

# BUTLER WEEKLY TIMES

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BUTLER MISSOURI.  
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### Announcements.

FOR COUNTY SCHOOL COMMISSIONER.  
We are authorized to announce the name of C. P. Keeder, as a candidate for the office of County School Commissioner of Bates county, subject to the election of the Democratic Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of W. W. Graves, of Homer township, as a candidate for County School Commissioner of Bates county, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention.

### Meeting of Democratic Executive Committee.

Notice is hereby given that there will be held a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Bates county at the court house in Butler, on Saturday, January 27th, at 10 o'clock, P. M., to fix days for township and county conventions to nominate county School Commissioner and to transact such other business as may properly come before it for its consideration.

PIERCE HACKETT, Pres't.

J. C. CLARK, Sec'y. 7 at.

### SPECIAL NOTICE.

The undersigned have formed a co-partnership for the purpose of carrying on a Real Estate and Insurance business, under the name of the TIMES Real Estate and Insurance Agency.

It is our object to buy and sell real estate, act as agents for property holders, collect rents, pay taxes and do a general real estate business. Also will insure city or farm property in several of the leading companies. All real estate placed in our hands for sale will be advertised in the TIMES free of charge.

Parties wishing to buy or sell real estate are requested to call at the office of the agency in the TIMES building, and any business left in our charge will receive careful and prompt attention.

Respectfully,

D. V. BROWN,

J. R. DAVIS,

CHAS. T. McFARLAND.

### ANOTHER CALL.

To our first call for subscription money on January 1st, many generously responded; but not all, quite. There are a few who are owing us for over one year back subscription still waiting—perhaps till they get the money.

We desire to renew the request that, if you hav'nt means enough to pay all, come in and pay what you can—every mite aids in keeping the wolf from our door this cold weather.

### A THIRTY DAY OFFER.

Any person who will bring or send to this office the names of five new subscribers to the TIMES one year, accompanied by the cash, will be entitled to a copy of the paper free. Subscription price \$1.25.

This is an unusual low offer, and we trust that those of our friends not getting the TIMES will set themselves to work at once with a vim. There is not a neighborhood in the county where several of these clubs cannot be gotten up. Please remember that the money must accompany the same.

### TWO PAPERS FOR \$1.75.

We will send the BUTLER WEEKLY TIMES and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, to any address, one year, for \$1.75 in advance.

This is the best opportunity you may ever have of getting your home paper and a St. Louis paper for so small amount of money.

New names are being added to the TIMES already huge subscription list each day, but there is room for many more. The price per annum is only one dollar and a quarter. Sample copies given away cheerfully on application.

### FURTHER FROM KANSAS.

Col. D. R. Anthony, Republican leader in Kansas, and editor and proprietor of the Leavenworth Times, thus treats upon the Prohibition question in Missouri:

"The Legislature of Missouri stands a good chance to hear all it wants from the Prohibitionists on the submission of a constitutional amendment to the popular vote. Despite Missouri's hard name in the past, she has been making some progress the past few years; but it seems to us that the Prohibitionists ought to be sufficiently conversant with public sentiment in our neighbor State to know that just now they have no hope of carrying such a proposition, and that therefore policy should dictate to them not to enter upon that in which they would be very certain to give their cause a serious setback. The Prohibition party of Missouri is made up a great deal after the manner in other states. There are a number of well meaning but totally impracticable ones in the lead, who in matters political cannot see beyond the end of their noses. Then there are those who have attached themselves to the Prohibition movement because they were no longer needed in either of the old parties, and who imagine that they see an opportunity for place and spoils. The former class have not discernment enough to know whether or not Missouri is ready for Prohibition—the latter would not admit it was not, even if they knew it. There is too much Democracy in Missouri, which has always opposed sumptuary laws; the foreign element is too cosmopolitan in its character, and there is too conspicuous an example of the failure of Prohibition in this State to make the adoption of the constitutional amendment a likely event in Missouri.

### THE TRUE EDITOR.

Henry Waterston, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, the prince of American journalism, estimates the ability and duty of an editor as follows:

"Some people estimate the ability of a periodical and the talent of its editor by the quantity of its original matter. It is comparatively an easy task for a frothy writer to string out a column of words on any and all subjects. His ideas may flow in one weak, washy, everlasting flood; and the command of his language may enable him to string them together like bunches of onions, and yet his paper may be but a meagre and poor concern. Indeed, the mere writing part of editing a paper is but a small portion of the work. The care, the time, employed in selecting is far more important, and the fact of a good editor is better shown by his selections than anything else; and that, we know, is half the battle. But as we have said, an editor ought to be esteemed, his labor understood and appreciated by the general conduct of his paper—its tone, its uniform and consistent course, its aims, manliness, its dignity and its propriety. To preserve these as they should be preserved is fully enough to occupy the time and attention of any man. If to this be added the general supervision of the details of publication which most editors have to encounter, the wonder is how they get time to write at all."

We are happy to note such a unanimous feeling in the country for the new jail proposition. It is ever commendable in a people who exhibit a disposition for good and substantial public buildings. Nothing tells louder or stronger for the county and its citizens. Aside from mere show and effect, however, first class public buildings in keeping with the importance and progress of a county, are matters of economy fully understood by every wise business man and farmer. A new jail for Bates county is economy in the truest sense of the word, say nothing of its influence upon strangers and neighbors.

Hon. Levi Moler, has introduced a bill in the Legislature, authorizing cities to collect a tax on dogs, and to authorize their destruction in default of payment of the tax. As our neighbor, the "Infant Wonder," recently had some trouble relating to the right of the canine creation, it is taken for granted that the bill is intended mainly for her benefit.

Ex-Sheriff Timberlake, of Clay county, who played such an important part in the search for the James brothers, has determined to leave Clay county for ever and settle on a ranche near Caldwell, Kas.

In case the bill now before the Legislature becomes a law, which it likely will, creating the office of Public Printer of the State, Mr. John D. Russell of the Sedalia Democrat will be a candidate for the position. A better man than Mr Russell could not be chosen. He is beyond all question an efficient man in every sense of the word, and represents one of the best and most reliable Democratic papers in the State, which, under Mr. Russell's management, has labored twelve years for the success of the party in season and out of season.

The St. Clair, Henry and Bates county Fair Association, met at Appleton City on the 13th, and elected new officers and directors. The officers elected are as follows: President, Clark Wix; Vice-President, C. Nesbit; Secretary, A. E. Page; Treasurer, J. B. Eggar. The Association decided to hold the fair on the 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th of September next.

The Clinton Democrat, alluding to some suggestions concerning candidates for Governor two years hence says:

"While newspapers are making slates for the Democratic convention, the Democrat respectfully suggests the name of that time-tried veteran, Ms. A. A. Lesueuer, of the Lexington Intelligencer, for Secretary of State."

Enter the TIMES on the Lesueuer list. A better Democrat and more competent man is not in the State.

Gen Wm. Bate, was inaugurated Governor of Tennessee on the 15th. At the conclusion of the inaugural ceremony, a live eagle was set at liberty from Capitol Hill, bearing a medal on which was inscribed, "For President, Cleveland, of New York; and for Vice-President, Bate, of Tennessee. Time will tell the amount of truth in the tidings borne by this 'king of birds.'"

By all means the present Legislature should make a law adding something to Sheriff's salaries. This officers work is often greater and always more unpleasant than any other county officer, and yet he receives less pay than any. The Governor was right in recommending an increase, and it should be done.

The officers of the Missouri Press Association, who constitute the executive committee, met at the Times office, in Kansas City, yesterday to determine upon a program for the next convention to be held at Carthage.

The Nebraska man who drove his wife out on a cold night, causing her to freeze her feet so badly that they had to be amputated, was tarred and feathered by his neighbors.

A committee of the Legislature is examining into the affairs of the management of the Penitentiary. Let it be full and extensive.

Speaking of the jail and hog law questions the Adnan Advertiser says:

"We see no use of the county seat papers making such an ado over the jail when there is no opposition. It will receive a large majority up this way unless something happens before election to change the minds of voters."

In a card to the Globe-Democrat, Mrs. Langtry says she entered the stage and came to America to retrieve the financial fortunes of herself and husband. Then, she would be entitled to sympathy if she would take a cow-hide and lash that upstart Freddie, till he ceased to follow her over the country,

Nat. Barter, editor and proprietor of the Nevada Ledger, threatens to drown his politics unless the Republicans of the county come to the rescue by March 1st. After that the Ledger will be published as an Independent political journal.

Brownville, Saline county, asks the Legislature to appropriate \$10,000 to rebuild the public school building of that place destroyed by the cyclone last spring.

Senator Plumb knocked the per-simmon as his own successor in Kansas last week.

Appleton Journal: The Kansas City and Southern railroad seems to be booming. The Clinton Advocate says a car load of tools arrived at that place Tuesday, and that the company have ready to be shipped 22 1-2 miles of iron, and have purchased a locomotive and several cars for use in construction. The road will form a direct line between Kansas City and Clinton.

"To read the Butler Times and Democrat one would think that Bates county is the heaven we read about in the Good Book."—Appleton Journal.

True enough, brother Hilton, but if you are doubting, come and visit us, our soil, farms, manufactures and people attest the truth of our words.

Rich Hill Enterprise: The Rich Hill post office took in over \$15,000 more in money orders than the Butler post office did during the past year. We can stand the comparison.

Senator Ransom, was re-elected United States Senator from North Carolina, on the 16th and Gov. Cullom from Illinois, on the 17th.

Walker Herald: Cholera is creating such ravages among the St. Clair county hogs that dealers have about stopped buying.

### Just Freight Tariffs?

From the Henry County Democrat.

The Kansas City Times makes this timely suggestion to the Kansas Legislature: "Some people in Congress are talking about an efficient standing army to overawe the discontented. Let the people of Kansas take notice of this and see to it that railway abuses be reformed in time. Do not put it off until large classes get discontented. Do not let your own power nullified by the procrastination and delay of those into whose hands you have committed your dearest interests. Do not permit any man, or any set of men, to weaken your faith in the efficiency of your government by playing fast and loose in the interests of men who wield the talisman of free passes, and who grant special favor to get special favors in return. All the loss the railway people sustain by free passes is made up again out of yourselves. They extend what they call courtesy to the press and to the members of the Legislature, your representatives, but this courtesy is the gilded bait with which they catch gudgeons, the simple fish you have sent to their market."

This advice will in a great part be of benefit if read and followed up by the legislature of this State, now in session at Jefferson City. While it is true that in Kansas, while St. John and his minions were running after fanaticism and vagaries of impractical proportions, and letting corporations wield the full vent of their force in their own interests, in all State affairs, this State was in a measure protecting her citizens from the heavy heel of the monopolists. But our laws are too vague and impractical to amount to what the welfare of the general public require. Legislation should so hedge about the railways of the State that all manner of transportation will be brought down to good living prices for the roads, and not amount to extortion from the merchant and the shipper and producer. The history of the world is a witness to the fact that monopolies will not be just to the people, unless forced to be so by legislations. The State board of Railway Commissioners should impress the needed legislation upon the present legislature, and the newspaper press of the State should single out and press their representatives to give the matter their hearty consideration. The first matter worthy of the consideration of all true patriots, is to serve the interest of the great body of the people. The injustice of railway corporations must be checked; this is the day and now is the time to begin it. If monopolies are not to be controlled by good, healthy legislation; if the created is to be above the creator, then farewell to the boasted inexplorable justice the American people have always claimed a birthright. The Kansas City Times has struck the keynote in Kansas, and we cannot see wherein the situation is much different in Missouri. The ballots of the last election also sounded the keynote of general reform, and the wise legislator will not fail to heed and act on the dictates of that "divine voice."

### STATE CAPITAL.

Prohibition Still Creating the Chief Excitement.

Bills Introduced Relating to County Officers Fees.

### Penitentiary Investigation.

JEFFERSON CITY JAN. 22nd: The Prohibitionists are still raging in their effort to secure some legislation in their favor. They are not, however, meeting with that success and encouragement they had hoped when they began. Dr. Books and his aids find it up-hill business driving a lot of Democratic Legislators into the folly of prohibition. A great many petitions have been offered in the House and Senate, for and against submitting a Prohibition amendment but no bills have been offered since those reported last week.

### THE HOUSE.

Dr. Storts, of Phelps, offered a resolution that a committee of one from each of the twenty-nine judicial circuits be appointed with a view to diminishing or increasing the number of Circuit Judges, as they may deem expedient, and to do away with the office of Prosecuting Attorney and establish in lieu thereof the office of Circuit Attorney.

### NORMAL SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

Dr. Storts, of Shannon, introduced a bill relating to Normal schools, which provides that hereafter it shall be the duty of each Senator and Representative elected to the Legislature of the State, to appoint one worthy young man or young woman, between the ages of fifteen and nineteen and fourteen and eighteen years respectively, who shall be entitled to receive, free of all matriculation and tuition fees, a full course of instruction, as may be elected by themselves or their parents, guardians or curators, in any of the departments of the State University, (except those of law or medicine) and in the Normal schools of this State.

### COMPENSATION OF COUNTY COURT JUDGES.

One of the most prolonged debates that has yet taken place in the House occurred this morning on the engrossment of the bill increasing the per diem of county court judges from \$3 to \$5, and the increase of mileage from five cents to eight cents per mile. After several speeches the word eight was stricken out and the word five inserted, and the bill was ordered to engrossment. It amends section 1,215, of article 4, of chapter 23, of the Revised Statutes of 1879, so as to read as follows:

SECTION 1,215. The judges of the court shall receive for their services the sum of \$5 per day for each day actually engaged in holding courts, and five cents per mile for going to and returning from the place of holding such court; Provided that such mileage shall be charged only once for each term of court.

### SHERIFF'S FEES.

It is a notorious fact that under the present law the fees allowed sheriffs are, in a large majority of counties, inadequate to a fair compensation for the amount of work done by these officers. A bill to allow sheriffs mileage for the service of writs, etc., in criminal cases, was introduced by Smith, of Gentry, and this morning, Parker, from the Judiciary Committee, reported adversely on the bill and recommended its indefinite postponement. The report called out Hughlett, Cronmer, Allen of St. Louis county, and Morehouse of Nodaway, who objected to this summary disposal of the bill, and after considerable wrangling over the matter, Hamilton, of Newton moved that 300 copies of the bill be ordered printed for the information of the House, and the chances are that notwithstanding the adverse report of the Judiciary Committee, the bill will yet be passed, by the House, at least. A bill was reported from the Ways and Means Committee by Mr. Bashaw, allowing Sheriff's five cents per mile for each mile traveled in serving writs and processes in civil cases, with the recommendation that it pass.

### REGULATING RAILROAD CHARGES.

Gideon, of Christian county, introduced a bill to amend chapter 21, article 3, sections 832 and 834, en-

titled railroad classification and charges.

The bill amends section 832 so as to reduce passenger fare on roads classed A, from 3 cents to 2 1-2 cents per mile, and on roads classed B and C, from 4 cents to 3 cents per mile. And to amend section 834 by reducing freight rates on wheat, live stock and salt.

### CONSOLIDATING OFFICES.

Mr. Mings, of Dent, introduced a bill to consolidate the offices of county collector and county treasurer and provide for the compensation of the same.

### TO ABOLISH THE FISH COMMISSION.

Taylor, of Grundy, and Gideon, of Christian, introduced bills to abolish the Fish Commission. There is a large number of members who regard this commission as neither useful nor ornamental, and the expenditure of money to keep it up as worse than squandered, and a strong effort will be made to wipe it out of existence. Talking with Mr. Taylor about this matter, he said: "My reasons for attempting to repeal chapter 106 of the Revised Statutes, are that the Fish Commission is a private body, a close corporation as it were, which is maintained and supported by the State, and which charges \$1.50 per can for furnishing young fish to the citizens of the State. It is useless to the average citizen because fish must be deposited in ponds fed by living springs, in which there are no other fish, and there are not a half dozen people in my section who have waters in which these fish can be cultivated. Again, if parties have private ponds in which such fish as are furnished by the Fish Commission can be raised the abolition of the Commission will not prevent them from procuring and raising their own fish. For these I regard the expenditure of \$7,000 every two years as a useless extravagance, and am in favor of wiping out the Commission."

### THE SENATE.

The Senate Committee on Penitentiary this morning, as foreshadowed in last night's dispatches, asked for power to send for persons and papers, the resolution to that effect, offered by Mr. McGrath, being as follows:

WHEREAS, Grave and serious charges have been made against the present management of the penitentiary, reflecting seriously upon the same; and

WHEREAS, The committee on Penitentiary is in the possession of evidence of such a character as to demand a full and complete investigation in the matters pertaining to the management of the penitentiary during the past two years; therefore be it.

RESOLVED, That for this purpose the committee be empowered to send for persons and papers, that they may obtain testimony bearing upon the subject on investigation. The resolution was adopted.

Senator Heard's bill for the relief of the supreme court, passed the Senate last Friday, and will now come up before the House for its action. In all probability the bill will become a law.

### Trustee's Sale.

Whereas, Mrs. Clara Asbury, wife, and J. H. Asbury, husband, of Bates county, Missouri, by their deed of trust, dated September 20th, 1882, and recorded in book 29, at page 174, in the recorder's office of Bates county, Missouri, did convey to John W. Baldwin, as trustee, for the purpose of securing the payment of certain promissory notes in said deed of trust described the following real estate in Bates county, Missouri, to-wit: Lot 20, block 20, town of Rockville, Mo. And, whereas, said notes have become due and payable and default has been made in the payment of said notes, though the payment thereof has often been demanded. Now, therefore, at the request of the legal holder of said notes and in accordance with the provisions and terms of said deed of trust and by virtue of the power in me vested as such trustee, I John W. Baldwin, as trustee aforesaid, will, on

Saturday, March 10th 1883, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m., and 5 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the court house door, in the town (now city) of Butler, in Bates county, Missouri, sell said real estate above described at public vendue for cash in hand, to the highest bidder to satisfy the indebtedness aforesaid and the costs of executing this trust.

JOHN W. BALDWIN, Trustee.

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