

Salisbury has at last invested in a public watering trough. Keytesville has had one for several years.

While bathing in the St. John's river a Florida book agent was swallowed by an alligator. At last accounts the alligator was doing as well as could be expected.

We learn from the Mendon *Citizen* that James McPherson's house was struck by lightning during the storm of Tuesday night of last week. One of the children was knocked down, but besides being badly scared no very serious damage was done.

Up to date, the bull that has done the most bellowing and pawed the most dirt over the late Bryan club picnic at Brunswick is the tailless bovine that edits the *Chariton County Republican*, but what he lacks in caudal appendage is fully atoned for in "voice."

The St. Joseph *News* is responsible for the statement that a number of men intended to leave St. Joseph for Alaska, but every one of them backed out when they heard that whiskey froze solid up there. The idea of having to chew their whiskey was more than they could stand.

Our readers will remember that Miss Mable Cram, the interesting daughter of Mrs. F. A. Shannon, was badly crippled in the knee some two months ago by a fall from a bicycle. She has been confined to her room ever since, but her physician, Dr. J. H. P. Baker, reports her condition more favorable at present than it has been since she received the injury. We hope she may soon be up again.—*Press Speculator*.

It would seem from the last issue of the *Salisbury Democrat* that "Buster" Woodson not only got mixed on the character, but also on the color of a certain female he met during one of his recent trips to Randolph Springs to see a Sunday game of base ball. Had "Buster" gone to church that day instead of violating the Sabbath by attending a base ball game he would not have been placed in such an embarrassing position.

An absent-minded young minister in the East, wishing to address the young ladies of his congregation after the morning services, remarked from the pulpit that he "would be very glad if the female brethren of his congregation would remain after they had gone home." He was as badly mixed as another minister who, after describing a very pathetic scene he had witnessed, added huskily, "I tell you, sisters, there was hardly a dry tear in the house."

If a man had a \$50 bull pup he will look after it carefully and not let it run around at night all over town, says an exchange, but if he has a boy it is different. He is turned loose at a tender age to go to the devil, and then people wonder where the great army of tramps, bums, dead beats, loafers, gamblers and drunkards come from each decade. They are generated from pure seed, gathered from our homes and sown broadcast on our streets and alleys. It may be that your boy is making a growth in this direction. At all events the boy ought to be given an equal showing with the bull pup.

They have a school-board muddle at Sturgeon as shown by the following dispatch from that city: "The school board of this place is in a peculiar muddle, growing out of the election of teachers. Early in May the board proceeded in the usual way to elect a full corps of teachers, five in number. In a short time one member of the board who had voted for Prof. J. Estell Harvey of Howard county changed his mind, and refused to vote to enter into contract with Prof. Harvey. Thereupon three other members of the board refused to enter into contract with any of the other teachers unless Prof. Harvey was excluded. This produced a deadlock in the board which still continues. In the meantime, those elected have been notified their election and have filed their certificates and demanded contracts, and being refused are now threatening sue the directors individually. A movement is now on foot to mandamus the president and secretary of the board to compel them to enter into contracts with the teachers as originally elected."

Last week's *Brunswick* was slightly off in its geography. It located Gallatin in Macon county, when it is the county seat of Daviess county. We fear "the old reliable" has begun to pass into its dotage.

Summer has two more brick business houses in prospect—one to be built by Messrs. Tracy & Hopper, a general merchandising firm, and the other by Lisle & Robinson, dealers in liquid refreshments.

Earl Kellogg tells us that he will soon take about one-half of his boats from Lakewood and place part of them at Brunswick and the remainder at the cut-off. He will, however, leave enough here to accommodate all who delight in rowing, so says the *Sumner Star*.

Cunningham, a once prosperous town in the northwest part of Chariton county, has now only one store left—in fact, is almost dead. This once thriving village is at present having insult added to the injury time has wrought in the history of the place by some cruel individual who is engaged in writing doggerel about the town's former greatness.

Sam'l N. Loveless of Cunningham, whose death was reported by our *Sumner* correspondent last week, was born in Union county, Ohio, August 15th, 1851, but had resided in Cunningham for the past 14 years. The deceased was a member of the Odd Fellow and Modern Woodmen of American fraternities, and carried a life insurance policy in the latter order for \$2,000. His death was due to an attack of congestion of the brain, was quite sudden and was a terrible shock to his wife and five children.

In a wheat field of 4,000 acres on Roberts Island in the San Quoin river in California the largest harvester in the world is at work. The machine has a cutting line of 52 feet and turns out three sixty pound sacks of grain per minute. This wonderful machine is said to have reduced the cost of harvesting to about one-half of the former expense. It is handled by ten men and harvests 100 acres of grain per day. It is said Roberts Island is well adapted to the growth of wheat, and this year the crop is much heavier there than usual.

The six daughters of Major Pearce, who once lived in Cameron, Mo., have bright prospects of becoming millionaires. They are interested in Anneke Jans' estate embracing all of Harlem Flats, New York, rated at \$375,000.00, which will be distributed in September next, the 99 year lease having expired and the city having admitted the claims of the heirs. There are six of these daughters. One of them married a printer and lives in Mobile, Alabama. The rest of them are single. Three of them are dressmakers in St. Joseph and two are in Colorado.

The *Salisbury Democrat* says of a former principal of the Keytesville public schools, and who is equally as popular here as he is in Salisbury: "Prof. John P. Coleman of Mound City is one of the instructors in the teachers' institute. He will remain in this place a few days after the departure of the teachers for the purpose of visiting his friends. No man ever lived in Salisbury who had more friends than he. Notwithstanding the fact that he was principal of the academy while the school fight was at its worst, he never made an enemy. He is a cultured gentleman and a thoroughly honorable man."

#### Farm For Sale.

The A. V. Salisbury farm, containing 150 acres, has been placed in my hands for sale. There are 125 acres in cultivation, and two houses, three barns, one cistern, one living well, a good orchard, a pair of splendid stock scales and six large feeding troughs on the premises for use in fattening cattle. The place is located only one-half mile from Echo, which affords a good market for butter and eggs. Only one-half mile to school-house and 2 1-2 miles to flouring mill. Farm is all under fence. Terms: I will take \$3,000 for the place—\$1,200 down, and the balance in equal annual payments running five years, deferred payments to bear eight per cent annual interest. Call on or address, F. BION McCURRY, Salisbury.

#### COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

##### Regular August, 1897, Term.

In addition to the proceedings of the regular August, 1897, term of county court, published in the last issue of the *Courier*, the following routine business was transacted by that honorable body:

Bond of Bently Heryford in the sum of \$5,000 as inspector of petroleum oils within and for the city of Salisbury, with Covey Heryford and Phoebe Heryford as securities, condition as the law directs, presented, examined, approved and ordered filed.

H. B. Richardson, clerk of the circuit court, presents bills of costs in criminal cases and bills for board of prisoners as certified by the said circuit clerk as follows, to-wit:

CRIMINAL COSTS.	
State vs. Thos. Brown.....	\$ 21 70
Same vs. Everett Bennett.....	14 85
Same vs. Geo. Crawford.....	82 15
Same vs. Wm. Collet.....	6 20
Same vs. Lewis Davis.....	14 40
Same vs. Jos. Fristoe.....	18 10
Same vs. Ben Gardner.....	172 75
Same vs. Jas. A. Hamilton.....	20 05
Same vs. Henry Hopson (Hopkins).....	12 65
Same vs. Chas. Hartford.....	23 55
Same vs. Hollis Hayes.....	14 50
Same vs. Grant Littleton.....	16 95
Same vs. James Lain.....	17 90
Same vs. James Leeper.....	11 05
Same vs. G. W. Lawhorn.....	59 50
Same vs. Chas. Litchlider.....	26 00
Same vs. John Leonard.....	11 15
Same vs. Ephraim Martin.....	14 75
Same vs. S. Swearingen.....	43 65
Same vs. Cab Turner.....	41 70
Same vs. Russell Thomas.....	32 15
Same vs. Ed. Whitefield.....	6 15
Same vs. Dan Williams.....	12 75
Same vs. Geo. Woodruff.....	36 20
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$730 80</b>

#### BOARD BILLS.

State vs. Wm. Asbury.....	\$ 6 50
Same vs. Thos. Brown.....	41 00
Same vs. Sterling Blakely.....	46 00
Same vs. Lewis Davis.....	37 00
Same vs. Lewis Ewing.....	51 30
Same vs. Jos. Fristoe.....	8 50
Same vs. R. W. Green.....	46 00
Same vs. Chas. Hartford.....	63 80
Same vs. Henry Hopson (Hopkins).....	10 55
Same vs. Chas. Litchlider.....	19 50
Same vs. Gene Stevenson.....	31 30
Same vs. Ed. Whitefield.....	3 50
Same vs. James Lewis.....	38 00
Same vs. Ephraim Martin.....	49 50
Same vs. Henry F. Parish.....	19 50
Same vs. Richard Watson.....	3 00
Same vs. Ernest White.....	73 55
Same vs. Dan'l Williams.....	28 00
Same vs. Geo. Woodruff.....	37 00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$614 00</b>

which are examined, approved and ordered filed. And it is further ordered that a warrant in the sum of \$1,344.80 issue on the county revenue fund, payable to the order of the said H. B. Richardson, circuit clerk, to be by him disbursed to the parties thereto entitled.

H. B. Richardson, circuit clerk, presents bill of costs as follows, to-wit:

I. N. Long vs. Chariton Co. ..	\$ 26 60
Stella P. Wheeler vs. Chariton Co. ..	52 10
Chariton Co. vs. I. N. Long..	27 20
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$105 90</b>

which are examined, approved and ordered filed. And it is further ordered that a warrant in the said sum of \$105.90 be allowed against the principal of the county school fund, payable to the order of the said H. B. Richardson, circuit clerk, to be by him disbursed to the parties thereto entitled. The same is also ordered certified to the county treasurer by the clerk of this court.

J. R. Dempsey, sheriff, presents to the court an itemized statement of costs incurred in the foreclosure of the school fund mortgage of Geo. W. Smith to county school fund, said costs amounting to the sum of \$32.60, which is examined, approved and ordered filed. And it is further ordered that said sum of \$32.60 be allowed against the principal of the county school fund. The clerk of this court is ordered to certify same to the county treasurer for payment.

Upon the written consent of the sureties on the bond of O. F. Smith to the school fund of this county in the sum of \$1,000, presented to the court, and the further consideration of \$500 being paid on said bond, it is ordered that the north half of block 90 in the city of Keytesville, Mo., be released by proper entry on the margin of the record in the office of the recorder of deeds of this county by the clerk of this court.

Bonds to school fund approved as follows:  
W. P. Price for \$400 with D. W. Bayne and J. W. Price as securities.  
D. P. Preston for \$950 with Wm. G. and Jos. Welch as securities.  
H. O. Fisher for \$300 with Jos. Miles and J. D. Bayne as securities.

#### ALLOWANCES AS FOLLOWS:

John F. Ownby, supplies to Salisbury circuit court room.....	28 55
A. F. Arrington, services as county bridge commissioner from July 10th, '97, to Aug. 4th, '97.....	80 00
W. R. Million, board of jury in case of state vs. Geo. D. Smith, \$6.50; same in case of state vs. R. W. Green, \$39, total.....	45 50
J. J. Heisel, pauper coffin for Florence Bell, \$6; same for Mrs. Warden, colored, \$6. Total.....	12 00
Lucas Whitney & Co., pauper coffin for Benjamin Kitchen, \$6; same Mary Ewing, \$6; same Emma Phelps, colored, \$6; same for child of Lillie Gooch, \$4. Total.....	22 00
John Knappenberger, assignee Salisbury Democrat, stationery and printing.....	41 00
Same, assignee Peter Fox, 30 cords of wood for court-house.....	49 50
Same, assignee R. D. Edwards, attending sales of land under foreclosure of school fund mortgages at Salisbury.....	2 50
Same, assignee Wm. Balingier, 12 days' services as official stenographer at the July, 1897, term of circuit court at Salisbury.....	60 00
Same, assignee J. A. Collet, salary as prosecuting attorney for May, June and July, 1897.....	225 00
Same, assignee A. F. Arrington, services as county bridge commissioner from May 7, 1897, to July 7, 1897.....	132 00
John Knappenberger, salary as county treasurer for July, 1897, \$100; cash advanced for postage, freight and express \$65.80 Total.....	115 80
James Lile, hauling lumber by order of Judge Herring from Brunswick to Palmer's creek on road leading from Brunswick to Keytesville.....	1 50
W. R. Hix, lumber furnished for county bridge.....	6 47
W. R. Hix, building bridge across Cottonwood branch on section line between sections 13 and 14-55-18, \$50; repairing bridge across Mussel Fork creek, known as McGinnis bridge, \$24.50. Total.....	74 50
John O. Dougherty, support of Polly Montgomery, a pauper for third quarter of 1897.....	25 00
J. F. Pratt, one day's services as examiner for free scholarship at Missouri university.....	5 00
C. A. Greene, same.....	7 20
A. T. Dumm, two days' services same.....	10 80
H. B. Richardson, fees as circuit clerk at April, 1897, adjourned term of circuit court, \$3.75; same at July, 1897, term, \$31.90. Total.....	\$35 65
L. H. Herring, two days' services and mileage at July, 1897, term, \$11.20; four days at August, 1897, term, \$21.20; three days' services as county judge and expenses incurred in inspecting county bridges, \$9.50; expenses to St. Joseph on county business, \$10. Total.....	51 90

## Bargains

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# Millinery!

I have just received 25 dozen Hats, including a new line of Sailors, all colors, consisting of White Mohair Crowns and Colored Jap Straw Brims. Panama Hats in all of the Latest Dress Shapes. I also have a nice line of Leghorn Flats, and White and Black Dress Shapes.

I bought these goods at

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And I can sell them for JUST ONE-HALF what you paid for them early in the season.

If you want a nice Hat for very little money, now is your time to buy.

**MRS. C. P. VANDIVER,**  
"Courier" Building, Keytesville, Missouri.

J. R. Dempsey, sheriff, account for fees as sheriff at April, 1897, adjourned term of circuit court, \$41; same at July, 1897, term, 199.10; waiting on probate court six days at May, 1897, term, \$12; same on county court for two days at July, 1897, term, \$4; same four days at August, 1897, term, \$3; guarding prisoners on public roads 30 days at \$1.50 per day, \$45; returning justice of the peace books and papers of G. Lutscher, deceased, to county clerk, \$2. Total.....	311 10
<i>Brunswick</i> , stationery.....	14 75
E. B. Russell, treasurer Missouri Reform school, support of Oscar Craig from Aug. 1st, 1897, to Nov. 1st, 1897.....	30 00
Henry Hayes, two days' services and mileage as county judge at July, 1897, term, \$10.90; four days at August, 1897, term, \$20.90; three days' services and expenses incurred in inspecting county bridges, \$11.50. Total.....	43 30
C. E. Allen, two days' services and mileage as county judge at July, 1897, term, \$14.20; four days at August, 1897, term, \$24.20; four days' services and expenses incurred in inspecting county bridges, \$15.80. Total.....	54 20
R. D. Edwards, fees as county clerk for self and deputy for 2nd quarter of 1897.....	75 00
Ordered that this court do now adjourn until court in course.	

**Buckley's Arnica Salve.**  
The best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by W. C. Gaston.

**Additional Border County Notes.**  
CARROLL.  
Carrollton people are taking the initiative steps to build a fine opera-house.  
Wm. B. Minnis of Carroll county sold his crop of apples raised this year on his 20-acre orchard for \$1,800.  
James Peters of near Wakenda lost one son last week of meningitis and has another sick of the same disease.  
The Latter Day saints have recently held a meeting in Carrollton. They are of the kind opposed to Brigham Young's polygamous doctrine.  
Dr. Evans of Eugene township threshed 5,000 bushels of wheat from 186 acres of land this season, and George Knox reaped 2,100 bushels from 70 acres.  
Frank Davis, 16 years old, son of a widow living on the Redding place near Mandaville, went in swimming one day last week and ran against a snag, hurting himself badly, which resulted in his death a few thereafter.  
Arthur Ashby of Carrollton instead of putting away W. C. Crouch's team, as directed, concluded to take a ride, which he did at a speed too great for the endurance of the horses, for which he was tried and given a sentence of 10 days in jail.  
A young woman of color living in Norborne attempted suicide last week because of unrequited love. She took tincture of iodine, but the doctor counteracted its effects and the colored damsel still lives.  
Jim Collier of near Tina while loading wood last week felt something sting him on the leg, but could not see what it was. In a few minutes the wound began to pain him very much, and upon examination he found that a snake had bitten him. His leg became badly swollen. He applied the usual remedies and was improving at last accounts.  
The Wakenda correspondent of the *Carrollton Record* talks pretty hard about the whiskey-selling drug stores of his town. He is told they sell whiskey and beer in any quantity, that when any one undertakes to say anything against this nefarious business, they cry out: "Let him attend to his business." There are drunken ruffians in the town every Sunday who yell like Comanche Indians, which, if true, presents a sad state of affairs in that little city.