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Farmington Times

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1904.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

State Representative—J. D. BRADLEY.
 Representative—J. D. BRADLEY.
 Circuit Judge—J. D. BRADLEY.
 County Judge—J. D. BRADLEY.
 Sheriff—J. D. BRADLEY.
 Assessor—J. D. BRADLEY.
 Surveyor—J. D. BRADLEY.
 Coroner—J. D. BRADLEY.
 Clerk of Court—J. D. BRADLEY.

COURTS.

County Court—First Mondays in February, May, August and November.
 Probate Court—Second Mondays in January, April, July and October.
 Circuit Court—First Mondays in February, May, August and November.
 Sheriff's Office—Second Mondays in January, April, July and October.

CHURCHES.

Presbyterian—Rev. E. C. Hickok, Pastor. Preaching Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.
 Methodist Episcopal—Rev. L. R. Jenkins, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday morning and evening. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.
 Baptist—Rev. C. L. Beckwith, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday morning and evening. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.
 Lutheran—Rev. A. L. Bonfield, Pastor. Preaching every Sunday morning and evening. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.
 Catholic—Rev. Father Tolson, Pastor. Mass every Sunday except first of month. Confession same day at 7 p. m.

Herzog's New Shoe Store.

Three doors east of Post Office.
 For 1904 calendars go to Pelly's.
 All the latest boys' stationery at Pelly's.
 Mrs. Mary A. Wain has been quite ill with the grip.
 Get your fresh sausage at Watson's City Meat Market.
 Mrs. Fred Herlet has been quite ill for several weeks.
 Canvas hats and bonnets always on hand at Autson's City Meat Market.
 Pay cash for your meat at Autson's and get 2 1/2 per cent discount.
 Carter Perkins of St. Louis visited relatives and friends here this week.
 Go to the City Meat Market for your choice steaks, roasts and pork chops.
 The largest line of writing tablets in the city; call and see and be convinced.
 E. M. Laakman.

Lodgers, journals, day books, record books, cash books and order books at Pelly's.

Remember the Great Closing-out Sale of Holiday Goods at The Fair for the next 30 days.
 August Hemmelgarn of St. Louis is visiting Mr. George Herzog and other relatives this week.
 Mrs. Martin L. Clardy and her daughter Virginia returned Sunday to their home in St. Louis.
 Joe Weber has been made one of the Jefferson Guards on the World's Fair ground. He went on duty last week.
 Crepe paper—to close out—5 cents per roll.
 E. M. Laakman.

Miss Florence Botton of Cape Girardeau was the guest of Misses Nellie and Hattie Johnson last week.

Mrs. W. A. Cloud, who has been visiting her father, Mr. William McDowell of Knob Lick, returned home Sunday.
 Fine new line of hot water bags—Seasonable goods—everyone guaranteed.
 E. M. Laakman.
 Mrs. L. R. Jenkins has returned from St. Louis where she has been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Clyde.
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THE HIGHER LIFE

"Pay That Which Thou Hath Owed."
 Rev. C. L. Hickok, Pastor of the Farmington Baptist Church.

This is a time to make vows and form good resolutions. Some have made for years. Now is a good time to pay them and renew them. You have made vows when in sickness, trouble and in sin. Now is the time to perform unto the Lord your vow. You have promised God as a Christian to walk uprightly, circumspectly before the world. To praise Him. Do you sing, pray or exhort? Use your gifts and talents to His honor and glory. You have promised to love God. "By their fruits ye shall know them." The love you have toward God, your Saviour, must manifest itself in a life of true devotion and consecration to His service. "The fruit of the spirit is love, joy and peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance, against such there is no law." Is this the fruitage of your spiritual life in Christ? You promised God when you were in sin that if he for Christ's sake would forgive your sins and blot out your transgressions you would love him and bear this precious fruitage unto Him. The obligation to love God, to love and lead a Christian life, to propagate Christianity is not binding for a little while, but through life. I warn you against breaking this vow. It has already been made "de fer not to pay it." It is a positive sin not to meet the obligations of the gospel which you have taken upon you. The promises between husband and wife are binding through life. The relationship sustained between husband and wife bring about the obligations and the promises. The relation you sustain as a Christian to Jesus Christ is stronger than the tie of wedlock. You are wedded to the Lamb of God that taketh away sin, that giveth life, that maketh you an heir of immortality. You are the bride of the bridegroom, you are "cometh without sin unto salvation." Let us make this year the most profitable year in the history of our church. Let it be characterized by consecration, united efforts, increase of spirituality, love to God and men. And may the blessings of heaven be our portion this New Year.

The New Life.

Rev. C. L. Hickok, Pastor of the Farmington Baptist Church.
 At this season of the year men make good resolutions. Often we laugh at them, compare them to "pie crust" and say that they will be broken in as many days as they number. But these resolutions have their value. They show that in by far the majority of men there is a dissatisfaction with their present conditions and a desire for better things than they possess. Beneath the mass of rubbish and filth and sinful habits of the soul we are sometimes surprised to find a sparkling gem. I do not believe the Master ever treated lightly or held in scorn a single good resolution of the weakest and lowliest among men.
 The great mistake we make in our resolutions for better things lies in not recognizing the limitations of our human nature. From the acorn, if it sprouts and grows, we expect the oak. Sowing wheat we confidently expect to harvest the same grain. A wild flower may be cultivated, becoming more beautiful, but its general character remains the same and beyond certain limitations, it cannot be forced. So that which is born of the flesh is flesh. We need the influence of a higher life to lift us out of that we now live. We can become new creatures, only in Christ Jesus. Then old things pass away; all things become new. In Christ the life is effected, sometimes slowly, but none the less certainly, the new man evolves. We behold everything from the higher view point of the Master. In the valley of our humanity our vision is limited, we see nothing beyond the surrounding hills. Upon the mountain peak of spiritual life, there stretches before us a broader and more beautiful prospect. In the valley our days are short, the darkness of night swiftly falls. Upon the mountain we are the first to behold the day and the last to bid farewell to the departing sun. In self there is both a narrow range of vision and limited sphere of thought and feeling and living. In Christ the possibilities of all things are limitless. In him all our relations are changed with God, with man and with self. In Him we become and are new creatures. "Old things have passed away; behold all things have become new."

Not Like the World.

Rev. Leonard E. Jenkins, pastor of the Farmington M. E. Church, South.
 He who reigns in the heart rules the head and hand; therefore, said Christ to some men who were asking about the kingdom of God, "Behold the kingdom of God is within you." Christ is a king and will have a kingdom, but His kingdom is not as the kingdoms of the world, for He is not as an earthly king. Other kings ask first for other things appeal to the pride and ambitions of their people, but He, the peerless among rulers, appeals to the affections of His subjects. Loud and ostentatious homage delights the ears of earth's best kings, but Christ says, "He that hath My Commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth Me." And since affection is the test by which Christ tries the loyalty of His subjects, so His love is the power that plants His kingdom among men. Other kings use force, but His force is His love for men. He shows first His affection and then asks

Society Happenings of the Week.

Wednesday evening a bowling party was indulged in by a number of the young people, and on the following evening were entertained by Misses Emma and Ella Sackman at their home. Those present were: Misses Anna Klein, Maxine and Anna Mengle, Fannie Fry, Maggie Giesing, Harriette and Ora Yeagin, Myrtle and Maggie Gillespie, Minnie Edman, Minnie Dunn, Ella and Emma Sackman, Mosses, Will Overall, Will Lewis, Pinkney Carothers, Henry Fischer, Henry Giesing, Bert Hyington, Aug Mengle, Percy Fry, Carson Woods and Alvin Rucker.

Miss Jessie Johnson Entertains.

Miss Jessie Johnson entertained Monday evening in honor of Miss Florence Botton of Cape Girardeau. The evening was pleasantly spent in dancing, after which luncheon was served. Those present were: Messdames M. P. Cayce, J. Paul Cayce, Harry Shaw; Misses Adele Cayce, Elsie Cayce, Myra Clardy, Nellie Rushing, Sue Leathers, Jess Spangh, Gladys Rozier, Kate Brabant, Katherine Waide, Rose Koub, Nellie Johnson; Messrs M. P. Cayce, J. Paul Cayce, Harry Shaw, Martin Linn Clardy, Jr., J. Frederick Gould, Walter Hensley, Prof. Cox, Dr. Donnell, Chester Warden, E. G. Godeschalk, Wm. Harlan, Dr. Will Isenman, Bart Walker, Walter Morris, James Morris, Frank Weber, Bryan Forster, Fred Wilson, W. B. Hanson, of St. Louis, Bridwell Smith and Will Waide.

AT ELMWOOD SEMINARY.

Friday evening the young ladies of the Elmwood Seminary gave a delightful leap year party, the first of the season, in the library of the institution. The following were present: Misses Robbie Pipkin, Irene Nixon, Mattiemma Appleby, Mae Craig Moffitt, Florence Swink, Nettie Detmers, Mae Stroupe, Florence McCormick, Alma Smith, Florence Lawrence, Mae Thomas, Louise Huff; E. V. Conway, Philip Pipkin, Duane Wilson, Emmott Asbury, Fielding McCormick, Ed. Barroll, Fred Isenman, Shirl Talbert, Alva Wilson, Will Doss and Merifield Huff.

Miss Pipkin Entertains.

Miss Robbie Pipkin entertained a few friends Monday evening with lunch. Those present were: Misses Mae Thomas, Mattiemma Appleby, Mae Moffitt and Irene Nixon, Emmott Asbury, Shirl Talbert, Alex Wilson, Fielding McCormick and Bill Pipkin.
 Dr. W. H. Mayfield of the Mayfield Sanitarium, St. Louis, came down to the Farmington Sanitarium Monday to perform several operations. Owing to the patients not being ready he returned to St. Louis Tuesday with the intention of coming again next week.
 Call at Grolock's and get a souvenir. None given to children.

CENTRAL AGAIN TIED UP.

Company and Men Could Not Agree on Arbitration Committee.
 The strike at Central Mines, involving five hundred men, commenced three weeks ago and temporarily settled last week, is again on. The Company and Union agreed to leave their grievances to a committee of three, one man to be selected by the Company, one by the Union and the two to agree on a third. The men in the meantime were, and did, return to work. Upon the failure of the two committees to agree upon a third man the union again walked out. The males have been brought to the top and both sides seem determined to resist to the utmost.

Sheriff's Sale in Partition.

G. G. Bryan, W. A. Bryan, Charles E. Bryan, A. E. Bryan and H. H. Bryan, Plaintiffs.
 Elizabeth Nichols, Hattie Piper and C. E. Dyer, Defendants.
 In obedience to an order of the Circuit Court of St. Francois county, Missouri, made in the above entitled cause, at the day term of said court for Dec. 15, 1903, and at the day term of said court for Dec. 15, 1903, the undersigned sheriff of St. Francois county, Missouri, will proceed to sell public auction for the purposes of partition, to-wit:

Little Richard Moore Worth Dead.

Richard Moore Worth, little six months' old child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Worth, died Sunday morning, January 3rd, at six o'clock. The remains were interred in the Calvary cemetery near Farmington.

Royal Neighbors of America.

I will be at Krieger's store the 1st day in each month from 10 o'clock to 1:30 p. m. Those wishing to pay their assessment No. 10, please call there and pay all dues.
 NORA GLOVER, Recorder.

Obituary.

Louis Cole was born in St. Francois Co. seventy one years ago, and departed this life May 24, 1903. He grew up to man's estate at the place of his birth and there in the year 1860 was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Shelby who with two sons and three daughters still survive him. Within a few years after his marriage he purchased a farm in the vicinity of Rush Tower Jefferson County this state to which he led his family and there lived the remainder of his life. He came of one of our best families and reflected only credit upon his people. In the fullest appreciation of the word Louis Cole was a good man, a good neighbor, a good citizen and a kind and loving father and husband. As is so beautifully and nobly characterized of the older citizens of our country he spared himself no exertion in the advancement of the educational interests of his family and in equipping them better than himself to face the trials and fight the battles of life. In 1875 he was converted, united with the Methodist Episcopal Church South and thereafter proved himself a faithful member of his church and a consistent christian gentleman. During the last few years of his life he was a constant sufferer. His life throughout was honest, useful, kind, straightforward and true. He was a blessing to his community and the world is better for his having lived.
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Farmington Band Reorganizes.

One evening last week the old guard of the Farmington brass band called a meeting for the purpose of reorganizing. A census was made of the old and new players obtainable. The following persons will compose the new organization:
 John Towl, Robert Boswell, Will Isenman, August Menge, Peter Smith, Jr., Fred Isenman, Dennis Adler, Sam Isenman, Wm. Brookmiller, Chas. McCarthy, Albert Smith, Tim McCarthy, Henry Branning, John McCarty, Ed. Barroll, Dr. E. R. Barrow, Walter Detmers, Thomas Lang, Jr., Will Lang.

Notice of Sale.

The Fredericktown Bottling Works will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, on January 20th, 1904, at Fredericktown, Mo., at one o'clock p. m. For further particulars write,
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