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LOCAL NEWS

The population of Centralia is 351.

Five men have been killed at Brown's Station, this county, within the past eight months.

Charlie Ross' father is said to have spent \$60,000 in the search of his stolen child, and without avail.

Mrs. Columbia Sims, of Pantsville, was terribly burned one night last week by a coal oil lamp explosion.

A country editor offered to make his 'devil' a Christmas present of his printing office, but the boy declined it, with the remark that he would rather work for two dollars a week than run in debt \$900 a year.

As we go to press we learn that the following gentlemen left for Texas last night, Col. Ladd informs us that he intended to go, but could not go because his child was sick:

Wm B Wright	Jno Price
P Price	Jos D Dillard
Wm Dillard	Wm E West
F M West	M West
I J Harrison	R O Mansfield
E J Mansfield	A Carson

The following gentlemen will leave about the 10th of January. Then all will convene on the grant, and the tract will be divided.

Col McIlhenny	Wm M Shumate
Albert White	Wm Atkinson
Dr T H Crawford	Judy Simms
T H Musick	Rev Vaz Deventer

A Ladd.

Others wishing to go can procure reduced rates on the M., K. & T. R. R. from Moberly.

The New York Notion store on the New York plan, is now in full operation on the south side, square next to the Ringo house, where all kinds of notions are sold at surprisingly low prices. Ladies and gents underwear made a specialty. 35tf

Go to the new steam corn mill for your grinning. Highest prices paid for corn rear of Cromwell house Mexico Mo. 36-tf. WARREN FOWLES.

Blum & Son have on hand, and for the next thirty days will sell at cost, the following articles and many others too numerous to mention:

One hundred suits of clothes,
75 overcoats.
Corsets of every variety.
50 styles of shawls.
500 different kinds of ties.
50 doz. children's hose.
40 doz. nubias.
30 boxes of gloves.

In fact every thing that can be found in a first class clothing and notion house, will be sold at Blum & Son's, west side public square, for the next 30 days, at cost.

Here is the place to buy some useful and elegant presents.

Mrs. Beal and son of Ladonia were in this city on yesterday and paid their respects to the Legislature. Mrs. Beal says they could not do without the Legislature. We appreciate this as coming from a cultivated lady of taste.

Married.

R. B. Peery to Miss C. Davis by Rev. J. R. Shearer on last Wednesday evening at the residence of C. H. Harrington, on Littleby. On Thursday evening there was a grand in-fare and social party at the home of Mr. Peery. Long life and prosperity to all.

W. A. Mead of whom we spoke in our last issue, formerly of this city, has been bound over by a \$300 bond to appear at the next term of the Warrenton Circuit Court. From all accounts Mead is a rascal 'Dyed in the wool.'

Twenty different tints of card board just received. Bring in your orders.

Thought you was gone to Texas. Oh! am going in a few days. Good bye, leave us a lock of your hair.

Tickets for the concert can be secured at Salleg's book store.

Oh, Ye Grangers,

And ye that are not Grangers,

TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS

WORTH OF

BOOTS & SHOES

To be slaughtered at the old stand of WILLIAMS & REED.

Best Boot in Mexico,

For \$3.25, well worth \$4; and is a far better boot than you have been buying at \$3.50 and \$4.

An Extra Good Shoe

For women, only \$1.50; and all other Boots and Shoes in proportion.

W. F. REED,
Mexico, Mo.

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THE WEEKLY LEDGER

Largest and Best Paper in Audrain county.

MEXICO IN SPLINTERS.

Ice is ripe and ready to pick. Just drop into Mitchell Bro's and examine their stock of cigars and cigarette papers.

Chickens are \$2.00 per dozen. Several of the patrons of the paper have made us pleasant calls this week, they were highly appreciated. There are others we would like to hear from.

This office returns thanks to Mitchell Bro. for a handsome present in the way of grapes; they were especially appreciated as it is not the season for such a luxury.

Ice is at least twelve inches thick.

Dr. Vincil can tell you how to dodge a book agent, insurance agent or a lightning rod man, but don't call at his study.

The gentlemen are making great calculation on the ladies keeping open houses new years day. How is it? Ah those who are going to thus favor their friends and keep up a time honored custom will please let us know so we can give a general statement for the benefit of callers.

The days are now at their shortest and we hope their coldest.

Wm. Sims has moved his family to this city and is living in his residence formerly occupied by Judge Beckner and family.

Hog cholera is still prevalent in some parts of the county. Remember arsenic is not a shure cure, but sure to kill.

We will take turkeys in exchange for the LEDGER, a yearly gobble for a yearling gobbler.

Look out for lead, nicols and quarters.

Philharmonic meets Friday night Dec. 23d, at the residence of Mr. Tomaduke.

Prof. Brady, Superintendent of Public Schools made us a social call

last Saturday. He reports the schools in fine order.

Locals all friz up, this week.

You only have about a week in which to pay your taxes and save the penalty. Pay up and save extra charges.

J. Bondkin has put up a new Fair bank scales opposite Whites Livery Stable.

We are patiently awaiting general results this week. Trust by next issue we can favor you with some news.

Mr. Parris who killed Hinson a few days since has 'vamoosed the ranch.'

On last Saturday as a farmer was driving a load of corn up the elevator owned by Carter & Hisey he saw the trap was open and so had to stop, the wagon of course began backing down the inclined plane, running against the guards it knocked them off and the wagon and team all fell in a nice little spill to the ground, except a smashed wagon, nothing was hurt.

Mr. Lee, O. S. Baptist preacher of Fulton, filled the church of that denomination in this city last Sunday.

The ice men are now supremely happy.

Presiding Elder Cope filled the M. E. Church of this city on last Sunday. He was greeted with a fine audience both morning and evening.

Jones & Co. up to the present time have slaughtered over 800 hogs.

A few days since as one of our friends a gay young fellow was sitting in his room talking with some chums he happened to look over toward the Hardin College as he saw what appeared to him to be some fair maid waving her handkerchief. He jumped up with the remark 'boys I must see into this little thing.' He left the house and perigronated around near the Seminary to see about it, and he saw, not some fair maid trying to draw him to her with

The Cheapest Cash Harness House in Mexico. A. F. RYERSON,

Having re-opened his old stand, north side square, up stairs, would call the attention of farmers and all others in want of Harness for cash, to the following prices.

Self adjusting harness..... \$28 00	Wrought bits from 25c to..... 75
Folded pad harness..... 25 00	Lines 18 feet long 1 inch wide..... 2 50
Short tug harness..... 26 00	Flat saddles, from..... \$6 00 to 10 00
The celebrated Ryerson collar. 2 00	Kilgore " "..... 6 50 to 10 00
Double headstall riding bridles 1 50	Patent side saddles..... 7 00 to 12 00
Racking bits..... 20	Old style " "..... 7 00 to 12 00

Whips, spurs and all other articles usually kept in a first-class establishment, very low for cash. None but the best oak leather used.

ALL WORK WARRANTED FOR TWO YEARS. I Trust the above prices will convince all that I mean business. Call and examine my work. 33-tf

smiles &c. but he saw the blackest of colored women hanging out the washing.

If you have a delicate piece of machinery that you want mended neatly and with dispatch just call on McKean, the Gun Smith.

G. W. Corey and son made us a social call Tuesday.

Bantz is going to just slaughter boots and shoes between now and the first of Jan.

J. McD. Trimble has our thanks for substantial favors this week.

Call up and see our styles for new years cards. The latest style out, can't be beat anywhere.

Miss Mildred Hill, daughter of Dr. Hill president of Fulton Synodical Female College was in the city on Monday. She was the guest of the Misses Silver.

W. Sammons near Salt River church presented us last week with a large white owl killed by W. Johnson. The bird measured over 5 feet between the tips of its wings. It is the only white owl we ever saw. It is now under going the process of being stuffed—not that we intend to eat it, but so that we can have it as an ornament. It is a noble bird of the kind. Mr. Johnson has our thanks.

Dr. Patterson of this city, the well known pharmacist now having his headquarters at Mitchell Bro. drugstore, is building up a large trade for his celebrated ague pills and chill medicine. A single box will cure the worst case of ague.

Look over our columns and find who advertise. They are the men that have large stocks and can afford to sell cheap. They are the live business men and deserve to be patronized by all.

Prof. Davis has made up his mind to issue a history of this county. He should receive every encouragement for this is something which will interest all. You will hear from him personally as soon as he gets things in good working order.

We are under obligations to Mr. B. Locke for statistics concerning K. R. taxes for '76.

Santa Claus has established his headquarters at Stansbury & Means where he is furnishing the finest candies and all sorts of toys for almost nothing.

Col. Riekey, of Fulton, was in this city Monday. He was on his way to St. Louis but got left.

Seven car load of soldiers passed this city on Monday en route for the Indian region.

Null & Nelson have just received another car load of salt.

On Monday last we noticed several of the country boys full of 'benzine' guess they follow the saying 'drunken man can't freeze.'

Capt. Hickerson has again taken charge of the Hardin House and would be pleased to receive the patronage of his old friends and the public at large.

Call up and get a sample copy of the LEDGER. It will not cost you anything and may result in mutual benefit.

Audrain County Medical Society meets Friday evening Dec. 22, at the office of Drs. McClaine & Spence.

Bulldozing at Montgomery, Monday a colored man was brought

to this city and delivered to Sheriff Glascock. He was arrested on last Saturday at Montgomery for breaking into a store and stealing a sack of flour. He was guarded all day Sunday by white men all armed to the teeth with 6 shooters and rifles. He says he had no idea of running off yet don't love to be bulldozed.

Save your corn, for some of our friends from the country inform us that there is already a scarcity of this staple article even in parts of this county and that some farmers are even now compelled to buy. If you will listen to us you will save your corn. Corn will be money before corn time again.

The Audrain Circuit Court Docket will close Jan. 8th, '77. Court convenes Monday Jan. 24th, '77.

The Bonne Femme Association Sunday School Convention meets with Mexico Baptist church Friday Dec. 29th '76.

Given away by a mouse.—The bulldozed darkey who stole the flour at Montgomery was given away by a mouse. The sack he took had a mouse hole in it and the flour leaked out all the way home and by this he was trailed to his hole. When a man steals flour he should steal full sacks and not take what the mice have left.

KATHER ROUGH.

On last Friday Mr. J. Hinson, of Monroe county, residing at the residence of his son in Littleby this county died from a blow on the head inflicted by one Parris.

It appears that on Dec. 12th Hinson had been to Mexico and imbibed most too freely of corn juice with the accustomed effect of making him quarrelsome. After reaching the house of Parris and eating dinner he got into an altercation with said Parris. The result of which was that Parris struck him beside the head with an oak plank about four feet long two inches thick and four inches wide. He never spoke no more as he again conscious after being struck. After laying in a comatose condition till last Friday he died. Verdict of coroners jury was that died from wound inflicted by said Parris.

Dr. Macfarlane held a post mortem examination, and as a matter of course, had to saw the fellow up in mince meat.

Dr. Russell coroner was present with a jury, three of whom were from this city. Messrs. Littlewell, Davis, and Armstrong. We failed learn the names of the others. Parris thought he would take a 'change venue' and so he lit out.

DIED.

Mrs. James Jack on aged 80 years six miles south of Audrain, on Wednesday.

Wife of R. H. Hedges, of Audrain, died at Mexico on last Sunday.

Annie B. Bradley, infant daughter of Thomas Bradley of this city last Tuesday. 'Suffer little child, to come unto me for of such is kingdom of Heaven.'

Don't fail to go to the coroner's inquest on Monday.

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Down go the Prices

—OF—

Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps & Gloves

N. Lackland,

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Offers his entire stock

At Cost for 30 Days

From December 18th, consisting of

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OF

BOOTS, SHOES

Hats, Caps and Gloves.

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This is no humbug, for we mean what we say, as all know who bought at our previous sale.

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