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If the coffee he sells you isn't as good as you would like it to be. The chances are you didn't pay him enough.

How can a grocer be expected to sell real good coffee unless you pay him what's right?

Tip-top coffee can't be sold for less than 22 1-2 cents per pound. At this we sell Blanke's coffee which is more than tip-top—it is absolutely the best.

Any grocer ought to give you good coffee at that price, but we give you the best.

Read this Carefully

It is with great pain and humiliation that we are compelled to announce to the patrons, friends and customers of the above favorite COFFEE that owing to the wild, excited and advancing coffee market, due to the monster—TRUST—that we are compelled, in order to meet the advance of the same to raise the price from 20 cents per pound to 22 2-2 cents per pound, or, in other words, from 5 pounds for \$1 to 4 1-2 for \$1. We hope that you will continue to favor this popular brand and enjoy its Drinking Merits, even if we are compelled to raise the price a few cents on the dollar in order to save ourselves. I pledge you as soon as coffee declines I will again give you the benefit of the same.

S. M. White,
Exclusive Grocer.
Phone No. 26
KEYTESVILLE, MO.

As a further hope of life for the good, old-fashioned peach cobbler, nurserymen are of the opinion that no damage to the fruit crop has so far been done in this state.

C. E. Zook and W. H. Widener of Farmington, Ill., and B. Anderson of Swan Creek, Ill., are among the recent arrivals on the hunt of Chariton county land. The last-named was accompanied by C. Torrance, who is a traveling agent for N. O. Tate & Co.

J. E. Stender, formerly of Brayton, Iowa, the purchaser of the 160-acre farm formerly belonging to T. J. Hancock, three miles northeast of Keytesville, arrived with his family Wednesday, and will take possession of the premises at once. Mr. and Mrs. Stender have seven children, all of whom, except a daughter who is teaching in Iowa, came with them.

We had hoped ere this to have received an official copy of the proceedings of the Democratic committee of this congressional district, held at Chillicothe the latter part of last week, but are disappointed. Suffice to say, for the present, that J. J. Moore, the member from this county was present, and that the committee appointed a primary election throughout the district March 31, to settle the candidacy of Judge Rucker and W. H. Mansur of Chillicothe, the last named gentleman having announced himself a candidate while the committee was at Chillicothe. In this county the congressional primary will be held in connection with the county primary and the names of congressional candidates will be put on the county tickets.

Wanted.

A good blacksmith to run a shop at Guthridge Mills; must be honorable and sober. Also a harness shop wanted at same place.

F. J. ELLIS,
Guthridge Mills.

Return to Home Print.

With this week's issue of the COURIER we cease using a "patent side." We have tried the patent for a few months and do not like it, except for the money there is in it. That it is a cheaper way to get up a paper there is no question, but it is not the best or most satisfactory way. Some of our readers tell us they never look at the patent side of their paper, which is to say the money paid for a paper having a patent side is half thrown away, and this we know is not a pleasing feature of journalism.

Our next week's issue will be an all home-print. We will resume the publication of our border county notes compiled from our invaluable exchanges, and thus give our readers the benefit of the principal news items from "near by" counties as well as the home happenings. The increase in the price of all printing material, including paper, compels us to raise the price of the COURIER to \$1.25 instead of \$1 as formerly. To this we are sure our patrons will not object when from actual trial they find the difference in value in favor of an all home-print, compared with a patent side more than compensates for the difference in price. Give us a trial and see if we are not telling you cold facts.

In Memoriam.

We regret to announce the killing of Oscar Holman, an exemplary young man, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Holman, living three miles north of Keytesville. Four months since Oscar went to Ardmore, Macon county, and went to work on the railroad section. Last Saturday about 5:30 o'clock p. m. he quit work with the intention of coming home. It was a very stormy evening, the wind and snow both blowing a gale on the way to his boarding-house, his cap was pulled down over his ears and his coat collar turned up around his neck. After walking on the track a short distance he was overtaken by a railroad train running backwards, whose approach he did not hear on account of the storm and he did not see because the engineer and brakemen seemed not to have seen him, at least the caboose of the train struck him violently in the back, knocking him down, after which the caboose, one car and the locomotive ran over his body, killing him instantly. The left leg, left arm and back part of his head were fearfully crushed.

His father received the sad news Saturday evening in time to take the midnight train for Moberly, where he was joined by his brother-in-law, Fred Phelan, who went with him to Ardmore and brought the corpse to Keytesville Monday morning. The remains were taken home and funeral services conducted by Rev. Lewis Route in the presence of a large concourse of friends and relatives, after which interment took place in the Bennett cemetery. Deceased was in the 24th year of his age, and was born and grew to manhood on the home place near town. He professed religion and joined the C. P. church when 10 years of age, and has been a worker in the Master's vineyard ever since. His life has been of that character that assures his sorrowing parents and relatives that it was well with him in the sad hour of his dissolution, and that he waits with open arms to welcome them on the other shore. Say ye to the righteous: "It shall be well with him."

HAMDEN, CHARITON CO., MO. }
February 26, 1900. }

After a lingering sickness of many months Mr. Stephan Hogan died at the residence of his uncle, Mr. Wm. Kelly, one-half mile south of the Catholic church, Hamden Post-office, Chariton county, Mo., Thursday night, February 22, at 12 o'clock. At 7

o'clock in the evening of the 22nd he received for the last time the sacraments of the Catholic church. Almost to the last moments he had the use of his senses and responded to the prayers offered up for the dying. He died from consumption, aged 26 years, 1 month and 22 days. During his long sickness the greatest care was shown him by his uncle and aunt, who loved him as their own child. Kind neighbors also exhibited their esteem and love for the deceased by watching at his bedside day and night. During the last month before his demise his desolate mother and brother, Daniel, came up from Carondelet and watched with anxiety at his bedside. Frequently the Christian young man fortified himself by devoutly receiving the last sacraments during his lingering illness, preparing himself for the great journey to eternity. Saturday morning at 11 o'clock the corpse was brought into the Church of the Immaculate Conception, which was tastefully decorated by Miss Joanna Berney. Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Ubaldus, O. F. M. The musical part of the solemn funeral service at the church and at the grave was well rendered by a quartet of courageous young ladies of the Wien church choir, who dared to make the trip of 10 miles during the raging cold spell. Miss Sophia Fessler presided at the organ, and was assisted in the chant by Misses Catherine Schumacher, Lizzie and Anna Kaungisser.

After the "Liberia" the officiating priest held a short funeral sermon in the church, and then conducted the corpse to the grave, where the last rites were performed under the heart-rendering sobs of a grief-stricken mother, a sorrowing brother, a desolate aunt and sad uncle and in the presence of many sympathizing friends. Messrs. J. P. Tippet, J. B. Stamper, Oswald and Adlai McCurry, Mathias and Frank Poeschl, Masters Henry Deimer and Joseph Marek acted as acolytes. *Requiescat in pace.*

A SYMPATHIZER.

Mr. Hughen, who bought Dr. Hughes' farm, three miles west of Keytesville, arrived here Wednesday evening from Nebraska, his former home. He and his family came on the passenger train and Otto Kuhler came with his car load of goods. Mr. Hughen will not farm this year. He has rented the house on bridge street from J. P. Tippet occupied the past year by E. B. Elliott.

J. B. Stamper of Clifton Hill, who buys poultry in Keytesville, came over Sunday evening and returned Monday morning. We are not advised as to which of Keytesville's fair daughters Brother Stamper called on Sunday evening, but he is accused of having a matrimonial bee in his bonnet, and when a good-looking widower takes a notion that way you may expect to hear something soon. He has been denying it heretofore, but this time he was candid enough to request Mrs. Cook to tell the old maids in and around Keytesville that he was in need of a housekeeper.

One of the best bargains in the purchase of a farm of recent date is that of the Wm. C. Swain farm, four miles northwest of Keytesville, by Jesse T. Butts of Enid, Oklahoma, for which he paid the low price of \$30 per acre. Every foot of the land is tillable and the soil is first-class. The improvements need renovating to some extent, but without house or barn the land is well worth the price paid. The purchaser was born and raised in Saline county, and knows the worth of Missouri soil. He will not move here until fall. Most likely W. C. Swain, the former owner, will cultivate the farm this year. The COURIER will give Mr. Butts the Chariton county news while he is away from his new home.

The Tomb.

Saidee Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Gaston of Keytesville, departed this life after a week's illness of pneumonia on the afternoon of February 25, 1900, aged 3 years, 5 months and 10 days. This lovely child gladdened the hearts of the household of which it was a tiny member for a brief period only, but like the bud clipped from the stem before it becomes a full rose, she has been snatched from the fond embrace of loved ones here and transplanted into a fairer clime, where she will bloom in eternal beauty. She will forever dwell in the presence of Him, who while on earth said: "Suffer little children to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." We know from sad experience how far short words of sympathy come to filling the aching void occasioned by the taking away of loved ones whose mortal remains we lay away in the silent city of the dead, but there are two classes whose demise we should not mourn—the adult Christian and the child of tender years. Of these we may say as did David of old concerning his deceased child: "It can never come to me but I can go to it." Blessed though, the separation if we so will is only for a few years.

On account of the absence of Clarence, who has been at school in Boston the past year, and who was telegraphed for, and who could not reach home before Thursday afternoon, the funeral was deferred until Friday. Services were held at the family residence by Revs. Corr and Finley, after which interment took place in the City cemetery, there to await the rising of those who "take part in the first resurrection."

"Blessed sleep, from which
None ever wake to weep."

of pneumonia in the Forks of the Chariton, near Vance's school-house, Sunday, February 25, and was buried in the Asbury cemetery the next day. Rev. John Holland, her pastor, conducting the service and preaching the discourse. Mrs. Elliott was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Young and had been married over two years. She leaves a husband and two children to mourn the loss of wife and mother. One of the children is an infant and was only eight days old when its mother died, which makes her demise all the more sad. The sympathy of many friends go out to them.

Marriage Licenses.

W. T. Black, Rothville
Miss Sarah L. Bremer, . . . Brunswick
W. R. Richardson, col., . . . Salisbury
Miss S. Morehead, col., . . Brunswick
Lewis Manuel, col., . . . Keytesville
Miss L. Hutcheson, col., . . Keytesville
Walter S. Downey, Sumner
Miss May Lloyd, Sumner
Elmer Conrad, Prairie Hill
Miss Prudence Smith, Eccles
E. H. Cox, Keytesville
Miss Hattie Tillotson, . . . Keytesville
Albert Richardson, Rockford
Miss Hattie Coy, Rockford

J. D. Cunningham, the Oklahoma man who bought the Neal farm near the Keytesville depot, has arrived with his teams, wagons and farming implements, and is ready to go to work ditching and tiling his land as soon as the weather will admit of it. His household goods are here also. His family arrived Wednesday, and they will set up to housekeeping in Mr. and Mrs. George Dewey's house, north of Tippet's blacksmith shop. Mr. Cunningham brought with him five of as fine mule teams as we ever saw. He is a man full of life and energy—just the kind to make farming or any other business he may turn his head to go with a rush.

Rt. Rev. Edward Atwill, the Episcopal bishop of West Missouri will preach at the Methodist church in Keytesville next Thursday evening, March 8. All are invited to hear him.

Tip Mansur a Candidate.

We had hoped that Judge W. W. Rucker would have no opposition for congress this year and that the plan of making a change of representatives every two years would be abandoned in this district. But such is not the case. W. H. Mansur of Chillicothe, a brother of the late lamented Chas. H. Mansur, has announced himself a candidate for congress, and we suppose will enter at once upon a vigorous canvass of the district. We regret the candidacy of Mr. Mansur because, personally, we have a very high regard for him as a Christian gentleman, but we do not believe there is a necessity for doing otherwise than to permit Judge Rucker to have another term unmolested.

There are very few new members that have ever taken higher rank among his colleagues than has Judge Rucker. His industry, coupled with his ability, makes him a useful member of congress, and for this reason his constituents would be justifiable and safe in sending him back.

It may be said that a change at the end of two years has been the policy of the district heretofore in many instances, but that does not make it right nor does it prove that it is politic to do so. We believe in rotation in office where there is good reason to rotate. We would favor a law lengthening all official terms, and making the incumbent ineligible after serving one term.

Marriages.

COX-TILLOTSON:—Elmer H. Cox and Miss Hattie Tillotson, both of the Scribner neighborhood, were married at the residence of the officiating justice, H. A. Wheeler, Sunday, February 25. We congratulate this young couple, whose hearts now beat

cause to regret this all-important era in their journey through life.

RICHARDSON-COY:—Albert Richardson and Miss Hattie Coy, both of Rockford, Mo., were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at the residence of the officiating justice, H. A. Wheeler, in Keytesville, Tuesday, February 27. May joy and happiness be their lot as they journey down the rough pathway of life.

The story that Jim Lindley told on Claib Jackson in 1852, when they were opposing candidates for congress, has been revived and made to apply to two opposing Democratic candidates for office in a neighboring county, and is going the rounds of the press. Jackson and Lindley made their canvass before the days of railroads in Missouri. They traveled separately in a one-horse buggy, and met each other on the stump face to face in debate. On a certain day Jackson traveled ahead of Lindley and stopped at a farm house where there was a lovely little girl whom Jackson petted and to whom he gave candy and won her admiration. It chanced that Lindley stopped at the same house later in the day and met the same little girl. When he revealed to her that he was a candidate for congress and that Jackson was his opponent, she very candidly told him that she liked Mr. Jackson best for the reason that he gave her candy. "I will give you candy too," said Mr. Lindley, and suiting the action to the word he handed her quite a package. "But," said the little one, "Mr. Jackson kissed me." "Well," said Jim, "I will kiss you too," and did so. "Now," said he, "don't you like me best?" "No," she replied, "Mr. Jackson kissed mamma too." Jim said he drew the line at mamma, and left with no expectation of getting a vote from that house.

The stock at Judge H. C. Minter's sale on Tuesday is reported to have sold at good prices, notwithstanding the storms of wind and snow prevailing at the time.

The Long Island Liquor Cure.

Keytesville has now a liquor cure: One which is certain, safe and sure. On many men it has been tried. Its great success can't be denied. A score of men to Dwight were sent. The only cure was Robert Trent. A patent fact I will here state. The cure is run by N. O. Tate. Sure every good man in the land will give this cure a helping hand. Let pissemitists think as they please. Still drunkenness is a disease. A drunkard has no power, no will. And, therefore, needs the doctor's skill. Some fools will make their boast and say: "They can quit drink any day." Their conduct gives his boast the lie. They never quit until they die. Of this one thing I feel quite sure. 'Tis no disgrace to take the cure. So good a man was old Lot. For two straight nights he was a sot. Good Noah was semi-divine. Yet he got drunk on native wine. King Alexander was a prince. Whose peer lived not before nor since: With all his glory, all his fame, By alcohol at last was slain. The greatest men we've ever seen, Were Stewart, Mark Anke and Green. Because they had a feeble will, A drunkard's grave they all now fill. No tears were shed, no flowers are seen Upon the grave of James S. Green. Great were his thoughts and great his deeds, His tomb is overgrown with weeds. Warned of the future by the past, Shall we escape his fate at last? To ignore whiskey, gin and rum, Will hasten the millennium. When all the tipplers take the cure, Deaths and divorces will be fewer; And every woman in the state, Will bless the name of N. O. Tate.

G. M. D.

Epworth League.

The subject of the Epworth league for Sunday, March 4, will be the three great symbolic miracles of Christ:

- First, Fishers of men—Luke v 1:11.
- Second, Feeding with the bread of life—John vi 1:14.
- Third, Getting the food—John xxi 1:18.

Meetings will be held every Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m. in the Methodist church. All the young people in town are cordially invited to attend. Come and bring your Bibles.

A New League.

A lodge of the Married Men's Fraternity, members: A. S. Taylor, J. Moore, E. P. Moore, O. B. Anderson, T. T. Colley, Dr. B. Hughes, C. L. White, T. E. R. Ewing, J. M. DeMoss, J. S. Staples, A. Keiting, Vival Harper, J. G. Ward, W. T. Rice, A. C. Caswell, P. M. Simpson, Cecil Johnson, M. F. Lucas, George W. Huckaby, J. T. Jefferson, P. T. Smith, Sterling Price, J. M. Turner, Miller Lessley, Chas. E. Randeegger, Dr. J. T. Aldridge.

There was a frightful train collision on the Missouri Pacific railroad, two miles east of Independence, Mo., late Tuesday afternoon. The colliding trains were going in the same direction. The first one was traveling at the rate of 15 miles an hour, breaking a track through the snow, and the second, drawing eight cars and running 40 miles an hour, crashed into the rear of the front train and wrecked the parlor car. Two persons were killed outright, and seven were more or less injured and one missing at last accounts.

Public Sale.

Having sold my farm I will offer at public outcry at my residence, two miles north of Keytesville, Saturday, March 10, 1900, the following personal property, to-wit:

- Fifteen horses and mares, all ages; 1 span of 4-year-old mules, 1 span 2-year-old mules, 1 yearling mule, 20 mule colts, 6 milch cows, 2 yearling steers, 10 yearling heifers, about 2,000 bushels of corn, 3 saddles, 3 sets of harness, 2 disc cultivators, 2 tongueless cultivators, 2 breaking plows, 1 disc harrow, 1 Acme harrow, 1 smoothing harrow, 3 mowing machines, 2 corn planters, 4 2-horse wagons, 1 wheat fan, 1 Fairbanks stock scales and elevator at Keytesville station; also household and kitchen furniture and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms made known on day of sale. Sale to commence promptly at 10 o'clock a. m.

M. F. COURTNEY,
O. B. Anderson, } Auctioneers.
N. O. Tate, }