County. Several months ago the child secured some shelled corn and infant-like, put some of the kernels in her mouth and one in her nose.

The kernel placed in the nose was drawn into one of the lungs where it became fastened. Later the child caught cold, the cold developed into pneumonia, the grain of corn began growing and the growth cannot be stopped. The child is too young to stand an operation and is slowly dying.

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TACTICS

May Be Used to Secure a Bill To Give Cuba Some Relief.

James Garfield is Stated for the Civil Service Commissioner.

Protection Bill Given a Whirl by Members Of The Senate.

Washington, March 21.—The House leaders expect to pass the Cuban reciprocity bill some time next week. Their programme is to pass the bill brought in as a privileged measure and placed on its passage. If amendments are offered affecting the tariff in the shape of the Babcock on other bills, Speaker Henderson is to rule them out of order. Appeals from the decision may or may not be entertained by him. If the leaders are satisfied, the Republicans will sustain his rulings, and the appeals will be put. If not the Speaker will decline to put the appeal to the House, which of course will end the matter. There are several precedents of his action in declining to entertain an appeal when a motion is declared out of order, similar action having been taken by Speakers Crisp and Reed. But the leaders hope to avoid such a show of arbitrary force by persuading the beet-sugar men that, as they have to take their medicine, they might as well do so with a smiling face and it will be better for them in the end.

It is positively known that Harry A. Garfield would not accept the office of Civil Service Commissioner. It is the report that the President contemplates the appointment of James R. Garfield, another son of the ex-President.

Senator Hanna was in conference with the President today regarding the offer of this position to Mr. Garfield, but it was not definitely learned whether an offer had been made or would be made.

During the entire session of the Senate today, the bill providing for the protection of the President of the United States was under consideration. Mr. Spooner, of Wisconsin, contended that the Government had an absolute and inherent right to protect itself against assault made either upon it or upon any of its officials. He maintained that on assault on the President was in the very nature of things an assault upon the Government for there never was a time when the President was not in the exercise of the duties of his office. His argument was largely legal and constitutional and throughout was forceful and instructive.

The Democratic members of the House, at a caucus held to-night, unanimously adopted resolutions declaring that Congress should express the sympathy of the American people for the struggling Boer republics, and pledging themselves to use their utmost endeavor to "force" the committee to report resolutions expressive of such sympathy, if only that Congress might have an opportunity to act.

MADISONVILLE

Gov. J. C. W. Beckham reap-

pointed Mr. George E. Wood of Madisonville, Ky. Notary Public for the third term. Eight years ago he was appointed by Ex Gov W. O. Bradley, he is the only colored man holding an office of this kind in Hopkins county.

Great preparations are being made for Easter service at the A. M. E. Zion church in this city. A committee has been appointed to decorate the church.

NOT DEAD

It The Belief of The Negroes of Winchester, Va.

The colored people of Winchester, Va. were very much exercised over the alleged burial alive of Joseph Powell, an aged colored man who was buried here recently and at the funeral of another colored man, who was buried a few days later, they wanted to have the body of Powell exhumed in order to satisfy them selves of the fact that he was dead. The remains were not, however; disturbed, although it is likely that an investigation will take place. Several hundred people gathered around the grave. A number of the mourners declare they heard the corpse kick against the coffin and repeatedly groan as the casket was lowered in the grave.

They insisted the man was alive and it is claimed that they wanted the grave digger to raise the coffin and open it, which he refused to do. Powell's death was due to peculiar circumstances. He believed that he was 'conjured' and procuring a quantity of whiskey he soaked it in a quantity of tobacco, and then swallowed the mixture to counteract the 'hoodoo.' In several hours he was dead. He was well known in the vicinity, as he has been a fiddler for a number of years. Ledger

MUST DIE

In The Penitentiary So Says President Roosevelt

Columbus, Ohio, Mar 21.—Jno Martin, a twenty-five-year penitentiary prisoner from the Ind Territory has received official notice from the Department of Justice in Washington that his application for pardon has been refused. This is the first refusal received at the penitentiary based on the grounds recently announced by President Roosevelt that bad health is not a ground for an application for clemency.

Martin has been confined in the hospital for a number of weeks from consumption, and it is believed that now that all hope of a pardon is gone he will rapidly succumb to the disease.

MRS. CLRK'S

Idea Of Bad Cooking Increases Crime

Versailles, March 20.—Mrs Eveline C. Clark, of this city wants to lead a campaign for the education of all girls, rich and poor in the art of cooking. "The cook question," she says, "is the most important one now before the world."

"Bad cooking" said Mrs. Clark "is responsible for most of the suicides and much of the crime that is committed in this country. The mind and stomach makes a deranged brain."