

\$500,000.

We desire to place out on real estate security a large amount of money. Will give the best terms and lowest rates yet offered by anyone in this line of business.

Notes drawn for one, two, three or five years. Have some money to loan payable on or before a given date.

Call and see how cheap we can let you have money. The Bankers Loan & Title Co P. C. FULKERSON, Manager.

BATES COUNTY National Bank, BUTLER, MO.

THE OLDEST BANK THE LARGEST AND THE ONLY NATIONAL BANK IN BATES COUNTY.

CAPITAL, \$125,000 00 SURPLUS, \$25,000 00

F. J. TYGARD, President. HON. J. B. NEWBERRY, Vice-Pres. J. C. CLARK, Cashier

W. A. ROSE, LIVESTOCK AUCTIONEER.

Will do business in Bates, Cass and adjoining counties. Address me at Harrisonville, Mo. Reference—First National Bank and Bank of Harrisonville.

GO TO

G. A. VAN HALL,

SUCCESSOR TO

F. BERNHARDT & CO.

FOR

PURE DRUGS

MEDICINES, TOILET ARTICLES, TOBACCOS AND FINE CIGARS, ARTISTS MATERIALS OF ALL KINDS

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded A liberal Patronage of the public is solicited.

WANTED—CHICKENS & EGGS



I will pay the highest market price for chickens and egg delivered at my store at Virginia, Mo.

I also have good feed stable in connection with my store. NELSON M. NESTLERODE.

Missouri Pacific R'y.

2 Daily Train 2 TO KANSAS CITY and OMAHA COLORADO SHORT LINE

TO 5 Daily Train, 5 Kansas City to St. Louis.

THE PUEBLO AND DENVER, PULLMAN BUFFETT SLEEPING CARS

Kansas City to Denver without change H. C. TOWNSEND

General Passenger and Ticket Agent ST. LOUIS, MO

R. R. DEACON, SONS & CO.

HARDWARE,

CUTLERY, GUNS AND AMUNITION.

Farm Machinery,

TOP BUCCIES, SPRING AND FARM WAGONS.

Iron, Steel, Nails,

WAGON AND CARRIAGE WOOD WORK.

PUMPS,

And Pump Repairing, Gas Pipe and Fittings, Brass Fittings, Bath Room and general house Plumbing done by experienced men. Since moving into our new quarters where we have plenty of room and light, we have added a complete line of choice family

GROCERIES,

And are prepared to pay the highest market prices for Butter, Eggs, and general farm Produce Watch our locals for Holiday Goods.

R. R. DEACON, SONS & CO.

Southeast Corner Square, BUTLER, MO.

A BLOODY STREET FIGHT.

Bullets Were Thick and Many Men Were Shot at Sparta, in Tom Watson's District, Georgia.

Sparta, Ga., Dec. 12.—Hon. Julian West lies severely, if not fatally, wounded at his home. Dr. W. R. Gilmore is dead. Rev. A. H. Ames was shot through the abdomen and will die. Marshal Brown and Jesse Gilmore are severely wounded. That is the result summed up of a terrible street battle here to day.

During the campaign just ended Dr. Gilmore and Colonel West were very prominent, the former a third party leader and the latter a democrat. This is Congressman Watson's district, and excitement ran high throughout the campaign. Dr. Gilmore was the author of a sensational pamphlet reflecting on Colonel West and other democrats, which was scurrilous in the extreme.

To-day Dr. Gilmore came to Sparta, accompanied by his three sons. They probably expected trouble, and all were armed. West met Gilmore on the street and, walked up to him, charged him with the authorship of the objectional pamphlet. Gilmore acknowledged it. West then denounced it as a base slander and as he did so slapped Gilmore's face. Quick as a flash Dr. Gilmore drew a pistol and opened fire on West, and at the same time the doctor's sons ran up. West was unarmed and Marshal Brown ran to his assistance. The Gilmore boys opened fire on the marshal, who was hit. In the melee Ames, a bystander received a shot in the abdomen which will probably end fatally. Brown was hit in the right arm but did some shooting himself. One of Gilmore's boys was hit in the leg and Dr. Gilmore received three balls one of which killed him instantly. It is not known who fired the shot but it is believed he was killed by his son Jesse. Gilmore was a member of the legislature several years ago.

Some fancy the charms of the lily white maid, Of ethereal form and languishing eye, Who floats in the sunshine and droops in the shade, And is always "just ready to die."

But give me the girl of the sunny face, The blood in whose veins courses healthy and free, With the vigor of youth in her movements of grace, Oh, that is the maiden for me.

She is the girl to "tie to" for life. The sickly, complaining woman may be an object of love and pity, but she ceases to be a "thing of beauty" worn down by female weakness and disorders, subject to hysteria and a martyr to bearing down pains. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a sure cure for these distressing complaints and will transform the feeble, drooping sufferer into a healthy, happy, blooming woman. Guaranteed to give satisfaction in every case, or money paid for it will be refunded.

Lexington [Ky.] Transcript General Jo O. Shelby, of Bates county, Missouri, a Lexingtonian bred and born will, as we learn from the Butler, (Mo.) TIMES, be an applicant for the office of United States marshal of the Western District of Missouri

The General is one of the most genial and gentle of men and at the same time as brave as the Cid and

he has withal, that touch of sentiment which makes him sincere in his attachments, warm in his affiliations and loveable in all his relations. He is made, at least, of the material of which heroes are moulded.

We sincerely wish him success. He carries with him the united endorsement of all Lexington.

We know that General Shelby of late years has been but little given to office-seeking and are gratified to learn that he is regarded as the foremost competitor for the position. If a lifetime of devotion to Missouri and her people can entitle a man to consideration, General Shelby ought not to have to contest for the place he asks. If Lexington had a voice in the matter it would be settled in advance.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with neuralgia and rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker of Catawba, Ohio, had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by H. L. Tucker, druggist.

WILL BE INVESTIGATED.

Jefferson City Tribune.

Wednesday Senator Vest called up his resolution looking toward an investigation of the census methods employed in Missouri and the proposition of the census department by the Harrison administration to its personal and party purposes. The resolution was finally referred to a committee and will be heard from later. The action of Senator Vest has occasioned much talk among both senators and representatives. The story going at Washington is that it was by deliberate arrangement between Dick Kerens and Porter, the head of the census department, that Missouri republican head centers were to be allowed to suggest to the census officials that their real business should be, while pretending to take a census, to pave the way for republican success in the recent election by all the dark and shady means in their power. That the census in Missouri was in the control of the republican party machine for the purpose of carrying the state for Harrison and Warner no one here doubts, but the republicans will bitterly oppose all attempts to uncover the plot. The house, should the republican senate attempt to stifle the Vest inquiry, will probably take the matter up.

For lame back, side or chest, use Shilo's Porous Plaster. Price 50cts. Sold by H. L. Tucker.

The next legislature will be asked for an appropriation for a home and training school for homeless girls and boys.

That hacking cough can be so quickly cured by Shilo's Cure. We guarantee it. Sold at H. L. Tucker's Prescription Drugstore.

THE CLINTON SHOOTING.

Postmaster Keiser's Wounds May Prove Fatal.

Clinton, Mo., Dec. 13.—Postmaster Keiser of this city was shot twice in the back at noon to day by Levy Hartley, an ex-inmate of the Soldiers' home. Attending physicians have grave doubts of Keiser's recovery as one of the balls has not yet been located.

Keiser was standing at the general delivery window at the postoffice trying to decipher the address on a paper, when Hartley approached and opened fire. Three shots were fired but the third was turned aside by a bystander, T. B. Bates, who struck the hand of the assassin. The first shot took effect three inches below the right shoulder, and the second about two inches lower, ranging directly inward.

After shooting, Hartley calmly put the smoking revolver, a 38 bulldog, into his pocket, remarking as he walked away: "I did it; I had to do it."

Behind this there is a story.

Hartley is an old soldier, having served in the forty-sixth Pennsylvania. He came to this place about fifteen years ago and married a dressmaker, who has since made a living for both of them. She was persuaded that her husband was insane, and a guardian was appointed, through whom a pension was procured. Hartley was sent to the soldier's home. During his absence there was much gossip concerning her. Postmaster Keiser, then a widower, was very attentive, and when Mr. Hartley's house was burned he took charge of affairs and looked after the comfort of the lonely and homeless one.

Subsequently Mrs. Hartley procured a divorce on a charge of cruelty, and was married to Keiser at Sedalia. After a short time Hartley was sent home as cured and at once began to haunt the postmaster and to make threats. As time passed on he became more desperate until nerved to the deed he entered the office to day determined to take the man's life. Soon after the shooting he was arrested and placed in jail where he is playing the insanity dodge to perfection.

Will you suffer with dyspepsia and liver complaint? Shilo's Vitalizer is guaranteed to cure you. Sold by H. L. Tucker, druggist.

The local preacher in Greene county, this state, who purchased a gold brick for \$2,000 with the expectation that he would realize over \$6,000 thereon, will not likely make any reference to the golden calf in his sermons hereafter. Our advice to the much bereaved parson is to read the newspapers a little more carefully, and he will learn that the alleged philanthropists who travel over the country selling gold bricks have as little regard for the feelings of a parson as any one else and that it is best to avoid dealing with them.—Jefferson City Tribune.

Mexican Cactus was thought to be worthless until it was discovered that it cured Catarrh. "Cactarine" is the remedy. Sold by H. L. TUCKER. 1-6t

Prof. Smith Suspended.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 14.—Prof. Henry P. Smith of Lane Theological seminary, according to the decision of the Cincinnati Presbytery rendered yesterday, stands suspended from the ministry.

The presbytery, which had voted Monday that he was guilty of heresy on two charges, discussed the punishment at length in secret and decided, 31 to 27, in favor of suspensions.

Prof. Smith declared last night that he did not intend to let the matter rest, but would appeal to the synod next September and in the meantime would continue in the professor's chair at the seminary.

Some Foolish People

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They say "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it wears them away. Could they be induced to try the successful Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 50c and 75c. Trial size free. At all druggists.

Murdered Hundreds.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—The midwife Bedwarska, in Ledz, tried for having murdered more than 100 babies, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment. Great indignation has been caused in Ledz by the lightness of the sentence. The woman was shown to have been guilty of suffocating 111 children, whose bodies were found buried in her cellar. As she had been at such work for nearly twenty years there is little doubt that her victims number several hundred. She was saved from the full penalty of her crime by the powerful influence of some of her former patrons.

This is pretty good.

Mr. John C. Goodwin, a carpenter of Danville, Ill., writes: "About two weeks ago a heavy saw log fell upon my foot very badly crushing it, so that I was unable to walk at all. I sent for a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment and kept my foot well saturated with it. It is now two weeks since that occurred, and my foot is nearly well and I am at work. Had I not used Snow Liniment I should have been laid up two months. For healing wounds, sprains, sores and bruises it has no equal. No inflammation can exist where Snow Liniment is used. "You can use this letter."

Beware of all white Liniments substituted for Snow Liniment. There is no other Liniment like Ballard's Snow Liniment. Sold by H. L. Tucker.

The steamer Andrew S. Bennett is walking the Osage "like a thing of life," carrying loads of 3,500 railroad ties.

Mr. Arthur F. Love of Macon City is a candidate for engrossing clerk of the Missouri house of representatives. He was born in Missouri and is a democrat, and has had legislative clerical experience.

2 A Fatal Mistake.

Physicians make no more fatal mistake than when they inform the patient that nervous heart troubles come from the stomach and are of little consequence. Dr. Franklin Miles, the noted Indiana specialist, has proven the contrary in his new book on heart disease, which may be had free at H. L. Tucker's drugstore, who guarantees and recommends Dr. Miles' unequalled New Heart Cure, which has the largest sale of any heart remedy in the world. It cures nervous and organic diseases, short breath, fluttering breath, pain or tenderness in the side, arm or shoulder, irregular pulse, fainting, smothering, dropsy, etc. His Restorative Nervine cures headache fits, etc.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve, The Best Salve in the World for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cts per box. For sale by H. L. Tucker, druggist.

W. H. H. Larimer, Church C. Bridgford, Ed. M. Smith.

CONSIGN YOUR CATTLE, HOGS and SHEEP TO LARIMER, SMITH & BRIDGEFORD, KANSAS CITY.

They want your business and will send you the market reports free. Write them.

Franz Bernhardt On the north side of the square, Butler, - Missouri. Does his own Watch & Clock Repairing Also Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Silverware at ACTUAL COST AND CARRIAGE. For the next twelve months As a watch maker of 22 years experience can and will give you satisfaction. Fine Watch Repairing a Specialty.

Dr. J. M. Christy, Homeopathic Physician and Surgeon. Office, front room over P. O. All calls answered at office day or night. Special attention given to female diseases.

CORRECT Missouri Pacific Time Table Arrival and departure of passenger trains at Butler Station. NORTH BOUND Passenger, 4:55 a. m. Passenger, 1:30 p. m. Passenger, 9:25 p. m. Local Freight, 10:05 a. m. SOUTH BOUND Passenger, 7:04 a. m. Passenger, 2:28 p. m. Passenger, 1:46 p. m. Local Freight, 9:17 p. m.

LAWYERS. T. W. SILVERS, J. A. SILVERS, SILVERS & SILVERS, Attorney-at-Law. Will practice in the courts of Bates and adjoining counties, the Court of Appeals, Supreme Court at Jefferson City and in the Federal Courts. Office over Farmers Bank; third door from head of stairway.

DEARMOND & SMITH, ATTORNEYS AT LAW. Will practice in Bates and adjoining counties. Office over Bates Co. Nat'l Bank.

JARKINSON & GRAVES, ATTORNEYS AT LAW. Office West Side Square, over Lantdown's Drug Store.

DR. J. M. CHRISTY, HOMEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office, front room over P. O. All calls answered at office day or night. Special attention given to female diseases.

T. C. BOULWARE, Physician and Surgeon. Office north side square, Butler, Mo. Diseases of women and children a specialty.

WHY NOT?

When you go to the Post Office for your mail, why not price

STATIONERY, SOAPS AND TOILET ARTICLES.

Just Received

25,000 Envelops from N. Y.

150 lbs Toilet Soap from Philadelphia.

CIGARS.

From Baltimore, and a general assortment of

STATIONERS SUNDRIES.

We have all these things and lots of others in

QUANTITY!

QUALITY!

PRICE!

Which will suit any buyer. Examine goods and prices and see if we are not correct.

POST OFFICE BOOK STORE