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DAMAGE SUITS FILED HERE

One Against Illinois Central
Other Against L. & N.
Railroad.

AGGREGATING \$27,000.

Cases to be Heard at The
Spring Term of Circuit
Court.

Suit has been filed here by Mollie Poston against the Illinois Central railroad company for \$2,000 damages. She states in her petition that on Dec. 6, last, she purchased a ticket at Thompsonville for this city, and when the train approached the station the agent gave the train the usual signal to stop and the signal was answered by the engineer, but the train failed to stop. She further states that in consequence of the refusal of the train to stop, she was forced to walk five miles in the dark, over a rough and muddy road, in order to secure shelter for the night and that the exposure, etc., caused her permanent injury.

As administrator of Thos. Veach, W. P. Winfree has filed a suit against the L. & N. railroad for \$25,000 damages.

On September 24, 1907, Veach was struck by the switch engine at the crossing of the railroad and Eleventh streets, and was killed. In the petition it is claimed that the accident was due to the carelessness and negligence of the train crew in operating the train.

PYTHIANS HAVE FEAST

Evergreen Lodge Gives Banquet to Winners of Contest.

COVERS FOR SEVENTY.

Speeches Were Made By Several Members and Visitors.

Evergreen Lodge No. 38, Knights of Pythias, held a banquet session Thursday night, following the end of a contest for lodge development by two divisions of the lodge, headed by G. H. Champlin and H. L. Haydon. Mr. Champlin's side won and the lodge "set up" the banquet to the winners and their guests to the number of about 70. First and third degree work was done, after which the banquet was spread and Mr. Champlin presided. Impromptu speeches were made by Col. Jouett Henry, Judge J. T. Hanbery and Mr. Hervey Whitfield, of Clarksville, who headed a delegation in which were R. E. Binkley, W. J. Dickerson, Alex C. Stafford and John Hogue, of that city. The feast was substantial and enjoyable and the Knights had an all-round good time. J. R. Fears took the first degree and Frank Pringle was dubbed a Knight.

List your real estate for sale with J. F. ELLIS.

ITEMS OF LOCAL HISTORY

Clippings From a Hopkinsville Paper of 57 Years Ago Worth Reading.

COMPARISON OF PRICES.

Benton Wanted to Run for President. Fugitive Slave Law in Force.

The Kentuckian has had a look at probably the oldest paper extant ever published in Hopkinsville. It is "The Press" and bears the date of October 8, 1850. It was published twice a week and John C. Noble was the editor and proprietor. The publication was a 4-column folio, of four pages. The columns were 15 inches in length. Paper in those days was made of rags, and though printed over 57 years ago the paper was whiter than a copy of the Courier-Journal which came under our notice a few days since, printed only 13 years since. Paper used today is made mostly of wood pulp.

It is interesting to look over the old sheet and compare the condition of things in 1850 with the year 1908. The leading editorial, a column and a-half in length, was headed "Roads." The editor said he was glad to learn that "the intelligent and wealthy planters residing along the road from Hopkinsville to Clarksville have subscribed liberally for the construction of a McAdamized road to the latter place," and that \$40,000 in stock had already been subscribed. "In order to render the stock profitable, the road should be extended through Hopkinsville to the rich coal and lumber region in the North of Christian county."

That part of the road is just being built today. Of course a railroad, if even thought of, was not considered a probability. Now an electric road is often talked about but with no probability of being built in the immediate future. There was talk then of building a plank road through the territory spoken of, but there was the same complaint of a scarcity of lumber that positively exists today.

There is a sentence in the same editorial which reads: "Plank roads, except for connecting links between remote sections, have many advantages even over railroads . . . the cost is about one-tenth that of a railroad."

Some people talk about our climate being "so different from what it was in the long ago." "The Press" had an article that started off in this wise: "On Saturday night there was a killing frost, which destroyed all the standing tobacco it reached. . . . Many persons have lost from 10 to 20 acres, and some have lost as many as 30 acres. We have heard of one planter who lost 50 acres, and another in Todd who lost 60."

An item of interest to boys was: "Welsh & Delevan's circus was in Louisville last week." Very good so far as it went, but so far off to be enjoyed. As circuses in those days traveled in wagons, the editor may have intended to hint that the circus might reach here by the next season.

Another item was: "A young lady died of poison last night—the apothecary sent morphine for quinine."

The two leading parties at the time "The Press" was published were Whig and Democratic, though there was another party called the Locofoco. "The Press" was a Democratic organ.

Quotations from the Nashville produce market gave the price of cured bacon as follows: "Shoulders 3 @ 4c; clear sides 4 1/2 @ 4 1/2c; hams 5 1/2 @ 7c; corn \$2 @ \$2.25 per bbl; corn meal 70 @ 75c per bushel; St. Louis flour \$5.50 per bbl; Tennessee flour \$5.00;

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THE KEACH FURNITURE CO.

Now in New Quarters on Main And Ready For Business.

EVERYBODY INVITED.

Most Modern Up-To-Date Furniture House Outside of Louisville.

The display advertisement of The Keach Furniture Co., in to-day's issue of the KENTUCKIAN cannot possibly be overlooked—the company does not allow the public to do that.

The Keaches are born advertisers and hustlers on general principles. That is the secret of the phenomenal success that has attended them since they began business just a few years since, on 9th street, near Main, with not much more capital than would be required to start a transfer business with one wagon and a horse to draw it. But they have been driving in the middle of the road with a speed that has put them in the front rank of the furniture business in this city. Year by year their business has grown until their old quarters were altogether too small to hold their stock. With an eye on the road ahead of them they took a lease on the new 3-story building and basement of Mr. Garnett on Main street. They have just moved in and a ride up and down the electric elevator revealed the fact that the four rooms 22x130 feet, besides the L that runs to Eighth street, do not afford space for the immense stock of goods carried by the firm. It is useless to attempt to tell what they have in the furniture line, carpets, matting, etc., etc—you must go and see for yourself. They have the largest establishment of the kind, probably in the State, outside of Louisville. They will be glad to show you through if you will call, whether you want to buy or not. They are justly proud of their new quarters and want you to make an inspection.

The company takes pleasure in announcing to the public that the veteran furniture man of the city, Mr. A. W. Pyle, is again over the same ground that he occupied for 40 years, and will gladly serve all of his old customers with the largest and choicest stock of furniture ever seen in Hopkinsville.

New Officers.

The uniform rank, Knights of Pythias, held their annual election of officers Wednesday night with the following results:

Dr. C. H. Tandy, captain.
L. E. Fowler, 1st lieutenant.
C. H. Stowe, 2nd lieutenant.
V. W. Atkinson, recorder.
H. L. Haydon, treasurer.

Advertise in The Kentuckian and watch your business expand.

Present Tickets

Dated

Dec. 26

After Jan. 16 they are worthless. We give tickets on all cash purchases this month.

W. T. COOPER & CO.,

Wholesale and Retail Grocers.

A Few Items in Our Line Which May Interest You.

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Heating Stoves,
Cooking Stoves,
Stove Pipe,
Stove Pipe Elbows
Stove Boards,
Stove Polish,
Granite Ware,
Winter Lap Rugs,
Carriage Heaters,
Stove Fronts,
Coal Hods,
Coal Vases,
Hardware of all kinds,
Cutlery,
Guns,
Silverplated Ware.

SEE US BEFORE YOU BUY.

OUR PRICES WILL SUIT YOU.

F. A. YOST & COMPANY,

INCORPORATED.

BANK OF HOPKINSVILLE

CAPITAL \$100,000.00.
SURPLUS 35,000.00.

With the largest combined capital and surplus of any bank in Christian county, supplied with modern burglar proof safe and vault, we are prepared to offer our depositors every protection for their money.

3 per cent interest on Time Certificates of Deposit.
HENRY C. CANT, President. J. E. McPHERSON, Cashier.
H. L. McPHERSON, Assistant Cashier.

CITY BANK

Capital, \$60,000.00
Surplus, \$70,000.00

This Bank ranks among the first in the state of Kentucky in proportion of surplus to capital.

In Surplus there is Strength.

We invite your account as a safe depository for your funds. Deposit your valuable papers in our vault—safe from fire and burglars.

3 PER CENT. INTEREST ON TIME DEPOSITS

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

HOPKINSVILLE KENTUCKY.

UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY.

Only National Bank in This Community

Capital \$75,000.00
Surplus 25,000.00
Stockholders' Liability 75,000.00

HAS A REGULAR SAVINGS DEPARTMENT
Three Per Cent Interest Paid on Savings and Time Deposits

BARGAIN DAYS

GREAT NEWSPAPER OFFER FROM NOW UNTIL NOON ON JANUARY 29.

FOR A FEW DAYS ONLY THE TRI-WEEKLY

"Kentuckian"

And The Louisville DAILY HERALD Will be Sent For One Year For

\$3.00

The Regular Prices Are:
HERALD \$3
KENTUCKIAN \$2
Total \$5

Remember this offer closes at noon Jan. 29, and will not be extended or renewed, as it is made under a special arrangement with the HERALD. Address all orders to

THE KENTUCKIAN, HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY.