

## CORRESPONDENCE.

Correspondents will please send in their items so as to reach this office not later than Tuesday morning in order to insure insertion. Promptness in this matter will assist the management materially in getting out the Advocate on time. Please bear this in mind and give us your news as early in the week as possible.—Editor.

### Mills.

Dan Bingham is having his clover hay hauled across the creek from Henry Mills' place, in order to be ready to feed his work stock this summer.

The egg and chicken peddlers are stirring about to-day near DeWitt, fixing to take another trip to Black Raven.

Green Lester has returned from his trip to Four Mile and is filling out the day stopping cracks in the fence to keep his hogs inside.

Wesley Gray entertained a few boys at John N. Lester's store last Monday night, and while the fun was going on his horse broke loose and had to walk home, and when he found his horse it was a gray mare.

Brice Walker is a hard working man; he works everything he can to please his young wife.

Brice Simpson, a merchant of this place, had a good trade Saturday, having sold seven cents worth of goods, and five cents on credit.

Thomas Warren and Mat Broughton have to take a pencil and paper to set down the names of their children before they can count them.

Rev. Nasby Simpson took his last text in his shop, and when he got through he had turned four mule shoes at 2½ cents each.

Farmers are very active at DeWitt this spring, trying every plan to keep from making corn or to avoid work.

The county road viewers are going to have a road near DeWitt. They are going to swing a wire bridge from B. J. Mills' farm to Jas. Luster's barn in order to get out of the high water mark.

E. G. Saulsberry is a very good man; he has got the roads in good shape to dry out by ditching them from one end to the other.

S. E. Early is a very independent man. I guess he will be Sheriff—if he can.

M. G. Hignite is the stuff, and if everybody thinks it, that is enough. Hurrah! for him.

J. H. Warren, salesman for the Begg Manufacturing Co., has been sick for some time, but his illness has been relieved by Ramon's pills.

Green Luster will not suffer with hunger this summer, for he has just brought in a good fat cow and a nice male calf. The cow looks like she will give plenty of good, rich milk for the poor Republican and his Democratic boys.

Dick Epperson will make a good crop this year. He has been thinking about planting two acres.

Andy Gambrel and wife visited their parents last Sunday and took them back home with them.

Isaac Messer accompanied Miss Beckey Epperson to church last Sunday on Moore's creek.

Campbell & Baker, merchants of DeWitt, lead other for prices. I saw Campbell leading a goose to water the other day. The prices are higher and others follow them.

Henry Mills, a miller, at DeWitt, will have lots of corn to ship off this summer. He grinds from one peck to a bushel every grind day.

John Carrier will move to his place very soon. He has been building seven years and has got his chimney up already.

T. J. Warren and Mat Broughton will make lots of corn this year if Mat can keep Warren from cursing his mule.

C. B. Woolum, a merchant of DeWitt, has sold out his large stock and bought young yearlings instead.

W. R. Walker is a farmer of De

Witt; he has sowed lots of oats and will plant his corn very soon if winter breaks.

Frank Warren, our postmaster, has bought a new fire-proof safe, and when it was put in place, invited all his friends to bring in their money and leave it for safe keeping.

A few days ago he was showing his wife the new safe, and, closing it, in her presence, bantered her to open it. She tried and failed. He then attempted to show her how easily it was done but, to his chagrin and surprise he could not open it himself. The combination instructions were locked up with his money and other valuables inside the safe and refused to come out. He spent the day showing his wife how it worked, and at night had not succeeded in opening the safe.

He wrote the company in regard to his troubles, and they told him to read the instructions, but he can not do that as they are in the safe. His \$800 is safe, and he has not spent a penny of it in the past two weeks. We think he has a sure enough safe.

DAVID MILLS.

### Bailey's Switch.

W. M. Martin, who had typhoid fever a short time ago, is improving.

Frank Parrott, who has been very low with typhoid fever, is better at this writing.

Mrs. E. Hutchins is on the sick list this week and is no better at this time.

Miss Birdie Taylor is on the sick list this week and is no better at present.

W. M. Hubbard, of Crane's Nest, passed by here last week on his way to Harlan Court House on business.

Asa West, of Canada, Ky., was here this week representing the Fidelity Portrait company.

Mrs. George Gibson visited friends in Virginia last week, returning home Friday.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Grace has been blessed with a fine boy. Dan says he can make a fine crop this year by having one more work hand.

W. F. Dozier was at home Sunday from Chenoa, Bell county. Mr. Dozier says that he will finish the work up there in a month, and then he will be home to stay and see how many of the boys aim to run against him for Sheriff. He has the saddle pockets ready to put the tax book in.

John McBee, of this place, was called to Middlesboro last week to the bedside of his daughter, who is very low.

R. L. Mason, of Chenoa, Bell county, was here last week on business.

W. H. Grace and wife were guests of E. S. Trooper Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Willis, of Cannon, were guests of W. M. Martin Sunday.

Judge H. C. Faulkner was a pleasant visitor at Bailey's Switch Sunday. The judge, when a boy, went to school at McClellan school-house, one-half mile from the switch. He remembers the old settlers that lived here years ago that we never saw.

W. S. TAYLOR.

### Pleasant Ridge.

Rev. J. T. Stamper preached at this place Sunday.

A good Sunday-school here, and everybody is cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Golden were guests of Mrs. Margaret Smith last Sunday.

Frank Parrott is on the sick list this week.

Noah Lockard is a candidate for matrimony. Watch out, girls.

Henry Centers is farming heavy this year. A good crop of pumpkin is expected.

John F. Golden, of this place, went to see his best girl last Sunday.

Thomas Beets and family, from London, Ky., visited Mr. Centers last Saturday.

Mr. Enoch Smith went to Wayne county last week.

Hurrah! for J. T. Stamper, of this place, for County Judge.

Quite a crowd was out to hear Rev. J. T. Stamper preach. A good crowd from Pleasant View attended.

Arch Beatty wears a sad face since his best girl married. Arch has bad luck.

Whorton Stamper got kicked by his grey mule while plowing last week.

Spencer King says he is going to marry. You had better watch widows.

Henry Tuggle was out from Barbourville Sunday looking him out a girl.

Bill Baker says he has planted sixteen bushels of potatoes. He says may be he will have enough to do him.

A good crop of chickens is expected off this week.

JOHNY JUMP-UP.

### Holden, Ky.

John Liford, from Elk Valley, Tennessee, is visiting homefolks this week.

John Black was down from Flat Lick Sunday.

Mrs. Rhoda Henson and son are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green Skinner, at Place, this week.

Quite a crowd from here was down to hear Rev. Geo. O. Barnes preach, Saturday night.

Miss Mattie Morris is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Dora Hawn, this week.

Mrs. Sallie Walton spent Monday with Mrs. H. P. Martin.

J. H. Walton caught a very fine bass the other day measuring seventeen inches. It is said to be the largest ever caught in this creek.

Miss Sarah Manis is spending a few days with friends at Place.

We are very sorry indeed to learn that one young gentleman got very much offended about mentioning his name in the paper last week. We hope he will pardon us this time and we will promise never to mention his name again. VERDANT.

### Cannon.

Roads are improving in this part now.

Mr. Stephens from West Virginia, who has been here drilling for Nash, has returned home recently. He says he is done with this wooden country.

Miss Sarah Jones entertained quite a lovely lot of visitors Sunday, and singing was at the highest point.

Ed. Miracle has laid off his standing collar and donned his straw hat and is hauling logs. Go it, Ed.

Spring has opened; we see lots of straw hats in bloom.

James Brooks and wife were guests of Mrs. Kitty Brooks Sunday.

Miss Minnie Burnett, of Bertha, was the guests of Miss Sarah Jones Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday School seems to be progressing very well at this place.

W. P. Roach went to Barbourville Saturday on business and returned Monday.

Farmers are planting corn now. There were three plows and three planters going in one field in one day, on Mrs. Kitty Brooks farm a few days ago.

I. N. Jackson is afraid the ground squirrels will take his corn up. Stay with them, they are bad.

If you want the ADVOCATE to come to you one year, just send the editor your name and a dollar.

GRIT.

### Ole, Ky.

Judge Baker is very low, but we hope he will soon recover.

Wid Johnson, Tom Craft and Knelt were at the berg Thursday on business.

Archie Webb has been visiting in the berg.

Frank Adams is expected here in a few days, where he will reside in the future.

Silas Ratcliff and Polly Collier were united in marriage a few days ago. It is said this is the bride's second adventure.

George Jenkins made a trip to the berg to-day.

Everybody ought to send the news to the ADVOCATE, the best paper published in the mountains. It gives all the news, and gives it correctly.

Aaron Lucas accidentally dropped a 38 Iver-Johnson revolver from his pocket Friday night, the ball penetrating the arm at the wrist and bursting the bone.

Ben J. Holbrooks was thrown off a two-year-old mule, his head striking the end of a saw log, bursting his skull.

Archie Jenkins is very ill at this writing.

G. B. Vaughn was here the latter part of the week on business.

Mrs. Blair, of Colly, fell the other day and broke her arm.

Dr. Collins was in the berg Friday on business.

Eli Lucas is very low this week.

Oscar Jones, the newspaper correspondent, was in the berg Thursday on business.

Ida Franklin has been sick for the past few days.

All the Potters, of Potter's creek came clear in the Ku-klux case, and all of us were glad to hear the news.

George Adams, of Colly, has returned from Norton, Va., with a lot of fruit trees.

Isom Haynes passed through Ola Monday morning for Round-bottom to attend the Presbyterian church.

David Maggard, of the southern part of the State, was here Saturday and Sunday on particular business.

Walter Webb has been visiting friends on Colly creek for the past week.

John Dug was here the latter part of the week on business.

Ben Collins, of Camp branch, was here last Friday buying fodder.

Simpson Hammons passed through Ola this morning en route to the hotel.

Wess Breeding and Jarvy Hall left this morning for the Thornton mill. The mill has got in some fine days grinding this week.

Lulu Jenkins and Sam Collins have returned from Pineville, where they have been on business.

Stephen Jenkins has just returned from the hotel, where he has been visiting.

J. Bates passed through here Friday en route to Whitesburg on business.

Fate Banks, the newspaper correspondent, and Miss Mary Craft of the berg, set sail on the sea of matrimony Friday. May joy and happiness ever wait around them is the wish of the writer.

Benjamin Holbrook is establishing a new store at the mouth of Sanlick at the old Caudill stand.

J. J. Webb is having an addition built to his store house.

Miss Rachael Fields, daughter of attorney Ira Fields, has just returned from London college, where she has been since Christmas.

B. Kincer has returned from Glamorgan with goods for Lewis Brothers.

There was a nice play at Henry Craft's, and all report a nice time.

Wash Jenkins left Ola this morning for the berg to visit friends and relatives.

ARCHIE.

# LOOK

AT THIS SPECIAL GREAT INDUCEMENT



EVER in all your life have you had so liberal and exceedingly valuable offer made to you as is contained in this proposition. Read every line of it and start out at once to win a valuable prize.

We have purchased Three Lovely and Valuable PIECES OF JEWELRY, at a cost of \$115.00 which we propose to Give Away to the three persons who prove by their efforts to be the most popular, between now and **June 1st, 1904, at 12 o'clock noon,** when this contest will close.

EVERYONE can act as an Agent for the MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE, and solicit subscribers at \$1.00 per year in advance, and for every dollar turned in to us, we will send the ADVOCATE one year to the subscriber, and credit the person soliciting the order with 20 votes in the popular contest.

### Description of Prizes

**First Prize** Large and exceedingly beautiful DIAMOND RING in solid gold setting. This is no imitation, but a genuine Diamond. Valued at SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS and we will, if necessary furnish the written guarantee, as to its being a real genuine Diamond. The person securing the largest number of votes will receive this **Handsome Ring Absolutely Free as Their Reward.**

**Second Prize** Will be choice of either a large and exceedingly handsome solid Gold Brooch, set with 6 large Opals. The value of which is TWENTY DOLLARS. Or if they prefer, they may have a handsome Green Enamel and Gold, Ladies Watch, set with Pearls and Pin to match. The value of which is also Twenty Dollars. The person who secures the Second highest number of votes will be given choice of these two Prizes, either of which any Lady would be proud to wear.

**Third Prize** Will be given to the person receiving the Third Highest number of votes, and will be either the Brooch or the Watch, the winner of the Second Prize having first choice and the winner of the Third Prize taking the other.

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The plan is simple and easy to understand. Every Cash Subscription of \$1.00 to the MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE will entitle the one securing it to 20 votes in this contest and the one who secures and sends in the Highest number of Cash Subscribers between now and June 1st, will receive the First Prize, and the one sending the Second Highest number will receive the Second Prize, while the one sending the Third Highest number will get the Third Prize.

NOW LADIES, see who can win. Get your friends to work for you. Any one can enter the Contest. See your friends and tell them that you want that Diamond Ring and get them to work for you and credit the subscriptions so secured to your list. Remember We Do NOT Take Subscriptions for Less Than One Full Year.

WE will publish the list of contending candidates for these Prizes, giving credit every week with the additional votes secured, so that each one can see how diligently the other is working. No votes will be permitted to be changed from one contestant to another after they have been recorded in this Office.

You are as popular as any one else. Get your Father, Brother or Sweetheart to start you with 20 votes and then push on into the thousands. It is easy and pleasant work, and think of the Valuable, Handsome, Diamond Ring, Beautiful Solid Gold Brooch, or the Little Beauty Watch and Pin you will receive as your reward.

All of these Prizes can be seen at the FIRST NATIONAL BANK at any time, and we will take pleasure in showing them to those who are earnestly striving to win one of them.

In Remitting, make all Checks or Money Order payable to

**D. W. CLARK.**

and Address all Communications to the

**Mountain Advocate,**  
Barbourville, Kentucky.

### Those Who Have Entered as Contestants for The PRIZES.

NAME	ADDRESS	NUMBER OF VOTES
Mr. T. Ed. Smith,	Barbourville, Ky.	720
Miss Minnie Coone,	Flat Lick, Ky.	100
Miss Suddie Smith,	Flat Lick, Ky.	220
Miss Nannie Westerfield,	Artemus, Ky.	180
Mrs. Lewis Lane,	Barbourville, Ky.	340
Mrs. T. B. Clark,	Georgetown, Ky.	400

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