

THE BOURBON NEWS.

CHAMP & BRO., Editors and Owners.

PRINTED EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY.

Established February 1, 1881.

TWENTIETH YEAR.

PARIS, BOURBON CO., KY., FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 1900.

Our Pleasure Vehicles!

Persons who contemplate the purchase of a pleasure vehicle of any kind, will find a desirable line to select from at my warehouse. We have sold a number of handsome wagons and traps and all have given satisfaction. Of course, we sell almost everything that runs on wheels.

Don't think of buying until you see my line and get my prices.

J. Simms Wilson.

EUROPEAN LETTER.

Talbot Clay Writes Interestingly of The Passion Play.

DEAR WALTER:—

I have wished more than once that you and Frank had continued the trip with us, but especially did I wish for you when we witnessed the performance of the Passion Play at Oberammergau. To describe this play is beyond my power—it must be seen to be appreciated—but I would not have missed seeing it for anything, and our trip to the quaint little village of Oberammergau was one of the most enjoyable of our entire tour. We left Munich at 9:06 a. m., Aug 4th, and after a run of four hours were landed at the station in Oberammergau. It was raining and the streets were muddy and full of tourists, all eagerly hunting lodging places. We had no trouble finding our quarters, which we had previously secured through Messrs. Cook & Sons, and soon found ourselves housed in one of the best cottages in Oberammergau, together with eight or ten other tourists, the family with whom we stayed, and nine fine Jersey cows and two horses, all under the same roof.

Oberammergau is a rural gem entirely unlike any of the other villages of its size that we have seen in Europe. The houses are built of stone, plastered over, and the roofs are covered with boards held on by numbers of large stones laid all over the roof. Many of the houses have the outer walls painted with queer looking pictures representing biblical scenes. The accommodations which they offer, however, are comfortable and invariably clean, notwithstanding the habit the natives have of using one end of their residences for a stable. The scenery around Oberammergau is very pretty. It is situated at the mouth of a mountain gorge opening into a valley. High peaks enclose it on one side, while on the other the green hills stretch far away into the distance. On top of one of these peaks and directly overlooking the village is a large wooden cross erected by the villagers, but for what purpose I do not know, although there is a history attached to it.

The Passion Play was first produced at Oberammergau over two hundred and fifty years ago and is given every ten years. It consists of eighteen acts, preceded by a prologue, and the play is interspersed with about twenty-five tableaux, which are emblematical of Old Testament history, and that the spectators may understand the meaning of these living pictures and their connection with the play, a chorus is introduced, consisting of thirty-five singers, whose duty it is to explain the action of the drama and to engage in a kind of running commentary upon it. This is presented in a series of vocal pieces, the music of which is very fine and is used solely for the Passion Play and is not allowed to be published or sold. The playhouse will seat about six thousand spectators and there were very few vacant seats at this performance. There are about seven hundred people who take part in the play, but not over five hundred of them were on the stage at one time. The play itself begins with Christ's entry into Jerusalem and ends with his crucifixion and resurrection. Some of the scenes are very touching, especially the parting with his mother and friends at Bethany, where in bidding his mother good-bye, he says: "Mother, mother! for the tender love and maternal care with which for three and thirty years thou hast surrounded me, receive the ardent thanks of thy Son. The Father calls me, Farswell, beloved mother." His mother and the others of the household had been beseeching him not to go to Jerusalem and these are the words with which he answered her. Another very affecting scene was in the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus, in his agony, was praying to the Father to spare him from the coming ordeal. He uses these words: "Father, my Father, if it be possible—and all things are possible with Thee, so let this cup pass from me. But Father, not as I will, but as Thou wilt." He prays a second time, using these words: "Father, the strife is fierce, but if this cup may not pass away except I drink it, Father, Thy will be done, Hottest One! I will fulfill Thy will." For the third time he prays: "Father, if it is not possible that this hour pass from me, Thy will be done! Thy most

holy will, Father! Thy Son! Hear Him!" This scene was very affecting and would bring tears to the eyes of most any one. After his condemnation and sentence to the cross, and while he is toiling up the hill to Golgotha, staggering under the weight of the cross, he is met by his mother and several women who are attracted by the noise and are curious to know who are the unfortunate ones to be executed. As Mary sees Christ and recognizes, in the condemned one, her son, she falls fainting into the arms of the other women exclaiming: "It is He! Ah God! It is my Son! It is my Jesus!" The acting throughout the entire play was wonderful, especially when one remembers that these people are not actors by profession, but are mechanics, laborers and farmers. The man who plays the role of Christ—Anton Lang—is a young man twenty-nine years of age, and is the son of a potter. One of the best actors in the entire cast—Johann Zwink—took the part of Judas. Zwink is a man of middle age, and his acting was superb. The play began promptly at eight o'clock in the morning and lasted till five o'clock in the afternoon, with an interval of one hour and a half for dinner, but we did not feel fatigued in the least and eagerly resumed our seats as soon as we had finished lunch.

We spent the second night in Oberammergau, and the next day took a drive of eight or ten miles up the valley to the Castle Linderof, one of the three palaces erected by Ludwig II, the mad King of Bavaria. Anything like a description of this palace is out of the question, but to give you an idea of the extravagance and elegance displayed, will simply mention two articles of furniture in one of the rooms—a very handsome mosaic table valued at \$250,000, and a magnificent chandelier, carved out of solid ivory and valued at \$150,000. The rest of the palace was in keeping with these and was the most magnificent thing that I have seen in Europe. We returned to Oberammergau in time to catch the 2:50 p. m. train for Munich, arriving at the latter place about 6:30 p. m., and each one declaring that our little trip to Oberammergau was the most delightful one that we had taken on the Continent.

Among the thousands of tourists who filled the streets of this little Bavarian village on the Sunday that we were there, we met several friends that we had previously met in America, and Gen. Simon B. Buckner, ex-Governor of Kentucky, with his wife and son, sat directly in front of us at the play.

TALBOT CLAY.

Excursion to Mammoth Cave.

The L. & N. will run a personally conducted excursion to the Mammoth Cave on Tuesday, the 28th. Round-trip fare from Carlisle, Millersburg, Cynthiaana, Kiserston, \$5, from Paris, Hutchison and Muir, \$4.50. A special rate of \$6 for board and cave fees has been secured for the party.

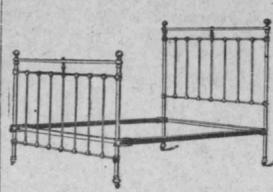
The Lexington Elks cleared about ten thousand dollars on the fair last week.

The Kentucky Oil and Pipe Line Company, with headquarters at Somerset, has sold its pipe line, pumps, tanks and fixtures to the National Transit Company, of Oil City, Pennsylvania, for \$75,000. Messrs. G. G. White and Wm. Tarr, of this city, are stockholders in the Kentucky company.

OBITUARY.

Rev. Charles Allen Thomas, pastor of the Broadway Christian Church, in Louisville, died at 5:30 Tuesday morning at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Helen Carrick, at Newtown. Rev. Thomas had been ill only a week, and his death, which resulted from a complication of diseases, was a shock to his numerous friends. The deceased was a native of Australia, about thirty-three years old, and was an exceptionally gifted young man with a brilliant future before him. He is survived by a wife, who was formerly Miss Fannie Carrick, and a son about eight months old. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Broadway Christian Church in Lexington by Eld. J. W. McGarvey, assisted by Elders Collis, of Lexington, Bartholomew, Mills and Miller, of Louisville, and Dorris, of Georgetown. Burial in the Lexington cemetery. The members of the Official Board of the Broadway Church, in Louisville, were honorary pall-bearers. The active pall-bearers were: W. A. Gaines, Dan McMillan, C. M. Hatchett, George Ware, Barton Coyle, V. F. Bradley, S. H. Lucas, Dr. W. H. Coffman.

Died—In Washington, D.C. Wednesday night, Mrs. Lillie Lowry, aged about thirty-five years. Deceased was the daughter-in-law of Mrs. Rose Lowry, formerly of this city. Her father was "Uncle" Tommy Jones, a veteran of the war of 1812, and during the reunions of the old veterans which used to be held in this city until death had cleaned the ranks, the sight of this couple, one a grizzled old veteran, with hair as white as snow, and the other a beautiful golden-haired child, would call forth admiration from every one. The remains will be brought to Paris to-day for interment alongside the body of her father, of whom she was the sunshine of his declining year.



**Cut
Prices!**

IRON BEDS.

Having purchased a large stock, we will now give you ROCK BOTTOM prices. If you call at our store and look for yourself you will be convinced. Also a nice line of Misses Rockers. They are selling fast. Come and get one. Don't let this Sale slip. This is for ten days only.

A. F. WHEELER'S

NEW FURNITURE STORE,

NEXT DOOR TO HOTEL WINDSOR,

PARIS, KY.

GET READY



For the pretty weather which is due here now. We have anticipated its arrival and secured a line of

Ladies' Low Cut Shoes.

Which are the handsomest to be seen anywhere, and which excel in comfort and durability anything we have ever offered the trade. Many different styles, enough to fit any foot or taste. Call early and get choice in style and fit.

DAVIS, THOMSON & ISGRIG.

Wheat Storage at Low Rates.

Are in the market for 30,000 bushels of extra fine Blue Grass Seed for immediate and August delivery.

Chas. S. Brent & Bro.

Removal Sale!

SHIRT WAISTS.

In preparing to move to my New Store I have decided to sell all my

50c Shirt Waists at 25c.

AND ALL MY.....

5c. Lawns at 2 1-2c.

You will not soon have so good a chance to secure such good qualities at so low a price as I am offering these Shirt Waists and Lawns. Call early before they are all gone.

Harry Simon.

Cash Dry Goods Store.



FOOTWEAR FOR SUMMER.

The coolest and best Shoe made for Summer wear is the famous **HANAN SHOE.**

It is guaranteed to fit the foot perfectly and the Shoe will hold its shape. The Hanan is made on lines that comprise style, beauty, comfort and common sense. Come in and take a look at my large line of these Shoes.

GEO. McWILLIAMS.

SUPREME SHOE COMFORT



Comes to every wearer of our Oxford ties, which are the acme of women's seeking in light, cool and easy footwear. Unenjoyed pleasures are not missed, and so those who have yet to purchase a pair of our Oxford's are unaware of the self-imposed discomfort which they endure with more or less patience.

Here's Cause for Shoe Reflection.

15 Per Cent. Discount on all Oxfords. Nice clean goods, many of which sizes are yet unbroken. Nothing reserved. All this season's styles. Come while you can secure your size. Sale continues indefinitely.

PARIS CASH SHOE STORE.

COURT HOUSE SQUARE.