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Railroad Guide.

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COUNTY ELECTION

AUGUST 3D, 1878.

We are authorized to announce JOHN H. MARABLE as a candidate for County Court Clerk at the ensuing election. tfc

We are authorized to announce R. H. WILLIAMS as a candidate for County Court Clerk at the next August election. Sept. 20, 1877-tc

We are authorized to announce JOHN H. MASON as a candidate for Sheriff of Montgomery county, at the August election. Feb 23, 1878-tc.

We are authorized to announce JAMES E. MOSELEY as a candidate for re-election for the office of Sheriff at the ensuing August election. Feb. 23, 1878-tc.

THE State Grange met in Nashville last Tuesday.

THE sale of Mr. Alfred Jett's personal property takes place on Thursday, the 28th. Remember the day.

HOME made candies, pure and fresh, only 25 cents per pound at Dock Barker's, Hillman block.

CRIMINAL COURT will be in regular session next week. Several cases are set for trial.

WE are indebted to Mr. B. F. Harris for a curious specimen of corn. It resembles a hand with a thumb and two fingers.

WE regret to learn that on Friday, of last week, Messrs. Bloch Bros. received a dispatch announcing the death of Mr. L. Straus, formerly of this city. Mr. Straus had many warm personal friends in this place who will hear of his death with sorrow.

MR. GEO. MARTIN and Mr. Ed. Campbell have formed a law partnership. They are both promising young men and deserve a share of the business in our courts.

THE Hickman Pioneer is the title of a new paper published at Centerville Tenn. It is a real newsy sheet and we exchange with it with pleasure.

DR. B. N. CARTER, who has been quite sick at the residence of his son-in-law, R. S. Broaddus, we are glad to know is recovering and will soon be ont again.

THE firm of Poston & Leigh, in the coal business, has been dissolved. Mr. B. F. Poston will continue the business at the same stand on Second street.

MR. WENZELL and Mr. Stringer have been holding Murphy meetings at the A. M. E. church this week, with good results, 218 having signed the pledge.

REDEMPTION ENCAMPMENT, No. 20, Independent Champions of the Red Cross, a temperance organization, has been reorganized at Milan, Tenn.

IN to-days issue Mr. John H. Mason is announced as a candidate for Sheriff. Mr. Mason has served as deputy to this office, and has always given satisfaction as a prompt and efficient officer.

THE members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church are requested to meet at their church to-morrow (Sunday,) at 3 o'clock for the purpose of reorganizing. A full attendance is requested.

REV. J. W. HANNER, SR, by request, will preach a sermon next Sunday night at the Methodist church, upon the subject of "Future Punishment." We predict the house will be crowed to hear this eloquent divine.

WE sincerely regret to learn that the residence of Mr. A. J. Jones, at Pea Ridge, was totally destroyed by fire on Friday morning of last week. Mr. Jones is one of the most energetic men in our county and we deeply sympathize with him in his severe loss.

MCGINTY LEIGH, son of G. W. Leigh, a young man of considerable experience in the the drug business, has accepted a situation in the drug store of Mr. J. F. Warfield. Mac. will be glad to see his friends when in want of anything in the drug line.

To the many inquiries as to the health of Dr. Larkin and our former partner, Mr. Grant, we would state that Dr. Larkin is improving and is up about the house. Mr. Grant is still suffering a great deal from his affliction of the head. We hope as the Spring approaches they both will recover their usual health.

THE protracted meeting at the South Clarksville Methodist Church has now been in progress for nearly two weeks. It is under the direction of the Rev. R. K. Brown, W. Mooney, Gannaway, Scott and Jones. Ten or twelve have already joined the Church and many others have been brought to serious conviction.

A SERIES of interesting meetings is in progress at the Presbyterian Church, in which our own pastor is powerfully aided by the zeal and eloquence of the Rev. Dr. Hoyt. This gentleman commenced his ministrations here on Wednesday last, and has been continuing them every night with a cheering prospect of good results.

Report of the Finance Committee to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clarksville.

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Clarksville:

GENTLEMEN—In submitting this report of the financial condition of the city of Clarksville, for your consideration, your committee would state that, while in the main it is correct, it does not show up the full amount of the outstanding indebtedness of the city for reasons hereinafter mentioned. We find the

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

Railroad bonds due July 1, 1885	$ 33,000 00
" " " " 1, 1886	33,000 00
" " " " 1, 1887	34,000 00
" " funded due Oct. 1, 1887	20,525 00
Street bonds funded due Oct. 1, 1887	7,136 23
Fire Engine bonds, past due	1,050 00
Greenwood Cemetery bonds, due April 1, 1879	1,000 00
Actual bonded indebtedness	$129,711 23

The statement rendered by the City Treasurer places this debt at $147,833 12. This apparent discrepancy is accounted for in the following manner: For many years there have been items, merely book accounts, debited to this account, which have been settled either by compromises or law-suits, which are, therefore, no part or pared of the bonded debt. The amount of $10,088 46, entered as bridge bonds, has no existence but upon the treasurer's books, as all bonds issued by the city for the new bridge have been redeemed, except a large portion held by the estate of J. G. Hornberger, for which a deed of trust on the bridge and judgments against the city in the Circuit Court are on record. Other items, long since settled by the city, have been included in this bonded debt. The City Treasurer has, on sundry occasions, suggested to former boards the propriety of making such entries on his books as would show up this class of indebtedness in its true light. Your committee has, therefore, instructed the City Treasurer to make the proper credits and debits, which will leave the bonded indebtedness as above stated, $129,711 23.

THE BRIDGE BOND DEBT,

as above stated, has no existence, except in the shape of judgments. Three judgments were obtained against the city by Gen. J. G. Hornberger, dated as follows:

January 12, 1866, with costs	$ 6,680 63
August 30, 1866, with costs	281 94
January 29, 1869, with costs	7,798 50
Total amount of judgments	$14,761 01

After a careful computation of the interest and partial payments on this debt, your committee find that the balance due to February 1, 1878, on these judgments, is as follows:

On first judgment	$1,167 46
On second judgment (the costs only)	13 29
On third judgment	2,384 46
Balance due	$3,565 12

This bridge debt is not legitimately a debt of the city. All money collected for tolls is applied, after paying the Bridge Keeper's salary and the items of repairs, &c., and insurance on the bridge, to liquidating the judgments held by the Hornberger estate.

OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS.

Your committee has classed, under this head, all outstanding warrants, past due coupons, judgments, claims and notes for borrowed money that have come within its knowledge:

Outstanding warrants issued prior to Feb. 1, 1878	$ 3,964 64
Past due coupons due prior to Jan. 1, 1878	2,072 00
Coupons due Jan. 1, 1878	3,000 00
Judgment for past due coupons, for which a mandamus is threatened	2,178 03
Judgment for past due coupons, balance due	422 00
Balance due on rubber hose for Fire Department	383 00
Note in bank due March, 1878	3,000 00
Total outstanding indebtedness, as far as ascertained	$15,019 67

The above amount is now all due, with the exception of the note in bank for $3,000.

These debts are being pressed against the city, some of which have been running for several years, with the collection of taxes postponed by the last Legislature until midsummer. On a part of this debt a *mandamus* has been petitioned for, but for the present is withdrawn by counsel representing the creditors. The amount of past due coupons, as set forth in this statement, does not, in the opinion of your committee, exhibit the true amount of such indebtedness, but is correct, as stated, so far as your committee has been able to gather the facts from the facilities at hand, and the time allowed for making this report. Your committee would earnestly recommend that notice be served, through the city papers, to all parties holding claims against the city for any of this class of indebtedness to file a memorandum of the same with the Mayor at their earliest convenience, in order that the true outstanding indebtedness of the city may be obtained.

THE SINKING FUND

The ordinance passed by the Board some time since, relating to a Sinking Fund, reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The city of Clarksville has maturing, in the years 1883-4-5, (it should read in 1885-6-7) bonds to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars; and,

WHEREAS, No provision has been made for the payment of the same, and it being imperative that the same be done.

SECTION 1. *Therefore be it ordained*, That a Sinking Fund and also a Sinking Fund Commission are hereby created; that (1) one mill of the five (5) levied for railroad purposes shall constitute the former; that the Mayor, Finance Committee and Treasurer *ex-officio* shall constitute the latter; that this Sinking Fund Commission shall keep this fund inviolate, to be used only in the purchase of city bonds.

Section second requires the bonds, when purchased, to be brought before the Board and destroyed.

Section third provides that the fund shall be subject to the check of the Sinking Fund Commission only.

It seems clear, from the preamble of this ordinance, that the Sinking Fund can only be used for retiring the one hundred thousand dollars of bonds maturing in the years 1885-6-7, yet, within the past year or two, out of the sum of $4,437 96 used from the Sinking Fund, only $500 of that amount was paid towards purchasing this class of bonds. Part of the Sinking Fund was appropriated to redeem Fire Engine bonds, and a portion used in buying up bonds issued by the retiring Board. Your committee would, therefore, suggest that the first section of this Ordinance be so amended as to read: "That the Sinking Fund Commission shall keep this fund inviolate, to be used only in the purchase of city bonds *alluded to in the preamble of this ordinance, or bonds issued to fund the interest thereon.*"

CITY WARRANTS.

Your committee consider the system of issuing city warrants upon the City Treasure, in the payment of debts, when there is no money in the hands of that officer to redeem the same, as not only detrimental to the interests of the city, but as unjust to the parties to whom such warrants are issued. If the necessity of the case is so urgent as to demand the issuing of such paper, your committee would recommend that each warrant should be registered by the City Treasurer, in order that it may be paid in accordance with the date of registration. By this means all warrant-holders would be placed upon an equal footing, and that system of favoritism, which is developed in every form of government, would be eradicated from our midst. It would also do away with the hawking of such paper about our streets which always results in profit to the buyer and loss to the original holder.

IN CONCLUSION,

your committee begs leave to call the attention of your honorable body to the fact that the enormous outstanding debt of the city is no myth, but a terrible reality, and that it behooves the Board to use the strictest economy in the management of its finances—such only as will redound to the greatest good to the city and to the people thereof.

JOHN W. FAXON, Chr'm.
THOS. H. HYMAN,
GEO. G. PERKINS,
Finance Committee.

CLARKSVIELE, Tenn., Feb. 20, '78.

Mr. Joe Murphy in The "Kerry Gow."

This popular Irish Comedian is to give us one of his performances on Tuesday next. We are in possession of a large number of notices of Mr. Murphy from the press throughout Canada and the United States, extending from Montreal to New Orleans, in which he is spoken of as a genial and finished representative of the typical Irishman. The drama in which he appears is entitled the "Kerry Gow," written by Mr. F. Marsden of Philadelphia, a dramatist who stands on much the same level as the English Boucicault for his knowledge of stage effect. One thing should be noticed: most Irish dramas derive a large portion of their inspiration from the whisky bottle; this drama, we are informed, contains nothing at variance with the tenets of the other Murphies, who have occupied Melodeon Hall this week so much to the advantage of the community.

We extract the following notice from the Chicago Journal.

The largest audience of the season was present at Hooley's Theatre last evening to witness the third performance of "Kerry Gow" at that house. Considering the dreadful state of the weather, we know of no better criticism on the play and the actors than the public's appreciation by filling the house. Mr. Murphy's "Dan O'Hara" was a success here last season, when he ran it two weeks at McVicker's, during the greatest political excitement known since the war, and now that he has an excellent company of his own selection to support him, appears to greater advantage than before. Mr. Murphy, as an Irish comedian is generally conceded to rank with the best. In his make-up, speech, action and gesture there is a fidelity to nature at once life like and earnest. The company is probably the best organized of the combinations traveling, its members being suited to the characters they represent. The "Norah Drew" of Miss Annie Ward Tiffany is a finished picture of the true, warm hearted Irish peasant girl, and in her pathetic interview with "Dan" in the prison drew tears from many of the auditors. Her description of the imaginary mice was grand, and won an encore. Miss Annie Mortimer's rendition of the headstrong little wife, "Alice Doyle," was a refreshingly delightful bit of character action, and, next to the star, gave the best brogue of the company. Mr. Luke Martin as "Mr. O'Drive," Mr. Hey Sucr, made a decided hit, and the other most important characters the "Major," by W. M. Ward; "Patrick Drew," by Wallis; "Raymond," by H. S. Duffield, and last though far from least the "Stuttering Sergent" of F. Traynor, were all capitally portrayed, and added much to the success of "Kerry Gow."

We find that our boys are much excited by the rumor that a live horse is to be brought on the stage and shod in the presence of the audience.

The Murphy Movement.

Mr. Wenzell, of whose presence and labors here we gave some notice last week, has been faithfully and earnestly working here ever since. His efforts have been crowned with most encouraging success, the number who have joined being

White members	700
Colored members	218
Total	918

We refrained from expressing our own views on the subject while Mr. Wenzell has been with us, preferring that he should plead his own cause in his own way, which he is well competent to do. When he has done, however, we are going to begin. We have proposed for some time to take up the subject of intemperence in Clarksville, its more prominent causes and its appropriate remedies, and no time seems so favorable to to such an effort as now when the general attention is excited on the subject.

Next Saturday then we mount our platform, which is the editorial desk, and address our audience, through the medium of printer's ink, in a leading article wherein we expect to ventilate our ideas on the subject.

DON'T forget the place, Hillman's block, if you want a lunch, hot coffee, cheese, bologna, pies, cakes, bread, etc., it's cheap and good.

River Items.

The recent hard rains have started the river to rising again. We report about seven feet on shoals with prospect of more. The rains have made banks so bad that boats can scarcely get their freights down. Receipts of flour, corn, hay, oats and tobacco have been very good during the past week. Ninety-two hogsheads of tobacco by river since last report. Boats continue to go up with full loads of grain and fair trips down. We are having boats both ways nearly every day, and hope to be able to advertise them all soon. We refer to Eddyville and Anderson this week.

READ Crusman's advertisements. Everything that the farmer needs at the present season, fresh agricultural seeds and a new tobacco grower to fertilize the ground for our staple crop, are there in abundance. The ladies will also find canned goods in great variety and of the choicest kinds, together with fresh garden seeds. But the ladies know without our telling it that Crusman is always ready far them.

A Rare Opportunity.

Young ladies and gentlemen of Clarksville have now a fine chance to learn telegraphy. It is taught at the Female Academy. Those desiring instruction in this branch of business can communicate with the President, Rev. J. R. Plummer.

Chancery Court.

The following cases have been disposed of since our last issue:

Mills vs. Poindexter. Decree for Compl't.
Batson vs. Merritt & Fort. Sale ordered.
Davis vs. Wilson. Dismissed.
Halyard vs. Kelley. Bill amended.
Castner vs. Castner. Account ordered.
Merritt vs. King. Sale ordered.
Douglass vs. Adkins. Title vested.
Shackelford vs. Harrell. Same.
Shackelford vs. Henry. Same.
Peterson vs. Peterson. Same.
Taylor vs. Poindexter. Pro confesso.
Johnson vs. Branch & White. Same.
Weatherford & Watson vs. Weill. Continued.
Howell vs. Johnson. Executor's account confirmed.
Edlin vs. Edlin. Sale ordered.
Griffey vs. Goodlett. Fees ordered paid.
Orphan Asylum ex parte. Sale confirmed.
Philpot vs. Davie. Report on Taylor's petition confirmed.
Coulter vs. Tyson. Judgment and order of sale.
Moss vs. Moss. Divorce.
Biter vs. Gholson. Dismissed.
Buck vs. Baker. Fees allowed.
Gold vs. Sears. Title to purchaser.
Gold vs. Parrott. Same.
Williams vs. Boyd. Same.
Linebaugh vs. Brown. Same.
Wall vs. Wall. Same.
Hornberger vs. Dye. Same.
Ewing vs. Hiter. Same.
Killebrew vs. Murphy. Same.
Shackelford vs. Harrell. Same.
Poston vs. Poston. Same.
Merritt & Fort vs. Hannum. Same.
Clardy vs. Clardy. Same.
Reynolds vs. Brandon. Same.
West vs. Weaver. Same.
Jones vs. Wm. Jones' heirs. Judgment on purchase notes.
Peterson vs. Peterson. Same.
Elder vs. Henry. Same.
Cherry vs. Cherry. Same.
Crockett vs. Reynolds. Same.
Linwood Landing vs. Merritt. Same.
Wheeling W. & C. Co. vs. Merritt. Same.
Barbee vs. Morrow. Same.
Kendrick vs. Phillips. Same.
Caldwell vs. Dixon. Same.
Griffey vs. Goodlett. Same.
Morrison vs. Morrison. Same.
Bailey vs. Forsythe. Same.
King vs. Roberts. Same.
Davis & Green vs. Shelby. Same.
Cobb vs. Pardue. Same.
Poston vs. Poston. Judgment on rent note.
Massie vs. Jordan. Same.
Manson vs. Harrelson. Same.
Davie vs. Cornell. Same.
Stewart vs. Greenfield. Same.
Neblett vs. Keesee. Guardian ad litem appointed.
Herring vs. Herring. Final decree.
Moore vs. Dick. Sale confirmed.
McKay vs. McKay. Same.
Stewart vs. Greenfield. Order to rent out lands.
Wall vs. Wall. Sale confirmed.
Harrelson vs. Hopkins. Revived.
Manson vs. Harrelson. Agreed decree and sale ordered.
Hodgson vs. Keesee. Dismissed.
Smith vs. Hillman. Sale ordered.
Frazier vs. Frazier. Title to purchaser.
Johnson vs. Weill. Leave to amend.
Dalton vs. Dalton. Dismissed.
Shrader vs. Fitzgerald. Sale confirmed.
Bantel vs. Pritchett. Account ordered.
Johnson vs. Lurton. Leave to answer.
West vs. Weaver. Payment ordered.
Bradley vs. Johnson. Amended bill dismissed and continued.
Rives vs. Dixon. Injunction modified and leave to answer.
Halyard vs. Kelley. Account ordered.
Brown vs. Albright. Sale and account ordered.
Bailey & Smith vs. Trotter. Sale ordered.
Jenkins vs. Mallory. Same.
Fellons vs. Fellons. Reference.
Russell vs. Powers. Sale ordered.
Rivers vs. Fort. Sale confirmed.
Shackelford vs. Henry. Report on Lyle's petition confirmed.
Stewart vs. Woodward. Account ordered.
Taylor vs. Reddel. Receiver appointed.
Broaddus vs. Moore. Reference on taxes.
Fletcher vs. Jones. Reference on fees.
Jones vs. Jo. M. Jones. Same.
Boardman vs. Willis. Judgment revived, appeal and injunction awarded.
White vs. Branch. Account ordered and receiver appointed.
Chester vs. Merritt. Sale ordered.
Taylor vs. McGill. Account ordered.
Keesee vs. Neblett. Compromise and appeal dismissed.
Wilcox vs. White. Fees ordered paid.
Grant vs. Lyle. Dismissed.
McKnight vs. Hester. Sale confirmed.
Reynolds vs. Brandon. Taxes ordered paid.
Dilworth vs. Graham. Writ of possession ordered.
Wilson vs. Davis. Distribution ordered.
Lurton Merritt vs. Paine. Decree for complainants.
Poston vs. Jones. Mistrial by Jury.
Herrelson vs. Daniel. Leave to answer.
Stevens vs. Kerr. Sale confirmed in part and sale ordered.
Malinda Batson vs. Thos. Batson. Final decree.
Morgan & Co. vs. Jackson, McKirnon & Co. Sale confirmed.
McCarthy vs. Sullivan. Report confirmed and appeal.
Ogburn vs. Brown. Sale ordered.
Keesee vs. Neblett. Appeal by Guardian ad. litem.
Shackelford vs. Harrell. Reference on Attorney fees.
Taylor vs. Poindexter. Account ordered.
Coulter vs. Tyson. Leave to answer.
Griffey vs. Goodlett. Account ordered.
Williams vs. Goodlett. Account ordered.
Williams vs. Dortch. Leave to answer.
Beaumont vs. Beaumont. Leave to file cross bill and account ordered.
Bank of America vs. Planters Bank. Sale confirmed.
Baggett vs. Davis. Receiver appointed.
Ogburn vs. Ogburn. Report ordered.

MR. C. S. DANIEL returned a few days ago from the Bluegrass country with a car load of mules and horses for the spring trade. He has now some of the best horses we have seen for a long while. The mules are the largest and best, taking them as a lot, that we have seen since the war. Persons wanting good stock would do well to call at the Eclipse Stables and examine them.

MR. JAS. E. MOSELY, the present Sheriff, is announced to-day as a candidate for re-election. Mr. Mosely has, we believe, given entire satisfaction as an officer, and no doubt, should he be re-elected, continue to fill the office to the satisfaction of the public. The election takes place on the first Thursday in August.

Idaho Springs.

A "watering place," or summer resort, within three miles of Clarksville, will, if properly patronized, be not only profitable to those directly interested but a great social and financial benefit to our city. Idaho Springs, situated within less than a half-mile of Dunbar's Cave, and two miles from St. Bethlehem, on the Louisville and Memphis Railroad, are composed of three sulphur and one chalybeate spring, all of which are in an area of fifty yards square. A. G. Goodlett and H. C. Merritt have undertaken the organization of a stock company, the object of which will be to purchase this property and erect thereon suitable buildings for the accommodation of two hundred and fifty or three hundred guests, and to place the same under a competent and reliable management. The close proximity to these springs of a town of the size of Clarksville and the influence of the stockholders insures the success of the enterprise. The health-restoring properties of the water is inferior to none, and the surrounding scenery, together with the attractions of Dunbar's Cave, will, beyond all question, make it one of the most popular places of resort in the South. It is not, as we consider, a speculation; the following brief estimate is evidence of the fact: Two hundred guests for three months, at thirty dollars per month, amounts to eighteen thousand dollars. This added to the amount paid by transient visitors at two dollars per day, and the receipts from the ten-pin alleys and billiard tables, will make an amount surprising to those who will take the time to make the calculation. Fifty per cent. profit upon the gross receipts would not, we think, be an exaggerated estimate. We are informed that fifteen thousand dollars will purchase the springs with thirty-six acres of land, and also erect and furnish the houses necessary to accommodate comfortably two hundred and fifty or three hundred guests. We trust that our citizens will take hold of this enterprise at once, so that everything will be complete by the opening of the watering season.

The advertisement in another column on this subject will be read with interest. Anyone can now be instructed in this useful art. See Dr. Plummer about it.

Is Red River a Navigable Stream!

Our attention was attracted today by the above question, and whilst we cannot say that Red river is a declared navigable stream by the Statutes of the State, yet it should be. This stream is broad enough and deep enough, during the Winter and Spring months, to float steamers of 50 tons burden and barges of the largest class. It passes through a rich and fertile country; there is no obstacle to its navigation, except a few fish dams, and overhanging trees. A few hundred dollars, judiciously expended, would make it navigable in ordinary tides, as safe to Port Royal as the same distance on the Cumberland river. What an effect it would have on the portions of Montgomery and Robertson counties that are tributaries to Clarksville. At present the roads are impassible, and the tariff on the railroad so great that shipments of corn and tobacco are almost prohibited. There are no mill dams in the way, the stream is open to the crossing of the South Eastern R. R.

If the citizens of Clarksville and Port Royal will open this stream the problem of cheap freights, from all the country, tributary to Red river, will be at once solved. A city of the commercial importance that Clarksville possesses cannot be blind to the opening of every new avenue to trade. Here is one suggested by nature; shall it be utilized or shall we be so indifferent to our own interest as to neglect it? For one thing it would make a large portion of this county independent of railroad wars for its communication with Clarksville.

City Finances.

The Tobacco Leaf is full of the CHRONICLE this week. In one column he falls foul of our article calling attention to the finances of the city; in another he lets loose our young friend Ed. Whitfield upon us *in re* the railroad war, and in another he quotes the Springfield Record on us where that journal falsely speaks of us as representing Clarksville to be on the verge of bankruptcy. With all respect for the Leaf, we can hardly return the compliment. The CHRONICLE has too many other things to lay before its readers to have as much space to spare for the Leaf as the Leaf gives to us.

Both the Leaf and the Record attribute to us the assertion that Clarksville is on the verge of bankruptcy. We never expressed such an opinion; we urged the necessity of an enquiry into the city's indebtedness and the means of meeting it, and it will be found that the Finance Committee in its report printed in another column urges the same thing.

The Leaf glorifies itself as having been instrumental in bringing about the financial reform effected by Judge Tyler in our county affairs some years ago by calling attention to the confused condition then existing in them. Very well, we will not dispute an item of the glory he takes to himself, but if so, why should he blame us for taking exactly the same step in regard to our city affairs? Where did the Leaf get the idea that we attributed fraud to anyone?

The use that the Record makes of our article is to reprobate our cruelty in advising a city with its affairs in a mixed-up condition—to do what? To straighten up its accounts and to make arrangements for paying its debts. We are very cruel then, for that is exactly the advice we persist in giving, and moreover the city is going to take it; the wet sponge is not a Clarksville method of paying debts.

The Chronicle and the Railroads.

We thought that we had said our say about the railroads and did not expect to return to the subject, but E. B. W. takes us to task, together with our valued friend, Mr. M. H. Clark, in a communication to the Tobacco Leaf of this week, and we are disposed to encourage our young friend. E. B. W. has lately taken to writing in the papers, and we are glad to see him do it, for he seems to like it, nor have we the least objection to serving as the windmill for our young Quixote to run a tilt against, especially as he is not likely to be hurt much in the encounter. The only mistake Ed. has made about us has been that he took us for another valiant knight, donning our armor for a tilt with the St. L. & S. E. in behalf of the L. & N., whereas we were no knight at all—not taking sides with either road, but simply a windmill grinding our own grist and leaving the railroads to fight their own battles, pointing out, however, that their way of fighting them obstructed grist on its way to our hopper. The only part of his letter which we think calls for a reply on our part is where he says that "there are other places that would cry out with as much energy if the rates were changed as Clarksville does now for a change." This would be very appropriate if we called upon the road to discriminate in favor of Clarksville against any other place, but we do not; all we ask is equality without discrimination. As for the remedy he proposes to us, that Clarksville should build another road to intersect the S. E. for the purpose of leaving out the L. & N., we hardly think that can be done; Clarksville has burned its fingers too much building railroads already.

Public Schools.

The following new establishments have been put in operation in connection with our public school system:

White—One at Macedonia Church, Southside, under Miss Florence Rogers; one near the residence of the late Judge King, under Miss King.

Colored—One at St. John's Church, under W. H. Harris; one at Ebenezer Church, new pike, under B. S. Brooks.

REV. WM. A. H. GRAHAM, Rector of Christ's Church, Nashville, will preach to the congregation of Trinity Church in this city Sunday next, at the usual hours, and by exchange Rev. Dr. Fitts will preach to Mr. Graham's congregation at Nashville.

HOT coffee 5 cents a cup at Dock Barker's new candy shop. 23-4t

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J. J. CRUSMAN.

February 23, 1878-2m

WE have been requested to publish the following letter from Comptroller Gains, in order to contradict some erraneous reports which have been in circulation:

COMPTROLLERS OFFICE,
NASHVILLE, TENN.,
DEC. 27, 1877.

Hon. Chas. G. Smith, House of Representatives:

DEAR SIR:—In reply to your inquiry, of this date, I have the honor to reply that Mr. Peter O'Neal, as County Court Clerk of Montgomery county, has made to this office all the revenue reports required by law to be made, and that he has paid into the State Treasury all the State Revenue thus reported, except a small balance of four $4.82, as shown by the books of this office.

JAS. L. GAINES,
Comp't.

MR. JAS. K. RAIMEY, of the Southside, presented us, a few days ago, with the rattles of a snake which he killed on Monday, last. The snake was very large and had nine rattles. The warm sunshine had induced him to leave his winter quarters rather early.

Advertised Letters.

Remaining at the Clarksville, Tenn., Post Office, Saturday, Feb. 23, 1878. If not called for in thirty days, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office:

A—Allesson, Rev. J. B.
B—Broaddus, Carter.
Bagly, Jake. (col.)
Barker, Joanna. (col.)
Bagwell, Rev. N. E.
Broudy, Lilly. (col.)
C—Clark, Miss Annie.
Compeny, Riley.
Coleman, Jane. (col.)
E—Elder, Jane R.
G—Granger, Miss Lilly. (2)
Grimes, Albert.
Grady, Miss Lilly.
Goodwin, Miss Attie. (2)
Grigsby, Rush, S. (2)
Gant, Parthenia.
Gardner, Miss Mary.
Graves, Miss Ariett.
Gillum, J. R.
H—Harris, E. C.
Hart, William. (col.)
Haines, John L. (2)
Hart, Miss Florence.
J—Johnson, Tom.
Johnston, George.
Joiner, Mrs. Martha E.
Jackson, Randall.
Jackson, Robert.
Johnson, George L. (2)
K—Klein, E. A.
Kennedy, Mrs. Harriet.
Keel, Thomas.
L—Lyle, Mrs. E. A.
Love, Mrs. Idella.
M—Moore, Jacob.
Martin, Warren.
Macklin, Coleman.
Moore, David. (col.)
Mast, Miss Lew. (col.)
Mockbee, H. H.
N—Nate, James.
Neblett, Hatcher.
Newell, John. (col.)
P—Peetis, Henry.
R—Ritter, Mrs. Emma.
Rhodes, John H.
Revelly, Jefferson.
S—Scott, J. W.
Smith, Mrs. Fannie.
Sheperd, James L. B.
Simpson, Leroy J.
Sanders, J. H.
T—Tardy, Tom.
W—Webb, Lee.
Wooden, Miss M.
Watters, Miss J. E.
William, Miss Ida J.
Williams, Miss Elmina.
Winfree, Jas.
Welch, Ed.

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SMITH—GLASSCOCK—In this city, on the 17th inst., by Rev. J. H. Gold, Mr. BEN F. SMITH and Miss IONE GLASSCOCK, all of this city.

LOCKERT—BRADLEY—At the residence of the bride's aunt, in Cheatham county, on the 14th inst., Dr. W. S. LOCKERT and Miss JENNIE C. BRADLEY.

HEFLIN—JARREL—On February 16th, by H. R. Rogers, Esq., Mr. Q. E. HEFLIN, of Graves county, Ky., and Miss ALICE JERRELL, of Montgomery county, Tenn.

DIED.

LYLE—Near Oakwood, on the 10th inst., MARY L., daughter of Robert L. Lyle, aged four years, six months and five days.

TALLEY—In this county, on the 8th inst., of measels, Mrs. ELIZABETH TALLEY, in the 88th year of her age.

WALL—In Dickson county, on the 16th inst., of measels, Mr. JESSE WALL, in the 60th year of his age.

BUMPUS—In this county, on the 16th inst., of diptheria, L. A. BUMPUS, daughter of Joe and L. A. Bumpus, aged 13 years and 11 months.

JONES—At Holly Springs, Miss., on Jan. 31st, F. A. JONES, son of Mrs. B. M. Jones, and brother of Mrs. Jas. T. Moore, of this city.

HOWARD—In this city, on the 16th inst., after a protracted illness, Mrs. MARTHA HOWARD, in the 79th year of her age.

ANDERSON—In this city, on the 15th inst., after a long and painful illness, W. H. ANDERSON, aged about 45 years.

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October 27, 1877-tf

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Feb. 1, 1878.

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Feb. 16, '78-tf.

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On Thursday, Feb. 28, '78,

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TERMS—Allsums of $5 or under, cash; over $5 on a credit until January 1, 1879; note and approved security required.

Feb. 16