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With this issue the Times enters upon its seventeenth volume having rounded sixteen years of existence under the same management. For the past ten years the Times has been published at Clay City and during this time we have not missed a single issue though we have frequently been a day late. We hope to be so successful in the future in this particular, but do sincerely trust new patrons may be added to our business until the concern will bring in a little more profit, now that we have greater things to care for than formerly.

Blau Gas Company Organized.

The Southern Blau Gas Company, of Louisville, Ky., has been organized with \$2,000,000 capital. H. G. Garrett of the Broadhead-Garrett Lumber Company of this city, is Treasurer of the new company. This company will manufacture Blau gas which is in a liquid and stored in steel kits, so it can be shipped to any point and used. It is said that this gas is cheaper than natural gas; that it can be used with perfect safety, as it is non-explosive and non-asphyxiating.

Money in Kentucky Banks.

According to a report of retiring Secretary of State Ben L. Bruner, the combined banks and trust companies of Kentucky have deposits of \$68,978,152.57. This is thirty dollars for each man, woman and child in the State, but say, have you got your thirty in the bank? If not you should have.

The Kentucky Swine Breeders' Association will petition the Legislature for an appropriation of \$18,000 for the free distribution of hog cholera serum.

Wholesome Advice to Young Men.

Mrs. Henri Watterson, the renowned editor of the Courier-Journal was once asked by one of his young men admirers for his advice as to how he might "make a success of his life," and in stating his case said, among other things:

I have been raised by a mother who has a horror of liquor and immorality. My recreations have been reading athletics and outdoor drill. I know 'little of the boys,' less of women. Would you for success in life, advise me to mingle more with men and women, to visit respectable saloons and drink moderately? Does a total abstainer have as good a chance to make business?"

The desired advice was given in an editorial of the Courier-Journal, and among other things says:

"We would say that the total abstainer has very much the best chance of success in life. The 'saloon' as it is commonly conducted in America is an indefensible quantity. No written or printed receipt for success in life is possible beyond a few simple precepts; to be honest, and first of all, with one's self and all others; to be sober, industrious, dutiful and civil; to cultivate good will by being good humored; shun evil, hold fast and trust to God. In the long run the young man of reasonable aptitude who pursues this general line cannot fail. . . . As to the recreations and amusements of the young, these should be taken with care and temperance, mindful how easily habits, tending to bad habits, are acquired. Cards, not at all, whether for fun or money—for where they do not waste money they waste time. They are, indeed, the last resort of the aged, to whom the more robust outdoor sports is measurably denied.

John Kirk is in Maysville this week.

Dist of Gov. McCreary's Message.

Governor McCreary's message to the Legislature which convened in Frankfort Tuesday contained fifty-nine pages of type-written matter.

He starts out by heartily recommending every plank in the Democratic platform and urging the enactment of laws pursuant thereto.

After making a detailed statement as to the State's financial condition, including the deficit of \$300,000 now existing, he urges the legislators to be careful in making appropriations unless they are sure there will be money available to pay the appropriations.

The adoption of a more practicable common school system, giving woman suffrage in school elections.

To encourage road and bridge building with reasonable State aid.

The submission to the people of an amendment to the Constitution giving the General Assembly power to classify property for the purpose of taxation.

The removal of all politics from the State prisons.

The creation of a department of Banking.

The nomination and election of United States Senators by the direct vote of the people.

Organization and co-operation among the farmers of the State and also among the laboring men.

Such laws as will destroy all corrupt lobbying.

The extension of the present local option law so that the citizens of each and every county may determine for themselves whether liquors may be sold therein.

The direct primary to be held at public expense.

A corrupt practices act.

The creation of a Public Utilities Commission.

A uniform system of accounting for all public offices handling money.

Laws for the protection of laborers engaged in hazardous employment and regulating the arbitration of labor trouble.

A law prohibiting peonage and the slavetrade, regardless of color.

The imposition of severe penalties upon officers who fail to protect prisoners.

Religious as well as civic liberty in Kentucky and opposition to raising any religious test as a qualification for holding any office in State or Nation.

To Prolong Life of Rail Road Ties.

The railroads of this country use 150,000,000 cross ties every year. Many of them never rot at all, but literally wear out where the spikes are driven in on account of them continually working loose and having to be again driven. Some roads avoid throwing away these ties that are sound but worn out are trying screws to screw the rails to the ties. They claim the screw system will prolong the life of the tie one-half. Perhaps this is the reason why ties are such a drag on this market.

Bad Roads Again.

On every hand you may hear complaint of the miserable roads. These complainants all agree that it is now too late to improve them and that work must be deferred until Spring. When Spring comes, then farmers are too busy to give the roads any attention, and pass them up till the summer and fall. When summer and fall comes the roads have so dried out and packed down that they are good enough without any work, so they are again passed up until a convenient time just before the wet weather sets in which it generally does just before we get the work done. Thus we have each winter the usual dangerous mud roads. We need a compulsory road working law, which, in fact, would be a law to compel road hands to do for themselves one thing which they most need to do and that which they will later be very proud of.

Be Careful How You Feed.

We have a communication from Fred Blackburn, member of the State Board of Agriculture, asking us to warn our readers to not feed horses, hogs or cattle soured or rotten corn. He says stock in different parts of this and other states are dying from eating such corn. Mr. Blackburn says: "For some reason it seems to be much more dangerous this year than usual. Thomas Welch, of near here, has lately lost three head of horses." Mr. Blackburn has just returned from Frankfort where he learned of the many deaths in the other parts of the State, and that the whole trouble is caused altogether from eating diseased corn.

Senator Bradley has issued a statement from Washington endorsing President Taft for the Republican nomination and has started a letter writing campaign in Kentucky.

Ewen Bolin was sentenced to death at Jackson this week for the murder of Sam Crawford, a negro. The condemned man is white.

The Kentucky Legislature adjourned Wednesday until Monday to allow for the selection of committees in both branches.

At the close of the year there were 7,340 national banks in the United States. The capitalization was \$1,033,302,135.

John W. Langley, Jr. has arrived at the home of Congressman John W. Langley in time for a New Year's gift.

President Taft is quoted as saying nothing but death could keep him out of the Presidential race.

The New York get-rich-quick promoters who got away with \$5,000,000, have been given a year in jail. They should congratulate themselves they didn't steal a loaf of bread, which often means two years in the pen.

That New York mortician who asked the Colonel if he didn't "know anything" must have felt awfully mortified when he found that he was really talking to the only living man that does know everything.

Of the eight Presidents since the Civil War four were from Ohio. Ohio has also starred in vote scandals.

New Fall Millinery

Just received from the city which combines the newest styles and lowest prices.

SHOES AT FIRST COST

\$500 worth of Shoes have been marked down to first cost in order to get room for new goods coming in. In this sale will also be included a lot of

HATS and CAPS.

Here's your opportunity to save some money. First come, first served.

SHIMFESSEL'S.

WALDRON & JOHNSON, Waltersville, Ky.

We carry a full line of General Merchandise and are selling the goods to our large trade and they tell us they are

Saving Money.

You can do the same thing. If you are not already one of our many pleased customers, come round some day and give our place a look through and let us price you some of our goods. They will open your eyes to an opportunity.

Send Us Your Orders

over telephone, by messenger or otherwise and if you live in Clay City or near our store we will "deliver the goods"