

Hopkinsville Kentuckian.

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HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY.

A live and growing city of 5,000 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 \$2,000,000. 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, numerous 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 600, two miles east of the city. A 100,000 acre tract with town clock in the dome. A fine fire department and a company of State Guards. Little Silver furnishes an adequate supply of water for all purposes. Real estate low and rents cheap. Fine opening for woolen mill, pork packing establishment, fruit cannery, tannery and many other enterprises. Climate mild and invigorating and exceedingly healthy.

The Mayfield Monitor boasts of 39 announcements of candidates and says there are more to follow.

Since Pete Jackson challenged Sullivan, the big bruiser is trying to make up his mind whether it is worse to fight a negro or be bluffed by one.

The ponderous avoirdupois of Tom Reed dropped into the Speaker's chair this week and a severe earthquake shock was reported as far off as New Hampshire.

In the city election in Louisville Tuesday the Democrats made a clean sweep, electing every candidate on their ticket with one exception and that one was defeated by a scratch.

President Harrison's message is one of the longest on record. In dragging through its tedious columns, the weary reader finds nothing to fix his attention beyond the plea for high tariffs and more pensions.

We have but one more chance at Emmett Logan's feet and here goes. When the able editor of the Louisville Times resigned, a vacancy was created that will be hard to fill—especially that part of it under his table.

Speaker Reed is one of the heavy weights of Congress, weighing somewhere about 22 stone, as the English would say. McCarthy, of New York, is the smallest member of the House, being only about five feet tall and light in proportion.

One of the surprises in the organization of the House was the election of the blind preacher, Dr. Millburn, the Chaplain of the last House. Dr. Millburn is a Democrat and of course did not expect to be re-elected by a House with a Republican majority of eight. The Republican caucus agreed upon Dr. Ramsdell, but when the vote was taken Mr. Cheadle, of Indiana, and another member bolted and half a dozen refrained from voting and the "Blind Man Eloquent" will continue to do the praying for the House, unless the enormous task he has assumed should prove too much for him.

Mr. Wilgus Will Retire.

The announcement that the Traveling Passenger Agent W. A. Wilgus, of the Chesapeake & Ohio, is to be retired from that position at the beginning of the new year, will be received with no little surprise by the railroad fraternity here, since he has come to be regarded as one of the company's best men and a fixture in its employ. Such, however, is the case, and Mr. Wilgus is now preparing to step down December 31. His retirement is very much regretted by General Passenger Agent Harry W. Fuller, and was only the result of the Big Four-C & O. consolidation and a consequent general reduction in expenses. Mr. Wilgus has been with the company less than a year, but in that time he made such a record that when a reduction in the force was first talked of, an effort was made to have him retained. As the new man, however, when it was finally decided that one at Louisville had to be retired, it fell to his lot.

Mr. Wilgus, before going with the Chesapeake & Ohio, was on the Kentucky at Hopkinsville, and was one of the best known young newspaper men in the state. He will return to his home at the end of the month, and, despite good offers from two general passenger agents in the east, who had heard of his retirement, he will probably resume his editorial work.

Mr. Wilgus left this week for a pleasure trip to Texas and Mexico, having been given a month to enjoy himself at the C & O's expense, on account of the faithful work he has done for the Company.

More about Bismarck Brown.

(Nicholsville Democrat.)

Vasco D. Brown, or Brown as he spells it, is well known by the citizens of this city. In the year of 1880 he was united in marriage to Miss Belle Blanton, a charming and accomplished young lady of Louisville, who was well and favorably known in Nicholsville, she having been a frequent visitor to Mrs. Elizabeth Price, deceased. When Brown married her she had about \$5,000, which she gave him. Every business he engaged in proved a failure until everything she possessed was squandered. She has faithfully clung to him, however, with a love of true devotion, and not one word can be said derogatory to her character as a lady. Mrs. Brown has been in delicate health for some time, and as soon as she was able she left Russellville and came to Lexington, Ky., and is now at the house of her father-in-law, Mr. Marion Brown, who is a carpenter in that city.

THE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

There have been some expressions of dissatisfaction with the present Democratic County committee and suggestions in the public prints that a new one be elected at the January primary. County Committees have heretofore been appointed by the State Central Committee and are reorganized generally when this committee is changed, the members being suggested by conventions held to appoint delegates to State conventions. These county committees are empowered to fill vacancies, increase their membership and in fact exercise full authority in promoting the party's interests, subject of course to the ratification of the State Committee. The present committee for this county was appointed when Col. J. Stoddard Johnson was Chairman of the State Committee, and originally consisted of nine members, four of them located in Hopkinsville. In order that the party interests might be better subserved by local representation, the membership of the Committee has been increased from time to time until it now numbers 22, each magisterial district having one and some of the larger ones two members. In recommending members, care has been taken to select prominent and influential workers in the out-of-town districts and changes have been suggested to the appointing power whenever a member failed to attend or became incapacitated from any cause.

The present State Committee has never ordered the county committee reorganized. This would have to be done to supersede the present committee, unless the State Committee should see proper to remove them for inefficiency. All county committees should of right be reorganized or reappointed at least once in four years, but in the absence of such action, the Christian County Committee has held over just as other county committees have. Of course the coming primary has no authority to elect a county committee, but the convention called for May 17 might do so if the State Committee should deem the expressed dissatisfaction of sufficient importance to call for the reorganization of the Committee on the eve of a campaign of great importance, otherwise the proper time to reorganize would be in 1891, when the general state election comes off. The position of committee-man is a troublesome and a thankless one and no doubt any member of the present committee would promptly resign such a respectable number of his constituents ask him to make way for the appointment of some other man. The Committee as at present constituted is as follows:

Hopkinsville City—Juo. L. Dullin, Chairman; Chas. M. Meacham, Secretary. Hopkinsville District—E. W. Davis, E. M. Fiack. Casey—Gravener S. Brown. Pembroke—Virgil A. Garnett. Longview—C. D. B. H., Thos. M. Barker. Garrettsburg—Den C. Boyd. Beverly—M. D. Davis. Lafayette—J. T. Coleman. Balmbridge—J. M. P. Pool. Hamsby—L. K. Salmon. Scotches Mill—W. H. Cato. Crofton—Juo. M. Dullin. Kelly—G. C. Brasher. Stuart's—Joe Hight, Sr. Wilson—J. C. McKimney. Fruit Hill—S. H. Myers. Mt. Vernon—Calvin G. Layne. Union School House—P. J. Glass, J. C. Moore.

In the Union School House district Mr. Moore was appointed while Mr. Glass was disabled from a protracted spell of sickness. A misunderstanding arose and as the district is a large one both gentlemen are now on the Committee. In the Longview district, where there are three precincts, there are also two members.

A man who has practiced medicine for 40 years, ought to know what he says: TOLEDO, O., Jan. 10, 1887. Messrs F. J. Cheney & Co.—Gentlemen—I have been in the general practice of medicine for most 40 years, and would say that in all my practice and experience, have never seen a preparation that I could prescribe with as much confidence of success as I can Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by you. Have prescribed it a great many times and its effect is wonderful, and would say in conclusion that I have yet to find a case of Catarrh that it would not cure, if they would take it according to directions.

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A New Supreme Justice.

The President on Wednesday nominated Judge David J. Brewer, of Kansas, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. The appointee is 50 years old and a native of Smyrna, Asia Minor, where he was born while his father was a missionary in that country. He is at present Circuit Judge of the Kansas District. The appointment was a surprise to the country, as Judge Brewer was not an applicant.

The cotton crop is estimated at 7,124,000 bales, not counting what the inhabitants of the "Dry" states will spit.

Hamp Log, a Graves county farmer, went home for his Thanksgiving dinner and found that triplets had been added to his family.

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