

**IN THE KINGDOM OF TANEY**

To CORRESPONDENTS.—The Republican wants news items, not essays—keep it down. To secure insertion communications should reach us not later than Tuesday night. If your neighborhood is not represented in our columns send in the news, written on one side of the paper, and ask for stationery. Sign your name, if necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of good faith.

**Garber Cleanings**

Correspondence to The Republican.  
Acorns and hickorynuts are plentiful, affording good hog feed.

The growing coolness makes one wonder where the winter clothes are coming from.

Joe Garber returned home this week from Kansas, where he had been at work since June.

The Tibbitt brothers were in the neighborhood this week, threshing what few little crops had been left by others.

Most of the farmers are gathering corn. The new crop appears to be of extra quality. Pulling pea vines for hay is also furnishing plenty of work just now, as Jack Frost will make his killing visit to the mountain tops some of these days.

A new mail route is being petitioned for from Reed Spring via the tunnel and down Roark, taking in the Garber post office, and on to connect with the office at Lucia. This appears to be a good move, as it would put Forsyth mail into Garber from two to three days earlier than present service. We understand the railroad folks are behind the movement, as it would be a great convenience to them. We trust it may be successful.

Your correspondent made a visit to the tunnel last week, and made a personal investigation as far as he could. They are in 500 feet on the east end, and 200 feet on the west, making one-fifth of the 1000 feet which the tunnel is to penetrate. It is well worth anyone's time to take a look at this work, for the pencil cannot describe its magnitude. For instance, they have filled up one prong of Roark, and are now hauling rock through a cut and dumping it into another fill. You step to the edge of this and see the rock tumbling down ninety feet below to the bed of Roark! What a place for a train to leave the track! Following down the creek a half mile or so the line crosses the creek proper. Here again will be a bridge eighty or ninety feet in the air. From the tunnel down the creek some six miles the line seems to dip the top of high peaks or knobs, something like a telephone line suspended on poles. Deep cuts and fills and high bridges will keep the passengers looking, and quaking in the case of those who are nervous, in passing over this part of the line. At the west end of the tunnel, near the power plant, is a suggestion of a magic city. The immense piles of dirt and rocks that have been moved covered several acres of valley land, and look like they might be the results of years of labor instead of months. Contractors are working up Roark from Branson, making good headway. JACK.

October 16.

**Images From Irma.**

Correspondence to The Republican.  
The weather is a little cooler, but no killing frost yet.

Mr. McKee has bought some hogs. He says he intends to have something to eat this winter.

All the sick people are getting along nicely. Mr. Walden is able to be back again on the mail route.

The children (and some old people too) of the neighborhood are spending their spare time gathering grapes and hickory nuts, of which there are a good crop.

Elmer McQuarter has returned home after having spent the summer at Messer, Kansas. Sam Ragan accompanied him. They intend to spend the winter working on the railroad.

Grandpa Bell, of Messer, Kansas, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Ida McQuarter. He intends to call on friends and relatives in Douglas, Webster and Green counties before returning home again.

While Lloyd Stall was visiting with his mother at Mr. Champlain's he wandered into the smoke house and seeing something in a pretty paper proceeded to investigate it, when it went off, taking off half of three fingers and the first joint of the thumb from his left hand, and making flesh wounds in the palm of his hand and his face. He has since found out it was a dynamite cap. He is getting along nicely under the care of Mrs. Champlain.

Oct. 16. COUNTRY LASSIE.

Mr. John Gilleland has contested a piece of land with intention of homesteading and becoming a permanent fixture in Taney.

The slight frosts have not been hard enough to kill vegetation on the creeks.

August Geiskie has bought a nice bunch of sheep from Nels Stewart, of Reno.

The recent rains have made the pastures good and were just the thing for fall wheat.

George Thornbrough is slowly recovering from his accident, but he is not yet able to leave the house.

On account of the sickness of the mail carrier, Mr. Walden, there have been three mail carriers on the route—Chas. Vining, Frank Holloway and Joe Smith.

The sick list is large. Those who are now sick are Mr. Walden and four of his family, Mr. Corbin and baby, Mr. Sovern, Mr. Joe Smith, Mrs. Crist and Chas. Stalls.

We are very glad to hear through the Republican from our old neighbor, Mrs. L. Keffer and family, of California, and assure them a hearty welcome should they return to their old home.

As regards "Sub Rosa's" proposal, would say, I would be glad to have the temperance and other questions thoroughly discussed and politics left out. Let me add, for one, that I am very thankful that the editor of this, the only representative of the people of Taney county, is an advocate of temperance. COUNTRY LASSIE.

October 10.

**Kirbyville Kronicles.**

Correspondence to The Republican.  
Every thing is quiet in our burg.

Standing room will soon be at a premium at the literary, as the crowd increases each night.

Branson is in sight of our burg, and we are daily reminded of the fact by the reports we receive from there—not all blasts, either.

Rev. Payne, of Springfield, has been conducting a series of meetings here. He is a good reasoner and attracts large audiences.

G. W. Vanzandt will resume work on the right-of-way this week. He has yet about three miles of line south of the river, and possibly some trimming elsewhere.

Uncle John Speer has just returned from Miney, where he and others have been conducting a protracted meeting. He reports several additions to the General Baptist church.

Uncle Lee Thomas left this morning for the home of his son, who resides on Swan creek. We are sorry to part with Uncle Lee, but hope he may have a enjoyable time with the people of Swan township.

S. W. Linzy has on exhibition at the postoffice a stalk of corn bearing one ear the top of which is nine feet from the roots. BETSY.

October 19.

Rev. Pickett is reported better at this writing.

Rev. Payne, of Springfield, Mo., will preach here Thursday night.

The surveying corps have moved to Anton Keith's place, on Turkey creek.

Mrs. T. J. Stallcup has been quite sick for several days, but is now convalescent.

Miss Cora Vanzandt is on the sick list, but we hope for her speedy recovery.

The literary promises to be a success. Both old and young are taking an active part in the exercises.

A protracted meeting is being held here, under the auspices of Revs. Speer, Vanzandt and others, and will continue for the remainder of this week.

We are informed that the saloon at Branson started in full blast Monday. This is a very poor advertisement for our county if we wish to attract good and reputable immigration.

There was a party at Jas. Vanzandt's Saturday night. All report an enjoyable time. BETSY.

October 13.

**Kisco Mills Music.**

Correspondence to The Republican.

James Middleton's baby is quite ill.

Jim Fry and T. M. Wilson left Saturday for St. Louis with a fine bunch of cattle.

Lincoln Bray accidentally shot himself through the hand yesterday, while fooling with a 32 caliber revolver.

J. P. Bray and Frank Davidson, our enterprising merchants, started for Springfield the first of the week, to lay in a stock of new goods.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Linton, of Marion county, Arkansas, who have been visiting with their daughter, Mrs. Hattie Heflin, returned home Tuesday.

Drinking and card-playing seemed to be the order of the season last week. Drunkenness, and profanity, punctuated

with pistol-firing, causes one to wonder if we really live in the twentieth century, or back in the middle ages.

Oct. 19. SLIM JIM.

**Late Doings at Dit**

Correspondence to The Republican.  
Frost, but no harm.

Health generally good.

School progresses nicely, O. R. Wolfe wielding the rod.

A. J. Brawley and daughter Jennie have just returned from a visit Carrollton Ark.

Jesse Nance has just returned from Springfield, where he had been to purchase goods for his store.

Sheriff Hull was in our vicinity last week subpoenaing witnesses and attending to other official work.

Abert Vanderpelt and family, of northern Iowa, are visiting relatives in this part of the vineyard.

The Chadwick and Land Hill mail and passenger backs have been making almost daily trips the past few weeks.

A new engine and corn burs add greatly to the appearance of the town. A new saw-rig will also soon be in operation here.

Grandpa Nance and wife anticipate a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Jennie Rannels, of Wichita, Kansas, this coming week. COUNTRY BOY.

October 13.

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