

The Massachusetts' mugwumps are sparing no pains to keep an independent ticket from gaining a place in the field.

Prof. Holman attended the teachers' institute at Smith Center last Saturday and reports a good time. We commend the teachers up that way for their perseverance in their institute as a means of improvement in their profession.

Mrs. Belle Davenport, a waitress at the Hubert House, in St. Joseph, is supposed to have suicided last Monday, by jumping into the Missouri river. She left a note to her husband telling him of her intention to drown herself, giving as a reason an alleged scandal against her.

President Cleveland and wife have finished their visiting tour and are back in the White house at Washington attending the daily routine of business. So far as we know they were well received throughout their extensive tour in the west, north-west and south.

Gen. Waddy Thompson, prominent some years since as a contractor for Missouri convict labor, died of Bright's disease at Lamotte, in Pettis county, last Monday. He figured pretty extensively during the late war as a speculator in horses and cotton, and seemed very successful in many instances of making both armies believe he was on their respective sides.

The Chillicothe Daily Constitution of the 25th inst., comes to us with a wood cut picture of Hon. A. M. Dockery, the Constitution's favorite candidate for Missouri's next Democratic governor, also a biographical sketch of his life and public service. While there is a host of good men for the place, all splendid Democratic timber, without disparagement to any, we may safely say that the leadership of the party will be safe in Dockery's hands, should he be chosen to be its next standard bearer for the office named.

Out of 155 editors of Democratic papers interviewed by the Post-Dispatch, in reference to their choice for governor, 30 report, favoring Mayor Francis for first choice; 23 for Dockery; 25 for Norton; 13 for Morehouse; 8 for Claiborne; 7 for Clardy; 6 for Marmaduke; while 23 others have a following of from 1 to 4 votes. The views of the several editors, at best, can only be regarded as "straws showing which way the wind blows," as scarcely any two of them in the same county have the same preference.

It is announced that an attempt is being made to unite the Prohibitionists and Knights of Labor into one national, 3d party. If such a union could be effected and harmony were to prevail in its organization it might be possible for it to hold the balance of power in the national campaign of 1888. But there are already indications of disintegration in the Knights of Labor organization to such an extent that their opposition to existing political parties will hardly be looked to as formidable for years to come. Their deliberations at the last Minneapolis convention were by no means satisfactory to a large portion of their membership, judging from the address prepared by the executive committee of all manner of crookedness as set forth in twenty different charges. This address among other things says "217, 224 members have withdrawn in the last year."

The Post-Dispatch says, "The prohibition sentiment is on the increase in Missouri." If so there are reasons for it, prominent among which is the bungling attempt of the last legislature to pass a local option law, whose provisions are variously interpreted, which is likely to be declared unconstitutional. Such a law instead of settling the whisky question is making confusion, more confounded. Then again there is a failure to enforce the whisky law we already have. The judge on the bench with becoming gravity instructs the grand jury to look into all violations of the law, but the grand jury waits to be informed as to who the violators of the law are. A., who is a good, law-abiding citizen is certain that the law is being violated every day, but he waits for B.; but B. is afraid that any movement on his part as an informer would render him unpopular and damage his business, so there is a shifting of responsibility and as a result there is nothing done, and the violators of law go unwhipped of justice. Sometimes, however, the guilty ones are looked up, a number of indictments are found, but when the trial is called, a compromise is effected, and all the cases are dismissed save one, for which a nominal fine is imposed, which is much cheaper to the guilty one than paying a license to do a legitimate business. Such results are poor encouragement to the voluntary informer, but his respect for the law never so great.

Circuit Court Proceedings.

Judge L. D. Isbell appointed guardian of Mary S. Yocum, minor heir of Harvey Yocum.
Dexter and Horace Warden, vs. Moline plow company; judgment for plaintiffs for \$111.
Austin and Kohe, vs. Stephenson brothers and I. C. Couch, interpleader; verdict for I. C. Couch.
M. Selser, vs. J. H. Walker; dismissed by agreement, each party paying his own costs, defendant paying court costs.
J. S. Frazier, vs. C. R. Mulford; dismissed.
Elizabeth Mills et al, vs. W. W. Riddell, non suit.
Katie M. Dines, vs. W. P. Syler; dismissed at defendant's cost.
M. Neal, vs. John McLean, et al; judgment for foreclosure of equity of redemption and for note and interest.
John Comstock, vs. Bernard Kohn; judgment for note and interest, vendor's lien enforced and land ordered sold.
J. N. Jaco, vs. Dr. H. G. McEuen; judgment for defendant.
C. Schroff, vs. Walter Payne; motion to dismiss appeal sustained.
W. L. Green, vs. Harvey Dowell; judgment of agreement for plaintiff for recovery of possession of property and \$20 damages.
J. L. Dowell, vs. same; same order and \$10 damages.
Lydia Veatch, vs. Sam. Croff; appeal dismissed.
Chas. T. Rigg, vs. township board of Yellow Creek township; judgment for defendants.
T. Sunderbrink, vs. Mary Grotjan; dismissed.
Charborn Lisle, vs. Lewis Lisle; judgment made final for \$383.98.
Henry Eubank, vs. M. Washburn; dismissed with leave to withdraw note sued on.
Bank of Salisbury vs. J. C. Couch; judgment by agreement for \$121.94.
Anton Dumberger vs. Elizabeth Clark and A. Mackay; dismissed.
State vs. Walter Veal; no true bill found, defendant discharged.
Elizabeth Crofts vs. estate of Wm. Kahler; appeal dismissed.
C. R. Mason vs. J. E. Hansen; dismissed at defendant's cost.
Grand jury returned indictment against Henry W. Perkins for rape; defendant enters plea of not guilty.
Christina Huslege vs. Oscar Teschan; attorneys of \$150 allowed to L. Benecker and \$10 to O. F. Smith for same.
Timothy Butler vs. John Lippincott; dismissed at plaintiff's cost.
Emma Chapman vs. H. H. Kellogg, et al attorney's fee of \$100 dollars allowed to Kinley & Wallace and Crawley and Son, also \$10 to O. F. Smith as guardian.
Nancy J. Finnell vs. Mary Gooch et al; J. B. Ellington allowed \$150 attorney's fee, and \$10 allowed O. F. Smith and guardian.
W. E. Ellington vs. Marion Ellington et al; judgment set aside and J. B. Ellington appointed guardian of minor heirs.
Same vs. same; title decreed.
Webster Nance vs. John Murray et al; disposed of as per stipulations filed.
John F. Darling vs. Webster Nance; same order.
C. Hammond vs. Warren Westfall; judgment for partition, land ordered sold.
James Guittridge vs. H. H. Hains; dismissed by plaintiff, with leave to withdraw papers.
State to use of J. H. Nichols vs. Colson; judgment by agreement for \$1,600, penalty of bond and execution to issue for \$400.
Bettie Jenkins vs. Jenkins; plaintiff divorced and given care and custody of children.
Alongo Washington vs. Willie Washington; plaintiff divorced.
W. A. Brooks vs. R. W. Goldsby et al; dismissed on compromise.
Cenia Schryor vs. E. W. Shryor; plaintiff divorced.
Margaret L. Brooks vs. Tunis Brooks; plaintiff divorced and name changed to Margaret L. Rogers.
Louisa Beckerleg vs. Richard Beckerleg; plaintiff divorced and name changed to Louisa Price.
J. M. Perry vs. E. W. Price; jury find the machine in controversy with \$100 and defendant elects that amount therefor.
C. J. Via administrator of the estate of G. W. Rice vs. Stephen McCollum et al; judgment as per stipulation filed.
Benjamin Crow vs. W. St. L. & P. Ry.; dismissed.
T. J. Moore vs. Mayor, of Salisbury, et al; injunction made perpetual.
Wm. P. Jared vs. Mary E. Jared; plaintiff divorced.
W. W. Rucker vs. L. D. Hyde; verdict for plaintiff for \$34.56.
Ada Dorrance vs. John Dorrance, O. S. Barton sitting as judge, plaintiff divorced, she to have care and custody of child, costs assessed against defendant.
James A. Clark vs. J. B. Ellington; judgment by default for amount and interest.
McCormick H. M. Co., vs. Wm. Laughlin; judgment for plaintiff.
James Howe vs. Annie E. Howe; plaintiff divorced.
Same order in case of Annie Feely vs. Thos. Feely.
C. J. Via administrator of estate of Nannie E. Morgan vs. R. T. Morehead and J. J. Hanfield; judgment for plaintiff for \$228.76.
Chicago and Santa Fee R. R. vs. R. Eubank; judgment for damages as assessed by commissioners.
C. and John Hustage vs. Oscar & Lydia Teschan; motion to permit purchaser of real estate to pay deferred payments sustained.

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Emma Twyman vs. John Twyman; plaintiff divorced.
S. B. Burke, of Slater, enrolled as an attorney of this bar.
B. P. Snyder vs. O. H. Woods; judgment for note \$121.44 and interest at 10 per cent.
Salisbury M. E. Co., vs. Geo. W. Fawks; judgment by default for note and interest.
Chariton county to use of school fund vs. G. W. Isle et al; dismissed as to Geo. W. and Peter Isle, judgment against all the other defendants for note and interest.
Altman Taylor & Co., vs. W. C. Recoband E. Littler; dismissed as to Littler and judgment against Recob for note and interest.
R. J. Wheeler et al. ex parte; judgment for partition and land ordered sold.
The Marion & Roberson Saddle Co., vs. E. B. Elliott; judgment by default.
Faylor Bros. vs. Stephenson Bros.; judgment by default for account and interest.
Austin & Koehl vs. same; judgment for note and interest.
James Heryford et al, vs. Wm. Heryford et al; continued.
Owen McIntyre vs. John Dulancy; jury find defendant not guilty in the complaint.
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