

# THE CHARITON COURIER,

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KEYTESVILLE, - MISSOURI.

FIRE destroyed the chapel of the State Reform School for Boys, at Boonville, last Monday.

THE Democratic caucus of the Texas legislature has agreed on Horace Chilton for United States senator.

J. B. PRICE, one of Hannibal's oldest and wealthiest citizens, dropped dead of heart disease last Sunday. He leaves an estate valued at \$225,000 and was 73 years old.

THE proprietors of the Lindell hotel, at St. Louis, refused Saturday night to permit Mrs. Siseretta Jones, known as the "Black Patti," to occupy rooms on account of her color.

THE amount of the booty secured by the robbers who looted a Burlington express car, near Ottumwa, Iowa, is now believed to be about \$3,000. The robbers are still at large.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL HENRY, of Arizona, has tendered his resignation in a letter in which he charges Governor Hughes with disrupting the Democratic party in the territory and with malfeasance in office.

SPEAKING of Congressman U. S. Hall and his brazen inconsistencies on the silver question, the COURIER is in a position to rear back in its easy chair, thrust its thumbs into the armpits of its vest and remark: "Gentlemen, we told you so."

MISSOURI has \$700,000 in her state treasury that was put there under Democratic administrations. Ohio, with McKinley Bill McKinley as governor, has a deficit in her treasury of nearly \$1,000,000. These figures speak for themselves, and comments are unnecessary. Come to Missouri.

THE case of Dr. Arthur Duestrow, of St. Louis, who murdered his wife and child, and which was taken on a change of venue to Union, Mo., has been continued until Jan. 21st. Duestrow still keeps up his insanity farce, and will make every effort in that direction to rob the gallows of one of its most deserved victims.

HON. T. P. SCHOOLEY, this county's representative in the lower house of the legislature, was appointed on two committees by Speaker Russell, viz: Roads and highways and agriculture. We shall now expect a speedy solution of the good roads question and fine crops in Chariton county this year.

BEN DEERING, of St. Louis, is backing a bill, introduced by Representative Swanger, of Sullivan county, making the minimum city dram-shop license \$1,000. The principal purpose of the bill is to lessen the number of saloons by raising the license. Mr. Deering framed the bill. He has long been a conspicuous personage at the state capital during the sittings of the legislature, and always up in arms against the saloon business. There is such a thing as a man losing his influence for intended good by being over-persistent, and this is about the predicament Ben Deering finds himself in on the saloon question, on which he is now regarded as a confirmed crank.

A good deal has been said about the attempt in the lower house of the Missouri legislature to take down the picture of Thos. H. Benton in representative hall and hang that of Gen. Nathaniel Lyons in its stead. Democratic journals generally have denounced the attempt as "pseulanimous," "the work of vandals, etc." But they perhaps do not consider that the lower house of the legislature is Republican. We can see no harm in allowing them to arrange the furniture, etc., of the hall to suit themselves—just as the Democrats would do if they had the power. Representative Pettijohn, of Linn county, and a Republican, came to the rescue of the indignant Democrats and Benton's picture was permitted to remain in its place, and a probable free-for-all fight was averted. The whole affair may be very properly styled, "much ado about nothing."

## SENATOR VEST'S CURRENCY BILL.

Senator Vest, Missouri's senior representative in the upper house of congress, introduced a currency bill in the senate last Friday, and while the Vest bill is not what it ought to be in some respects it is an infinitely much better measure than the Carlisle bill.

The Vest bill was referred to the committee on finance and is as follows:

Section 1. All treasury notes and gold and silver certificates now held in the treasury or which may come in, shall be destroyed and notes, payable in standard gold and silver coin, shall be paid out instead. But no coin note shall be issued of larger denomination than \$500 or smaller than \$10; and denominations higher than \$50 shall not exceed one-fourth the total of such coin notes outstanding. Said coin notes shall be legal tender for all debts.

Section 2. All laws authorizing owners of bullion or coin to deposit the same, and receive gold or silver certificates therefor, are repealed.

Section 3. Gold certificates outstanding shall be paid in gold on presentation by holders at treasury or any sub-treasury, and silver certificates outstanding in standard silver coin or coin notes. The coin notes shall be redeemed in gold or silver coin. If the gold shall amount to less than \$100,000,000 when presented, exclusive of that necessary to redeem gold certificates, they shall be redeemed in silver coin; and if the gold amounts to \$100,000,000 or more, then the secretary shall redeem such notes in gold or silver coin.

Section 4. It shall be unlawful for any national bank to issue notes or currency; acts authorizing such issue are repealed. The secretary, within 12 months, is directed to sell at highest market price, the United States bonds deposited by national banks to secure circulation; and after redeeming notes of currency of said banks (as now provided by the national bank act in the case of national banks retiring their circulation or going out of business), the surplus shall be paid also in said coin notes to the banks owning bonds sold.

Section 5. The secretary shall cause to be coined the silver bullion purchased under act of July 14, 1890 (Sherman), including gain or seigniorage of such bullion; and such coin shall be used in payment of public expenditures and for redemption of coin notes.

Section 6. Whenever government revenues are not sufficient to meet current expenditures, the secretary is required to issue a sufficient amount of coin notes to cover such deficiency, and all laws authorizing future issue and sale of interest-bearing bonds are repealed, except as provided. If the gold shall not amount to \$100,000,000, exclusive of that held to redeem gold certificates, the secretary is authorized to issue and dispose of, at not less than par in gold coin, bonds of the United States, bearing not to exceed 3 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually and redeemable at pleasure after five years; but no greater amount shall be sold that may be necessary to prepare for the treasury the full amount of \$100,000,000.

Section 7. Silver bullion brought to any mint for coinage, shall be coined into standard dollars of weight and fineness now established for the depositor's benefit. But no deposit of silver bullion of less value than \$100 shall be received, nor any bullion which is unsuitable for mint operations. The director shall retain as seigniorage and cover into the treasury the difference between New York market price and coined value of bullion, and the same shall be paid by the secretary in the current expenditures.

THE second crop of Texas cotton was killed last Saturday night, near Houston and in other parts of the state, by a severe freeze.

A LITTLE son of Dr. Chas. Battoroff, at Charleston, Ind., poisoned his little sister while "playing doctor" last Saturday night.

THE W. C. T. U., of Denver, Colo., has donned its war paint and shouldered its tomahawk against living pictures, and will ask the city council to suppress them.

COLORADO silver men have found a new market for their silver, which they are now shipping direct to China, where it is made into money in the Flowery kingdom.

A RESOLUTION has passed the Idaho senate, without a dissenting voice, asking for the submission to the people of a woman's suffrage amendment to the constitution.

MESSRS. ELLIOTT & McNAMARA, a live stock firm, of Laddonia and Martinsburg, Audrain county, Mo., have made an assignment for the benefit of their creditors. Assets \$8,000, liabilities \$30,000.

LAST Monday was said to be the coldest day of the season at the national capital; but unless the Democrats get together on a currency bill between now and the 4th of March they may expect colder weather still.

OWING to illness in his family, who reside at Mexico, Prof. W. T. Carrington, late Democratic candidate for state superintendent of public schools, has resigned his position as principal of the public schools, at Sarcoxie, Mo.

THE principles of the Democratic party are right and will eventually prevail. What the party is most in need of now is men who will practice in the halls of congress what they preach to their constituents during the campaign.

THE Glasgow Missourian is 28 years old, and its editor, Col. W. P. Ruffel, is quite old enough to get married and "settle down," but he either can't or won't commit matrimony. Our suspicions are in favor of the former obstacle.

THE hotels, at Jefferson City, have announced that during the present session of the legislature they will use coal oil lamps. The change was doubtless made on account of the number of Republicans in the legislature this winter who were liable to blow out the gas.

A recount of the vote in Cole county shows that S. H. Sone, Democrat, was elected sheriff over his Republican opponent.

"Silver Dick" Bland denies that he is a candidate for governor. But he may change his mind between now and 1896, as he has a right to do if he wants to.

A former admirer of this district's misfit representative in congress remarked the other day that "he was forced to admit if there was anything Riley Hall was consistent about it was inconsistency."

It is said that Mayor Waldrige, of St. Louis, and Chauncey I. Filley, the acknowledged Republican boss of Missouri, are tickling each other with icicles, and scarcely speak as they pass by.

The Moberly Democrat seems to think that "Keytesville is out of ice." On the contrary we are well supplied in that line, and a portion of it will be used to slip down Riley Hall's back when he returns from congress.

Senator David B. Hill, of New York, continues to bob up in the United States senate in opposition to the income tax. Judging from his overwhelming defeat in his race for governor of the Empire state, David B. ought to be better posted on "outcomes" than "incomes."

John Harris and wife, drought suffers of Paxton, Neb., committed suicide last Monday on account of their impoverished circumstances.

Dr. J. A. Freedman, a Macon physician, has gone insane, and has been taken to the insane asylum, at Fulton, for treatment.

Secretary of the Treasury Carlisle is remodeling his defeated currency bill, and hopes yet to frame a measure on which the Democratic party can agree.

THE old question of removing the state capital from Jefferson City to Sedalia will again be agitated during the present session of the legislature. A Chicago real estate syndicate with \$2,500,000 capital is said to be back of the "enterprise," and have taken an option on 10,000 acres of land adjacent to Sedalia. Jefferson City people are losing sleep, falling off in flesh and attending church regularly in the hope that such a calamity (to them) may be averted by a higher power than a Chicago syndicate of unscrupulous real estate agents.

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