

CHARITON COURIER.

O. P. VANDIVER, ED. AND PROP.

KEYTESVILLE, - MISSOURI.

For first-class groceries go to W. M. Willett.

The Wabash paycar passed up the road Monday and the railroad boys have been smiling ever since.

Try a sack of rye flour at the Signal building.

Take your butter and eggs to W. M. Willett and get the highest market price in cash or trade.

What has become of our Dalton "Dotter." Did he, like the groundhog, go back in his lair the second of February?

Timothy seed \$1.50 a bushel at the Signal building.

Our young friend, John Aldridge of the Signal, seems not to have fully made up his mind whether he will make a printer or a millinery of himself.

The BIG SQUARE loaf is Heydt's best bread. Try a loaf. No better made.

W. M. WILLETT.

Cash or trade paid for butter, eggs and poultry at J. F. Whitesides.

I have rye and buck wheat flour and all kinds of seed—timothy, clover, rape, millet and oats.

H. C. HYDE, JR.

Bert Worsham, the carrier on rural route No. 3 out of Keytesville, is all smiles this week on account of the arrival of a nice little daughter at his house Monday night.

The best of everything in flour and feed at the new grain exchange.

H. C. HYDE, JR.

W. H. Summers of Salisbury shipped the 54 head of cattle, bought on contract from Wheeler Bros. of Keytesville some time ago, to Chicago Saturday.

The editor of the COURIER is sorry to hear of the serious illness of our esteemed townsman Mrs. Evie C. Egan, who has Bright's disease and heart trouble.

Mrs. Ella B. Mills and her winsome daughter, Miss Ethel, returned home Wednesday night from a visit to old friends at Chillicothe, their former home before Mrs. Mills embarked in the millinery business at Keytesville.

Chas. Maggard and his brother of Brunswick delivered three mules and two horses to Roy Putnam, the Chillicothe horse and mule buyer, at this place, Saturday. Two of the mules were sold to Mr. Putnam by Chas. Maggard.

The Wabash will run an excursion to Kansas City next Sunday, Feb. 22. The round trip fare from Keytesville is only \$1.25. Tickets good going and returning on the usual trains.

The news of the death of Wm. Redding, col., better known in Keytesville as "Bill Blacksmith," having lived here for many years, comes from Kansas City, where he died at the home of his daughter, Emma.

Hon. C. B. Crawley of St. Louis came up Saturday afternoon and sold the John G. Neff land at trustee's sale, in accordance with the advertisement in the COURIER, to J. I. Carper of Brookfield for \$5,500. We are glad to learn that Mr. Crawley's wife, who has been very ill at the Methodist hospital in Philadelphia for several weeks, is much improved and that the chances for her early recovery are excellent.

This week we begin the publication of a series of ads. for the popular and progressive firm of Minter & Crawley of Keytesville. These ads. are written by an ad. expert and illustrated by original cuts, therefore to read and see them is certainly worth while.

Alfred Brown, who was for several years host of the Brown House in this place, and one of the best men who ever lived in Keytesville, has sold his residence property to G. C. Martin for \$1,200 and will soon move to Kingman, Kas., where he has two sons living.

Taylor & Dempsey shipped a mixed carload of butcher stuff and hogs to St. Louis Tuesday night. Among the cows shipped was one bought of Larkin Minor, and which weighed 1,435 pounds and was of the Holstein breed. Joe Robertson, Jr., accompanied the bovines and swine to the city.

Dick Blackwell, who lives on the Mrs. Lizzie Jeter farm, 11-2 miles southwest of town, has bought the A. D. Taylor residence property at Keytesville station. Consideration, \$450. Mr. Blackwell, however, will raise a crop on Mrs. Jeter's place this season.

J. W. Wayland, Keytesville's new merchant, with whom our people are all much pleased, has rented the J. A. Collet residence property and expects to move his family over from Salisbury about the first of the month, it being Mr. Collet's intention to move his folks to St. Louis the latter part of this month.

Nelson C. Field, a prominent citizen of Glenwood Iowa, was in Keytesville the first of the week. Mr. Field has considerable farming land interests in this county: We have heard of a nice compliment he paid the COURIER while talking to one of our friends, and desire to thank him for saying such nice things about the Great Favorite Weekly.

By the terms of the wills of the late Geo. T. Swain and Joel T. Elam the property of each of the deceased is all left to his surviving widow. Mr. Swain's estate, at the death of his wife, is to be equally divided among his children, while Mr. and Mrs. Jas. O'Bryan, Mrs. O'Bryan being a daughter of Mrs. Elam, are to have whatever is left of Mr. Elam's estate at the death of Mrs. Elam.

The COURIER has employed a first-class foreman in the person of Jas. L. Reid, who has held down the foremanship of the Linn County News for the past nine years. Mr. Reid doesn't play second fiddle to any of 'em when it comes to plain or fancy job printing, ad-setting, the handling of newspaper forms and superior press work. We are delighted at the thought of having such a man in our employ. When you want job printing done right, bring it to the COURIER.

SUPERB SPRING STATIONERY



E do not know who sets the styles in stationery, but whoever it is, has an artistic judgment, as you will admit when you see our spring line. All the latest fads and fancies in paper; all that are new in design or color. An ample assortment to choose from.

Prices are as low as quality is high. Don't be content with old style stationery, or to limit your choice by picking from a stock less ample than ours.

H. M. Sigloch,
"City Drug & Jewelry Store."
Phone 32. Keytesville, Mo.

WE WILL HAVE

Something new to show you in furniture next week. **Picture and Room Moulding** will be one of our specialties. A nice assortment to show you when House-cleaning Time comes. **A fine Line of Carpets**, samples will arrive soon. Would be pleased to call on you and show them if you can't come to us.

Sneed's Furniture Store.

A Good assortment of Undertaking Goods.

A dispatch from Armstrong to the Republic, dated Feb. 14, says that Col. Tribble, a wealthy farmer of that town, has disinherited his son, Dudley Tribble, because of his marriage at Salisbury Feb. 2 to Miss Gertrude Patterson, to which the father was opposed and of which he had no knowledge until 10 days after the ceremony was performed.

Prof. W. S. Drace, the efficient principal of the Brunswick public schools, plants his announcement in the COURIER this week as a candidate for school commissioner. He has been tried in that office and his fitness for the responsible position is well known. If re-elected the people may confidently expect the same conscientious and impartial discharge of his official duties.

The clouds were dark and lowering Saturday, and it began to snow between 3 and 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon and kept it up all that night and the greater portion of the next day. The mercury dropped to a point following the snowstorm that gave us the coldest weather of the season, and Tuesday morning various thermometers in Keytesville registered from 12 to 14 degrees below zero. Whether the groundhog saw his shadow or not on the second of February, if he failed to go back in his hole he was a fool for the want of sense.

Notice to Woodmen.

All members of the Keytesville camp, No. 5086, M. W. A. are urgently requested to be present Thursday evening, Feb. 28, at which time delegates to the county camp, to be held at Brunswick April 1, will be elected and instructed how to vote on re-adjustment. This is an important matter and a full attendance of the members of Keytesville camp next Thursday is earnestly desired.

A Sure Thing.

Maj. W. H. Lewis of Keytesville has received a letter from Hon. Geo. B. Harrison, president of the Missouri Central Electric railway, withdrawing from the market the old Harrison farm, near Glasgow, which had been placed in Maj. Lewis' hands for sale.

Mr. Harrison says that the Missouri Central Electric railway is now assured, and he evidently wants to reap the advantages to be derived from the advance in the price of land the road will bring, hence the withdrawal of his farm from the market.

Suit Club.

I have concluded to organize a suit club, the order in which suits are received to be determined by lot. Everybody gets value received. For further particulars call on **HARMS, the Tailor.**

\$350 PIANO FREE.

The Chariton Courier will give a Cabinet-Grand Emerson Piano absolutely Free to the Chariton County Lady receiving the largest number of votes from subscriptions paid to the Courier between Jan. 2 and May 15, 1903.



The Piano was bought of John N. Taylor of Huntsville, Mo., who has been a dealer in pianos for many years, and who, it is well known, is strictly reliable. Mr. Taylor guarantees the instrument we have purchased of him to be one of the very best on the market, being the product of the famous Emerson Piano Co. The general lines of the piano are very attractive to the eye and the tone exceedingly pleasing to the ear. The instrument can now be seen at Mr. B. Hunt's furniture store in Keytesville.

To Whom It May Concern: This is to certify that the retail price of the Emerson Cabinet-Grand piano, recently sold to C. P. Vandiver of the CHARITON COURIER, and the one he is now offering in his contest to the Ladies of Chariton county, is \$350. There is no fictitious value in this price and I guarantee it to be one of the best instruments made.
JNO. N. TAYLOR.

Terms of Contest: The COURIER's piano contest is open to any lady in Chariton county, and every lady who becomes a contestant is fully authorized to receive subscriptions to the COURIER, either for arrears or for new subscribers. Each subscriber will be entitled to three votes for each cent paid on subscription, whether for arrears or for payment in advance. Only subscribers, or those who become subscribers, will be entitled to vote. If you would become the possessor of this beautiful piano, or have a lady friend you would like to see get it, go to work at once and have your friends help you. Every person paying \$1 or more in cash on subscription, the regular price of the COURIER for one year, will be entitled to cast 300 votes for every dollar paid for the lady of their choice. The list of the contestants and the number of votes each has received will be published in the COURIER from week to week.

The contest closes Friday, May 15, 1903, at 4 o'clock p. m.

C. P. VANDIVER, Publisher COURIER.

Prof. W. P. Noel of Salisbury is an aspirant for the office of school commissioner and his announcement will be found in another column. Prof. Noel has been principal of the Salisbury public schools for the past four years and is now serving his fifth year in that capacity. He has devoted the greater part of his life to the cause of education and is well qualified for the office of school commissioner. Prof. Noel requests us to say that he will endeavor to see as many voters during the canvass as the performance of his school duties will allow, but that he will not have time to see them all.

\$200.00

Cash Prize-Corn Contest!

The publishers of "THE RURALIST," Missouri's leading FARM AND STOCK PAPER, a 16 page weekly, ably edited and handsomely illustrated, will pay TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS IN CASH prizes to the proprietor of the largest yield of corn from one acre in 1903. Contest open to every farmer in the United States. For full particulars and sample copy, address

THE RURALIST, Sedalia, Mo.

Get a nice cold lunch at W. M. Willett's. J. F. Whitesides has no state groceries.