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A BOMBSHELL!

Judge Riley's Instructions to the Grand Jury Remove Any Further Doubt.

MR. LEFTWICH MAD.

He Loses Control of his Temper and Assaults the Newsboy's Editor in Open Court.

Shortly after 10 o'clock Monday morning court convened and the grand jury was empaneled. J. M. Leftwich was at the desk in the capacity of circuit clerk. The judge began his instructions to the grand jury, and all went well until he reached that part of his instruction regarding the duties of circuit clerks. Here Mr. Leftwich was observed to become very restless and nervous. Judge Riley declared the law to the jury just as the Newsboy has been declaring it to the people. He made it so plain that no one could misunderstand him. In speaking of the matter he said: "The statutes fix the amount a clerk is allowed to retain, and if he has a deputy, the law also provides for payment of the services rendered by such deputy." This instruction knocked the wind out of the theory that a clerk can act as his own deputy or that a clerk is entitled to eighteen hundred dollars whether he has a deputy or not.

Mr. Leftwich was very much excited and left the room. The Newsboy editor occupied a seat in the front row. Presently we noticed Mr. Leftwich coming up the row behind us. We noticed that he was excited and kept an eye on him until he passed. We heard him whispering to J. H. Shelby, who was seated a few seats beyond us, and we again became interested in the judge's instructions.

Presently—spat!—the editor received a slap on the side of the face. On turning, we noticed that Mr. Leftwich was behind us. We did not resent the insult. We recognized that a high court was in session, and that we were living in a community where a majority of the people had become civilized, and we were determined to set an example to those who yet had traces of barbarism in their makeup. We let the law take its course. The courtroom was crowded. Judge Riley was very much put out. For a short time the conduct of his clerk seemed to render him speechless. A look of intense disgust covered the judicial face. Finally the judge regained consciousness sufficiently to assess a fine of \$5 and costs for contempt.

It was a cold, cold day for Mr. Leftwich. He should have controlled his temper. While he has done several things of late that caused him to lose friends, he capped the climax last Monday. Many who were as yet undecided as to the amount of money a clerk is permitted to retain, were heard to express themselves that "there must be something in it." The editor received many congratulations for his demeanor in the matter. A few of the so-called "leading citizens" soon discovered the turn of the tide, and found that Mr. Leftwich's action was being generally denounced by the law-abiding element. Here they hastily manufactured a story to the effect that we had pointed a finger at Mr. Leftwich or gave him a significant grin, but it was no go. Mr. Leftwich struck us from behind, and we did not know he was behind us until he struck.

What Mr. Leftwich expected to gain by this sort of conduct is more than we can explain. He certainly did not gain any friends. He having the misfortune to be deprived of one of his lower limbs, the Newsboy has been very careful not to say anything against his personal character or personal conduct. We have always spoken of him in his official capacity, and have always used language of as high a character as the circumstances in the case would permit. Not one sentence can be produced of an abusive or contemptuous nature. Then, with the three other newspapers in the county at his command, and with the county court and prosecuting attorney making every effort to pull the wool over the eyes of the people, why need he resort to such a breach of civilization in order to cope with the insignificant Newsboy?

It is quite a departure from the original idea of treating the matter with silent contempt.

—We posted up another lot of posters for some of our "leading citizens" to destroy. While they are engaged in destroying our posters they are not bothering their neighbors' hen roost.

SOUTHEAST NOTES.

On the 29th ult. low water in a saw mill boiler 20 miles northwest of Dexter caused an explosion, instantly killing two brothers named Johnson and a young man named Lee.

"The People's Voice" is the name of a new Populist organ, published at Poplar Bluff but printed in St. Louis.

The Grandin saw mills are shipping ten or twelve cars of lumber per day, most of which goes west.

Champ Clark and Dick Bland are to speak at Poplar Bluff on Nov. 1st. You can bet on a big crowd.

B. Paterson, of Bonne Terre, tried to commit suicide by the rough-on route, but was pumped out before he could succeed. Blighted affections again, it seems. St. Francois county is getting to be notorious for suicides. What's the matter up there, anyway?

Fredericktown expects an influx of at least one hundred families, owing to the removal of the Bellevue Collegiate Institute to that town.

The Tancy county Republicans have a daisy county ticket in the field. A murderer, a forger and an embezzler are three of the nominees. The balance are probably members of the A. P. A.

The Dexter postoffice lacked only \$2.33 of reaching the point which would have made it a Presidential office.

Dexter is talking up waterworks. She certainly needs them, to judge by the frequency of fires occurring there.

Two De Soto lawyers in close succession have been elected city attorney, and both have been ousted by the circuit court for the same cause—failure to pay their taxes promptly.

The corner stone of a Masonic Temple was laid at Festus on the 6th, and that of a sister Temple at Hillsboro on the 8th insts.

Hon. J. J. Russell, of Charleston, is doing about as much good Democratic talking as any of them. Has he a Congressional bee in his bonnet?

A Pilot Knob 10-year-old saw the circus and determined to give a trapeze exhibition of his own, which he duly advertised, but at his final rehearsal he fell down and dislocated his elbow. Sic transit.

In Jefferson county candidates travel in pairs and work it thusly: They find a man busy plowing and know that he hates to lose time, so one of them takes the plow one turn round the field while the other solicits Mr. Hayseed's vote. Then they change off. Great scheme!

An old bachelor in Perry county died the other day and left his property—some \$5,000 worth—to the county.

The Southeast Gazette complimented the Newsboy last week for reprinting our synopsis of State Auditor Seibert's pamphlet.

Dr. Vincil, of St. Louis, made a holy vow of himself at the laying of the corner stone of the Festus Masonic Temple by an indiscriminate attack upon Catholics and foreigners. About four-fifths of his hearers were foreigners.

One steamboat aground above the Cape last week was sufficient to block the channel. At Tiptonville a tall man can ford the river. The water was never known to be so low.

Circus day at the Cape brought ten thousand people to town. One store took in over \$500. Hard times in Southeast Missouri? Not much!

The Cape Girardeau waterworks expected to be ready in December.

Work has been resumed on the New Madrid harbor, for which an appropriation of \$20,000 was made by the last Congress. About 300 men are employed.

Dunklin county prohibited gambling at her Fair this week. Right!

Just as a guess: Hon. H. N. Phillips will locate in the Thirteenth Congressional District before 1896, and try Judge Fox a fall for Congress in that year.

Won't Do to Count Noses.

Populist Leader—Yes, sir; the country is going to ruin. The people have been ground under the iron heel of a few capitalists long enough, and soon they will rise in their might and stop every wheel of industry until the people get their rights.

Tax-Payer—Why stop the wheels of industry? If the people have wrongs to redress, why don't they rise in their might on election day and elect their own men?

Populist Leader—Hang it, there's not enough of us.

Want to buy a watch? Call on AL. CHENUE, the Jeweler, next to Postoffice, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Timothy hay for sale by Miller & Profit, Benton.

FROM BLODGETT.

Hon. Norman A. Mosley, of Dexter, Mo., Republican nominee for Congress, will speak at this place Saturday, Oct. 20th, at 1 p. m. As he is a good talker we should like to see a large crowd greet the man who is making a race with such heavy odds against him.

Miss Lucy Adams is visiting relatives in Benton this week.

Rev. R. W. Oliver, the circuit preacher, will address the people of Blodgett next Sunday, the 21st inst. From all reports he is in advance of the usual supply hereabouts.

Mrs. J. H. Stubbs and Miss Celia Antoine paid Morley friends a visit last Tuesday. We also chronicle the fact that the same ladies visited Sikeston some days ago, which fact has but recently been narrated to us. Now, then!

The foot race between two of the elites last Sunday was an interesting event and well attended by the following: C. L. Stubbs, Miss Lily Reddick, Mrs. Maud Stubbs and Miss Celia Antoine, also the writer. We trust the event will be repeated in the near future although we lost wax and cigars freely on the second best runner.

The famous Blodgett restaurant and pool room has changed hands. The proprietor at present is the affable and popular R. L. Stubblefield, who feeds the hungry on all the novelties of the season.

Will Fulcher is the fastest heel and toe walker in this diggings, while John Austin can hear a man whistle farther than anyone else in town for money or marbles. Vide last Sunday night 9 p. m.

Mrs. Mary A. Reddick is visiting relatives at Jackson. She left last Sunday for a two weeks stay.

A corset makers staying powers ought to be very great. Think so? In case of war Train could raise a rifle regiment easily as all his male servants are Mark's men.

S. H. Reames and Frank Reddick visited Diehlstadt Sunday p. m.

Among the courtiers from here Monday were Marsh Adams, R. G. Williams, Jesse Wyatt and many whom we did not get to note.

We feel compelled to mention the case of the man who was shot in the dusk of the evening.

The dressed beef men refused to tell the Senate Investigating Committee anything about their business. Evidently in their case the tale don't go with the hide.

Dr. R. A. Sparks returned Tuesday from Wickliffe, Ky., where he went to superintend the removal of the big saw mill which is to be set up on his section of timber land two miles below town.

The Ananias Club met in the bay window. After the growler had been around three times the Ordinary Liar mentioned a case which had recently come under his notice in the town in regard to the eating and clipping propensities of the genus Capricornus regularly surnamed the William or Billy Goat. He said that the proprietor of a hostelry in the town had put up a tin gutter on his building—said gutter extending to the roof from the ground. One of the livery stable gats came along, climbed the gate and tried his teeth on the tin. Finding it palatable he ate his way to the roof, and then leaving a strip only wide enough to hold by his teeth ate his way to the ground. The Glee Club then sang the Chinese Battle hymn in the original, after which the M. W. L. laid the meeting over for a few days.

DEMOCRATIC SPEAKING.

Democratic speakers will address the people of Scott county as follows: GOV. STONE.

Benton, Oct. 30 at 2 p. m. HON. MARSH ARNOLD.

Diehlstadt, Oct. 23 at 7 p. m.; Blodgett, Oct. 24 at 1 p. m.; Morley, Oct. 24 at 7 p. m.; Oran, Nov. 5.

ALBERT DE REIGN.

Blodgett and Morley, Oct. 24; Kelso, Oct. 27 at 2 p. m.

REPUBLICAN SPEAKING.

Hon. N. A. Mosley, Republican candidate for Congress in this District, accompanied by Major G. C. Rose, candidate for Representative, and other Republican candidates, will speak at Commerce on the 18th at 7 p. m.; at Benton on the 19th at 1 p. m.; at Kelso, same date at 7 p. m.; at Morley on the 20th at 10 a. m.; at Blodgett, same date at 1 p. m. and at Sikeston, same date at 7 p. m.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that my wife, having left my bed and board about August 15, 1894, without cause or provocation, I hereby warn all parties that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her after that date.

HENRY BRIDEN.

A prominent temperance advocate being charged with drinking OLD LYNCH RYE replied that he used it simply as medicine.

FROM SIKESTON.

After spending a few quiet weeks in the sunny south and the State of Arkansas, and visiting all my relations and all that ever expect to be kin to me, I am permitted to spend a few days in the city of Sikeston. The band played a tune to the recognition of the future "When the cat (boy) came back."

Nat Ingram attended court Monday to serve on the petit jury.

Linton Jones, James Polk Shelby, John Chaney and Theodore Specht attended court at Benton Monday.

E. J. Malone attended court Tuesday.

Our old friend, France McMullin, is moving his family to Dexter to live awhile for his and his family's health. We all regret very much to see as worthy a citizen as Mr. Mc. leave our town.

Miss Sallie Shumate is visiting her sister and friends in Oran this week.

Mr. Chas Cook, of Fredericktown, came down last week to see his little son, who is very sick at his grandmother's, Mrs. Green. We are glad to say the little boy is improving.

Mr. Cy Harris' family and others returned from St. Louis Sunday, where they had been spending a few days at the Fair and Exposition.

On last Sunday Sam'l Tanner arrested and took off the train, one Tom Tyler, of Cairo, and invited the gentleman to remain with him over Sunday and not go to the bluff, as Tyler had intended to witness the grand game of base ball between Cairo and the Bluff boys. But the Cairo boys got it just the same, 11 to 11 or 9 to 9 in favor of Cairo as the bluff boys would not play to a finish.

Mr. Tyler was permitted to fill a bond for his appearance at circuit court this week and he joined the boys on their way back to Cairo.

Lots of drummers in town, but selling very few goods. Business has been good since the tenth, as it was pay day at Himmelberger & Co's mills and all the boys have a little money now.

Miss Bond, from St. Louis, a music teacher and friend of Prof. Pruitt, is visiting in Sikeston this week.

Corn is some lower than it was last week. Ebert & Matthews are paying 40c.

FROM NEW HAMBURG.

The big crowd that took in the Ringling Bros. circus at the Cape, returned safely.

Rev. A. Dempf returned from St. Louis and will in future assist Father Scherer at this place.

Our local nimmers complain of game being very scarce this year.

Tom Moore, of the Cape, spent Monday here looking up a stronghold of some kind.

Frank Bles was at Oran Tuesday. Simon Reiminger has a litter of fine Berkshire pigs, a pride of the farm. These and the fine Ayrshire and Jersey cows he possesses, will soon make his farm famous as the "Hill-side Stock Farm."

Revs. Koob, of Oran, and Brandt, of Charleston, visited Father Scherer Thursday.

Rev. Dempf sojourned at Oran Wednesday.

Geo. Pobst and Louisa Gosche were married Tuesday at St. Lawrence's church. Father Scherer officiating. Who is next?

Johnny Stike is again pursuing his studies at St. Vincent's College at Cape Girardeau.

Jos. Geisner & Co., are busy repairing culverts and improving the roads in this vicinity.

Sunday evening Rev. Oliver, the newly appointed pastor of the Scott mission, preached his first sermon in Benton, to a rather sparse audience.

Mr. Oliver is a good speaker, but has a pulpit trick of rising into the bravura style without any apparent occasion for it. In his conversational tone he is interesting and quite above the average. But little notice had been given of his coming, hence the poor turnout of hearers. He will preach in Benton every second Sunday night and every fourth Sunday in the morning.

Had OLD LYNCH RYE been known to Longfellow we would have, instead of his "Song of the Wine," an ode worthy of America's finest rye whiskey.

The prize offered by Wade and Heisserer for the best and second best colts from their horse was contested for Monday. Eleven entries were made and Frank Diebold's Mayflower took the blue ribbon, with Joe Norrid's Theresa, second premium.

Wes Sikes had what almost everybody on the ground considered the best colt, but the judges thought him too old to be a fair competitor. He was awarded an extra premium of \$5, however.

FROM ORAN.

The pay car passed through here Tuesday, leaving your scribe what the boy shot at—?

Our friend, John Haggie, of Parker Station, lost his fine residence in Charleston by fire.

W. H. Stubblefield is suffering in a job-like manner. He bought four fine horses in St. Louis last week and shipped them by boat to Commerce. News reached here that the boat had sunk. Bill was blue "much heaped," but as luck would have it, it was some other boat that sank and the horses are here safe and all right.

Will Shields has charge of the barber shop on the west side and will take a band of Oranites how to play "brass music."

Miss Sallie Shumate came over from Sikeston Sunday evening and is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Stubblefield.

A team of horses ran away Sunday night and tore up a fine buggy for Matthews, Stubblefield & Co. J. B. Stubblefield and Sam Allison were returning from a trip to see their friends, at Commerce, when the accident occurred. Sam or Beach can give you particulars.

George Finley, our constable, made a trip to the Cape Saturday night to get a horse that Matthews & Stubblefield had a mortgage on. One Mr. Tharp had traded the horse to Mr. Lind, a livery man at the Cape. Mr. Lind was here Monday trying to get matters straightened up and secure the \$10 he had paid Tharp as difference in the supposed value of the horses. Future litigation is expected.

Rev. Howie, of Morley, preached at the Baptist church here last Thursday and also Monday night of this week.

Rev. Randolph of Sikeston, preached here Saturday night and Sunday morning last.

Pumpkins are selling from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per wagon load in this market. All feed stuffs except wheat are high.

Sorghum is being brought to this market by the 100 gallons. Pink Eyes brought 100 gals. in last Saturday and has over 1000 more to bring.

Dr. Blanks, of Ironton, Mo., was here Friday and Saturday looking for a location. The mining interests at his town being shut down forces him to seek another field. He seems well up in his line.

Joseph Stubenrauch has lumber on the ground to build a residence on his lot near the Catholic church.

The Oran Literary club went to permanent organization last Monday night by electing J. D. Gillespie, chairman, A. H. Newlin, secretary and Miss Lora Forrester, assistant secretary. They will meet each Monday night in the month. The subject for next Monday night will be "Resolved that negro slavery in the United States was a blessing to the negro race." A meeting at the Baptist church last Monday night interfered with the discussions, but a good crowd is expected next meeting.

The following resolutions are self-explanatory:

WHEREAS, It has pleased his Master to remove from among us our beloved pupil, Arthur Stephens.

We, as members of the Oran Baptist Sunday School have adopted the following resolutions:

1. In losing little Arthur we feel that we have lost one of our brightest, if not the brightest, pupil in school.

2. That in this our sad loss we feel that our little brother has been the gainer and that he is now in a school in which there is no separation.

3. That we, as a school, sympathize with the mother and father of this bright boy in their sad bereavement.

Resolved, that we offer these resolutions for publication in the county papers, also "Kind Words," our Sunday school paper, the "American Baptist Flag" and the "Central Baptist."

W. P. HOWLE, }
L. D. NUTT, } Com.
S. B. ALLISON, }

Most of our citizens are attending court at Benton this week. Use.

Go to O. Palmer's saw mill for any kind of raw lumber. Poplar, Cypress, Oak, Ash and Gum at hard-times prices—trade or cash. Operated by Chitty & Legrand, successors to O. Palmer, known as the Alley mill.

H. BRIDGE, Supt. and Salesman.

Last Saturday night Bob Hinkle, while riding home to Stringtown, was thrown from his horse and considerably bruised up. At first he was reported killed, but it takes more than a little thing like that to kill Robert, and don't you forget it.

Buy your Jewelry and have your watch repaired by AL. CHENUE, the Jeweler, next to Postoffice, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

HOW THINGS DO GO AT

BAUDENDISTEL'S!

AT KELSO!

See these Low Prices:

I. L. Best Sheeting, 20 yards for \$1.00.

Good oil red prints, calico, 20 yards for \$1.00.

Indigo Blue, 20 yards for \$1.00.

Good Double width Henrietta Dress Goods, @ 20 Cents Per Yard.

Humbolt—the Best Jeans, @ 37 1-2 Cents Per Yard.

Good Ladies' Shoes, from 90c to \$1.00.

Boys' and Men's Shoes, from 75c to \$1.25.

Good Boots for Men @ \$1.35.

Good Hats, for men, @ 75c to \$1.00.

Good Coffee @ 4 1-2 pounds for \$1.00.

Granulated Sugar, 18 pounds for \$1.00.

Good Brown Sugar, almost white, @ 20 lbs for \$1.

Wire Nails @ 30 pounds for \$1.00.

And everything else in proportion at

ANTON BAUDENDISTEL'S,

Kelso, Mo.

FROM KELSO.

Friday was a very dull day with our merchants.

Mr. August Meiz, the popular mail carrier, had a bad trip Friday on account of the big rain.

Joe Hines, of Morley, is teaching the Pleasant Hill school.

Dr. P. R. Williams and wife returned Saturday from St. Louis.

Mr. Anton Baudendistel reports a good trade.

Mike Enderlee, our butcher, has typhoid fever.

A. J. Thrower, of the Stoddard County Democrat, visited Cape Girardeau Friday.

Dr. Wade, of Benton, who was practicing in the absence of Dr. Williams, returned to his home Saturday evening.

Wm. Spaulding and Joe Compass, of Benton, passed through our town Saturday on their way home from Cape Girardeau.

There were fourteen preists in town this week attending conference.

John Vogt, the blacksmith, has quit working for Mr. Sackdary.

Our town is having quite a siege of typhoid fever.

A. Baudendistel visited Curryville Sunday.

Mrs. Della James visited her daughter, Miss Margie, who is attending the Normal at Cape Girardeau.

Wm. Bohnsack and Peter Maul, of Cape Girardeau, passed through our town Monday on their way to Benton.

John Thomas, of the Cape, passed through Kelso Monday.

G. G. Wright visited Benton Monday.

Visiting Lawyers.

The lawyers from beyond Benton in attendance at circuit so far have been Geo. S. Elliott, Jos. J. Russell, W. G. Lee and H. C. O'Bryan, of Charleston; F. M. Moore, Sikeston; Robt. Rutledge, Poplar Bluff; R. B. Oliver, Jackson; Frank Burrough, Cape Girardeau; Wm. Ballentine and J. H. Moore, Commerce; W. H. H. Thomas, De Soto; Wm. Carter and K. W. Weber, Farmington; J. V. Noel, Perryville; J. V. Couran, New Madrid; Richard Hines and Wilson Cramer, Jackson.

Want an 8-day Clock for \$3.50? Guaranteed by AL. CHENUE, the Jeweler, next to Postoffice, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

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Squire Lester, of Cole county, fed 35 bushels of cracked wheat to 22 hogs. It put 1,100 lbs. of meat on 'em. Now, figure, 35 bushels of wheat at 40c.—\$14. 1,100 lbs. meat at 55 per cwt.—\$65. There you are, \$41 ahead.

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—Died, at Diehlstadt on the 16th inst., Mrs. Ed. Holmes.

—M. M. Lawrence will start a grist mill at Morley soon.

—Sheriff Tickle, of New Madrid, is among us.

—Court probably all next week.

OUR GERMAN SETTLEMENT.

The northern portion of Scott county is somewhat hilly and broken, yet some of the finest farms in the county are to be found in this section. The settlers are principally Germans, and they are both progressive and industrious. They are very economical, are making good livings, and many of them have money out on interest.

A noteworthy feature of this section of our county is that when you enter a man's residence you will always find that the lord of the house lives there. It is his home—he owns it and the land surrounding it. When his crop is harvested he does not have to take a third of it to his landlord for rent. He is his own landlord. These people seem to have an aversion to the mortgage system, consequently, but few mortgages exist among them. They have erected three of the finest churches in Southeast Missouri, and their school buildings are also worthy of much credit.

In the New Hamburg settlement a creamery has been put in operation, and the farmers are supplying themselves with bloomed milk stock. Already the creamery is doing a paying business, and the stockholders are proud of their investment. These people do not make any noise about their improvements, but they go on improving, just the same.

—Cape Democrat: Houck's Missouri & Arkansas Railroad is going to be extended to connect with the Cat road somewhere west of Sikeston in Scott county.