

Hopkinsville Kentuckian.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR CLERK OF COURT OF APPEALS.
We are authorized to announce **OSWEN R. MANN** as a candidate for Clerk of the Court of Appeals, subject to the action of the Democratic primary or convention.

FOR COUNTY CLERK.
We are authorized to announce **CATY J. LARSEN** as a candidate for County Clerk of Christian county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary or convention.

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We are authorized to announce **W. C. WALKER** as a candidate for County Clerk of Christian county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary or convention.

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We are authorized to announce **W. M. WEST** as a candidate for County Clerk of Christian county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary or convention.

FOR JAILER.
We are authorized to announce **W. M. WEST** as a candidate for Jailer of Christian county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary or convention.

FOR ASSESSOR.
We are authorized to announce **OSWEN R. MANN** as a candidate for Assessor of Christian county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary or convention.

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THE WORK-HOUSE.

The New Quarters of the Law and Rock Breakers.

How the "Birds" are Caged and Provided For.

LOTS OF WORK, BUT NO FUN.

Our people generally are aware that the city and county, something like a year ago, determined jointly to build a work-house, in order to utilize the labor of violators of city ordinances and State laws, but only a few of our good and law-abiding citizens have visited the premises or know anything as to the manner in which it is operated. With the purpose of enlightening them somewhat, a representative of this paper made his way out there a few days since to see what was to be seen and learn what was to be learned.

WHERE IT IS.
The grounds can be entered by going out either West Seventh or Ninth streets, but the Ninth street route is best. The building is situated about 300 feet from Ninth street, north side, nearly opposite the residence of "Uncle Durwell" P. Jones. It stands on the south side of the cedar grove, lately purchased from the Sharp heirs. The track reaches from Seventh to Ninth streets and contains over 25 acres, and was sold to the city and county at \$50 per acre.

THE SUB ROSA PURCHASE
was made by the city, but the county, as we were informed quite recently by a member of the County Court, was a co-purchaser—or rather a silent partner. The city authorities had for a long time intended purchasing the track of land, with the intention of converting it into a city park, and knowing full well that if the county entered the market, the owners of the property would at once raise the price from \$50 to \$100 per acre, the purchase was made by the city. After receiving the title, the city decided a certain part of it to be sold to the county. By this transaction we have no public park but a work-house.

TERMS OF PARTNERSHIP.
What we have been able to learn of the terms between the city and county to erect the building may be summarized as follows: The city was to bear one-fifth of the expense incurred in the construction of a suitable building and all necessary improvements; when a person is tried and found guilty of a violation of the law and a fine is fixed and the fine is not paid, then the offender is sent to the work house to serve out his fine at the rate of one dollar per day. The offender then for the time virtually becomes the property of the county, and the city is at no expense for the feeding or other care of the prisoner. He is then put to breaking rock by the Superintendent, and the rock is afterwards purchased by the city from the county at 50 cents per "box."

THE GROUNDS
In the spring and summer are romantically beautiful, north of the work house. Innumerable oaks cover the hillside, and are so thick in some places that during the hottest summer days the temperature never rises above 60 degrees. Just under the surface of the scrub and jutting above it in many places—the finest limestone is found. The limestone is what made the land most desirable. The supply is inexhaustible, and on account of the extensive street improvements being made every year by the city authorities, no more desirable piece of land could have been secured at such a low price.

THE BUILDING
consists of a work room, in the eastern end of which are three "cages" for the close confinement of prisoners when not at work. That is, Superintendent Biggerstaff tells us, those serving out their fines are placed in the cages at dark, after supper, where they remain until the next morning until the breakfast hour. After breakfast they are taken out on the hillside and put to quarrying or breaking rock, being closely guarded and made to work diligently during the day. The same labor hours are observed as Forbes & Bro's planing mill. There is no play allowed to go on at any time—it is work, work, all the time. It used to be as soft a thing as the professional do-nothing-to-make-a-living scamp wanted, to be placed in jail and fed highly at a dollar a day to pay a fine for petit larceny or painting the town white on a drunk; but it is quite different now. The man with the white skin came from his resting and feasting place bleached and fat as a hog, and the "cultured gentleman" again made his appearance on the streets slicker and snatter than ever.

NOW THEY SWEAT!
"By the sweat of thy brow shalt thou eat bread all thy days," in this place, is Felix Biggerstaff's order when a prisoner "is sent up" either by the city or county. All those seeking a "soft place" as a reward for misdeeds of any kind had better go to some other part of the State. Every precautionary measure is taken to prevent the escape of prisoners. The law and rock breakers have an ornament in the shape of an iron spike about 10 inches in length placed on each ankle to prevent their running too fast if they should ever get out the barbed wire fence which encloses about two acres north of the work house, where the diabolical of Macadam pursues his work during fair weather. If the weather is unfavorable for "out-door exercise," the work goes on in a large room in the work-house. "Work-house" is the right name for the place; and the tramp and disorderly citizen will always find ample accommodation, close surveillance and work enough to keep him busy if he once gets into the clutches of the Superintendent.

THEY DON'T LIKE IT.
Mr. Biggerstaff says that the offenders don't take very kindly to the new order of things at all—they think it is "rough on a feller." By the time they get through serving out their terms, their experience prompts them to pay some regard to law and they have no longing whatever to go back, as in former days they did to the county jail or to the city lock-up. Not a bit of it.

DEATHS.

Mr. Isaac Barnett, after a protracted illness, died at 11 a. m. Saturday Dec. 20. His condition had been hopeless for some time and death came as a relief from the most excruciating sufferings. Mr. Barnett was born in Trigg county, Ky., Jan. 13, 1838, his parents being Isaac and Martha Gardner Barnett. He read law under his brother, H. C. Barnett, and began his practice in 1859. From 1861 to 1882 he engaged in farming and merchandising, having in 1866 married Miss Ritchie Poindexter. In 1882 Mr. Barnett came to Hopkinsville and began to practice law. For six years he had been Master Commissioner by appointment of Judge Grace.

Mr. Barnett, was a careful and efficient officer, a clever and companionable gentleman and a good and useful citizen. He leaves a widow and two children, one a grown son and the other a bright little girl.

The funeral services were held at the residence on South Main Sunday afternoon by his pastor, Rev. H. A. McDonald, assisted by Rev. W. L. Nourse. He was buried with the honors of the K. & H. order, of which he was a member. A large concourse of sympathizing friends followed the remains to the grave in the City Cemetery.

Mr. Nicholas Smith, a wealthy citizen of Owensboro, died of apoplexy Friday.

Mr. William Jones, a prominent citizen of the Roaring Springs neighborhood, in Trigg county, died Saturday. He was about 45 years of age.

COLORS.
Charles Kennedy, in the city Thursday, of consumption, aged 25 years.

Katie Young, in the city Friday, of consumption, aged 24 years.

Rich Gast, in the city Saturday, aged 8 years.

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Due from approved reserve agents 10,187.47
Due from other National Banks 12,000.00
Due from State banks and bankers 1,231.00
Savings 1,755.21
Current deposits and taxes paid 1,453.50
Treasurer's deposits 1,000.00
Checks and other cash items 612.50
Bills of other banks 218.00
Total 64,357.18

LIABILITIES.
Capital stock paid in 60,000.00
Surplus fund 3,970.00
Undivided profits 10,000.00
National bank notes outstanding 14,000.00
Dividend in arrears 200.00
Total 88,270.00

THE COUNTY JAILER
informs us that since the city commenced feeding its own prisoners, and now that the county has withdrawn so much patronage, his office which was once one of the best, is not the best in the county, is not so desirable as it "used to be." In fact he says the penitentiaries have been cut down two-thirds.

IT WAS NOT BRIBERY.
The grand jury of Hardin county has returned indictments against Senator D. L. May, charging him with bribing T. L. Stovall and J. L. Duseau, editors of the Hardin County Independent, in the last election; also an indictment against Stovall and Duseau for accepting a bribe. These indictments grew out of an election contract which the Elizabethtown News exposed a few days after the election. The proof in this case, as printed by the News, was indisputable. With such an abundance of evidence against him, it is difficult to understand how May can be allowed to take the oath of office.—Owensboro Messenger.

The substance of the above is correct, but the indictments have been dismissed by Judge McBeath on his own motion. The court holding in substance that it is not a violation of the law against bribery, for a newspaper to sell out to a candidate, or for a candidate to purchase the support or silence of the press. This opinion is found in an order of court spread upon the record book as follows:

The court having instructed the grand jury that the facts charged in the two indictments do not constitute a public offense, and the Commonwealth Attorney also concurring in the opinion of the court, so given, the court on its own motion, now orders that the two prosecutions be, and they are, hereby dismissed.—Elizabethtown News.

It will be remembered that the KENTUCKIAN was severely criticized at the time by some papers for holding that the sale of space to a candidate was a business contract and not a violation of the law. It seems that this idea has been sustained by Judge McBeath.

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