Weekly Intelligencer.

OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER.

FOR CONGRESS,
SEVENTH DISTRICT,
JOHN F. PHILIPS,
Of Pettis County.

Election, Saturday, January 10th, 1880.

Logan says Grant wants it.

Vote for Philips next Saturday.

Philips speaks here next Tuesday night.

Democrats, turn out and vote next Saturday.

Congressional election next Saturday, January 10.

The Count Johannes is dead—now for Berry Mitchell.

Col. Forney says Grant will be nominated, and that he will accept.

Twenty streets—2,300 houses—were burned at Hakodadi, Japan, Nov. 6.

De Lesseps has secured the right of way and a subscription of $10,000,000 for his canal.

Hon. S. Houston, United States senator, died at his home at Athens Ala., last Wednesday.

Presidents of school boards should bear in mind that the convention to select school books will meet next Tuesday.

The Indiana republicans will hold their state convention to send delegates to the national convention, at Indianapolis, June 17.

The increase in national bank circulation, since November 1st, has been nearly $5,000,000—an indication that money is in demand.

If the Fusionists have the law on their side, as they seem certain that they have, the bluster of the republican mob will do them no good.

This congress will count the next electoral vote. See to it, democrats, that a democrat is sent back to fill Lay's place from this district.

What the Maine republicans especially hate in this Maine business, is that their Maine frauds and rascalities at the election are sure to be exposed.

Grain, in St. Louis, Thursday, was quoted as follows: Wheat, lower and unsettled; No. 2 red, $1 35 bid cash; No. 3 red, $1 25 bid. Corn easier, at 35⅞ to 35½c. Oats, lower, 37c.

The legislature of Mississippi has only 103 democratic majority. It will elect a successor to Mr. Bruce. Gov. Barksdale, Messrs. Singleton and Houston are the most prominent candidates.

This is an emergency which shows who are patriotic citizens and who are not. Wives, mothers, sweethearts, see that the men you love, love their country too. Make them go and vote next Saturday.

The new law requires four judges of election at each precinct instead of three as heretofore. See law printed in another paragraph. It is important that it should be carried out at every voting place during the election next Saturday.

Tilden has been accused of all sorts of things. The last charge, we believe, was that the old man was the genuine sea serpent itself. We are not astonished at the charges, but only that there has not been a new one since that of the sea serpent, which was doubted, even by some respectable republican newspapers.

Democrats of Lafayette county, let us show the seventh congressional district that we are worthy of being considered, by rolling up a big vote despite the inauspicious season of the year at which the election is held. Go to the polls yourself, and see that every one of your less-informed neighbors is told of the election day. Let us do our duty like men and democrats.

Messrs. McClelland and Philips did themselves honor, at Boonville, in the chaplets which they wreathed about the memory of Alfred Lay. They each, in turn, brought honest tears to the eyes of sturdy men, and while the warm tide of love welled up from their hearts in quiet, fervent words, to be uttered by their lips, their own images sank into hearts as warm, to be borne there while life lasts. We have heard many poorer sermons from the pulpit than were these words of brotherly love, spoken with the fire of eloquence from the political rostrum. Truly, truly, love is the most potent sentiment of the human heart.

A thrill of sympathy sometimes makes the whole world kin. Such a feeling passed through all civilized mankind when it was announced that a train load of people, some three hundred souls, had gone down through a bridge into the Frith of Tay, in Scotland, last Sunday night. All were killed. Not one escaped. Not even a body came to the surface to herald to those above the condition of those below. All were buried out of sight in the forty-five feet of water. The span which gave way under the train was blown out of its place by the wind. The bridge is some two miles long, with 85 spans of about 245 feet. At the highest point it was 130 feet above the water. Where the train went through it was about 88 feet above the water. It was opened for traffic in May, 1878, and was considered to be a triumph of engineering skill.

In voting for Hon. John F. Philips, next Saturday, the people of the seventh congressional district of Missouri will cast their ballots for a man of ability, a scholar and a gentleman. A man who, in polite attainments, has few superiors, and who, in eloquence, is the peer of the best. A democrat from conviction, he has carried the party flag at the fore front of every fight, and has been as ardent in his democracy when himself defeated for position as when successful. With Gen. Clark, of the eleventh district, he was among the last to agree to the electoral commission, or to any other compromise, and then only yielded to the demands of the people of his district. He may be relied on to fight the battles of his constituents with courage and skill, and to represent them in all things and all places with fidelity and honor. He will do his whole duty—no man can do more. No interest of his people will go neglected that his energy and zeal can compass. Remember, democrats, the importance of the time, and with a leader of whom you may be proud, go to the polls and vote.

THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION.

In presenting candidates for the suffrage of the people, the democracy of Lafayette county permits no faction of the party, anywhere, to control it. The organization is jealously kept up, and on the executive committee, elected by the people of the townships every two years, the party relies for full notice of all necessary action. Mass conventions at the county seat, which give that place an undue influence, have long since been discarded, and every township secures by the plan in vogue proper representation. In the recent contest for the nomination, Lafayette county was strongly of opinion that she should receive the honor. Two prominent and worthy gentlemen were advocated by correspondents in these columns, and when the convention met one was selected. No word of unkindness passed between either the principals or their friends. The delegates were selected, not to cast a complimentary vote for Col. McClelland, but seriously and earnestly to press his name upon the convention, and to express their sentiment that he possessed the worth and the ability properly to represent the district. This was done, and though his name did not reach a ballot, the meetings of delegations did not pass without Lafayette county's claims being firmly, though modestly, impressed upon the minds of her sister counties. For this time, however, the result was in favor of another. This was not unexpected, either, and was natural—the shortness of the time suggesting, in other counties, the name of a well-known gentleman, already tried. Now the election comes. Lafayette county has quietly, but emphatically, assured the district that she is in the congressional lists. What is her duty? To show, by rolling up a large vote, that her claim of adding democratic strength is a just one. Every friend of Col. McClelland can best serve him by trying to get out a full vote. There is national importance in this election. The democratic majority in the lower house of congress is small, and we cannot afford to lose a member by apathy and indifference. Every democrat who knows the situation should consider himself a committee of one to notify others of the election; and by his zeal and energy to get out the fullest possible vote.

Like Mississippi, Louisiana will elect a United States senator this month. The contest possesses national interest, but its local interest is added to by the fact that the election will displace, with a democrat, the notorious Kellogg, who now admits that McEnery was elected governor by the people when he usurped the place. There are a number of prominent and able gentlemen spoken of for the position. Among them are, Hon. Randall L. Gibson, Hon. James Eustis, late United States senator, who was succeeded by Hon. B. F. Jonas, Hon. E. John Ellis, Hon. J. Floyd King, Hon. John McEnery, and Judge Spofford, so long the contestant for the seat in the senate while occupied by William Pitt Kellogg. Messrs. Gibson, Ellis and King are members of the lower house of congress at this time, and are conspicuous for their ability. Though all these gentlemen are flatteringly mentioned, only Messrs. Gibson, McEnery and Spofford are understood to be candidates. As a looker on, we confess a desire to see Judge Spofford rewarded by a re-election for his persistent opposition to the theft of the seat by Mr. Kellogg.

It should be remembered at every polling place in the seventh congressional district that the new law requires four instead of three judges. Here it is, as found in section 5,495, chapter 101, "of elections:" "In all counties in this state four judges of election shall be appointed by the county court for each election precinct in each of said counties, and there shall also be provided two ballot boxes for said judges of election, one of which shall be numbered No. 1, and the other numbered No. 2, and it shall be the duty of said judges to select from their number two judges, who shall be designated and known as receiving judges, and two who shall be designated and known as counting judges." The object of the law is to have the ballots counted as they are cast, that the result of an election may be the more expeditiously made known. In most of the counties the old law has been followed and only three judges have been appointed. This should be promptly remedied. The law requires that *four judges shall be appointed by the county court for each precinct.*

The republican and greenback conventions met at Sedalia, last Wednesday. An effort was made on the part of the republicans to bring the greenbackers into their camp, but they would not go. They refused to coalesce unless the republicans would support their man, this the republicans declined. The republicans then nominated our old time friend, who was governor when "rebels" were not allowed to vote, Hon. Jas. W. McClurg. The greenbackers nominated Hon. W. C. Aldridge, the present representative in the legislature from Moniteau county.

Every democrat in this district owes himself and the party a duty in this election. Lay was only elected by 960 majority, and as the republican and greenback parties work in the dark there is no knowing what they may do before election day. Their vote lies principally in the towns; it awaits the orders of the leaders, and it will turn out to a man. So, democrats, do your duty. Vote, and see that your neighbor goes to the polls.

A very destructive fire visited Boston last Sunday night. The publishing house of Messrs. Houghton, Osgood & Co. was destroyed, as well as the business houses of Sabine & Page, hardware; Williams & Coburn, wool; the Ashton valve company; Ephraim Baker, book bindery; S. K. Abbott, pamphlet binder; E. T. Caswell and others. The entire loss is estimated to be about $2,500,000.

An attempt was made the other day to assassinate the king and queen of Spain. It was unsuccessful, but still it must make the young people uncomfortable.

Jim Keene sent four million dollars to Chicago, last Wednesday, to buy January wheat.

There must be *four* judges of election. See to it.

Philips speaks here next Tuesday night.

THE BOONVILLE CONVENTION.

At an early hour, on Monday night last, the crowded condition of the hotels in Boonville bore testimony to the fact that the democracy of the seventh congressional district was awake to the importance of nominating, by full representation, a candidate for congress.

It was ascertained on the following morning that all the counties in the district were represented, and at 11:30 o'clock, a. m., in the absence of A. J. Hall, Esq., the chairman of the executive committee, Mr. J. H. Johnson, of Cooper county, the secretary, called the convention to order, and nominated Dr. L. D. Ewing, of Johnson county, as temporary chairman. Dr. Ewing was elected, and Mr. W. K. Bradbury, of Jefferson City, was chosen as temporary secretary.

On motion of Mr. Geo. S. Young, of Johnson county, committees on credentials and permanent organization were appointed.

On motion of A. A. Lesueur the convention adjourned until 1 o'clock.

On re-assembling, Mr. W. B. Steele reported from the committee on credentials, as follows:

Mr. President:—Your committee on credentials beg leave to report the following names as duly accredited and entitled to seats in this convention:

Benton county—C. H. Drake, E. T. Rhea, R. W. Campbell.

Camden county—W. R. Roach, F. Hooker.

Cole county—C. J. Gundelfinger, Ed. Silver, H. B. Hamilton, A. W. Ewing, W. K. Bradbury.

Cooper County—J. E. Stephens, D. C. Wing, G. G. Cockrell, S. S. Sanders, J. H. Johnson, W. H. Long, N. W. Harris, John Cosgrove.

Dallas county—W. A. Camp, Frank Furth.

Hickory county—Judge M. E. Ferguson.

Johnson county—Geo. S. Young, J. M. Wall, W. H. H. Brown, S. P. Williams, L. D. Ewing, T. J. Whitsett, W. G. Ruffin, Jno. Taggart, N. W. Perry.

Lafayette county—Jo. O. Shelby, W. B. Steele, S. W. Creasy, J. W. Lewis, W. H. Chiles, G. M. Mountjoy, A. A. Lesueur, B. T. Cooper, C. L. Ewing, Daniel Bates, R. T. Conn.

Miller county—S. H. Stone, J. L. Cummings.

Moniteau county—H. H. Hudson, S. H. Strother, J. E. Hazell, — Deffendorf, — Groom.

Morgan county—T. G. Snodgrass, T. B. Clark, J. A. Hannay.

Pettis county—John T. Heard, V. T. Chilton, Dr. A. H. Conkwright, J. A. Lacy, W. F. Tuttle, O. P. Hatton, Ed. Hurley, M. Henoch, J. H. Hogue.

Polk county—R. B. Beck.

The committee further concurred in the action of the congressional committee in the vote to which each county was entitled.

Hon. John T. Heard reported from the committee on permanent organization, offering fair rules and regulations, and recommending the following named officers, all of which was approved by the convention:

For Permanent President—James H. Johnson, of Cooper county.

For Vice-President—Dr. W. A. Camp, of Dallas county.

For Secretary—Mr. Wm. K. Bradbury, of Cole county

For Assistant Secretary—Mr. L. F. Deffendorf of Moniteau county.

The permanent officers assumed their places, and the president announced that under the rules nominations were in order.

Hon. H. H. Hudson, of Moniteau county, an ex-member of the Missouri legislature, and a farmer, in a short speech placed Hon. John F. Philips in nomination.

Mr. W. H. Chiles, of Lafayette county, in an earnest speech, in which he spoke of the great agricultural interests of the district, and the desire which the farmers had to see themselves represented in the halls of congress by members of their own avocation, named Hon. M. V. L. McClelland. He then dwelt upon the claims which Lafayette county possesses from its wealth, and strong democratic vote, and said that Lafayette county offered to the district a gentleman whose ability and fitness for the place were conceded—a gentleman of whose election there could be no doubt if he was preferred by the convention.

Hon. Charles L. Ewing, in an eloquent speech, seconded the nomination of Col. McClelland.

Mr. Frank Furth nominated Ben. V. Alton, Esq., of Dallas county.

H. B. Hamilion, Esq., nominated Hon. J. Ed. Belch, of Cole county.

At this point, while there was a momentary pause before taking the ballot, Col. McClelland rose to address the convention. He was received with warm applause from all parts of the house. By request he advanced to the front of the room, and in a short speech, full of eloquence and pathos, withdrew his name from before the convention. He said that he could see enough to convince him that a majority of the district at this time preferred another; but that his own county, with singular unanimity, expressing a desire to see him nominated for congress, he had not felt at liberty to decline becoming their candidate before the convention. He thanked the delegates from everywhere for their courtesy, and especially the "faithful delegation" from his own county for their untiring work in his behalf; but, despite the protest of his delegation, in the interest of that harmony and good feeling which was necessary in this election, he insisted on withdrawing his name. He then spoke in glowing terms of the democratic party and its mission, and closed his speech with a touching eulogy of Alfred M. Lay, which brought tears to the eyes of more than one of his audience.

Mr. Cosgrove arose, and made an appropriate speech, concluding it by seconding the nomination of Col. Philips.

Mr. Ewing, the chairman of the Lafayette delegation, in compliance with Col. McClelland's request, as made to the convention, withdrew his name.

A ballot was then taken with the following result:—Benton county, Philips, 3; Belch, 0; Camden. Philips, 0; Belch, 2; Cole, Philips, 0; Belch, 5; Cooper, Philips, 8; Belch, 0; Dallas, Philips, 2, Belch, 0; Hickory, Philips, 1, Belch, 0; Johnson, Philips, 9; Belch, 0; Lafayette, Philips, 5½; Belch, 5½; Miller, Philips, 0; Belch, 2; Moniteau, Philips, 5; Belch, 0; Morgan, Philips, 3; Belch, 0; Pettis, Philips, 9; Belch, 0; Polk, Philips, 4; Belch, 0. Total for Philips, 49½; total for Belch, 14½.

Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. C. L. Ewing, moved that the nomination of Col. Philips be made unanimous, which was done.

Col. Philips was brought into the room and escorted to the platform by Gen. Jo O. Shelby and two other gentlemen, appointed as a committee for the purpose. He was received with enthusiastic cheers, and responded in an eloquent speech, which enchained the attention of his listeners, and warmed their hearts toward the man and his cause. Like Col. McClelland, he paid a glowing tribute to the memory of Maj. Lay, which met with a responsive chord in every heart.

So ended the convention.

HON. JOHN F. PHILIPS.

[From the Sedalia Democrat, Dec. 31.]

From the foundation of the government to the present time the Democratic party has been the natural champion and protector of everything that represented legal or social order in the country. It began its guardianship with the aggressions of the British crown, and whether under defeat, in ostracism, or in exile, it has never ceased in watchfulness, nor rested from its patriotic labors. To unite the people again as of old, and to restore again something of its old-time prosperity to the land, it is only necessary to put back into power the democratic party. Congress can do as much in this direction, perhaps more, than any other agency. Congress makes the laws and handles the money, that is to say, makes the laws and handles the money of the whole people. Herein is contained the whole science of republican government. Honestly summed up it means justice and economy. Dishonestly summed up it means intolerance and highway robbery. If the making of the laws accords with the constitution and flows from that enlightened statesmanship which gathers within its comprehensive grasp the real interests and necessities of the whole country, there will be integrity in every department of the public administration. If the handling of the money is zealously guarded, and if it is only appropriated after the most rigid examinations of accounts and the most conscientious application of economy, taxation will be light, the burdens of government not hard to bear, and the innumerable obligations of the masses rendered easy of fulfillment. In congress also there can be made powerful just now the irrefutable argument of contrast. There—upon the sands of an arena as it were—radicalism and democracy can be made to engage in combat. The sole spectator will be the nation. Have no fear but what the nation will judge fairly. Between Grantism and states rights it will not be difficult for it to make up its mind. Between a treasury systematic-pilaged and one guarded night and day; between civil services, one of which puts rogues in the penitenary, and the other puts rogues in offices of high honor and trust; between a senate owned by a lobby and a senate recalling the days of Benton, Clay, Calhoun and Webster; between a house of representatives selling its legislative powers to whoever has money to pay and jobs to advance, and a house watching every bill and sensitively stopping every leak; between the caucus which labors to overturn state governments, and the caucus that asks only the united views of patriotism; between the manipulations of an army which is made to interfere in elections, and an army operated as the component part of a just administration; between the passage of partisan measures intended expressly to benefit a faction or a clique, and the unbought and unprejudiced work which is intended for all and which benefits all, the nation will not be slow to choose. It is even now making its choice, and has been making it for the past half a dozen years.

That was the secret of Philips' almost unanimous nomination yesterday by the Boonville convention. His opponents were able, upright, honorable democrats, but they were wholly without experience at Washington City. The democrats of the seventh district saw a future big with momentous things. They saw constitutional government needed its truest and boldest defenders. They saw that the next struggle would be over the very form and nature of the government itself, and hence they nominated a man yesterday who, whether in victory or defeat, has clung all his life undauntedly to the principles and traditions of the grand old democratic organization with a fixedness of purpose that never knew an hour of wavering and a confidence that never felt the shadow of a cloud. Bold, gifted, of stainless manhood, true to cause, and creed, and party; by birth, education, and love a thorough western man; calm in council, fearless in combat; standing always among the first of his associates in talent and zeal; quick in the practical parts of legislation; full of resource, suavity, and honest comradeship, willing to live and let live as becomes the fortunate man of business, the district has now a chance to elect a man who in a hundred ways can be to it of immense advantage.

Personalities.

Mrs. W. H. Foster is quite ill.

"Scrib." Smith is in the city, visiting.

Mr. Jos. Baehr, Jr., is home from St. Louis, on a visit.

Henry Bennett, of Bethany, is seven feet two inches in height.

Mr. Edgar Fleming came up from St. Louis for the holidays.

Mr. John P. Hausam returned, Monday, from a visit to Sedalia.

Capt. W. D. Rankin, of Ray county, is suffering from erysipelas

Col. Philips was forty-five years old last Thursday, January 1st.

Miss Bertha Meineke, of Concordia, is visiting friends and relatives here.

We regret to see by the Mexico Ledger that ex-Gov. C. H. Hardin is very ill.

Most of the boys who came home for the holidays have gone back to work.

Miss Fannie Drysdale went down to Sedalia Tuesday, on a short visit to friends.

Mrs. John, mother of our worthy mayor, had a slight stroke of paralysis a few days ago.

Mr. I. McD. Demuth, of Sedalia, was in the city, Wednesday, and called on the Intelligencer.

We hear there was a grand tin wedding at Mr. John Holman's, in Clay township, last night.

Mr. Wallace Chambers and Mr. Buckle, his schoolmate, spent Christmas week in the city.

There was a baby born in Louisiana, Mo., recently, which weighed only one pound and a half.

Geo. Schofield has been confined to his bed several days the past week, but is now out again.

Mrs. Mary Zeiler, of Carrollton, arrived in the city Monday, for a visit to friends and relatives.

Miss Mildred Lee, daughter of Gen. R. E. Lee, has just completed a voyage around the world.

Miss Berry of the E. Aull Seminary, spent the holidays with Mrs. Jno. F. Philips, of Sedalia.

Mr. A. F. Weedin desires us to change his address from Kingsville, Mo., to New Homer, Missouri.

Mrs. Jas. Zeiler and Miss Mary Carpenter went over to Norborne Wednesday night to visit their brother.

Mr. Charles H. Royle and lady and Miss Fannie Royle returned, a few days ago, from a visit to Kansas City.

Mr. Al. Leard is up and about after his somewhat dangerous fall from a baggage wagon last Monday evening.

Mr. Lilburn Shields and Miss Nannie Trigg, of St. Louis, are in the city visiting their relatives and friends.

Rev. Frank W. Henry, son of Judge Henry, of the supreme bench, has recently entered the Episcopal ministry.

Mr. Thos. Paxton, of Marshall, has been in the city during the past week, visiting the family of Mr. T. H. Smith.

Henry Yingling, a compositor in the Register office, has been confined to his bed by a lung disease for two weeks.

Mr. Jas. Nichols had a family re-union at his residence last Sunday. Nearly all the members of the family were present.

Mr. Carter Temple, of Trinidad, Colorado, arrived in the city Wednesday night, to make a visit to the family of his father, Dr. P. Temple.

A western editor says one bug is worth a dozen love letters, and they cannot be introduced as evidence in a breach of promise suit.

Rev. Wm. Marquis, of Fulton, who has been in town visiting his mother at the E. Aull Seminary, called on the Intelligencer Wednesday.

Last Sunday's Kansas City Journal mentions Misses Jessie Bouton and Joella Morris, of Lexington, as having spent the holidays in that place.

Mr. Jno. E. Arnold, who came in from his ranche in the Indian territory to spend the holidays with his relatives in this city, will be here about a week longer.

Mr. James C. Hooton, conductor on the main line of the Missouri Pacific railroad, spent Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in this city being admired by the ladies.

Lieut. Heber M. Creel, of the 7th cavalry, son of Alexander M. Creel, Esq., of Saline county, is in the city. He will be here until next Tuesday, when he goes home, by way of Kansas City.

Columbia Statesman:—Mrs. Seddon, of Lexington, who has been on a visit to Prof. Fleet and family, left Tuesday for home. * * * Miss Clara Allen, of Lexington, is visiting in Columbia as the guest of Miss Ella Ferguson.

St. Louis Times, Dec. 29:—"Eugene Field left last evening for Kansas City. Mr. Field accepts a position upon the Kansas City Times. He carries with him the best and warmest wishes of the St. Louis journalists."

"Did Cleopatra die of asp-ms?"—[Exchange. "This is a venomous question. Will some paragrapher adder few* remarks?"—[Yawcoob Strauss. "Cleopatra died trying to viper chin off."—[Burlington Hawkeye. Hum, we never saw such punning bee fore.

Sedalia Democrat, December 28:—Mr. Tol. Graves, of the ancient city of Lexington, came down yesterday to spend the holiday season with his many friends in this city. * * * Mr. and Mrs. I. Keller, of Lexington, passed through the city last night, en route for St. Louis.

We learn by the round-about way of the London World that "Dr. Sullivan," as it calls the great composer, is already at work, setting to music "The Seagull," a lyric by Mrs. Marion T. Fortescue, one of the wittiest and most charming hostesses of the New York society that clusters around "Fif."

The following gentlemen have paid us friendly visits since our last issue: Lieut. Heber M. Creel, U. S. A.; Dr. McDonald, of Odessa; Dr. Seeber, of Higginsville; Uncle Stred Renick, N. C. Ewing, Elijah D. Neer, Theodore Bates, Fillmore Mitchell, Henry Kramer, N. Sigwart, O. H. P. Catron, Joseph Neale, W. H. V. Raymond, Alex. Patterson and L. M. Webb.

Carrollton Democrat, December 27th:—"Mrs. George Zeiler left for Lexington, Tuesday morning last, to spend Christmas with relatives and friends. * * * Grandfather Turner and lady have gone to Burlington Junction, Mo., to see their married children and the grandchild. * * * Mr. Ed Loomis, of Lexington, Mo., takes charge of the telegraph office in this city during the holidays, while Mr. Mort McKim goes to Marshall, Mo., to eat Christmas turkey with the old folks. * * * Quite a number of the school girls and boys have returned home to spend the holidays. Among them Miss Lillie Arnold, of Central College, Lexington; Miss Emma Kerby and Miss Mabel Scott, of Elizabeth Aull Seminary, Lexington.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

ALMA.

Colds are quite prevalent. Handkerchiefs are in demand.

There is considerable hog cholera in Middleton township.

Misses Bettie Hayes & Lida Goodwin are visiting at Mr. W. D. Lewis'.

Prof. Storandt has a music class at Alma. He gives lessons on both piano and organ.

But few persons attended the primary election at this place; owing, I suppose, to cold weather and Christmas times.

The members composing the law firm of Scott, Taylor & Cowherd visited this neighborhood during the holidays. They are a business set of young men who are members of the Y. M. C. A. And any one needing the assistance of an attorney would do well to call on them.

Miss Sallie Goodwin and Addie Smelser are at home from school, and will return next Monday.

A handsome young gentleman from Aullville, who has been shelling corn in this neighborhood, has some other business on hand, judging from his frequent visits this bad weather. D.

SCHOOLINGVILLE.

Health good.

Weather quite cold.

Ice houses are all full.

Lots of fun this Christmas.

Wm. Finch is feeding two car loads of cattle and two of hogs.

D. J. Waters is feeding one car load of cattle and one of hogs.

J. M. Armentrout is feeding one car of cattle and one of hogs.

The old as well as the young have been having parties lately. First they stormed J. M. Armentrout; then D. J. Waters; then Jackson Corder; then Dr. Carthrae.

Jackson Corder is feeding one hundred head of hogs. He sold, Tuesday, to John Lewis, one car load of fat cows, for $2 50 per hundred, and twenty head of hogs, at $4 per hundred.

At the election at the last meeting of Prairie grange, No. 462, the following officers were elected: D. J. Waters, master; W. R. Finch, overseer; J. Corder, lecturer; John Groves, first steward; H. Drider, second steward; C. Elmaker, treasurer; Dr. L. Carthrae, secretary; J. M. Armentrout, gate keeper; Mrs. N. C. Corder, Ceres; Mrs. A. Hickman, Pomona; Mrs. E. Carthrae, Flora; Mrs. Bettie J. Corder, lady steward. They will have a public installation next Saturday. VISITOR.

WAVERLY.

Snow and sleet Tuesday.

The ice harvest has commenced here in earnest, and all the idle teams are mustered into service in order to secure ice sufficient to fill the many ice houses.

Married, on Sunday, the 28th, at the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. Sam'l Whiting, Mr. Dempsey Gallagher and Miss Sallie Fletcher. Demp. as the boys call him, has been in our midst about a year, yet by his industry, sobriety and honesty he has won hosts of friends. Dot wishes him and his beautiful bride a long and joyous life.

The Good Templars' supper came off as per announcement. The lady members of the lodge worked diligently and earnestly for several days, making necessary preparations for the coming feast. The lodge room was beautifully and tastefully festooned with evergreen. Near the entrance to the room, suspended from the ceiling, were the letters "F. H. H.," the motto of the order, "Faith, Hope and Charity," the whole elegantly festooned with branches of evergreen. Nearer the chair of the presiding officer was the word "Welcome," made by intertwining branches of the fir tree. Over each officers' stand was a beautiful arch of evergreen, and over the chair of the W. C. T. were the mystic letters "I. O. G. T." At 6 o'clock the lodge was called to order by Col. J. J. Hickman, the R. W. G. Templar of the World. After the business of the lodge was gone through with it adjourned to the City Hall, where there was a plentiful repast awaiting them. We could not enumerate the many different dishes served, but suffice it to say that there was everything that the appetite could wish, and more than sufficient to feed the crowd. One hundred Good Templars were fed and fed to the brim. Another interesting feature of the occasion was the presentation of the beautiful pitcher and goblets to the lodge by the deputy, Dr. Yancey. This was the prize offered by the Grand Dodge, as mentioned by your correspondent some two or three weeks ago. They were made of the finest French flint glass, elaborately engraved, and are something for which Alpha Lodge No. 945 may justly feel proud. DOT.

HIGGINSVILLE.

'Squire Hudson is very sick.

Grove Young will soon open a branch store at Corder.

Edward Buehner left, yesterday, for Quincy, Illinois, where he will attend school.

Messrs. Smith, Asbury and Blair have commenced sinking a coal shaft at Corder.

Claus Feldhut has closed out his stock of clothing. He intends to locate in Kansas.

Several of our ladies and gentlemen were at the Dover leap year party, Thursday night.

Mr. John Short and Miss Lillie Guard were married on the first instant. I could not learn the officiating minister's name.

About twenty-five couples of our young folks danced and talked away several hours Tuesday night, at the Vivion House.

Misses Tillie Powell and Lulie Reyburn, of Richmond, who had been visiting here, left, Wednesday, for Lexington.

A pleasant little party was given at Mrs. S. R. Smith's, Wednesday evening, in honor of Miss Mollie Foster, of Lexington.

Mr. Ab. Marsh, the popular and genial conductor on the Mo. P. R. R., was presented a cake Friday, by the Catholic festival.

Misses May Creel and Kate Hawkins, of Saline county, were guests of the Eagle Hotel, Wednesday. They were on their way to the Baptist College, at Lexington.

We have a bridge-builder. Can Lexington say as much? Ed Zeller broke the bridge of his "big fiddle," Thursday night, at the Catholic festival. A gentleman standing near immediately built, as he termed it, another one—it was a first rate specimen of pocket-knife architecture, too.

A young gentleman of this city, who is interested in a hotel situated in the central portion of the town, called on a young lady a few evenings ago. He held out his feet, and asked her how she would like to "knit" for them. He says he'll be "darned" if he ever asks her that question again. Ben. must have big feet.

The Catholics of this place gave a festival on the first instant, in a building belonging to Mr. Schulz. The festival was a success pecuniarily, I am told, though I do not know the exact amount of the proceeds. As an occasion of pleasure, it was much less enjoyable than it would have been had the room been larger—so large a crowd being present that it was almost impossible to turn around. Considering the disadvantages, the ladies in charge of the supper and refreshment stands attended the wants of their patrons with promptness. The crowding and pushing would have been more easily endured and less noticed, had there been no smoking. Nearly every man present smoked the entire evening, rendering it very disagreeable to the ladies. SAM.

ODESSA.

Christmas has come and gone with its train of gaieties and pleasures; its recreations and memories.

The weather has been quite cold for some time, but it is warmer now.

Want of snow has proscribed the usual holiday amusement of sleigh-riding.

Miss Alice Berry, of Greenton, is visiting Miss Ida Ornduff, near this place.

Miss Varner, of Wellington, is visiting at Mr. Baggsby's.

The Mt. Hope lodge of the masonic order held their installation in their hall, in this place, on last Saturday. We noticed Mr. Judson Armstrong, of Bates City, in attendance. The Mt. Hope Cornet Band furnished the music.

There is still an immense corn trade at this place. We hope that farmers will not sell their crop too clean, for next year may prove to be a poor crop year.

On Christmas eve there was a Christmas tree at the new Baptist church, in this place, which was a great success. The building is of large size, but, notwithstanding the intensely cold weather, it was packed and crammed to overflowing. The audience seemed one mass of heads. Old and young, rich and poor, male and female, made up one dense assemblage of human beings. The tree was beautifully arrayed and decorated with branches of evergreen, various colored cornucopias, &c. Among those who assisted in the music, and in making the tree so tasteful, arranging its decorations and putting the presents upon it, may be mentioned: Mrs. N. K. Henry, Mrs. Dr. Ladd, Mrs Ferrell, Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Herring, Mrs. Adams, and Misses Ella Ferguson and Ella Taylor, also Mr. J. W. McBurney and Drs. Wood, Johnson and McDonald. The ceremonies were introduced with music, by a quartette, with organ accompaniment. Song, "Come again with singing." Song, "Hark, the song of Jubilee." Short address by Rev. Clemens, of Mt. Hebron. An anthem by the quartette. "Santa Claus," a recitation by Miss Anna Miller, was exceedingly well rendered for a little girl. Santa Claus next appeared, clad in his wintry garments of fur, long gray beard and tinkling bells, much to the astonishment of the children, many of whom never saw the veritable old gentleman himself before. Many a furtive glance and gazing eye was directed toward him as he came in and marched up the aisle and took his seat by the tree, to preside over the distribution of the presents, which then commenced. There was a fine display of presents, and the distribution was attended with much amusement. We would like to mention some of them, but it would be unfair to mention some and leave others. Everything passed off quietly, and nothing occurred to take the sweetness out of the occasion.

On Friday evening of last week the Pittsville Amateur Dramatic Troupe gave an entertainment at Gibbs' Hall. Beside "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room" they presented several comic pieces, all of which were enjoyed by the audience. There was a pleasant little social party at Mr. M. C. Ryland's, on Christmas evening. Quite a number of persons were present, and, of course, had a pleasant time. Mrs. Ryland entertained her guests with a supper which would have made an epicure weep with joy. The guests were not long in demonstrating their appreciation of the culinary efforts of their hostess.

We just learn that Barbour Hobson was considerably hurt, Monday evening, by his team running away with him. In crossing the railroad track at the depot one of his horses became frightened, and suddenly jumping forward, jerked him off a load of hay on to the double tree. A cut on the head and a considerable bruise on the thigh were the worst damage he sustained. His wagon collided with a wagon belonging to Mr. Cobb. Both wagons were badly wrecked.

Yours, PHIL.

THE ALTAR.

Married—In this city, at the Catholic church, Monday Dec. 29, by Rev. J. J. Lilly, Mr. JOHN READY and Miss MAGGIE HOLLERAN.

—At Higginsville, Lafayette county, Mo., January 1st, Mr. JOHN SHORT and Miss LILLIE GUARD, daughter of W. F. Guard, formerly of this city.

—In this city, Dec. 30th, 1879, by Rev. Dr. Talbird, Mr. LEONARD RUPPLE and Miss PEARL REX.

—At Waverly, Lafayette county, Mo., Sunday, December 28, by Rev. Sam'l Whiting, Mr. DEMPSEY GALLAHER and Miss SALLIE FLETCHER.

THEY HAVE LAUNCHED THEIR BARKS.

Cupid has been wielding the restless and enchanting chain of love, and at the residence of the fair, gay bride, on the 23d ult., bound together for weal or woe Miss Sallie Dean and Mr. Isaac P. Taylor, one of Lafayette's favorites, and son of Capt. Sam. F. Taylor. We have known the bride for years, and feel that she is one who has the tender ties of love and the essential characteristics of a true woman. Should he be smitten by sudden calamity she will be his stay and solace, tenderly supporting the drooping head and binding the shattered heart. After the ceremony the happy couple left for a short tour to St. Louis. On their return the groom's mother, Mrs. Buck Battaile, welcomed them with a grand reception. The beauty and chivalry of Lafayette and Saline counties were there. Spirited and lively were the conversations, and when music arose with its voluptuous swell soft eyes looked love to eyes which spake again, And all went merry as a marriage bell. Not a thousand but a hundred hearts beat happily. We noticed several persons from a distance: Miss Fannie Caldwell and brother, of Independence; Miss Maggie Roon, of St. Louis; Messrs. E. G. Taylor and W. J. Scott, two promising young lawyers of Kansas City; Mr. Marshall, of Virginia, and several Columbia college students, Mr. Jas. Thornton, Jr., of San Antonia, Texas, and John M. Taylor, becomingly attired in their uniform. Then, too, the evening can boast of three brides, Mrs. Wm. Yantis, nee Miss Lizzie Taylor, Mrs. John Taylor, nee Maggie Pinkerton, and the bride of the 23d ult., each wearing elegant and elaborately trimmed gros grain silks, long trains, with beautiful cascades of the richest laces, admirably interwoven with orange blossoms. Each bride seemed lifted on the wings of joy and love, so smiling and happy were their faces. About eleven o'clock we were invited to partake of a bountifully prepared table, upon which something could be found to tempt the most delicate appetite. At 2 o'clock the merry crowd dispursed, thinking the evening one among the brightest pictures, on memory's wall. In conclusion we wish the groom and bride a life of prosperity, usefulness and goodness, and when they shall be summoned from this "vale of tears" may they dwell in the house of many mansions. BROWNLOCK.

THE CRADLE.

Born—In Clay township, Dec. 25, to the wife of Mr. James Laughlin, a boy—the child lived only until the 29th, 4 days.

—In Middleton township, Lafayette county, Mo., recently, to the wife of Mr. Ben. Fell—a boy.

—At Aullville, Lafayette county, Mo., Monday, Dec. 29, to the wife of Mr. W. R. Jackson—a boy.

—In Wellington township, Lafayette county, Mo., Jan. 1st, to the wife of Mr. James L. Trambel—a girl.

THE TOMB.

Died—At North Lexington, Ray county, Mo., Monday, December 29, Mr. LYNCH VANDERPOOL, aged about 22 years. His remains were interred in Machpelah cemetery, in this city, last Wednesday.

—In Johnson county, Mo., Dec. 26, of consumption, ELIZABETH, wife of Thomas Glover, and daughter of Oliver C. Gann, of this county, aged about 35 years.

—In Washington township, Lafayette county, Mo., near Mt. Tabor church, Saturday, Dec. 27, of consumption, Mr. C. M. DUNAWAY, aged 43 years. Mr. Dunaway had until recently resided in Henry county. OBITUARY.

Died, near Aullville, after a short illness of abscess of the liver, Arabell, wife of Alexander Osborne, aged 27 years. She was born in Hart county, Ky. Her father, Henry Keyser, died in Lafayette county, Mo., in 1857, and she married in 1865, and moved to Lafayette county where she remained up to the time of her death. She leaves a devoted husband and seven children to mourn her loss. The writer has been intimately acquainted with the deceased for six years, and can recall many fond recollections and happy associations which we have enjoyed under her hospitable roof. Her amiable disposition, kind and generous nature always won for her the highest regard and admiration of all those who were favored with her acquaintance, being ever ready to sacrifice her own pleasures for the comfort and pleasure of others. She made a profession of christianity about two years ago. Religious sentiment seemed inherent in her very nature, and to inculcate it into the minds of her little children seemed to be her chief desire. Truly was she a model of womanly pur