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## Coffee Credit

are important items in my system. The system is extensive enough to embrace both methods. My cash trade is an important consideration—my credit dealings equally so. I cater to both classes of purchasers. This fact explains my rapid progress and my present mammoth proportions.

My credit system was and still is intended for those who need such concessions. Cash goes a long way in this establishment. If you have it "on call" use it, and we'll guarantee satisfaction if you spend it here. If you honestly can't afford to pay cash, ask for credit. Make your first purchase coffee and let it be

## BLANKE'S

I've made hosts of friends through my coffee. People hear of its rare flavor and strength. They get some "just to try," and find it so much finer than any other they've ever used. Then they think if Blanke's Coffee is so good—everything else ought to be in keeping with it. This is true also—and we get their entire grocery trade. Suppose you try a pound of Blanke's Coffee at 25 cents the pound or 4 pounds the \$1. We want all the live poultry, butter and eggs we can buy—highest cash paid for same.

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## Roll of Honor.

The following friends have placed us under obligations by either becoming new subscribers or by renewing their subscription to the COURIER during the past week. May heaven bless 'em:

### NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

J. C. Maggard, Miss Georgia Shipp,  
Hubbard Bros., Mrs. Mary E. Harkis,  
P. W. Alverson, John M. Wilson,  
Ed Hines, M. O. Stoner,  
W. R. Heehler, Mrs. Emma Hayes,  
W. P. Johnson, E. W. Davis,  
W. E. Morgan.

### RENEWALS.

C. S. Vandenberg, F. J. Ellis,  
Mrs. Mary Haney, J. N. Manlore,  
R. J. Williams, H. C. Atterbury,  
Geo. Ray, F. P. McAllister,  
W. Q. Sowers, C. L. Zimmerman,  
A. J. Crockett, T. W. Triplett,  
Dr. G. W. Edwards, J. A. Waller,  
R. L. Yancey, J. N. Cash,  
Prof. S. T. Pettigrew.

## Probate Pointers.

Est. A. J. Miller: Jay Fulbright and G. E. Miller, executors, present their first annual settlement, which is examined and approved.

Est. Fred B. Miller: On motion of George Ella Miller, mother of Fred B. Miller, a minor heir of A. J. Miller, said minor being over 14 years of age and making choice in writing, the said George Ella Miller is appointed his guardian and curator. Bond in the sum of \$1,000 approved with Mildred and Bessie B. Miller as securities.

An instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan, col., of Dalton is admitted to probate on the testimony of C. H. Schackenberg and H. Scharrman as subscribing witnesses. By the terms of the will the five children of testatrix, by a former husband, William, Theodosia, Birdie, Caroline and Jerusha Bruce, are each left the sum of \$1. The 60 acres of land of which decedent died seized is bequeathed in equal shares to her said five children by her first husband, and to her surviving husband, Wm. Morgan. The personal property is all willed to Wm. Morgan. The will provides that the 60 acres of land be sold and the proceeds equally divided between the named above, but the share of Wm. Bruce is left in trust to Lemuel Bayne, col., who is to pay the interest or income to said Wm. Bruce as it becomes due. In case of the death of Wm. Bruce his legacy is to be divided equally between the heirs of his body. Should any heir contest the will or present claims against the estate, then he or she shall forfeit all right, title or interest in the will except the \$1 left to each child. Wm. Morgan is named as executor of the will and is so appointed by the court, which approves his bond in the sum of \$2,000 with Lem Bayne, Peter Morgan, Theodosia, Birdie, Caroline, Jerusha and Wm. Bruce as securities. B. Hughes and Lem Bayne were appointed by the court as witnesses to make inventory. Mrs. Morgan's will was made in November, 1904.

## Found.

A pair of lady's shoes, near the residence of W. A. Taylor, two miles west of Keytesville. Owner may have them by describing property to finder and paying 35 cts. for this notice.

## Burglars at Mendon.

Two nimble-fingered gentry visited Mendon Friday night, and made a pretty good haul, the greater part of which was in cold cash.

They first entered F. W. Wehrli's blacksmith-shop where they secured two chisels and a rasp, and a silver watch worth \$4 or \$5. They must have heard the watch ticking as Mr. Wehrli had left it hanging in a box nailed to a wall of his shop. The box was used as a receptacle for tools, bolts etc., and the time-piece was kept therein, and was consulted when Mr. Wehrli wanted to know the time during the day.

Access to Mr. Wehrli's place of business was gained by raising a side window, but the burglars evidently went out the front door as it was unhooked from the inside and left open.

The chisels and rasp obtained at Mr. Wehrli's were used to pry out a side window light at Hubbard Bros.' general-store and a rear window glass at J. B. Accola's hardware-store.

At Hubbard Bros.' the thieves stole two suits of clothes, two pairs of Selz' "Royal Blue" shoes, two hats, some underwear and hose and some jewelry in the way of rings, cuff-buttons, etc.

At Accola's hardware-store they made the most valuable haul, taking a single and a double-barrelled shot-gun, and helped themselves to about \$75 in cash that Mr. Accola had left in the money-drawer. Both the rear and front doors of Mr. Accola's store were left open by the pilferers.

Mr. Accola generally took home what money he had in the money-drawer every night, but he went to attend to some outside business Friday night and left Mrs. Accola and their son at the store, and they supposed Mr. Accola would come back by the store and get the money before he came home, and for that reason they did not take it with them.

After securing their booty the two marauders repaired to the Santa Fe elevator, near the Mendon depot, and dressed themselves in their new clothes, and then sallied forth on dress parade, and it is presumed that they are still "parading" as nothing whatever has been learned of their whereabouts.

The discarded clothes were fairly respectable, but that is much more than can be said of their owners, who are presumed to be the same parties who bought some eggs from Mrs. Ray Lamb of near Mendon about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon and cooked and ate the "hen fruit" under a bridge across a ravine not far from where they bought the eggs. Mrs. Lamb is quoted as saying that both strangers were very polite when at her home.

They went from there to Mendon, but did not get to town until after dark. They bought some liquor of which they imbibed at intervals, while seated on the sidewalk in front of the H. C. Atterbury block in Mendon, and in conversation with a couple of Mr. Atterbury's sons they made the claim of being "railroad spotters," but before they left Mendon they turned out to be another variety of "spotters."

One of the men who was at Mrs. Lamb's wore a red shirt, and one of the shirts cast aside at the Santa Fe elevator in Mendon was of the same color, which

makes a strong link on the chain of circumstantial evidence.

Jas. McPherson, a citizen of Mendon who suffers from asthma and is up and down during the night, saw a light at Hubbard Bros.' store about 3 o'clock Saturday morning, but supposed it was made by some of the employes, hence Mr. McPherson did not give any alarm, but had he done so it is quite probable that both burglars would have been captured, and the population at Jefferson City increased by two at the next November term of circuit court.

## Merchants' Board of Appeals and County Court.

The county board of appeals for merchants met at the courthouse in Keytesville Monday, September 25, 1905.

There were 12 or 15 complainants before the board because the board of equalization for merchants had increased their statements of wares and merchandise they had given in for the year 1905, but only five succeeded in persuading the board of appeals to believe that the board of equalization had raised them unjustly.

C. W. Aldridge, a grocery merchant of Salisbury, gave in \$800, but was raised to \$1,400. The board of appeals let him off at \$1,000.

O. J. Friend, a Salisbury jeweler, gave in \$500, was raised to \$800 and was let off at \$600.

Dr. Oliver McEuen, a Shannondale druggist, gave in \$625, and was increased to \$800, but was again reduced to \$625.

McCrary Bros., dealers in general merchandise at Prairie Hill, gave in \$1,700 and were increased 10 per cent by the board of equalization, all of which increase was stricken off by the board of appeals.

W. T. Curran, a hardware merchant of Brunswick, gave in \$500, and was also increased 10 per cent. He, too, persuaded the board of appeals to strike off the increase and let the original amount stand.

After finishing the labors of the board of appeals the three judges of the county court, and ex-officio members of the board, convened court, and turned down the contract made by the County Bridge Commissioner O. G. Dameron with A. M. Blodgett for a steel bridge across the East Fork of the Chariton river, near the residence of Caroline Weisenhorn, at and for the sum of \$3,365; also the contract made by said Dameron with the Dildine Bridge & Construction Co. for two tubular piers for a bridge across Mussel Fork creek, near the residence of L. Birchfield, at and for the sum of \$285. Both of said contracts were rejected for the reason that, in the opinion of the court, the contract prices were too high.

Matters pertaining to drainage districts Nos. 5 and 6 (Lake creek and Salt creek) were discussed, and it was decided that not enough money had been provided for the Salt creek district, and that was abandoned until plans could be formulated to raise more money.

The same steps may be taken in regard to the Lake creek district unless it is found that the necessary bridges can be constructed for less money than is now indicated.

Mrs. Bettie Wheeler of Kansas City sent in haste for her son, William Wheeler of near Guthridge Mills, as his sister, Miss Lula, is down with typhoid fever and is very low.

## Geo. B. Harrison's Libel Suit.

The \$10,000 libel suit of Geo. B. Harrison against John Morrison-Fuller, both of Glasgow, was tried Tuesday in the circuit court of Saline county where the case was taken on change of venue.

After the evidence was all in, Judge Davis told the jury that Mr. Harrison had clearly been libeled, but that the amount of damages he should be awarded was a matter for the jury to decide. A verdict was returned a few minutes later for \$4,000 in Mr. Harrison's favor.

Fuller utterly failed to justify his wilful, malicious and groundless attack upon Mr. Harrison, and it is right that he should have to pay well for his villiany.

Fuller got into a rumpus with his lawyers and discharged them, and pleaded his own case in the Saline circuit court.

Those in attendance from Chariton county as witnesses were: Hon. J. C. Crawley, Capt. J. C. Wallace and Gen. E. W. Price of Keytesville and Judge W. J. Parks of near Shannondale. They were all witnesses for Mr. Harrison, but only Mr. Crawley and Gen. Price were put on the stand, the court limiting the number of witnesses as to Mr. Harrison's good character.

## More New Suits.

Four more new suits for the November term of circuit court at Keytesville have been filed since the last issue of the COURIER as follows:

### CIVIL CASES.

Geo. F. Wahl et al vs. Sophia Hecke et al, partition. Capt. Louis Benecke of Brunswick represents plaintiffs.

E. H. Lougee vs. Abraham S. Rhodes et al, suit to decree title. F. C. Sasse of Brunswick is Mr. Lougee's lawyer.

Dina White vs. Walker White, divorce. Maj. W. H. Bradley of Salisbury is looking after Mrs. White's interest. She is a lady of color.

Frances V. Riley vs. Jesse Riley et al, partition. Capt. L. Benecke is of counsel for plaintiff.

John U. Anliker, a prosperous farmer of near Triplett, is building a two-story, four-room and a hall addition to his rural domicile. When completed Mr. Anliker will have one of the best farm houses in that part of the county.

## The Cabbage Snake Again.

Lee Cash of five miles northeast of Keytesville brought to the COURIER office Monday quite a curiosity, which his daughter, Mrs. J. W. Davis of Salisbury, and his wife found while preparing a head of cabbage for dinner at J. E. Shoemaker's, five miles northwest of Salisbury, where they were visiting, last Saturday. This curiosity was a real cabbage snake taken from the center of the vegetable. The cabbage was perfectly sound in every respect and was raised by Mr. Cash.

His snakeship is about two inches in length, brown in color, has one feeler or horn projecting from either side of his head, and is about the size of a piece of cotton wrapping twine. Each side of the body contains many diminutive crawlers or legs. There are also two little horns or stiff hairs on the tail.

This little reptile is very vicious and will coil up and strike at anything pointed at it just like a snake will do.

It is the opinion of Mr. Cash that in preparing cabbage all cooks should be very careful and keep a sharp lookout for "cabbage snakes."

F. P. Lamb called the COURIER editor's attention, while at Mendon Saturday, to a very unusual freak of nature in the shape of a couple of cornstalks on exhibition at H. C. Atterbury's vehicle emporium. One of the stalks had three distinct forks and had an ear of corn at the outer end of each fork. The other had two distinct forks and an ear of corn at the outer end of each fork. So the man who never saw "a forked cornstalk" can see two of them if he will take the trouble to call at Mr. Atterbury's place of business in Mendon. These freaks of nature were both grown this season on C. D. Felt's farm which adjoins the town of Mendon. It is said that when one of the stalks was out it was nearly four feet between the tips of the ears that grew on two of the forks of the parent stalk. Not satisfied with this year's big corn crop Mr. Felt evidently undertook to raise a couple of "corn trees" and succeeded fairly well.

Deputy Postmaster H. E. Bartz and wife left for Fulton Tuesday to visit friends and relatives and attend the street fair.

## Millinery

At home Friday and Saturday, September 29-30, with my large stock of Fall and Winter Styles of Millinery Goods, which I respectfully invite you to inspect on the above date. I have recently returned from the city with the latest designs in Trimmed and Ready-to-Wears for Ladies and Children.

Call and see them. I also have a very competent trimmer.

Respectfully,

**Sulia B. Young,**

Keytesville, Missouri

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Keytesville, Mo.