

XXI. We are Here to Help Clay City, the Surrounding Country and Ourselves.

**SHACKELFORD OVERRULES MOTION**

**Restraint Order Issued by Circuit Clerk against Road Commissioners.**

Defendants, the Powell and Commissioners, who were ordered Sept. 20 from selling bonds and acting as Road Commissioners in Powell county, by seven citizens, taxpayers, made motion Judge Shackelford at Winchester Monday to have the injunction dissolved. The case was argued for the defendants by Attorney C. F. Spencer, and Representative Myers, of Covington. Judge Smith Hays, Judge Benton and Attorney A. T. Stewart represented the plaintiffs. Judge Shackelford overruled the motion to dissolve the injunction, and refused to raise the bond above \$1,000. The defendants will appeal the case. The action was hotly contested in the local court and will be so continued until passed upon by the Court of Appeals.

The law provides that Road Commissioners shall be selected by the Fiscal Court 15 days before the election on the bond issue and their names published in some newspaper. The plaintiffs claim this is mandatory because it says shall, and the defendants say it is only directory, and may be observed by the Court in selecting Commissioners.

**Calves Die with Blackleg.**

Thos. C. Hall, of Rosslyn, lost several head of fine calves from blackleg. He promptly had the remaining calves vaccinated after he learned the trouble and has not lost a one since. We have not heard of the disease on another Powell county farm. T. J. Wright, of Vaughn's Mill, had some of his cattle some weeks ago to have pink eye, but they are well now.

**Child Dies Suddenly.**

The bright little three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Barnett, 3 miles south of town, died at 4 o'clock this morning from some trouble of the throat. The child had been ailing a few days and Mr. Barnett came to town before daylight for Dr. Martin, who sent some medicine to the child and left to call on it later. He learned of the death before arriving at town.

**Parents Lose Child.**

A little son came Friday home of Mr. and Mrs. O. Ham, of this city, but the parents were soon to lose brightness as the little one away Saturday and was buried at the cemetery.

These columns their sinners thank for the devotion and their neighbors have rendered in their ordeal.

**Oil Fields in Powell.**

Last Thursday the Lexington Herald gave a review of the various Kentucky oil fields, which of course included the Powell county operations. The report as it refers to Powell, in our judgment, is about as nearly correct as we can learn from all local sources, so we give this report below as published in the Herald.

**Powell County**—In the Clay City field, Powell county, small pumps, or dry holes are plenty. The United Oil Co.'s test on the Curtis farm, is reported good for five bbls. The St. Louis concerns well on the Jackson farm, is reported dry. L. A. Watson and others No. 1 Luther Stevens farm, pumped 5 bbls. B. A. Bonville's Nos. 2 and 3 Baker farm, are five bbls. pumps. Anderson and Fitzgerald drilled a dry hole on the Rose farm, at 450 feet. Dresser and others second well on the Green Council farm, pumped five bbls.

John H. McClurkin's test on the Sarah Vance farm, pumped five bbls. and No. 1 Emma Mountz, is good for about 3 bbls. Henshaw, Henderson and others well on the Geo. W. Clark farm pumped three bbls. The Kenova Oil Co.'s test on the Virden farm shows for five bbls. Hearne & Beck found on the Sanford White farm. Moran and others drilled a dry hole in a test on the Shelton McKinney farm, and the Fisher Oil Co., one of the same kind in a test on the Kennon farm, at a depth of 800 feet. The Moran well was drilled to 500 feet. In the deepest end of the same county, A. J. Berry drilled a dry hole on the John Brendenburgh farm.

**Clark-Sams.**

Mr. Joe Clark, of Hardwick's creek, and Miss Zella Sams, of Spout Spring, were married at Vaughn's Mill Christian Church Saturday night. Rev. Cleo Purvis, of this city, officiated. The church was beautifully decorated and the ceremony was witnessed by a large number of friends.

**Death of Tom Curtis.**

Thomas Curtis passed away at his home two miles south of this city Sunday morning after a lingering illness of stomach trouble, aged 68 years. Burial on the home place Monday. He is survived by a wife and several children. He was twice married.

**Buys Farm in Hardin County.**

M. F. Osborne, one of Powell county's substantial farmers, has recently purchased a farm of 204 acres in Hardin county for \$6,500. The farm is 6 miles from Elizabethtown and is well improved. Granville Day has also purchased a farm in Hardin.

**Sells Small Farm.**

John T. Wright has sold to Harrison Stange his small farm of fifty acres in this county near Spout Spring. The price is not given out, but it is known to be in the neighborhood of \$20 per acre.

**Our Position on the Road Question.**

Before the bond issue was voted the Powell Fiscal Court apportioned \$30,000 to the roads east of Stanton and \$20,000 to the roads west of Stanton, and the roads designated for improvement. It was known then that the \$40,000 would not improve these roads for Mr. R. E. Tomis, of the State Department of Public Roads, so informed the Court, but it was understood that the people living on these roads would help and raise money enough to make such improvements.

Now as to the road situation east of Stanton we are not sufficiently informed to discuss and we will leave that for others to do, but in this end of the county we were promised the improvement of the Clark county road, the Montgomery county road and the Estill county road. The magistrates signified their intention after the election to comply with this order to a letter, but they were supplanted by a Commission that sought to take all the money from the Estill county road and all the money from the Montgomery county road, raise no subscription and build only the Clark county road. The people tamely submitted to this and asked that the Commission improve the Estill county road and that they would put up the county's part. In this, the action to displace the Commission was filed in court to get the matter back into the hands of the magistrates who were under promise to the people.

The Clark county road is 10 miles in length, the Montgomery county road is 4 miles in length, the Estill county road is 3 miles in length, making in all 17 miles of road in the west portion of the county. This \$20,000 divided among these roads makes \$1,111 per mile for each road. If the people want a better road than this will build, they must make up more money and they will get them. State aid will help to swell this fund from year to year.

We are for this division and none other. If we fail to get this we are in favor of knocking out the bonds and then voting to improve one road, and if the people vote to do this, all right, but we do object to building roads under broken promises. We did agree to let all the money go on one road, if we could only get to improve the Estill road under State Aid plan at the people's expense, but now we agree only to the fair and right thing, do just as the people were promised, or do nothing.

**Financial Report.**

We publish this week the Sheriff's settlement and the Treasurer's report which should be read by every taxpayer in the county. The law requires such report to be published once each year, and our Fiscal Court is to be commended for its compliance with the law in this particular.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie H. Easter will be preached at Powell's Valley, Oct. 8th by Elder D. G. Combs.

**STANTON.**

(By P. O. Derthick.)  
 Prof. Johnson was at Nada Sunday where he held services for them.

Mrs. Major Blackburn was in Lexington last Thursday on business.

Mrs. Helen Jackson and baby left last Thursday for Louisville her home.

Miss Katie Jackson is visiting friends and relatives in Bowling Green this week.

Mrs. Belle Lee will move this week into the house of Ben Hall back of Catron's store.

Miss Golden Shackelford returned Sunday from Hazard to enter school again this year.

Miss Perl Skidmore was home over Sunday and returning brought her little brother with her.

The election of school trustees will be held the first Saturday in October under the new law.

Dillard Martin and wife, of the Soldier's Home, are here visiting relatives and friends this week.

E. G. Cowgill left last week for Mt. Sterling and other points up the C. & O. for a business trip.

Mr. Wm. Hardwick and daughter, Mrs. E. G. Cowgill, were in Cincinnati this week buying goods.

Mrs. Minnie Thomas and her daughter, Mattie, left last week for their home in Jacksonville, Florida.

Mr. Dawson, who has been visiting with Romulus Jackson and family, left for his home in Chicago last Thursday.

Things will soon be ready for the construction of the new depot. The foundation is all laid and the chimney is being built at this writing.

Richard Crowe will have an entertainment at his school on Pompeii Friday night, and an admission of fifteen and twenty-five cents will be charged.

Mr. J. S. Ewen is having his silo filled this week. We need silos all over Powell county. They are one of the best friends that the farmer can have on his farm.

Mrs. Bettie Hardwick is visiting in Winchester and attended the State Convention of the Christian Church. The writer also took in the Convention one day.

Ben Sewell, of Jackson, who married a Stanton girl has bought the beautiful home of Mrs. May Hindman in Jackson. This is one of the best and most desirable homes in that town.

Donald Bohannon arrived last week and has entered school. Marion Atkinson came as far as Lexington and went to New Washington, Ind., where he is working in the bank with his brother, Clarence.

Mrs. Bettie Johnson, Rev. J. C. Hanley and wife and Miss Bessie Hardwick attended the W. C. T. U. convention at Lexington the past week. Mrs. Johnson will visit in Winchester before returning home.

Robert Morris, who has been working in Detroit, Mich., arrived too late to attend the funeral of his father, Henry Morris. After a

**New Methods on Bootlegging.**

The fact that the Circuit Court over in Menefee county is investigating the shipment of liquor that county, may lead other counties to take up the question. It is a certain fact that when a man has so much liquor shipped to him, more than he can possibly drink, he is bootlegger. It should be prima facie evidence of sale when a man receives an undue amount of liquor at one of more express offices. The law prohibits the shipment of liquor into dry territory only for personal use, then when more is shipped to a man than he can drink, the conclusion is positive. And such a person may be a patron of several express offices nearest him.

If such is law, and it surely is, there are some boys operating out of Clay City that will surely smell the patching sooner or later, and so may the express company. No stones should be left unturned that might open a door to a bootlegger, and we believe here is one.

**Cow Injures Boy.**

Hershel Baker, the thirteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Baker, of Vaughn's Mill, came near losing his life Friday when a cow ran away with him and dragged him over rough ground on which were some stumps. His head, face, arms, and entire body were terribly bruised, but no limbs were broken.

The cow was chained to a post for milking. After getting through milking the animal, Hershel unchained her when she took fright and swung the end of the chain around the boy's wrist. There was a hook in the end of the chain which caught in the flesh part of the hand. Dogs took after the cow which caused her to run worse, and it is a mere accident that the lad escaped death in such a horrifying experience. His condition is not serious and he will be out again in a few days.

three week's visit with home folks he will return to his position which is being held open for him.

Richard Crowe will preach for the Stanton Christian Church the balance of the year. When you stop to think there are few preachers who can preach a better sermon than Richard and as he is one of our own boys we want to give him a good crowd to each service.

Word has come to us that Todd, who is the gr. Mrs. M. A. Phillips, and at Jeffersonville, Ind. It was an eloquent sermon formed. Lucile will be addressed by a host of friends in a who wish her much happiness.

Dr. Johnson, R. C. Hall, J. D. Atkinson and Lyle were in Winchester in the interest of the new. But we are informed that the commissioners have been from office. We are at understand the proceedings have been taking place in rearing the road, commissioners were they were appointed. They were some of the best men that we have in Powell county. The people of the county are getting impatient to these good roads and wanting to know when they are going to get them.