

# CHARITON COURIER.

C. P. VANDIVER, PROPRIETOR.

KEYTESVILLE, - MISSOURI.

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## County Democratic Ticket.

For Representative,  
HON. J. W. DAVIS.

For Prosecuting Attorney,  
J. A. COLLET.

For Sheriff,  
J. R. DEMPSEY.

For Treasurer,  
JOHN KNAPPENBERGER.

For Judge County Court--Eastern District,  
HENRY HAYES.

For Judge County Court--Western District,  
CHAS. E. ALLEN.

For Surveyor,  
A. F. ARRINGTON.

For Public Administrator,  
THOS. E. MACKAY.

For Coroner,  
DR. G. M. DEWEY.

THE New York Herald says that 1,376 Italians arrived at Ellis on the 13th inst. that are paupers, and if permitted to remain in this country will be a charge on the public.

A MAMMOTH petition containing 22,000 names of St. Louis citizens will be sent to congress in the near future asking for permission to build another bridge across the Mississippi river at St. Louis.

It is reported that the attorneys for the Taylor brothers, murderers of the Meeks family, are confident that the supreme court in banc will grant these criminals a new hearing. If it does the "hanc part" of the supreme court ought to be abolished.

JOHN T. DAVIS, executor of the John T. Davis estate, of St. Louis, refused to make a return on the personal property of the estate for taxation, whereupon the board of equalization raised the assessed valuation of the estate from \$60,000 to \$1,250,000. Now it will be in order for Mr. Davis to remove his residence from St. Louis like George Gould removed his from New York for a similar reason.

ELIKEY S. NEFF, a citizen of Gentry county, aged 85 years, died last Monday. He was a Virginian and moved to Ohio where in 1840 he built a log cabin in honor of General Harrison, who was then a candidate for the presidency. In 1892 he built another log cabin in honor of Gen. Ben Harrison, grandson of the former, who was then a candidate for the same position.

ATTORNEYS for the Taylor brothers filed a motion for a rehearing in the case before the supreme court last Monday. Attorney-General Walker objected to the filing of the motion on account of the escape of George Taylor and the attempted lynching of William Taylor. The court has taken the matter under advisement, and it is likely to be several days before the court passes on the motion of defendants, attorneys and the objections of the attorney-general.

REPRESENTIVES of Sedalia went to Jefferson city Monday and filed with Governor Stone the guarantee bonds required by the capital removal resolutions. There were two bonds filed, aggregating the sum of \$615,000. The object of these bonds, as will be remembered, is to secure capital grounds, and the erection of capital buildings, on the part of the former, in that city. Both sides were represented by able counsel, and the contest over the sufficiency of these bonds, will be sharp and decisive. In order to give the Jeffersonians an opportunity to investigate the solvency of the securities, the hearing was set for Monday, the 20th day of April.

WILLIAM TAYLOR, one of the murderers of the Meeks family on the night of May 10th, 1894, and who in company with his brother, George, and another murderer, by the name of Cunningham, attempted to escape from the Carrollton jail Saturday night was removed from that place Monday, and taken to Kansas City where he was securely locked in the criminal bastille,

of that city. His brother, George, who succeeded in making his escape, is still at large with no probability of his immediate capture. William Taylor, it is now believed, will be taken back to Carrollton, on the 30th of this month and hanged.

THE question of negroes serving on juries in criminal cases, where negroes are the defendants, was before the United States supreme court a few days ago. Justice Harlan handed down an opinion, in which the court sustained the judgment of the court below in refusing to set aside the verdict of a jury, because there was no colored man on the jury, by which the defendant, a negro, had been tried and convicted. The opinion held that it was no infringement of the 14th amendment to the constitution of the United States for negroes to be tried and convicted by juries composed exclusively of white men. In other words, the court says that colored men have no constitutional right to demand a trial by a jury composed of white men and negroes, unless the constitution of the state in which the trial is had guarantees them that right.

THE Missouri's state board of equalization has fixed the figure of Missouri's value. The land in the state is, according to the board, worth \$311,037,046, while the town lots are worth even more, running up to \$419,592,376. In spite of the talk about the extinction of horses, as being no longer valuable, Missouri counts 946,898 of those animals, which are valued at \$20,887,397. Missouri being the first mule state in the union, points with pride to 274,441 mules and 7,738 asses and jennets, all together valued at \$6,899,457. On the ten thousand hills of Missouri are 1,711,716 cattle and 745,126 sheep, and in pen and pasture 2,728,035 hogs. In money, stocks and bonds in the hands of individuals and firms \$66,787,076, and it may be that here and there a dollar or a bond has escaped the search of the assessor, but the corporations have managed to scrape together \$40,122,778. Missouri, however, is not in poverty, and at any rate will have money when she sells her hogs. These are the latest figures on the "having and holdings" of the state of Missouri. —Kansas City Star.

### Republican Convention.

The Republicans, of Chariton county, met in convention in the circuit court room, in Keytesville, last Saturday afternoon for the purpose of electing delegates to their state and congressional conventions. While the committees appointed to select the delegates were out, Capt. Benecke made a speech in which he predicted the overthrow of at least a part of the Democratic county ticket recently nominated, and as for the state it would be certain to go Republican this fall. The captain's words did not create much enthusiasm. The speaker thought the Democrats were whooping up the boys on the silver question in order to call the attention of the people from weightier matters. Calling Democrats now out on the silver question reminded the captain of the campaign of 1874 when Democratic candidates were called out on the subject of inflation and woe be to the candidate who was not in favor of it. This no doubt was a bit of history that was new to the captain's listeners. He said he did not suppose the younger Republicans remembered the circumstances, and we are certain the older Democrats have no recollection of any such occurrence or of such a proscription policy being pursued by the Democratic party in 1874. Still if the captain can draw a crumb of comfort from such reminiscences we are perfectly willing he should do so. The turning of Democrats into the Republican camp and the large influx of Republicans from Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska within the past two years were the grounds of the captain's hopes of carrying Missouri by the Republicans this fall. We will call his attention to the fact that there were more Democrats in Missouri that staid away from the polls two years ago than would equal the entire immigration of voters to this state within the time specified, to say nothing of some of those immigrants who are Democrats. As a Democrat we are not at all dismayed at the prospect for a Democratic victory all along the line this year in Missouri.

### Circuit Court Proceedings.

#### CRIMINAL CASES.

State of Missouri vs. P. W. Ellis, obtaining goods under false pretense; trial by jury and verdict of not guilty. This was the case growing out of the purchase of some buggies by Ellis from H. C. Atterbury, of Mendon.

Same vs. John Anderson, appeal; rule on W. G. Herndon to send up perfect transcript and cause continued.

Same vs. R. G. Hunter, selling liquor illegally; prosecuting attorney elects to prosecute under second indictment. Defendant waives formal arraignment and pleads not guilty. Trial by jury of six by agreement and verdict of not guilty. Mr. Hunter is a Mike druggist.

Same vs. J. H. Finks, receiving deposits when he knew bank to be in a failing condition; defendant waives formal arraignment and pleads not guilty. Trial by jury and verdict of not guilty. This case grew out of the failure of the Bank of Salisbury last July of which Maj. Finks was cashier.

Same vs. same, same; nolle prosequi. Same vs. P. B. Branham, same, same; Mr. Branham was assistant cashier of the Bank of Salisbury at the time of its failure.

Same vs. John Asbury, assault with intent to commit robbery; nolle prosequi. This is the case growing out of the assault of old man Henry Trow, near Westville, last November, alleged to have been made by John Asbury and Dan Fuller. Fuller is now serving out a sentence of two years in the Boonville, Reform school for the crime.

Same vs. Elmer Williams, bound over to the grand jury on a charge of sodomy; grand jury failed to return a true bill and defendant discharged. Williams is a Keytesville negro.

Same vs. J. W. Nichols, appeal; motion to quash information sustained. Defendant discharged.

Same vs. Joseph and Phoeby Cooley, bound over to the grand jury on a charge of assault; grand jury failed to return a true bill and defendants discharged. These cases grew out of the Cooley-Buffington brawl, two miles east of Keytesville.

Same vs. Chas. Littrell, same; same. Mr. Littrell was also a party to the Cooley-Buffington feud.

Same vs. Frank Buffington, same; defendant waives formal arraignment and pleads not guilty. Trial by jury and verdict of not guilty. Mr. Buffington was one of the principals in the Cooley-Buffington troubles.

Same vs. Alonzo B. Winn, felonious assault; defendant waives formal arraignment and pleads guilty. Punishment assessed at a fine of \$100. This case grew out of Winn's assaulting F. M. Phelps, of Salisbury township, with a knife on the 20th of March, 1896.

Same vs. Wm. Cooley, defendant indicted for felonious assault, but with consent of prosecuting attorney was tried for common assault; jury returned a verdict of not guilty after being out for several hours. The defendant has been a conspicuous figure in the Cooley-Buffington melees.

Same vs. Cecil McGowan, felonious assault; trial by jury and defendant's punishment assessed at three years in the penitentiary. McGowan is the young man who shot John S. Robinson at Westville some time last summer. He was bound over for his appearance before the grand jury last October in the sum of \$1,000, but jumped his bond, and was lately captured at Paris, Tex., about two weeks ago and brought back for trial.

#### CIVIL CASES.

D. D. Knight vs. Geo. Lambert, appeal jury discharged. Plaintiff takes non suit with leave, etc.

Same vs. Wm. McConnell, appeal; continued to await and abide final result in case brought against Lambert.

Smith Frazier Boot & Shoe Co. vs. J. M. Cash and Fred Hains, attachment; by agreement of parties cause transferred to circuit court of Livingston county. All papers to be forwarded.

C. C. Rainwater & Co. vs. same, same; same.

R. L. McDonald & Co. vs. same, same; same.

Henry A. Kespohl & Co. vs. same, same; death of plaintiff suggested, and cause revived in the name of administrator of plaintiff's estate.

Wilcoxson & Co. vs. W. H. Hardwick et al, change of venue from Carroll county; dismissed as per stipula-

tion on file. Plaintiffs have leave to withdraw note sued on.

Carroll Exchange bank vs. same, same; same.

E. J. and D. H. Ballew vs. George obertson et al, equity; order of reference renewed, and cause continued. T. S. Griffen vs. J. B. and T. T. Reno, suit on account; continued.

Reubin Winfree vs. M. G. Holcomb, appeal; continued at plaintiff's costs.

Frank Bell vs. R. L. Simmerman, appeal; dismissed for want of prosecution.

John F. Scott vs. Legrand Wisdom, appeal; trial by jury of six by agreement. Verdict for plaintiff for \$238.25.

Wm. A. Byrd vs. T. J. Hancock, appeal; plaintiff takes non suit.

Addie Osborne vs. Robt. Eadie, damages; continued at plaintiff's cost.

John Floray vs. Archibald Spencer, ejectment; plaintiff has 30 days after adjournment of court to file bond for costs and cause continued.

J. W. McCollum et al vs. Mary L. McCollum, suit to set aside will; summons ordered for B. F. Moore and W. R. Leonard and cause continued.

M. C. DeJarnett vs. John Miller et al, partition; attorney's fee in favor of Crawley & Son in the sum of \$150, and fee taxed in favor of A. W. Johnson, referee, in sum of \$10.

J. P. Hayward vs. J. R. Halterman, appeal; by agreement of parties jury discharged, and cause submitted to court on evidence introduced.

J. X. Mitchell vs. S. J. Mitchell, divorce; plaintiff divorced upon payment of costs.

J. A. Merchant vs. Jasper N. Gaines, ejectment; application of John Comstock to be made party defendant sustained. Mr. Comstock enters his voluntary appearance, has 60 days to answer and cause continued.

J. M. Barnes et al vs. Edna Barnes et al, suit to vest title; alias summons for defendant, Mathew H. Barnes, and cause continued.

J. A. Merchant vs. John West, ejectment; continued at plaintiff's cost.

W. D. Crandall et al vs. estate of J. B. Moore, deceased, appeal; by agreement of parties plaintiff have judgment for \$500. Judgment ordered certified to probate court for classification.

S. P. Dillon vs. Elijah T. Ray, suit for improvement; dismissed by agreement.

Singer Manufacturing Co. vs. C. C. Clifton et al, suit to set aside deed; plaintiff's take non suit.

John H. Moxley vs. W. P. Thomas, appeal; dismissed by plaintiff.

Mary A. H. Brinker vs. S. J. Perkinson et al, suit for dower; dismissed by plaintiff.

Same vs. C. D. Felt, same; plaintiff has 60 days to file bond for costs and cause continued.

Same vs. I. N. Long, same; judgment for plaintiff by agreement for \$65.

Same vs. W. W. Baker, same; plaintiff has 60 days to file bond for costs and cause continued.

Same vs. Jos. Ralph, same; same.

Same vs. W. W. Felt, same; same.

Same vs. John L. Kreider, same; same.

Same vs. Mendon Town & Land Co., same; same.

Same vs. school district 5-55-20, same; same.

J. C. Burrus vs. D. and Wm. Beeler, suit on note; plaintiff dismisses as to Dorsey Beeler. Judgment by default for plaintiff against Wm. Beeler for \$571.73 with six per cent. interest.

O. P. Ray, ex parte, application to be admitted to bar; examined in open court and license granted.

B. C. Adams, same; same.

T. P. Schooler, same; same.

Jane Smith vs. City of Brunswick, reversal; transferred by agreement to circuit court at Salisbury.

R. J. Wheeler vs. Wm. Riley et al, appeal; trial by court and judgment for plaintiff for \$233.76.

First National Bank of Brunswick vs. A. J. Patterson et al, suit on note judgment for plaintiff for \$413.95 with eight per cent. interest.

John Byrne vs. A. F. Patterson et al, suit on note; judgment by default for plaintiff for \$449.08 with eight per cent. interest.

L. S. Curry vs. T. Butler, appeal; rule on justice to send up transcript and cause continued.

Henry Dobbins vs. W. F. Tucker, appeal; judgment for plaintiff by agreement for \$50 and each party to pay his own costs.

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## M. H. HOLCOMB.

Mary W. Moorman et al vs. Fannie M. Moorman et al, suit to set aside deed; alias writ for all defendants not served, and cause continued by agreement.

R. R. Porterfield vs. Wm. Scott, ejectment; continued on amended answer.

G. K. Adams vs. J. Disney, attachment; continued by agreement.

Keytesville Lumber Co. vs. same, same; same.

Sam'l Balch vs. Reubin Young, change of venue from Carroll county; continued.

Z. Riley vs. F. M. Hilber, appeal; continued for want of notice of appeal.

Sam'l Balch vs. Andrew J. James, change of venue from Carroll county; continued.

Sarah J. Plummer vs. city of Milan, change of venue from Sullivan county; trial by jury and verdict for plaintiff for \$2,900. This was a damage suit brought by the plaintiff for \$10,000 against the city of Milan for injuries received by falling on a defective sidewalk.

### Tribute of Respect.

WHEREAS, God in his providence has decreed the removal from our midst from his labors and toils below to a home and rest prepared for him above, our aged and most revered member of the Baptist church and Sunday-school, of Keytesville, our brother, Andrew Mackay, Sr., who has resided in the town of Keytesville and vicinity for nearly forty years, and who during that time has been an active and zealous laborer in his Master's vineyard, a deacon of the church and the first superintendent of the Baptist Sunday-school, of Keytesville, and when not serving in that capacity the teacher of our Bible class as long as he was able to attend, and who in all varied duties of life fully exemplified the Christian character, and by his Godly walk and conversation convinced all his brethren and the community that he has been with Christ and has been taught of Him. Therefore be it

Resolved, First, that in the death of Brother Mackay the community has sustained the loss of an honest and upright citizen; our church and Sunday-school an earnest, efficient and faithful member, and his bereaved family a kind and affectionate husband and father; and while we bow in submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, and shed the sympathetic tear with the bereaved, we have the full assurance that our loss is his eternal gain, and that his spirit is now in the mansion prepared for the people of God.

Second, that we will by the grace of God strive to emulate the virtue of our deceased brother and "Father of Israel", and to so live to meet him on the sunny banks of deliverance where no farewell tear is shed.

Third, that a copy of the preamble and resolutions be spread on the record of the church and Sunday-school,

a copy be furnished the family of our deceased brother, and that copies be furnished the county papers for publication.

THOMAS T. ELLIOTT,  
M. H. HOLCOMB,  
W. W. HANCOCK, } Committee.

THE bridge over the Missouri river at Jefferson City was thrown open to traffic Saturday morning of last week. A formal dedication of the noble structure will be made Thursday, the 27th inst. Extensive preparations for the occasion are being made and a large crowd is expected. Public addresses will be the order of the day, and quite a number of distinguished citizens of the state will orate on the occasion, among whom will be Gov. Stone, Gen. Oden Guitor, of Columbia, and Judge John L. Hockaday, of Fulton. The success of this enterprise puts the state capital in more direct railroad communication with all the northern part of the state, and will greatly assist Jefferson City in defeating the ambition of Sedalia.

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