PLATEAU GAZETTE.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Dusty roads.

Threatened to rain all the week.

The woods are full of squirrels.

Very warm this week, with cold nights.

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A "feed" at the Newbury House, the other night. For the "clique" only.

Two of Mr. Ross' pet deer have been out in the woods for two weeks—they have small bells on—protecting them from being shot.

The owners of the Hack Line were required to take out license, and pay $10 a year, and all persons who carry passengers for pay will be required to follow suit.

A large covey of young quail flew into the Tabard Grounds last Tuesday evening and the guests caught about a dozen alive, with their hands—"Quail on toast" was served next evening for supper.

Mr. T. A. Dakyns who came to Rugby a month ago from Iowa to find a pleasant climate—was so delighted that he went back, got a wife to share his joys, and has returned—bought a half interest in the Hack and Mail Line, and is now a permanent happy resident of Rugby.

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Mr. Thomas Hughes gave an entertainment at the Tabard to the colonist in general. This was very kind on the part of the founder of the colony, and furnished the opportunity for a friendly meeting between the citizens and Mr. Thos. Hughes. It would have been in order for the *colonists* to return the compliment. Many express their sincere regrets that, in view of the very limited period before Mr. Thos. Hughes leaves us, the entertainment at the Newbury House was not made general.

C. O.

PERSONALS.

Arrivals at the Tabard for the past week:

Mrs. Katherine Westendorf, Jno. S. Littleford, Dr. S. Reynolds, Cincinnati; Dr. A. S. Jones, Phila.; A. Williams, Moline, Ill.; A. Brereton and wife, Decorah, Iowa; Richard T. Ely, Baltimore, Md.; Thos. Colditz, Dresden, Germany; Jno. W. Chambliss, Knoxville; J. S. LaRue, A. R. Case, Mt. Healthy, O.; E. F. Cope, Sharon, Pa.; Jas. E. Cantrill, Georgetown, Ky.; Edward Mussey Hartwell, Baltimore, Md.

ITCHING PILES.—SYMPTOMS AND CURE.—The symptoms are moisture, like perspiration, intense itching, increased by scratching, very distressing, particularly at night, seems as if pin-worms were crawling in and about the rectum; the private parts are sometimes affected. If allowed to continue very serious results may follow. "SWAYNE'S OINTMENT" is a pleasant, sure cure. Also for Tetter, Itch, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Erysipelas, Barbers' Itch, Blotches, all scaly, crusty Skin Diseases. Sent by mail for 50 cents; 3 boxes, $1.25, (in stamps). Address, DR. SWAYNE & SON, Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by Druggists.

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Visitors to Rugby find the drive to Allardt, a thriving German colony, ten miles away, a very pleasant diversion. The road takes one across Brewster's Ford on the Clear Fork, an exquisitely bit of cliffs and river, and through a charming park-like country. Seventy settlers have taken up hundred acre farms here since last spring. The country is rich in coal and the future of the colony is most encouraging. The big lump of coal shown in the exhibit of the Southern Railroad at the Exposition is a piece of "out-crop" of one of the Allardt coal veins, and it is estimated by experts that these coal fields extend for a distance of forty miles.—Cin. Com. Gazette.

A fire broke out Sunday morning in the button factory at Spring City, on the Cincinnati Southern Railroad. Owing to the nature of the building and contents, it burned to the ground like tinder, communicating the flames to the Rhea Springs News and Hodge & Neal's law office, both of which were consumed. The total loss was $20,000 no insurance.

GENERAL NEWS.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 16.—Prof. Swift, director of Warner observatory, discovered a comet this evening in the constellation of Draco. It is a significant fact that the only two comets discovered this year are in the same constellation and so near each other. Prof. Swift receives the Warner prize of $200. The wonderfully brilliant northern lights prevented an extended observation, but the motion of the comet is south-west.

GUAYMAS, MEX., Sept. 17.—It is now clearly established that the disease raging here is yellow fever. All who can are fleeing from the city. The medical corps is being reinforced as rapidly as possible. Twelve of the lately arrived opera troupe have died. Eighteen deaths were reported yesterday and many others were not reported. The streets are almost deserted. The only sounds heard are the rumbling of the death carts. The board of health has issued orders that dead bodies be immediately removed or buried.

Reports from Hermassillo state that the fever is raging there. At Mazatlan it is even more frightful than at Guaymas. All who could were leaving for the mountains, carrying off what bedding they could pack and a little food.

RICHMOND, VA., Sept. 14.—Barbara Miller, colored, was hanged here to-day for complicity in the murder of her husband in February last. Charles Henry Lee, her accomplice, was hanged on the 3d of last month. The execution to-day took place in the jail yard of Henrico county Court House, and was witnessed by about 100 people. The drop fell at twelve minutes past 12 o'clock. She died from strangulation. Several thousand persons were in the vicinity of the jail. Everything passed off in an orderly manner.

—M. Duverge, formerly the American Consular Agent at Loanda, has joined the Stanley exploring expedition.

The fig is one of the most cheaply raised and surest of Southern crops, but the trouble is that most people, with a plentiful supply of better fruits, don't care a fig for figs.

—The U. S. steamship Dispatch, now at New York, has been placed at the disposal of the Corean Embassy, by direction of the Secretary of the Navy.

During the cavalry charges in the German military maneuvres at Merzberg, many troopers were injured, owing to the blinding dust.

Dr. Steulzing, an eminent Professor of Jurisprudence, in the University of Bonn, was killed recently while climbing the Alps.

Stocks representing £75,000,000 of the English National debt has been canceled and terminable annuities issued therefor.

The latest returns from the agricultural districts of England show a large increase in the foot and mouth disease among cattle.

Shortly before her departure for Europe Mrs. Langtry stated she held extensive mortgages on property in Fifth avenue and other streets. The truth of this statement was confirmed on Saturday by the filing in the Register's office of an assignment of several mortgages to Mrs. Langtry, by Wm. Boswell, on property in New York, the consideration being $81,000.

Judge Aleck Gray, ex-Pardon Clerk of the Department of Justice is dying. He was an intimate friend of the late Matt Carpenter, and prominent in Iowa politics for years.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ORCHARD GROVE, TENN., Sept. 18.

Editors *Plateau Gazette:*

The school at this place has commenced under the care of Mr Whitlock, of Kentucky.

Mr. William Goad's oldest son is boarding at Mr. Julian Potter's and attending school.

Mr. John Potter, of Oneida has been home for a short visit.

Mr. John Potter, of Helenwood, with his wife and daughters has been visiting his brother, Mr Julian Potter, of this place.

A three days meeting has been held at Paul's Chapel. The ministers officiating were Rev. Center, Todd, Hale, and Allen.

The congregation was so large on Sunday that the services were held under the trees out side. Each brought his dinner, and a bountiful table, free to all, was spread in the grove near by.

A new church and school house is in the course of erection, one mile east of Paul's mill.

Mr Joe Stockton intends shipping to Cincinnati, this week, his sheep that he has been herding this summer.

"MYSELF."

GRASSY COVE, TENN., Sept. 17.

Editors *Plateau Gazette:*

The following little poem was written several years ago by Dr. Poole (now deceased), of Western New York, while on a visit to Grassy Cove. I think it is worthy of publication. To many of your readers this "Gem of the Mountains" is well known. To others it may be described as a little valley five miles long by about two miles wide, situated on the Cumberland Table-land, in Cumberland Co., Tenn. Being surrounded on all sides by high mountain peaks, (some of which are 1,200 feet above the Cove) it has the appearance of being a deep depression in the Table-land.

This, however, is not the case; its average elevation being but little below that of the Plateau—2,000 feet.

It is, then, an elevated valley surrounded by still more elevated mountain peaks. These are, in fact, mountains upon the table-land.

The highest among them are Black Mountain on the East, Albro Heights, and Dortous Peak South and South-east, and The Bluff on the West.

Black Mt and Albro Heights are signal stations, flag-staffs having recently been placed upon their summits by the U. S. Signal Service. From these points some splendid views may be obtained of the surrounding country. The Cumberland Plateau with its miles and miles of timbered acres dotted over with farms, orchards and embryo villages, stretches almost as far as the eye can reach toward the North and West; Sequatchie Valley and Walden's Ridge are seen to the South; while in the East and South-east is the Valley of the Tennessee with the River flowing like a silver thread through it.

Between these peaks are gaps in the surrounding mountain-rim through which wind the roads from Grassy Cove to the outside world. The one most traveled being that leading to Balta, five miles away, on the Tenn. & Sequatchie Valley Railroad. The Cove is becoming quite noted for its many interesting geological features, and natural curiosities; the most wonderful of which are its many and large caves. Cove creek flows into one of these caves and is not seen again until it comes out in Sequatchie Valley, eight miles away, when it is known as Sequatchie River. This creek is nicely described in the poem.

H. R.

THE GEM OF THE MOUNTAINS.

There's a vale among the mountains—
Down in the State of Tennessee.
Where many crystal fountains,
Are flowing cool and free.
Converging all their waters seem
To be ever rippling, running on,
'Till a river's gently rolling stream
Displays the strange phenomenon
Wonderful even in thought to trace
This stream of mystical tide,
Dips at the mountain's rocky base
Flows smoothly out on the other side.

This Cove is a jewel bright,
With plenteous fruits and flowers;
Encircling mountains greet the sight,
With awe inspiring powers.
Whoever seeks this vale will view
A delightful green and "Grassy Cove,"
Formed when the earth its'lf was new,
By the creative Hand of Jove.
And by that same Hand in changeful mood,
Adorned with trees that yearly shine,
Tall and majestic, and of various wood,
In summers grand prolific time.

At length this mountain guarded gem—
This beautiful and lovely vale,
Was sought and found by enterprising men
Who will improve and embellish until we see
The old and the rustic to the new give place
And nature and art shall wedded be.
Spacious homes will here arise
Broader fields to the wind will not
New temples of beauty point to the skies
And sing the praise of the living God
Vice here will find an early grave,
And virtuous hearts together throng;
The viewless air be stirred awave,
By the voice of mirth and joyous song.
And primary seats of learning stand,
To train and develop the youthful mind
While Liberty's strong and willing hand
Will guard them safe to the end of time.

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Rugby..... 1410 " " " "

HEALTH AND CLIMATE.

All health seekers, whether from Northern or Southern States, should try the climate of the Tableland. The recent United States Census shows it to be almost the only district east of the Rocky Mountains, entirely free from malarial, pulmonary and intestinal diseases.

The Plateau has a double climate, one resulting from latitude and the other from elevation. The air is pure and invigorating. The water is freestone; cool and sparkling. Mineral springs are numerous.

The mean summer temperature is 72 deg. Fahr., and in winter 37 deg. Fahr. The nights are always cool and refreshing.

SOIL.

The soil is a sandy loam upon a mulatto clay subsoil. It is light, friable, holds manure, is easily cultivated and responds readily and generously to the least fertilizer.

CROPS AND GRASSES.

Corn, wheat, rye, oats, and barley all grow well, though this is not claimed as a grain growing soil. Tobacco is a profitable crop here, as also is sorghum. Herd grass, orchard grass, German and pearl millet, timothy and red clover have all been tried, and take hold and root well. Kentucky blue grass also thrives wherever introduced. The natural pasturage is abundant.

VEGETABLES

Grow abundantly. Cabbage, onions, beans, sweet and Irish potatoes all make a fine return. The Irish potatoes are unexcelled by any grown in America. Sweet potatoes and onions yield 500 bushels per acre.

FRUIT AND GRAPE CULTURE.

This region is especially adapted to fruit, and particularly to the winter apple and the grape. The apple crop here has never been known to fail. The trees are healthy, and the fruit smooth, plump, juicy and firm, rarely ever specking or rotting. The grape is also a sure crop where proper varieties are planted. The vines are robust, and the grapes make excellent wines, which are in good demand. These two fruits are destined to become the great and staple products of the Tableland.

Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, currants, cherries, plums, and nearly all the small fruits thrive and bear prolifically.

STOCK AND SHEEP RAISING.

The excellent natural pasturage, good drainage, abundance of running water and freedom from flies make these occupations eminently suitable and remunerative.

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Board lands on the Cin. So. R.R., west of Sunbright. These lands lie directly south of the above and are close to the thriving town of Sunbright, with 200 inhabitants, two hotels, Masonic Lodge, six stores and post-office. They are well watered and timbered, and have excellent market, shipping and especially lumbering facilities.

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Sedgemoor, the station for the above, has also been laid out in town lots, and the Board is prepared to offer liberal inducements to persons settling there for manufacturing or business purposes. Sedgemoor has two stores and boarding houses, and promises to be a flourishing town in the near future. The C.S.R.R. has just put in there a siding, 1,500 feet long.

The Board's Rugby lands comprise several tracts lying west of Rugby, in Morgan and Fentress Counties, as well as all their territory between Rugby and Sedgemoor and Robbin's Depôts on the C.S.R.R. These lands are traversed by the Rugby and Sedgemoor Pike, a graded road, seven miles long and pronounced the best dirt road in Tennessee, and are, on account of the superior communication, as accessible to the railroad as the less remote lands of the Board. They are situated on the direct and, in winter, only line of traffic from the C.S.R.R. to Jamestown, Livingston, Celina and Byrdstown, respectively the county seats of Fentress, Overton, Clay and Pickett Counties.

CONCLUSION.

The past season has been eminently successful as regards all farming and gardening operations, the crops being invariably full and of excellent quality. We invite all interested persons to correspond with settlers now upon the ground.

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