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MAN WAS MADE TO HUSTLE.

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A Lady Said to me

last Saturday: "Mr. White, there is one good thing about Blanke's Coffee that you don't say anything about!"

"What is it?" I asked. "Why," she replied, "I used to have a hard time getting my husband up in the morning to build a fire. But now, since we began using Blanke's Coffee, he gets up half an hour before there is any need of his doing so. The reason is that he is in a hurry to get a cup of that coffee. And you ought to see the children pile out of bed, too!"

That's the way it goes. Every day I hear some new and good point about that coffee. Price 4 1-2 pounds for \$1.

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.

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

February, 1900, Adjourned Term.

The adjourned February, 1900, term of county court met Thursday, March 7, and transacted the following business:

ALLOWANCES.

David Gay, superintendent of the Children's Home Society of Missouri, finding suitable home for Franklin Stinson, 12-months-old child of Susan A. Stinson, an inmate of the county poor farm, \$50.

SCHOOL FUND BONDS APPROVED.

Ben F. Brewer for \$708, with L. C. Wells and J. E. Dempsey as securities. F. M. Veatch for \$750, with A. L. Welch and J. E. Dempsey as securities.

Mary McDonnell for \$875, with Oliver McDonnell, Wm. Clavin and James Clavin as securities.

Felix N. Langer for \$600, with Thomas Coy and L. P. Harris as securities.

Frank McCart for \$1,400, with W. M. Smith, R. L. Smith, Till Scott and Wm. Kelly as securities.

Sarah T. Miller for \$750, with R. B. Kilpatrick and Lewis Lisle as securities.

B. F. Taylor for \$292.74, with D. C. Laird and G. H. Taylor as securities.

Sallie E. Vandiver for \$300, with C. P. Vandiver, M. H. Holcomb and H. B. Richardson as securities.

M. C. Stanley for \$900, with Mollie Stanley, J. D. Stanley and W. C. Stanley as securities.

James T. Hinkle for \$580, with T. I. Smith and B. R. Collet as securities.

Elizabeth A. Chrisman for \$300, with Jesse McKinney and Leonard Hepworth as securities.

TAX ORDERS.

Township collector of Keytesville township ordered to credit the per-

sonal taxes assessed against O. N. and J. W. Ashley for the year 1899 with the sum of \$4.09 on account of the erroneous assessment of said parties for said year.

Same order on collector of Brunswick township as to sw qr se qr with the sum of \$7.02 on account of double assessment.

Same order on collector of Bee Branch township as to personal taxes erroneously assessed by the county board of equalization against Antone Kloster in the sum of \$18.38.

Same order on collector of Keytesville township as to taxes erroneously assessed against R. D. Edwards in the sum of \$4.

Same order on collector of Salisbury township as to taxes erroneously assessed against T. J. Banning in the sum of \$3.38.

Same order on collector of Mendon township as to W. P. Bradley in the sum of \$5.63.

GENERAL ORDERS.

David Gay, superintendent of the Children's Home Society of Missouri, agreeing to take charge of Franklin Stinson, the 12-months-old child of Susan A. Stinson, an inmate of the county poor farm, upon payment, by this court, of the sum of \$50 to said society, said child is ordered to be delivered to said Gay by the superintendent of the county poor farm.

Patent ordered to issue to John H. White for the ne qr ne qr 34-55-17, purchased of Chariton county by said White for \$1.25 an acre February 2, 1891, and fully paid for August 7, 1897.

Same as to nw qr nw qr 35-55-17. It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that Wm. Fulbright, assignee of James F. Blakley, etc., has made full and complete payment for the se qr se qr 16-55-20, in the sum of \$50, under protest, for the reason that, in his opinion, said land has been previously paid for, it is, therefore, ordered that the foregoing facts be certified to the secretary of state at Jefferson City, Mo., in order that a patent may be issued to the said Wm. Fulbright, assignee as aforesaid, for the above described tract of land.

Report of proceedings of J. R. Dempsey, sheriff, of the public sale of the sw qr ne qr 16-53-16, 16th section school lands, to E. M. Williams for the sum of \$52, under order of this court, presented, approved and ordered filed. The foregoing is ordered certified to the secretary of state in order that a patent may issue to said Williams for said land.

Chariton county to use of school funds against Conrad O. Burgner, foreclosure.

Ordered that the superintendent of the county poor farm receive and maintain at said poor farm Tanta Lutscher until orders are made in this cause.

Settlements of the various township collectors for the year 1899 approved as follows:

COLLECTOR.	TOWNSHIP.
W. O. Green	Clark
M. A. Knappenberger	Brunswick
Frank Wannamaker	Cunningham
Henry N. Rohwer	Chariton
James F. Wilson	Bee Branch
S. B. Hedrick	Musselfork
Columbus Gray	Wayland
F. F. Hamilton	Yellow Creek
G. H. Dobyns	Triplett
W. U. Grubbs	Salt Creek
A. S. Wilks	Keytesville
A. G. Friesz	Bowling Green
H. B. Felt	Mendon
Bam B. Elliott	Salisbury
Robt. A. Wright	Cockrell
M. A. Wahurst	Missouri

In the matter of the petition of H. C. Crawford for a ditch in 34 and 35-55-21, it is ordered that J. A. Collet be hereby appointed attorney for this court in the construction of said ditch.

Mortgage of George M. Dewey, M. D., to the county school funds ordered released, it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that same has been fully paid.

Same as to school fund mortgage

of John G. Oldham in the sum of \$300.

Order of this court approving the school fund mortgage of Wm. B. and Minnie M. Maddox November 10, 1898, is hereby set aside and annulled.

In the matter of the petition of H. C. Crawford for a ditch in 34 and 35-55-21, Triplett township, the court approves the report of the viewers and the civil engineer in said cause, and under the provisions of section 7, page 281, Session Acts of 1899, said viewers and civil engineer are ordered back to survey and level, set stakes, etc., and to make their report to this court within 30 days after the completion of the work.

Upon the application of John Knappenberger, treasurer and ex-officio collector of this county, a special term of this court is ordered for Wednesday, March 21, 1900, for the purpose of making final settlement with said ex-officio collector as provided by section 7629 Revised, 1889, Statutes of Missouri.

Adjourned. The order below was entered of record as of the February, 1900, regular term of this court:

"WHEREAS, it appearing to this court, from a recent ruling of the commissioner of internal revenue, that all school fund bonds that have been approved by county courts since July 1, 1898, require a 50-cent internal revenue stamp on same; and, whereas, this court, acting under the instructions of P. J. Ostergard, a deputy revenue collector, has only required the said bonds to be stamped as notes; it is, therefore, ordered by the court that the clerk of this court take all school fund bonds in his office, that are not properly stamped, to the collector of internal revenue at Kansas City, Missouri, make the necessary affidavit and have them stamped as provided by section 13 of the war revenue act of 1898. And it is further ordered by the court that the clerk of this court charge each of said parties, whose bonds require additional stamps, with the amount so required, and notify the said parties to pay for the same at once."

The Criminal Calendar.

Arthur Glasgow, a copper-hued denizen of Dalton, is in the county jail serving out a fine of \$50 and \$11.65 costs, imposed in Justice J. G. Payne's court at Dalton for carrying concealed weapons.

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney O. P. Ray of Keytesville went up to Westville Monday to represent the state in a case against Price Standley, a 15-year-old youth who was charged with stealing a lap robe, a pair of slippers and a silk dress pattern from Fred Sanderson's buggy at Bethany church, two miles north of Westville, the night of Nov. 4, 1899. Standley was arrested shortly after the theft of the articles from Sanderson's buggy and was brought to Keytesville and lodged in jail, where he was made "a trusty," but took French leave and was re-arrested a few days ago by Constable Oldham of Clark township and brought back to jail. When his case was called in Justice Clark's court Monday the lad's attorney, Dan McLaughlin of Marcelline, demanded a jury trial, which resulted in the boy's acquittal.

Thos. Knuckles, the man who hired a horse from Chas. Parker, a Keytesville liveryman, January 30, 1900, which subsequently proved to be a ruse, Knuckles' sole object being to steal the animal, was captured by the police at Chillicothe last Thursday, and Constable L. A. Embree of Keytesville went up to Chillicothe the 9th inst. and returned shortly before noon with Knuckles in custody. When taken before Justice Wm. P. Jared Saturday, the defendant waived formal arraignment and pleaded guilty to the charge of grand larceny, and was committed to the county jail to await

the action of the grand jury at the May term of circuit court. Knuckles is 45 years old, 5 feet 11 inches tall and sandy complexioned, and formerly lived in Saline county, but has been an ordinary, every-day tramp for several years. He says he sold Mr. Barker's horse, saddle and bridle, which are valued at \$75, to a horse buyer at Jefferson City for \$15. The stolen property has not yet been recovered.

Probate Pointers.

It appearing to the court that there is in the hands of Martin Straub, executor of the estate of Margaret Straub, the sum of \$500 not needed to pay debts, it is ordered, on motion of said executor, that said sum of money be distributed among the legatees named in the will of Margaret Straub, deceased, according to the terms of said will.

On application of John R. Heisel, a minor heir of John H. Heisel, deceased, who is over the age of 14 years, it is ordered that Lee J. Davis be appointed guardian and curator of the person and estate of said minor. Said guardian and curator's bond is approved in the sum of \$800, with W. A. Crawley, T. W. Jennings and J. C. Wallace as securities.

T. E. Mackay, deceased, by administrator, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Denham; final settlement approved; balance of \$36 due T. E. Mackay ordered to be paid by Public Administrator J. B. Dameron to M. W. Anderson, administrator of the estate of T. E. Mackay, deceased. Same order in the matter of T. E. Mackay as administrator of the estate of George H. Ebert, deceased, said Mackay's fees amounting to \$12.80. Accounts allowed as follows:

J. T. McCubbin against the estate of J. H. Colley, \$64.75, with interest at eight per cent.

J. P. Allen against the estate of Emma Duvall, \$17.60, with interest at eight per cent.

O'Keefe Bros. against the estate of Margaret Medlin, \$20.61, with interest at six per cent.

Zack Moore against the estate of Elizabeth Denham, \$900, with interest at six per cent.

A. Weiler against the estate of George W. Williams, \$7.85, with interest at six per cent.

Jacob Myer against same, \$61.05.

Joseph Miles against the estate of Samuel Hoff, \$40.14, with interest at six per cent.

Tax Collections.

The following per cent of taxes were collected by the various township collectors of Chariton county for the year 1899:

COLLECTOR.	TOWNSHIP.	PER CENT.
Jas. F. Wilson	Bee Branch	9667
A. G. Friesz	Bowling Green	9655
M. A. Knappenberger	Brunswick	9465
Henry N. Rohwer	Chariton	9010
W. O. Green	Clark	9232
Robert A. Wright	Cockrell	9107
Frank Wannamaker	Cunningham	9663
A. S. Wilks	Keytesville	9590
Harry B. Felt	Mendon	9627
M. A. Wahurst	Missouri	9593
S. B. Hedrick	Musselfork	9551
S. B. Elliott	Salisbury	9187
Wm. U. Grubbs	Salt Creek	9637
Geo. H. Dobyns	Triplett	9766
Columbus Gray	Wayland	9421
F. F. Hamilton	Yellow Creek	9813
General average in county		9506

It will be observed that the best collection for the year 1899 was made by Wm. U. Grubbs of Salt Creek township, who collected 9937 per cent. F. F. Hamilton of Yellow Creek township made the next best collection, his per cent being 9813.

New Millinery.

I have just returned from St. Louis, where I purchased a nice spring and summer line of millinery, and would be pleased to have the ladies call and see my new stock of stylish, up-to-date goods, consisting of hats, bonnets, ribbons, laces, velvets, flowers, ornaments, etc.

MRS. JENNIE THURMOND, Triplett, Mo.

Water-Works and Sewerage.

Another citizens' meeting was held at the Keytesville opera house Tuesday night, Judge O. F. Smith presiding as chairman and C. P. Vandiver acting as secretary. Captain J. C. Wallace was called upon to make a report for the committee on water-works and sewerage, but asked Major W. S. McClannahan of Monmouth, Ill., the gentleman who had charge of the preliminary survey made in anticipation of water-works and sewerage, to deliver an address. Major McClannahan promptly responded, and gave the audience a plain, practical talk on the proposed improvements, setting forth their advantages, and also giving a partial estimate of the costs. His remarks were listened to with much interest and the major was heartily applauded at the conclusion of his speech.

Major McClannahan said that two of the greatest enjoyments of life were sewerage and water-works, as they furnished pure air and pure water, and his estimate as a "starter" was about \$15,000, if a well were put down to a sufficient depth to strike St. Peter's sandstone, which furnishes an inexhaustible supply of pure, fresh, sparkling, health-giving water.

Enthusiastic speeches were made by Captain J. C. Wallace, N. O. Tate, Judge H. C. Minter and Judge O. F. Smith, all of whom expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of water-works and sewerage.

Major McClannahan was added to the committee, who were empowered to confer with the city council looking to the submission of the question of bonding the city for the purposes named.

Under the law a city of Keytesville's taxable wealth (\$200,000) can only issue bonds to the amount of \$10,000, and the balance of the money necessary can be raised by other plans, principal among which will be the large saving in the cost of insurance, and the hustling qualities of N. O. Tate.

The water-works and sewerage committee met with the city council Wednesday morning, and arrangements will be made to have the proposition to bond the city in the sum of \$10,000 submitted to the voters at no distant day.

The majority of our people seem to be much in earnest in regard to the contemplated improvements, and we would not be at all surprised to see the citizens of Keytesville enjoying the modern comforts and reveling in the happy contentment of water-works and sewerage before the snow flies next fall.

Obituary.

James Madison Wilson was born in Grant county, Kentucky, Feb. 20, 1819, and departed this life at his home, near Mendon, Mo., March 10, 1900, hence he was 81 years and 18 days of age.

Mr. Wilson moved to Schuyler county, Ill., in 1831, and continued to live there until October, 1869, when he moved to Chariton county, Mo., in which he lived till his death.

He married Miss Lucy B. Brown Feb. 10, 1841, which union was blessed with eight children, five of whom survive the deceased, viz: Mrs. Sarah Irvin, Mrs. Mary A. Sellers, Mrs. Paulina Ward, Wm. D. Wilson and Joseph W. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson's first wife died April 16, 1873. August 26, 1874, he was married to Mrs. Sophia P. Bartlett in Chariton county. To them was born one child which died in infancy.

Mr. Wilson professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. church, South, Jan. 1, 1886, and continued in the faith till his death. He had been in declining health for several months with a dropsical affection.

Mr. Wilson was of a very cheerful disposition, which he maintained up to the very end of life. He was not de-

monstrative in his religious life, but looked out into the future with calm hope, and declared he did not fear the judgment to come.

His funeral was conducted by the minister at his late residence, March 11, 1900, after which he was laid away in the cemetery at Newcomer to await that morn which will be followed by no night. The bereaved companion and children have the inspiring hope of a glorious, unending re-union in that city where there will be no more separations.

May the good Father bless this sad providence to the present and eternal good of all concerned is my prayer.

J. W. OWEN.

Two New Divorce Suits.

MORRIS VS. MORRIS.

Mrs. Ella May Morris will appear as the plaintiff in a suit at the May term of circuit court, her object being to obtain a divorce from her husband, Samuel T. Morris, to whom she was married in February, 1896, but who abandoned her December 31, 1898, and has since failed and refused to provide for her or return to plaintiff, although often requested so to do. Mrs. Morris was formerly Miss Ella May Ashley of near Guthridge Mills. Messrs. Dempsey & O'Shaughnessy of Keytesville are plaintiff's attorneys.

BROOKS VS. BROOKS.

John A. Brooks of Sumner has brought suit at the May term of circuit court for the purpose of obtaining a decree of divorce from his wife, Minnie B. Brooks, to whom plaintiff was married in Linn county in 1896. The plaintiff's petition states that he and the defendant continued to live together until July, 1899, when defendant left him under the pretense of going to Monegaugh Springs, St. Clair county, Mo., for the benefit of her health, since which time she has refused to return, and the plaintiff expresses the belief that defendant is now living in adultery in St. Clair county with Aubury Weant, whose acquaintance the defendant formed at the Brooks home in Sumner in the fall of 1898. Two children, Frank, aged 8, and Willie, aged 3, are now in possession and custody of plaintiff. O. F. Libby of Laclede and U. A. House of Sumner are plaintiffs attorneys.

To Delinquents.

A number of our out-of-the-county subscribers are behind on their subscription, and as we have to pay postage on all of the papers that we send out of the county we must insist that all such subscribers remit the amount due us on their subscription. Those who do not respond by April 1 may expect to have their names dropped from our subscription list.

We would also like very much to have all our delinquents in the county see that their subscription is paid by April 1. Several are getting so far behind we fear we shall be compelled to have another auction sale of subscription accounts unless they pay up. We hope, however, we shall not be forced to such an extreme.

Small-Pox at Salisbury.

Word was received in Keytesville Wednesday that Fred Neal, the 19 or 20-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Neal of Salisbury, was sick with small-pox, which he contracted at Higbee, and that several citizens of Salisbury had been exposed to the terrible malady by visiting young Neal before they knew the nature of his disease.

Realizing that every precaution was necessary, the city council of Keytesville met Wednesday night and established a rigid quarantine against Salisbury until such time as all danger is past.

The COURIER very much regrets the misfortune of our neighboring city on the east, and trusts they may soon be able to stamp out the small-pox pest.