Hopkinsville Kentuckian.

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HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY.

A live and growing city of 8,000 inhabitants, situated in a county of 40,000. The Louisville and Nashville has two lines of railroad in the county. The largest tobacco growing county in the world. Wheat, corn, hay coal, live stock and fruits produced for export in large quantities. The city has four banks with an aggregate capital of $450,000. A planing mill and wagon factory, three carriage factories, lime factory, tobacco manufactory, two foundries, three brickyards, broom factory, steam laundry, ice factory, two large flouring mills in the city and several in the county. Splendid driving par and fine opera house. Five turnpikes centering in Hopkinsville. Building and Loan Association, Commercial Club, a telephone exchange, numbered streets and houses and city lighted by gas. Macadamized streets and brick sidewalks all over the city. Eleven churches, two colleges, a high school and the finest system of public schools, white and colored, in the State. Western Kentucky Lunatic Asylum with a population of 650, two miles east of the city. A $100,000 court house with town clock in the dome. A fine fire department and a company of State Guards. Little River furnishes an adequate upply of water for all purposes. Real estate low and rents cheap. Fine opening for woolen mill, pork packing establishment, fruit cannery, tanyard and many other enterprises.

Climate mild and invigorating and exceedingly healthful.

Nelson, the celebrated trotter, won the $10,000 stakes at Boston, Monday. Best time 2:17¼.

It seems that Gen. Boulager's star has for-ever, set. France has decided to get along without him altogether.

Geo. A. Cloyd, a prominent merchant at Whitewood, this state, committed suicide, Monday, while drunk.

Wilkie Collins, the great novelist, died last Monday. The death-roll of great men has been unusually long this year.

The Police Commissioners of Kansas City have instructed the Chief of Police to suppress the Salvation army ot that big city as a nuisance.

A gas explosion in a coal mine near Cayton, Tenn., Tuesday, caused the death of two miners. Seven others were badly injured.

William Dappmen bit the thumb of John Hallers in a fight at Williamsburg, N. Y., three weeks ago, causing his death Monday.

Rev. Steve Holcombe has given up his mission house on Jefferson street in Louisville, and will hereafter devote his time to the work of an evangelist.

A young white man named Evans eloped with a colored woman the mother of 16 children, at Springfield, O., this week. Evans left a young wife behind.

The total number of immigrants arrived at ports of the United States from all countries except Canada and Mexico during the eight months ending Aug. 31, '89, was 300,500.

Baggagemaster White, who is accused of stealing $900 worth of diamonds, escaped from the officers having him in charge, by jumping from a moving train, but was recaptured two days later.

The much talked of window glass combine has turned out to be nothing more than "a flash in the pan." The would-be combiners found that they could not successfully complete with the imported article.

Isaac Ridenbour, assistant Post Master at Ottamer, Mo., has been arrested on a charge of rifling registered mail. Should a conviction be secured he will "ride an hour" at the expense of the the state when taken to Jefferson City.

From a carefully prepared statement of the condition of the Treasury Department it is shown that there now remains in the vaults but 8,388,281 standard silver dollars that are not represented by silver certificates in circulation, out of a total coinage of $339,363,650.

The Pension Commissionership goes begging. There is no one in the G. A. R. even, who can fill the place to the satisfaction of the President, the people and the G. A. R. No chance for a "combine" on treasury funds. Hold your grip, Benny, the people can stand it a long while yet.

An immigration meeting, under the auspices of the Louisville Commercial Club, was held in Louisville last Tuesday. The meeting was well attended. A resolution asking the establishment of a Bureau of Immigration by the next Legislature was adopted and the immigration question was fully discussed by several prominent men of the State.

D. C. Cregier, the Mayor of Chicago, has taken one long step towards enforcing decency and observance of the Sabbath in that city. The saloon doors will hereafter be closed and the blinds drawn. That excellent paper, the *Daily News*, backed by the sentiment of the better class of citzens, has waged a hot fight for nearly two months duration to bring about this reform, and is now enjoying the victory it has in a great measure achieved. The *News* made the fight in the belief "that men and women will be higher-minded, better morally, more healthy, and better paid when they work, if all labor and business cease on Sundays than if Sunday takes it place among the secular days of the week." The *News* labored earnestly and without regard to the pecuniary loss it might sustain by its action for the betterment of the people of Chicago, and pity it is that other great dailies do not do likewise.

Information comes from Wharton, Texas, that while workmen were engaged in digging an artesian well near that place one day last week, a very peculiar kind of water was struck at a depth of about 200 feet. It was found to be cool and pleasant to take, the owner drinking a glass which lead the workmen to follow suit. The peculiarity exists in the effect it had upon them. In a very short time after taking a drink the men were seized with a dizzy, twitching, intoxicated feeling about the face which soon extended over the entire body when they fell to the ground, rolling and writhing in a thorough state of intoxication, and having no control over themselves whatever. This was followed by a drowsiness which soon resulted in a deep sleep which lasted several hours. On awakening they experienced a feeling somewhat similar to that of one having slept off a drunk, with the addition of a few neuralgic pains. If this water continues to flow freely the "Texas distitllery" will be "a thing of the past" and cold water advocates can have their day.

Judge DeHaven, in a recent charge to a Shelby county grand jury thus centers the "idle" spot: "Idleness is the greatest curse of the age—from it results so many of the crimes of today. Let the father keep his son in employment or at school until he is 21 years of age, and I will be willing to go that young man's security that he would become an honest, upright, truthful citizen. But at the age of 16 give him all the spending money he wishes, a shot-gun and a pointer dog, and the devil will have a mortgage on him before he is 19."

A special freight train conveying $275,000 worth of dry goods for Bamberger, Bloom & Co, Louisville, recently burned out, was run from New York City to Louisville in forty five hours, arriving in the latter city Monday night. The consignment was the largest ever made, and the train made the best time all the way through of any special freight train every run. The train was made up of forty cars.

The intelligence was cabled to the American press on the 24th inst. that another attempt had been made by a Nihilist to take the life of the Czar of Russia. The occasion was the departure of the Czar for Copenhagen, but the dynamite which had been placed in the railway prematurely exploded. The Czar was not injured but a signal man was killed and several other persons injured.

James Quale, who absconded from the Wisconsin lumber regions about a year ago with $35,000 belonging to his employers, and who fled to Europe, was captured by a detective named Thompson, two week ago, in Saxony, and has been returned to the the Wisconsin authorities for immediate trial.

"Judge Grace's Christian county circuit court adjourned one day last week in order that his Honor, the lawyers, jurors and prisoners might attend the circus, but the lost time was made up by a special sitting on Sunday. This was an act of Grace that needs no justification."—Louisville *Times*.

A few months ago the sugar trust put up the price so high that the consumers of once began to learn to do with less sweetening. In consequence the production has far exceeded the demand and trust certificates have lately declined several points.

A Chicago Italian recently, becoming tired of his wife and child, sold the wife for $10, and the child for $5. Since the occurence the courts have questioned his right to proceed thusly, and he is threatened with sundry troubles.

Abram O'Dell, of Aurora, Ill., had his grave dug and a fine monument erected to himself about twenty years ago. He died last Sunday, aged 83, and was laid away in the tomb which had been prepared for him so long ago.

The heavy expense incurred in running the Owensboro Board of Trade leads the *Messenger* to remark that if the Board does not accomplish more good than it has so far the organization had better cease.

Gen. Mahone is evidently in earnest in Virginia, although he declines to meet the Democratic speakers on the stump, preferring rather to bush whack. A game once learned is seldom forgotten.

A $500,000 hotel is to be built this fall at Old Point Comfort, the Hygeia being altogether inadequate to the demands for accommodations at that popular place of late.

There are several cases of small pox in Henderson County, Tenn.

Fresh Stories About Animals, Reptiles, Birds &c.

Mrs. Slater, of Silverlyville, Pa., had a rooster killed recently, and was pleased and surprised to find a five-dollar gold piece in its craw.

At East Lyons, Ia., a goose died very suddenly. On cutting it open a silver thimble was found in its throat. It is thought the fowl choked to death while trying to swallow it.

A hunter of Virginia City claims that he has discovered a deposit of fossil ivory in the Sierra Navada range. He took out two large tusks of an elephant, and is going back for more.

The largest brook trout ever caught on this continent was landed recently at Spring creek, N. Y. The fish weighed six pounds and two ounces, and its proportions and complexion were perfect.

Dwellers in Florida who are fortunate enough to possess pet sand hill cranes have discovered that they are alert night watchers. No tramp or thief can approach the premises without hearing a clear bugle note of alarm.

Fred Martin, of Muskingum county, O., has a "happy family," consisting of two dogs, four kittens, two raccoons, three grey squirrels and a young woodchuck. All are pets and play together, apparently on the best of terms.

While some boys were playing on a plot of grass at Ballston, N. Y., one of them discovered and captured a live snake which has two heads, each head having two eyes and a mouth, also a tongue. The little reptile, which is about six inches long, is of the black snake breed.

J. N. English exhibited at Americus, Ga., a tusk that was taken from the mouth of a wild boar that was killed in his corn field, on Camp creek, five miles from Andersonville. The tusk was a very large one, measuring nine and a quarter inches long. It formed almost a circle and was very sharp.—*Sunday Gazette.*

AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT.

Dr. Rodman Deposes upon the Sanity of Jas. Hardesty, who is Serving a Life Sentence for Murder.

The Owensboro *Messenger* says: The deposition of Dr. James Rodman, of Hopkinsville, which was recently filed in the civil suit for damages of Mrs. Matilda F. Murphy against James Hardesty for killing her husband, has been read by the members of the bar and the court officers and has been the subject of much comment among them. Dr. Rodman was examined by the defendant's attorney as an expert on the insanity of the defendant, which is the defense set up in the civil suit, as in the criminal trial in which he was sentenced to the penititentiary for life. Dr Rodman scientifically describes the various types of insanity and gives it as his opinion that "on the supposition of the truth of all the facts stated as existing in the case up to and at the time of the killing of Murphy, I would say Hardesty was insane. My opinion is that he was of unsound mind." Had Dr. Rodman, who is a very high authority on insanity, been summoned as a witness in the criminal prosecution, the result of that trial might have deen different, but as Hardesty's case was reversed by the court of appeals he may yet be called upon to testify.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly For October 1839.

A new serial storv, entitled "Heron's Wife," by Etta W. Pierce, is begun in the October number of Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly. The color, picturesqueness and dramatic force of this novelist have already given her a reputation as a sort of American Ouida—a reputation which this latest work from her pen will fully sustain. The literary and artistic features of this number of the magazine are even more profuse than usual. Among the illustrated articles are, "Horse-racing in Colonial New York," by John Austin Stevens; "A Quaint Old Japanese Town," (Nikko), by Mabel Loomis Todd; "Cardinal Lavigerie and the African Slave-trade," by Marc F. Vallette; "Climbing the Peak of Teneriffe"; "Dickens's London." including a picture of the recently demolished old White Hart Inn, Southwark, the scene of the first meeting of those two immortals, Mr. Pickwick and Sam Weller; "Trout and Salmon Fishing," an admirable outdoor paper, by Ripley Hitchcock; "The California Elephant," by C. F. Holder; and "Sioux City, Iowa," by John H. Patterson. There are short stories by Madeleine Vinton Dahlgren, Francis Hodgson Burnett, Virginia Baker, Lucy Hooper, and others, and poems by Douglas Sladen and the late F. S. Saltus.

An election held in Oklahoma city a few days ago wound up in a riot in which guns and pistols were freely used wounding a number of the participants. Matters seem to be in a very unsettled state in the newly settled country.

Train robbers held up a train on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad near Fort Worth, Texas, Tuesday, and secured $10,000 from the express safe and some of the passengers.

STATE CONVENTION

Of The Women's Christian Temperance Union.

The ninth State Convention of the W. C. T. U's has made the Cumberland Presbyterian church a center of interest since Wednesday, when that body convened at 9 a. m.

Mrs. W. H. Munnell, of Louisville, the Recording Secretary, in the absence of the President, organized the Convention, and Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, of Lexington, was appointed secretary. The pulpit was appropriately decorated with flags and flowers. At the evening session an address of welcome was delivered by Miss Nora Rogers, of this city, to which a response was made by Mrs. Clayton, of Georgetown.

The following delegates have reported:

Hawesville—Mrs. Henning.

Bowling Green—Mrs. Ida Munkley, Mrs. Mary Bettison, Mrs. Carrie B. Mitchell.

Williamsburg—Mrs. A. A. Myers

Lexington—Miss Laura Clay, Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp.

Paducah.—Miss Anna Wilkerson.

Louisville—Miss Sallie Gibson, Mrs Mary Kent, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs B. D. Lenney, Mrs. W. H. Munnell.

Greensburg—Mrs. B. W. Penick. and husband.

Millersburg—Mrs. M. E Bryan.

Cynthiana—Mrs. Givens.

Newport—Mrs. H. E. Lewis, Mrs. H. J. Given.

Harrodsburg—Mrs. T. C. Merriman, Mrs. Lucy A. Nield.

Lebanon—Miss Nellie Story.

Georgetown—Mrs. Denia Clayton, Miss Lillie Clayton.

Madisonville—Mrs. Baker, Mrs. J. S. Whittinghill, Mrs. Slaton.

Crabb Orchard—Mrs. W. S. Stephenson.

Hawesville—Mrs. Hennen, Mrs R T. Bush.

Eddyville—Miss Minnie Young, Miss Sallie Young.

Greenville—Mrs. J. S. Roark, Mrs. J. T. Rice.

Hopkinsville—Mrs. D. J. Gish, Mrs. Eugene Wood, Mrs. J. I. Landes.

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There are 19 Local Unions, represented by 36 delegates and 6 Superintendents of Department work.

The presiding officer, Mrs. Munnell, is addressed by the delegates as "Madame President", and an excellent officer the lady makes.

Tuesday morning various reports were read: by Mrs. Beauchamp on Juvenile Work, by Mrs. Barbee on Narcotics and Tobacco, on Social Purity by Mrs. Dodge, also a report from Dr. S. J. Millsop, on Non-alcoholics in Medicine

The first impression made by the convention upon the spectator is highly favorable. Its material is undoubtedly of the best quality and its atmosphere is one of purity, delicacy, refinement and intelligence. If some State Conventions of the other sex could appropriate to themselves something of the gifts and graces of the present one, the "good old commonwealth," would be the wiser for it

A lunch is served to the delegates daily, at the hall of the W. C. T. U.

As will be seen on the first page of this issue J. H. Anderson & Co. have greatly enlarged their advertising space, the volume of business simply demanding it in order that they enumerate a small portion of the articles they handle and state a few stunningly low prices at which they are being offered. Mr. Anderson, of whom mention has previously been made as having returned from New York with a very large and well selected stock of clothing, gents' furnishing goods, hats, boots, shoes &c, has just completed the tedious job of opening this stock and it is now upon his shelves for the inspection of the public. Never in the history of Hodkinsville has such an immense stock of boots and shoes been put upon this market and the "bare foot boy" will necessarily be a thing of the past—except in pictures, as prices are now cut half in two. The corps of clerks in their establishments are polite and attentive and it will be a great pleasure to go and price whether you wish to make your purchases now or later along.

The will of the late "Sunset" Cox has been filed for probate. All of his real and personal estate is left to his widow. The will was written and dated more than a year ago.