

# MOUNTAIN ADVOCATE.

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## COL. BENT

### Returns from Extended Trip North.

#### Bright Outlook for Development—New Capital Enters Field.

Col. Francis P. Bent, who for several years past has been one of the foremost operators in the Kentucky oil fields and who has accomplished a great deal toward the advancement of the oil interests of this section, arrived the earlier part of the week from the North, where he has been for several months past in the interest of the field. For the past six months he has been in Detroit, St. Paul, Chicago and New York talking to capitalists and he now has a number of operators from those cities interested in the fields and in all probability the coming summer will witness the entrance of a great deal of new capital in this section.

Upon his arrival here Col. Bent, who is an authority on any question relating to the oil business, was interviewed by an *Advocate* man and talked interestingly regarding his work and the outlook for the field.

For some time Col. Bent has been General Manager of the Bluegrass Oil Company, of New York, and since the taking over of the property of the old Atlantic & Pacific Oil Company by that concern he has drilled in a number of wells in this county.

During his last trip North, Col. Bent talked to a gentleman in the refining business in Detroit, and is of the opinion that an independent refinery located at some central point in the Kentucky-Tennessee fields would prove a good proposition. With this in view Mr. Bent has been in touch with various Northern Capitalists and Kentucky Operators. Among others he has a Detroit man interested who has a patent on a new process for refining which is claimed to be a cheaper method than is at present employed by the Standard. This gentleman is now a successful independent refiner. If such a movement, should materialize, would have the effect of raising the present low selling price of crude oil, which is 70 cents per barrel.

Questioned regarding the effect the Kansas agitation is having on the industry Col. Bent stated that a few people with whom he had talked hesitated to invest in the Kentucky fields in view of the situation in Kansas, but that hesitancy on that account is groundless. He bases his opinion first on the fact that the Standard Oil Company has been to a great expense in establishing pipe-line connections in the Kentucky-Tennessee fields, both in building the main line and branches, and that having expended several million dollars in furnishing a market for the product the Standard will utilize its lines to the highest capacity possible. The high quality of the oil and a paraffine base are other reasons why the Standard is interested in getting as big a production as possible. From the lighter grade of oil, which constitutes almost the entire output of the field, many by-products are obtained.

Col. Bent believes valuable steps will be made in the future in a formation below which the drill has not yet penetrated, basing his opinion on the judgment of various practical oil men who have made a thorough study of the situation. None but scattered tests have as yet been

made in regard to deep drilling, the operators being satisfied with the showings of the shallow sands. For some time Mr. Bent has been in touch with the State Geological survey, and has given them much valuable information regarding the formations in this section, having furnished logs of over one hundred wells.

Col. Bent left the earlier part of this week for the East. He will first visit Brooklyn and will probably later interest English capital in the field. About the first of May drilling will be started in the Richland division but the operators have not yet been decided upon.

## A POEM.

Respectfully Dedicated to Honorable Caleb Powers by his Friend, the Author.

I once saw a little boy,  
Born up in Kentucky mountain;  
To his parents he was a joy,  
Toys, yes an endless fountain.

I saw him again when a lad  
As o'er the meadows he ran,  
Always a good boy, never bad,  
As well as a sober man.

I see him as he leaves for school,  
As down the lane he goes  
To acquire knowledge of the rules  
And play with the boys he knows.

I see him leave for distant lands  
To learn the law he must  
I see him as he returns,  
A wiser and better man.

I see him as he enters home,  
I see his old mother, grand;  
As she drops a tear of gladness  
To see such a gallant man.

I see her as she presses  
A kiss to his manly brow,  
I see the tender caresses—  
Her once boy is a man now.

I see him in an office of trust,  
The teachers come and go  
They have no fears or mistrust,  
He is faithful and honest they know

I see him as he meets a maiden  
Pure as Kentucky ever bred,  
But alas! his sainted Laura  
Now sleeps in the city of the dead.

I see him as he lingers for hours  
At the mound that now is green,  
There is no smile for C. Powers,  
His Laura is no more to be seen.

I see him in the campaign  
Way back in ninety-nine;  
He now in a prison is confined  
Alone, in a cell he must pine.

'Tis a shame to Kentucky's fair name  
To abuse such a wonderful man,  
For him in a prison to remain  
For deeds done by other hands.

But I see in the future, a meeting  
Away up on Brush creek—  
Mother Powers her dear son greeting  
With tears of joy on her cheeks.

And I see a smile on the face  
Of this proud and wonderful man  
As he looks on his old birthplace,  
The dearest in all the land.

But his father, alas! is not there,  
The father of affection and love,  
Has gone to a country so fair—  
To join Laura, in the land above.

We knew Mr. Powers well he freed,  
Freely by Kentuckians proud;  
Then what a grand sight, to see  
The people who yell so loud.

Joy, not only to Kentuckians  
But to people everywhere that live  
That joined in defense of him  
And with willing hands did give.

They'll throng the streets he passes  
And this song will they sing:  
Hail! proud Prince of the mountains  
Glad tidings to us you bring.

When to his home town he comes  
He will hear our cornet band:  
Hail! proud Prince of the mountains  
Welcome to your native land.

W. H. McDONALD,  
Barbourville, Ky., March 19, '05.

## AN IMPROVEMENT

### That Would Add Very Much to the Advancement of our Town.

We have all along offered suggestions, which we have thought would be for the advancement and improvement of our town, and attract business this way, but as yet, all of them have been passed over without any effort being made to inaugurate a movement to establish any of them.

Not being of a disposition to become discouraged we will make another suggestion. It is this.

Let a stock company be organized and secure the property now owned by H. W. Bowman and C. N. Sampson on Knox and Walnut street and remove the buildings now on the premises and erect a handsome three story hotel as follows:

Have the office, bath-room, etc., on the first floor on the corner and have a store room or business house where the Bowman house now stands.

On the second floor have the parlor, dining-room, kitchen and as many bed-rooms as can be conveniently arranged and on the third floor have all bed-rooms.

This would make a valuable building for our town and supply a long felt want and would give our town a first-class hotel, something that we never have had as yet.

Now where is the man who has the means that he wants to invest in a profitable and legitimate way where he will realize a good income on his money, here is the opportunity for him.

Think of this citizens we are sure that the site can be secured at a very fair and reasonable price and on terms that would be satisfactory.

Lets be up and doing. With a first class hotel and a water-works plant our town would make a long stride forward.

## HIS OWN STORY.

The Reader Magazine, of Indianapolis, began the publication of Caleb Powers' own story of his trials and troubles leading up to them, in the February number. The story was continued in the March number and will be concluded in the April number.

This story has proven a very interesting one, and is given in Mr. Powers' own language, giving a vivid pen picture of the heated campaign, the victory at the polls, the contest for the offices, the exciting times at the Capitol, the assassination, his arrest and trials down to date.

Don't fail to read this story. If you have not yet secured a copy you should order at once and get the February, March and April numbers. Price 25 cents per month. Address

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## MEMORIAM.

On March 25, 1905, the dark winged angel of death came to the home of D. F. Hutton and removed his aged mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Hutton from the family circle after long and weary years of suffering, she was relieved by the grim reaper, but to her a welcome visitor as she said "I have no desire to get well I am this far on my way. I want to go home."

Her last words were: "Oh! Jesus, blessed Jesus," then fell asleep to awake no more until God, by the power of his word, shall call her from her slumbers in the tomb to life beyond the reach of sorrow, pain or death.

Sister Hutton was born in Smith county Va. May 7, 1831, where she lived until she was married to Leonard Hutton, to this union seven children—two sons and five daughters—were born, six of whom survive her. One son died a few years ago. Her husband preceded her six years ago, in the 75th year of his age, and she now follows after 74 years of usefulness, leaving besides her children and grand-children, a host of friends to mourn the loss. But we are not like those who have no hope, for we are assured that she rests from her labors, and her works do follow her.

The remains were taken to the old Callahan church where the funeral discourse was delivered by Rev. W. C. Judd, of the M. E. Church, assisted by Rev. Cheek, of the Baptist Church. A few words of eulogy on the life and character by Rev. J. A. Bretz, and prayer by Rev. T. B. Stratton, after which the body was laid to rest by the side of her husband in the family burying ground near the old home.

Sleep on now Father and Mother,  
until God shall call the up  
To join in sweet communion, no  
more to taste the bitter cup;  
For one by one we cross the river,  
one by one we are crossing over,  
And Oh! may the gentle, loving spirit  
lead us, till we meet to part no  
more. D. McD.

## CALIFORNIA.

California entertains every year a host of visitors. By reason of this, she has gained a great reputation for hospitality. California wants you to visit her this spring. The Rock Island system would like to have you try its up-to-date service from Chicago or St. Louis to the Golden State. As a special inducement greatly reduced rates are offered daily until May 15. Ask your home agent or write to John Sebastian, P. T. M. Rock Island system, Chicago, Ill.

## ON THE GROUND.

### Wood-working Factory Almost Sure.

Mr. Hale, of Rogersville, Tenn., who was here some few days ago looking over this place with a view of locating a wood-works plant here, arrived Thursday and has rented the G. P. Bain property, on Main street, in which he will reside. His family arrived Thursday.

It is reported on good authority that a location for the proposed factory has been secured, but we are not able this week to ascertain definite plans.

## KENTUCKY

### Educational Association Will Meet at Mammoth Cave, Ky. in June.

The approaching meeting of the Kentucky Educational Association at Mammoth Cave, in June, will doubtless be a record-breaker. The double attraction of seeking the greatest natural curiosity in the world, and at the same time attending the largest and most enthusiastic educational meeting in the history of state educational associations, will draw many who have not heretofore attended.

There will be present large bodies of teachers from all adjoining states, and certainly no Kentucky teacher will allow so excellent an opportunity to pass without making effort to avail himself of its advantages.

The program which is being prepared, will be most elaborate. Among the speakers who will address the teachers, are the following: Governor J. C. W. Beckham of Kentucky, Dr. John W. Cook of DeBald, Illinois, Dr. Henry G. Williams of Athens, Ohio, State Superintendent F. A. Cotton of Indiana, State Superintendent S. A. Mynders of Tennessee, State Superintendent Isaac W. Hill of Alabama, State Superintendent Thos. C. Miller of West Virginia, State Superintendent Jas. H. Fuqua of Kentucky, and various other prominent editors.

The Watch-Word at this meeting will be "State Normal Schools" and the characteristic features of the meeting will be the organization of the teachers into a Federation, or Union, the fundamental principles of which shall be:

- 1 To place teaching on a professional basis.
- 2 To remove the management of public schools from the influence of personalities.
- 3 To educate public opinion in favor of:
  - (a) Better school and better trained teachers.
  - (b) Better school houses and better equipment.
  - (c) Longer terms and larger salaries.
- 4 To serve as a means of disseminating the views of teachers in every corner of the Commonwealth.
- 5 To serve as a medium of intelligent and sympathetic communication between the "Peoples' Schools," and the "Peoples' Representatives" in the Kentucky General Assembly.

All railroads offer one and one-third fares for the round trip. The Mammoth Cave Hotel offers a rate of \$1.50 per day. The Cave Agent offers half rates in the cave; or Long Route \$1.50; Short Route \$1.00.

Boat rates from all Landings on Green and Barren rivers between Evansville and Bowling Green will be one fare for the round trip.

For further information, address M. O. WINFREY, President Kentucky Educational Association, Middlesboro, Ky.

Rookwood bond typewriter paper, legal size, put up 500 sheets to the box, an \$1.25 and \$1.50 per box, at this office.

## REPORT

### Of the Condition of the First National Bank at Barbourville in the State of Kentucky, at the close of business, March 14, 1905.

No. 6262.

#### RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts.....	\$ 71,307.14
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured.....	359.56
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation.....	6,500.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	300.00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures.....	6,138.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)...	5,077.37
Due from approved reserved agents.....	17,885.56
Checks and other cash items.....	311.42
Notes of other National Banks.....	1,590.00
Fractional paper currency, nickles, and cents.....	117.45
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVED IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie.....	7,201.80
Legal-tender notes.....	1,110.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation).....	325.00
Total	118,223.30

#### LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in.....	25,000.00
Surplus fund.....	3,500.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	730.51
National bank notes outstanding.....	6,500.00
Individual deposits subject to check.....	82,492.79
Total	118,223.30

#### STATE OF KENTUCKY,

ss.

#### COUNTY OF KNOX,

I, Wm. Lock, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Wm. Lock, Cashier.

#### CORRECT-Attest:

JOSEPH SAMPSON  
J. M. LOCK  
F. R. BARNER } Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of March 1905.

Geo. A. Lock, Notary Public.

## Commissioner's Sale.

### KNOX CIRCUIT COURT.

S. B. Dishman,  
vs  
E. M. Word.

In obedience to a judgment of the Knox Circuit Court, rendered at its December term, 1904, in the case of S. B. Dishman, plaintiff, vs. E. M. Word, defendant, I will on the 10th day of April, 1905, it being the first day of the Knox Circuit Court, offer for sale at public outcry at the door of the Court house in Barbourville, Ky., to the highest and best bidder, on a credit of six months, a house and lot lying on the North side of Main or Knox Street, in Barbourville Ky., bounded on the North by the lots of James T. Gibson and Mrs. Mollie Sewall, on the East by the lots of Mrs. Lillie Williams, on the South by Main or Knox Street, and on the West by the lot now owned by John G. Matthews. The purchaser will be required to execute bond with approved security, bearing interest from date, retaining a lien on the property to secure the purchase money and having the force and effect of a judgment.

Given under my hands as Master Commissioner of the Knox Circuit Court, this March 20, 1905.

W. F. WESTERFIELD,  
Master Commissioner, K. C. C.

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