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—We received a letter from Mr. John T. Baldwin, Treasurer of the Southeast Missouri Odd Fellows' Association the other day, in which he expressed his high appreciation of the entertainment given the visitors to this city on the 26th of last month by Cape Lodge No. 62 and Sylvan Lodge No. 579, and especially W. V. Leach who spared no pains in making the visiting brothers and their friends feel at home.

—We have one policeman on the police force in this city who is entirely too smart for the position he holds. He knows more law (in his mind) than the City Recorder and City Attorney both. He should go before the Democratic convention and ask for a place on the ticket for the Supreme Bench.

—In the case of the State vs. Henry Bartles, Jr., the defendant took a change of venue to Justice Willer.

—The closing of our schools is near at hand and each one is making elaborate preparations for the closing exercises.

—The water is now all over the low lands south of this city and the people who resided there have moved to the hills where many of them are camping in tents.

—The Baptists are about to build a house of worship at Burdettville.

—There are only a few spots of ground over in East Cape Girardeau that show above water.

—Henry Huhn, Jr., who resides in what is known as the old Missouri House on the levee, had to move out on account of the high water.

—A large crowd of Jackson people came in this morning to see the big river. They expected the warship Concord would pass up to-day, but in that they were disappointed. However the sight of the big Mississippi River paid them for their visit.

—The overflow of the farming country over in Alexander county, Illinois, will not only ruin many of the poorer class of farmers in that section of country, but it will work a hardship on the merchants and business men on both sides of the river who have to carry this class of farmers from one crop season to another.

—The destruction of the crops in the overflowed districts in Illinois and Missouri, Cape Girardeau will be a sufferer, for this city is the one great trading point for the farmers for fifty miles distant on either side of the river, and the destruction of the crops means dull times for our merchants and hard times for the poorer class of people.

—They now go from Wheatland to Thebes, Illinois, in skiffs and travel over the public road.

—Some Scott county people came across the Rock Levee this morning on a flat-boat. The water on the Rock Levee is four feet deep in some places and no crossing can be done except by skiff or boat.

—The latest candidate for public patronage in the newspaper field is the Ardeola Banner, published by J. L. Hinton, at Ardeola, a little town on the line of the Cotton Belt road in Stoddard county. The town is small and so is the new paper, but we hope both will grow and prosper.

—Mr. J. H. McFarland, of Mt Pleasant, Ark., is in the city. Mr. McFarland is traveling for his health, and in the meantime stopped in Cape Girardeau on his way to St. Louis to visit his sister-in-law, Miss Blanche Green, of Iron Mountain, who is attending our Normal School. Mr. McFarland expresses himself as well pleased with our city, and he could not believe that we only claim 5000 inhabitants.

—The brick work on Joe Jager's new residence on Broadway is completed. The work was done by Regenhart & Bode, and, as a matter of course, it is an excellent piece of work.

—Seems to us that the candidates for office in this county are rather backward about coming to the front and letting the people know what they want. They are probably inclined to bashfulness.

—The case of Durre & Firnhaber, of Evansville, Ind., against Phillip Stoll, suit on account, was decided in Justice Kimmel's Court to-day in favor of Stoll.

—A crowd of Jacksonites went through the Cape Brewery yesterday and they were surprised to see such an establishment.

—The steamer City of Providence, on her way down this morning, landed at our wharf a short time. She had a good list of passengers, and during her stay here many of them came ashore to have a look at our beautiful little city. Some of them paid a visit to our city park, and from the top of the hill, near the court house, they viewed the flood on the Illinois shore, which, as far as the eye can see, is an ocean of water.

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—There are three or four Democratic candidates for Prosecuting Attorney in this county, and they are all young men—new beginners. The man however, who will fill that office for the next two years after the election is a Republican.

—Cruz's Ice Cream Parlor is now open for the season.

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