

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

Wife Crazy Over Death of Husband Kills Self and Child.

(Richmond Climax.)

Since Sunday night a cloud of sorrow has hung like a pall over our little city. About five o'clock that afternoon news was received of the death of Mr. B. L. Banks. It came as a shock, as but few knew of his absence from the city and none had heard of his illness. Worn out with anxiety over his wife's long continued ill health, he left Wednesday evening for a short visit for recuperation at the home of his parents at Cane Valley, Adair county. He was really a sick man when he left Richmond, and upon reaching his father's home, was immediately taken down with pneumonia and rapidly grew worse until death came to him about noon Sunday.

The shock to his friends here of his death announcement had not spent itself when another and more heart-rending one came in the announcement that his wife, unable to bear the violent shock of her husband's death, had taken the life of herself and little son. About 9:30 o'clock Sunday night, Mrs. Banks at her home on West Main street, contemplating her own death, and with mother love swelling in her breast, was unwilling to leave her child, little Ben, eleven years of age, to fight the battle of life alone. With a deadly weapon she sent a ball through his temples and immediately ended her own life in the same manner. She lived only a few minutes, not speaking a word, after her brother, Mr. Alex. Cornelison, reached her bedside, rushing as quickly as possible from a down stairs room. Little Ben lived two hours or more, but was never conscious. Medical aid was quickly in attendance, but of no avail. It was too late.

Mr. Banks was 40 years of age, had been a resident in this city about 15 years and a member of the firm of Covington & Banks, clothiers and men's furnishing goods, since January, 1901. This firm has been one of the most prosperous ever doing business in this city. A few months after engaging in business here Mr. Banks was married to Miss Pattie Cornelison, a sou blessing the union. Mr. Banks was buried yesterday at his old home, Cane Valley, at his own request. The following letter received by his partner serves to show that in his last hour he knew his serious condition, and also shows his solicitude for his boy. The same mail also brought a letter to his wife and boy.

(HERE FOLLOWS THE LETTER.)

"Dear Mr. Covington:
Lying flat on my back trying to write. Please send by parcel post 3 Outing Cloth night shirts, not the heaviest kind. I was stricken with pneumonia yesterday and have suffered greatly since, but am making the fight of my life to pull through. Of course the crisis has not come yet.
Don't tell my little boy about it or allow any one else to tell him. I do not want him to know I am so sick.
With kind regards to yourself and all the boys.
Sincerely,
B. L. Banks.

Mrs. Banks was 36 years of age, was born and reared in this county and was a daughter of Alexander and Mary Cornelison who died some years ago. She leaves two brothers, John, of St. Louis, and Alex., late of Panama, now of this city, and three sisters, Mrs. John Mason, of this county, Mrs. J. I. Ashbaugh, of Tusculoosa, Ala., and Mrs. Mary English, of this city, all of whom will probably be present at the burial tomorrow, Wednesday, afternoon in the Cornelison family burying ground, near Fort Estill, after brief services at the late residence on West Main street at 1:30, conducted by Dr. D. H. Scanlan.

Mrs. Banks had been in poor health for two years or more, almost all of the time being confined to her bed. She was a lovely and lovable young girl and grew into womanhood a strong character, was at one time secretary of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, president and enthusiastic worker of Patten A. Clay Infirmary and a willing supporter of charitable and uplifting work of every kind. Little Ben will be buried by her side.

Thus ends a brief and imperfect notice of the most heart-rending and sorrow laden tragedy that has ever come to the people of our city.

The following is from the Richmond Pantagraph: To say that the double tragedy shocked Richmond as nothing else, is to speak truly; yet no one can fathom motives. Was it the immeasurable depths of a mother's love? Did she believe that all would

be reunited in death, and as they had journeyed together here in a life that was one grand, sweet song, so would they journey together in the home beyond the stars? Or did a husband's death intensify her illness and de-throne her mind completely? Most likely this. Yet as no one can search out the process of the mind, say what wild music may sweep across the human heart strings, or know the agonies of a storm-tossed soul, let no one sit in judgment on her, whose life whiter than the whitest foam on snowy ocean tossed, floated out in a crimson sea. While the tragedy was being enacted snow flakes were falling as though heaven itself would throw a white mantle of charity over the scene, and in every human heart there are love and tears, only tears and love for those unfortunate ones who in life were beloved by all.

Wanted---a Position.

Having decided to quit my present occupation, I now seek other employment. I can clerk in a store, paint, write for a newspaper. I have also had 6 years experience in circuit clerk's duties. Write left handed, but can do lots of things with both hands, though I know of no law fixing a penalty against a person who happened to be born with the right hand on the left side. Am 37---single, and always shall be. Have worked for a living all my life, and expect to continue to do so. No prospects of falling heir to any thing. References furnished should any be required. Terms will be made to suit conditions under which employment is accepted.

Fred McLean.

Building of a New Dormitory.

We have been asked frequently in the last few weeks whether means sufficient had been raised for the new brick dormitory at the Lindsey-Wilson. In answer, will state that the erection of the building is assured; that more than five thousand dollars has been made up and that the remainder will be forthcoming. It is also our information that Mr. Sims, the brick man, has been notified to make preparations for burning the brick, in the early spring, and by the next September opening the principals of the school hope to have the dormitory ready for occupancy. This building will be exclusively for boys and young men.

Held Without Bail.

Ches. Pendleton, who shot and killed A. J. Franklin, deputy sheriff of Metcalfe county, and who surrendered to the authorities ten days ago, was given an examining trial last week and was held without bail. It is said that he will be removed from the Ed-monton jail, for safe keeping. It is also thought that a change of venue will be asked and that Pendleton will be tried in another county. Pendleton has many relatives in Metcalfe, and Mr. Franklin was a very popular man.

Lost.

A red spotted female bird dog. Information wanted.
Mrs. Cordie Rosenfield.

The following good advice is taken from the Oldham County News Era: The election is over and politics should be cast aside and every one turn his attention to things that are more pressing. Preparing for crops the coming year, the town and country, the building of better roads and educational facilities for the children are matters of much more importance as to merit proper and serious consideration. A spirit of harmony and reconciliation should prevail and everyone should work for the advancement and uplift of the community. Such a course, if pursued, is bound to result in much good.

The hunting season opened last Saturday. No person is allowed to hunt without license except on his own lands. Hunters must carry their license when hunting. You obtain your license from the County Clerk. It is unlawful to sell or buy quail, pheasant and wild turkey. Remember there is game warden in Adair county who will look after violations of the game laws.

The Kentucky Single Tree and Spoke Company will remove their mill from Dunnsville to Adair county this week, and will locate it at Dirigo, just below the farm of Mr. J. M. Campbell. It is managed by Mr. William Hobson, of Campbellsville.

Circuit court opened at Burkesville, Monday. The docket is about up to the average.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of November, 1913.

SEAL: Bruce Montgomery,
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My commission expires Jan. 29, 1916.

Trading in Mill Circles.

Sandusky Bros., who have steadily and constantly added to their planing mill business the equipments necessary for a progressive enterprise, recently purchased the saw mill outfit from Mr. Geo. Stevenson, thus becoming in full possession of lumber-making machinery in the town, both rough and dressed. In this deal Mr. Stevenson is purely and simply left a miller with no outside conflicting interests, and Sandusky Bros., occupy the same position in their line of business. Accompanying this deal is another important one to both parties, and will evidently prove profitable to both sides, in the fact that Sandusky Bros., will, at an early date, furnish the power from their plant to operate Mr. Stevenson's mill. The fixtures and pipe are now being placed for this purpose. This move is one that means good to the people of this section, as truly as to the parties directly involved, for there is not sufficient business for a healthy divide.

For Sale.

Farm of 105 acres lying 2 miles west of Milltown. About 1/2 of the place is fenced with woven wire, a new modern stock barn, a new five room house unfurnished, good well, an abundance of fine red beech timber and plenty of post timber. Yours for bargain. Price \$1,000. Call or address,
C. C. Mitchell,
Greensburg, Ky.

Mr. Jim Lowe, who is a brother of Mr. J. D. Lowe, who has been in the West for several years, was at Cookville, Tenn., during his brother Gid Lowe's last illness. Jim has many friends in Columbia, he having made headquarters here while traveling for a Nashville shoe house, many years ago. Jim Quarles, who is also kindly remembered here, was present during Mr. Lowe's illness terminating in death.

Mr. J. F. Montgomery and his son, Mr. Ray Montgomery, have formed a partnership in the practice of law. The latter got his training in the office of his father, who has been one of the leading attorneys at the bar here for a number of years. Young Montgomery has a legal mind and there is not a doubt but he will succeed.

Dr. J. T. Jones and family have removed from Montpellier, and are now occupying the handsome brick residence, one mile from Columbia, on the Stanford road, recently erected by Dr. R. A. Jones, of Cincinnati, who is a son of Dr. J. T. Jones. Dr. R. A. Jones and wife expect to spend the summers at this very delightful home.

A great many have killed their hogs before the lard making period, merely to save corn. This seems to be expensive economy. It will require money to get cotton-seed lard next summer.

Imposing Ceremonies.

Last Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, the corner stone of the Baptist church, now in course of construction, was laid with imposing ceremonies.

The pastor, Rev. O. P. Bush, took the lead, giving a short history of the laying of corner stones. He was followed by Eld. Z. T. Williams, of the Christian church, Rev. J. S. Chandler of the Methodist Church and Rev. Frederick Hamilton, pastor of the Presbyterian church. All the ministers spoke impressively of the time honored custom. Mr. C. S. Harris followed the speakers and read a short history of the work of the Baptist Church in Columbia, the building now going up being the third, when completed, on the same site. After the reading of this paper, Rev. Bush enumerated all the articles that would be placed in the vault, the Holy Bible, Church record, the present membership, the Baptist Recorder, the Baptist World, the Russell Creek Baptist, The Adair County News, a few coins, etc., etc. These articles were sealed in a small tin box presented by Horace and Marvin Walker, then placed in the vault, the corner stone, being placed by Mr. Lonnie Sims, the brick foreman and Mr. J. C. Miller, the contractor.

All the denominations in Columbia were represented in listening to the ceremonies, good feeling pervading, and many best wishes were expressed for the continued prosperity of the Baptist people in this town.

Big Cattle Deal.

One of the largest deals ever consummated in Central Kentucky was made this week when Mr. Monte Fox purchased of T. W. and Harvey Brock, of Winchester, 443 extra fancy cattle. They averaged over 1,465 pounds and brought 7-55 per hundred. Some of them were shipped the first of the week and the remainder will go tomorrow.

Mr. Fox also bought of Brock & Allen 200 cattle averaging in the neighborhood of 1,476 at \$7.50 per hundred, delivery to be made next week. A vast sum of money is involved in the deal as there is about \$75,000 to exchange hands. Both are very fine strings of cattle and they will be shipped to New York. Mr. Fox is one of the best-known buyers in the State and has made an unusually large number of purchases in the last few months.---Danville Advocate.

For Rent.

Six room house, garden, and good orchard, one-half mile from court house, Columbia, Ky. Also about 40 acres of good land for corn. Call First National Bank or G. W. Dillon, Breed Breeding, Ky.

Died at Liberty.

Mrs. Amanda Bowman, who was the wife of Mr. Winston Bowman, died near Liberty recently. She was 77 years old, and had been afflicted seven or eight months. She leaves beside her husband, one son and several daughters. Mrs. T. C. Davidson, of this place, being one of the number. The last named was with her mother several weeks before the end came. Mrs. Bowman was a lady of strong Christian character, and will be greatly missed.

This is home mission week, and services will alternate from church to church. Services commenced at the Methodist church Monday night. To-night, Tuesday, the meeting will be held at the Christian church. Wednesday night the gathering will be held Presbyterian church, Thursday night at the Methodist church and Friday night at the Christian church. Interesting talks will be made by the local ministers and laymen. Every body cordially invited to attend.

If you want to buy, sell or exchange property or second hand machinery of any kind, write me giving full description and price. I work on 5 per cent commission. I hunt the buyers. I want the sellers.
W. E. Stapp,
Columbia Ky.

News has reached here that Mrs. Lenora Dohoney, who resides in Texas, is dangerously ill, a victim of appendicitis.

The November draw for teachers is now in the hands of the Superintendent, and ready for payment.

Walker & Gill are receiving a good deal of tobacco this week. It is in good condition for handling.

Star Routes---How to Get Your Mail.

36. Any person living on or near any star, and not within the corporate limits of any city or village or within 80 rods of any post office, who desires his mail deposited at a given point on the line of the route by the carrier on said route may provide and erect a suitable box or crane on the roadside, located in such manner as to be reached as conveniently as practicable by the carrier without dismounting from the vehicle or horse, and such person shall file with the postmaster at the post office to which his mail is addressed (which shall be one or both of the two post offices on the route on either side of and next to the box or crane) a request in writing for the delivery of his mail to the carrier on the route for deposit at the designated point, at the risk of the addressee.

37. It shall be the duty of the postmaster at every such post office, upon a written order from any person living on or near the route, to deliver to the proper mail carrier for that route any mail matter---placing in the respective satchels, where such are used, the mail for the persons to whom such satchels belong---with instructions as to the proper mail box or crane at which said mail matter shall be deposited; but registered mail shall not be so delivered unless expressly requested by the addressee in his written order. No mail matter so delivered to a carrier shall be carried past another post office on the route before being deposited into a mail box or hung on a crane or post.

38. The carrier will be required to receive from any postmaster on the route any mail matter or private mail satchel that may be entrusted to him, outside of the usual mail bag, and shall carry such mail matter or private mail satchel to and deposit it into the proper mail box or hang the satchel on the proper mail crane placed on the line of the route for this purpose; also to collect the mail from the boxes (when a signal is displayed to indicate that a box contains mail to be taken) and to deposit the same in the next post office at which he arrives; and to take the mail satchel, where one is used, either with or without mail, from the mail crane or post and carry it to the next post office; such service by the carrier to be without charge to the persons sending or receiving the mail.

39. The small bag or satchel above mentioned, as well as the box or crane, must be provided by the person for whose use it is intended, without expense to the department.

40. The department does not prescribe any particular design of box or satchel to be used for this service, but the person providing either should see that it is of such character as to afford ample protection to his mail.

41. A patron desiring the collection of mail from his box should inform the carrier of the signal adopted by which the presence of mail in the box for collection will be indicated.

42. The law provides that every carrier of the mail shall receive any mail matter presented to him, if properly prepaid by stamps, and deliver the same for mailing at the next post office at which he arrives, but that no fees shall be allowed him therefor.

Post master at this place has been instructed not to deliver mail to the carrier unless above laws are complied with.

Lost

A grayish blue dog, hair on top of back black. Dew claws on hind feet. \$5 reward.
Amos Loy,
Fairplay, Ky.

Mr. W. T. Otle, who was defeated for County Judge, and Mr. Eli Strange, who lost for School Superintendent, on the face of the returns, have instituted contest proceeding, their petitions having been filed with the Circuit Court Clerk. These cases will be called at the January term of the Adair Circuit Court, at which time there will be a recount of the vote in the various precincts of the county. In the meantime certificates of election have been awarded Judge Herford and Eld. Tobias Huffaker.

Brick layers are putting up the walls of the Baptist church rapidly, and if weather conditions should prove favorable, the brick work will be completed in a very short time. Mr. Claud Miller, the contractor, will push the work as rapidly as possible. When completed it will be the finest and most costly church building in this part of the State.

The hunting season is here and every sport has got his gun. Quails is said to be plentiful in some parts of Adair county. The shooting of squirrels is also said to be good.

Death of a Well-Known Citizen.

Last Wednesday afternoon Mr. J. W. Thompson, who was well-known in Adair county, died near Cave City, Barren county. He was about seventy-one years old, and was a gallant soldier in the Confederate army, serving under Morgan.

His citizenship in Adair county was mostly spent near Milltown, but for several years he lived in Columbia, and was highly respected.

The funeral and burial took place at Cave City last Friday, where the deceased had visited for several months. Mr. Thompson, if we are correctly informed, was a native of Metcalfe county. A short time ago he was granted a Confederate pension.

Editor Harris Wins.

What is called luck comes to but few, but it is all right so long as the News man is one of the few. It happened this way. A few days ago he dropped into the grocery store of the enterprising firm of Flowers & Beck, when he was invited to buy a 10 cent box of candy, and take a draw on a \$7 cake. He did so, hitting the lucky number with one movement of the pencil. Said cake was baked by Mrs. S. W. Beck, and was made out of self-rising flour sold by this firm.

It is needless to speak of the cake, for it cannot be surpassed. How much real joy was experienced when it was served, and just how long it lasted, does not concern the public. Self-rising is perfect in its composition, and any lady can make a cake that will bring joy to the little ones.

Have you License?

Section 34 of the fish and game laws is as follows: Any person who hunts in this State without first obtaining license permitting him or her to do so, or any person who lends or transfers his or her license to another upon convictions shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50, no more than \$200, to which may be added imprisonment in the county jail 30 days. These cases will not be tried in county courts, but will be tried in circuit courts.

T. I. Smith, Game Warden.

New Church Building.

Rev. A. Whitten, pastor of the United Brethren Church, is perfecting arrangements where by the organization will have a house in which to worship, in this town, in a very few months. The concrete wall for the basement will be completed this week. Lumber is being hauled to the site, and when all the material has been delivered the building will be rapidly pushed to completion. It is located on Jamestown street, opposite the residence of Mr. J. O. Russell.

I will open my exchange about the first of December. It will be in the old school building, near the Grinstead poultry house, back of the jail.
G. B. Smith.

Mr. Geo. M. Stevenson has purchased of Mr. S. D. Barbee, the residence and lots near the roller mill, now occupied by the latter, for \$2,000. It is our understanding that Mr. Barbee will purchase a farm either on the Kentucky side near Louisville, or near New Albany, Ind., and will remove from Columbia. He is a good citizen, and we would dislike to see him and his family leave this community. It is also said that his son, Mr. Sam Barbee, and family will remove with him.

For Sale.

Two sows, 12 shoats---average about 50 pounds each. Lizzie Poppewell,
Near Jamestown, Ky.

Invitations to the wedding of Miss Leontine Leachman, of Greensburg, to Mr. Frank G. Yankey have been received by friends here. The wedding will occur December 2d, at Greensburg. Miss Leachman is well and favorably known here, having attended the Lindsey-Wilson several years.

All Odd Fellows in regular standing are urged to be at the hall next Thursday night. There will be work.
G. R. Reed, N. G.

Mr. Frank Sinclair, who has been in feeble health for several months, is building him a room away from his residence, which will be properly ventilated, in which to sleep.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Flowers have taken rooms in the Hancock building on Greensburg street.

The Parlor Circle is a very delightful place to visit twice a week, Thursday and Saturday evenings.