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LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Prof. W. D. Cooper reports good progress in his school.

R. L. Rogers has gone to Tiptonville to try his fortunes. Sugar Tree, were down on business the first of the week.

Jackson Frazier and son, Fred, of Holladay, were here Tuesday.

Wyly and Otto Coble, Dr. B. B. Barnett, J. D. Rice and Bud Walk. A dance was given at the home of J. Harris Wyly Monday evening.

Tolbert Hollingsworth has accepted a position with Bud Rushing.

R. L. Bridges has gone to the Nashville market to buy his fall goods.

J. W. Murphy, of Huntingdon, was here Monday on professional business.

Miss Bamma Garrett has returned home from an extended visit in Kentucky.

The new addition to the dwelling of J. G. Hudson will soon be completed.

Louise, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Yarbrough, is very sick with fever.

Circuit Clerk L. R. Watson returned yesterday from a business trip to Holladay.

Marshal E. G. Flowers and Rev. N. R. Waters went to Paris yesterday on business.

Hon. J. A. Clement was called to the ninth district Wednesday, and returned yesterday.

An awning is going up in front of Gillespie & Dwyer's saloon and Fuller's barber shop.

Miss Lou Clement has returned home from a visit to relatives and friends on Lick Creek.

A. M. Spicer and family visited near Camden this week, returning to Springville Tuesday.

G. F. Bateman and wife, of Hustburg, were called here yesterday by the illness of his mother.

The Claud Hudson Concert Band is practicing every night, and will soon be in excellent shape.

Mrs. Dora McAuley has returned from an enjoyable visit to her sister, Mrs. J. H. Rives, at Tullahoma.

Quite a number have been going to the camp-meeting at Manley's Chapel. A splendid meeting is in progress there.

William Beasley, of Hardin, Ky., is visiting relatives here, and will take his mother, Aunt Cat Beasley, home with him.

Mrs. L. N. Wilson is dangerously ill, due to a severe attack of pneumonia. We also learn that their little child is very sick.

P. Melton, the genial proprietor of the Melton House, and his nephew, Bud Melton, spent a few days in Nashville this week.

Big excursion to Nashville September 28, round trip fare from Camden \$2.25, tickets good to return on all regular trains up to Saturday night.

The friends of Mrs. J. J. Bateman will learn with regret that her health does not improve. She has not been so well for several days, and was worse yesterday.

Chancery court will meet here next Monday, and Clerk and Master D. G. Hudson and deputy, Guy Hall, have been busy this week taking depositions and getting everything in readiness for the coming of Chancellor Abernathy. There are some important cases to be tried and it may take all of next week to dispose of the docket.

Mrs. J. W. Bateman is recovering from an indisposition of several days.

Carpenters are in demand here. They are all busy, and it is impossible to secure the services of one unless you are one of the fortunate ones who have them employed.

I. C. Hubbs, who was compelled to dismiss his school at Morris Chapel last week on account of illness, is able to be out again. He will probably resume teaching next Monday.

Daniel Childress, of Ralston, was the guest of Will S. Corbitt and family yesterday. Daniel is an old Camden boy, and he has a host of friends here who are always glad to see him.

Judge L. E. Davis has been occupied this week with saving a fine crop of hay. Judge Davis is just as good a farmer as he is judge, and he knows how to "make hay while the sun shines."

Rev. N. R. Waters will hold services next Sunday, as follows: At Morris Chapel in the forenoon; Cowell's Chapel in the afternoon, and Camden Sunday evening. Services at the usual hour.

In an interview Saturday with N. T. Holland, of Flatwoods, whose home was recently destroyed by fire, he stated that his loss was about as follows: On buildings, \$1,200; household effects, furniture, farm machinery, etc., \$1,650; total loss, \$2,850. Insurance, \$2,000.

We learn that quarterly meeting at Cowell's Chapel was a decided success. Elder Martin presided, and the good ladies of that hospitable community furnished an excellent dinner, as they always do on similar occasions, which added to the enjoyment of the occasion.

The proceedings of the teachers' association at Holladay Saturday were received too late to publish in full, but it was an interesting gathering though there was a small attendance. The next meeting will be at Harmons Creek October 13. The committee on program is D. B. Gossett, John R. Holladay and Miss Donna Ward.

W. D. Wheatley writes from the State penitentiary that he is foreman of the painting division in the foundry department, and will likely be promoted bookkeeper. He says the prison officials are very kind; that his health is not good; that he hopes to receive a pardon, so he can come home to die and be buried by his baby on Crooked Creek.

Just as we were going to press last Friday morning we learned of the death of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bridges at an early hour the same morning. The interment was at Camden Cemetery. We deeply sympathize with the bereaved parents in the loss of their sweet little girl. The little floweret that bloomed for a short while in the happy home has been transplanted to that Eternal Home above.

W. C. Davis of this place visited his brother at Big Sandy last week, at which place he met another brother whom he had not seen in 35 years. This brother was a boy of five or six years of age at the close of the war. His father was killed by bushwackers and the mother with the little fellow went North, and he finally drifted to Iowa, where he lives now a prosperous farmer, and this is the first time he has been in this section since his childhood. It was quite an event for the brothers, which they will long remember with pleasure. —Carroll County Democrat.

TWO LITTLE LIVES LOST

In the Burning of the Home of C. M. Hatley on Birdsong Wednesday.

The two children of C. M. Hatley, who resides near Allen's Mills, on Birdsong Creek, were burned to death last Wednesday.

The news of their horrible death was told us yesterday by an uncle of the children, John Hatley, sr. It seems that Mr. C. M. Hatley, better known, perhaps, as "Clem" Hatley, was at work at the time in a field probably a half mile from his dwelling.

Mrs. Hatley had gone out to assist her husband, leaving the two children—both boys, one a baby and the other about four years old—in charge of the housekeeper, a Mrs. Smith, an aged woman who has been with the family nearly twelve months.

The house caught fire in some manner, and, according to the statement of the housekeeper, she rushed out to sound the alarm, leaving the children alone in the house.

When Mr. Hatley reached his home it was falling in, and though frantic efforts were made to rescue his children, he had arrived too late; the two little ones had perished in the flames. Before the building had been entirely consumed Mr. Hatley, aided by neighbors, succeeded in recovering the charred body of the boy.

It is said that the baby was on the floor about the center of the room and the boy away at play in the yard when Mrs. Smith rushed out and told the boy to go and stay with the baby, and they perished. Judging from the position of the body when found, the little fellow, frightened at the roaring, crackling mass of flames, crawled beneath a bed as a means of safety, while the innocent babe, helpless and unable to follow his little brother even had it realized the danger—together with their feeble cries of pain, they breathed their last in a fiery furnace! Can anything be more horrible?

A watch dog, a great favorite with the children, was faithful to the last, and perished with them.

When it was first known that the children had perished in the fire, in the frenzy of the moment there was a strong sentiment in favor of throwing the housekeeper into the flames for not removing them to a place of safety, but wiser counsel prevailed, and after a calm moment no doubt those who even thought of carrying into execution so horrible a deed feel thankful that it was only a thought. It is said that Mrs. Smith was devoted to both the children. She was afterward found wandering along the highway in an almost demented condition.

THE CHRONICLE joins in extending sympathy to the bereaved parents in their hour of trouble.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk G. B. Greer J. A. Holland and Caroline Brewer.

FROM GREENBRIER.

Regular correspondence.] G. W. Bucy, of Springville, was here last week.

The Barnes school was opened Monday by W. E. Wyatt.

S. A. and S. B. Herrin and Landon Presson went to Paris to-day. A. N. Lindsey and D. G. Curd, of Big Sandy, were here a few days ago on business.

The county teachers' association can prepare now for a warm discussion of the new text book law.

S. F. Baker went to Huntingdon last week to see Dr. Wright, under whom he will probably take treatment.

The protracted meeting begins at Baker's Chapel next Sunday, and the school at that place has been suspended two weeks.

Jesse Wyatt has had the misfortune to lose his saw-mill plant by fire the second time within the last eleven months. About 4 o'clock last Saturday morning the mill was discovered to be on fire. The shed was then falling in, and a number of people were soon on the scene and worked heroically to save the lumber. The entire mill and one stack of lumber was destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$1,000. Mr. Wyatt had sold the mill to a Mr. Troutman, and was to give possession September 25. It is a question as to who will bear the loss. The origin of the fire is unknown. Some claim that it is the work of an incendiary, while others assert that it caught from the engine. GREENBRIER, September 19.

FROM POSTOAK GROVE.

Special correspondence.]

A few cases of sore eyes have appeared in this locality.

Autumn is here and we are enjoying pleasant weather.

Charlie Hudson, of Gardner, is visiting in this community.

The cemetery at this place was put in good condition last Friday.

Prof. C. C. Vick has dismissed his school here for a month on account of picking cotton.

Rev. H. L. Markham will preach here next Sunday at 11 a. m. Sunday school at 9.30 a. m.

Miss Maud Robbs, a charming young lady of Lexington, visited in this community last week.

Uncle Harvey Presson was seriously injured by a wagon running over a rail which gave him a blow on the head.

POSTOAK GROVE, September 19.

FROM CHALK LEVEL.

Regular correspondence.]

Sorghum making is in full blast in this locality.

The meeting at Mount Moriah closed Sunday evening.

Miss Bettie Boswell visited near Mount Moriah Sunday.

A fine hay crop is being housed by the farmers of this locality.

W. R. Summers will erect a new dwelling on the Camden and Cooley's Landing road.

Misses Kate Wiseman and May Clayton and W. D. Nunnery and D. C. Russell went to the camp-meeting at Manlyville Sunday.

CHALK LEVEL, September 19.

GRAND MILLINERY OPENING.

Mrs. M. M. Cantrell has just returned from the eastern markets where she has purchased a complete and beautiful line of the very latest designs in Millinery, Dress Goods and Notions. Ladies' and Children's Wraps a specialty.

She respectfully invites her many friends and customers through THE CHRONICLE to call and become convinced as to quality and prices.

Opening begins Wednesday, September 20, and continues for one week.

MRS. M. M. CANTRELL,
Big Sandy, Tenn.

Stave bolt makers and good teams can get steady work at good wages by applying to W. P. Parker, Sunrise, Tenn., or W. F. Stone, Kimmins, Tenn., at once. They have four stave mills running and can give work to those wanting a good job. Pay each Saturday.

CHESS & WYMOND CO.

FROM BIG SANDY.

Regular correspondence.]

Mrs. J. F. Dowdy is recovering from a severe attack of fever.

A small crowd went to Nashville Saturday night on an excursion. Miss Myrtle Pierce has returned home after an extended visit at Nashville.

Misses Ida and Jennie Pierce, of McKenzie, are visiting friends and relatives here this week.

Miss Lula Alsop is quite sick from fever. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

Colton has commenced coming in. The first loads were received last Saturday by W. Caraway.

J. H. Wyatt had the misfortune to lose his saw-mill by fire last Saturday night. Quite a lot of lumber was also destroyed.

J. H. Davis and family, of Iowa, left for their home Tuesday, after a pleasant visit to the family of his brother, Uncle Jake Davis.

Protracted meeting began at the Methodist Church Sunday night. Brother Moore is assisted by Rev. T. P. Clark, of the Murray circuit.

John R. Seruggs, of Holladay, is down for a few days. The boys are glad to see John, as they have a lasting remembrance of his prowess as a ball player with the old Holladay nine.

BIG SANDY, September 20.

FROM FAXON.

Regular correspondence.]

Walter Parker is very sick this week.

Mrs. G. B. Cherry is very low with fever.

W. R. Collier has gone to Paris on business.

Bud Nance has been very sick, but is better.

Miss Sophia Wynn has returned from a visit at Erin.

Mrs. D. C. Couch, of Greenfield, is here on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. Effie Rushing visited relatives at Big Sandy last week.

Hon. J. A. Clement, of Camden, was here on professional business Saturday.

Uncle Jack Wynn says he killed nine squirrels in one tree and one squirrel near the trunk which was trying to get in the tree Saturday. Evidently the last squirrel wanted to die with the other nine.

Myrtle, the 11-year-old daughter of J. P. and Della Atchison died Saturday evening, of congestion. The interment was at the Crooked Creek burying-ground on Sunday. We extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved ones.

O. R. Allen, of Murphysboro, Ill., an old Crooked Creek boy, left for home Saturday after spending a few weeks here with relatives and old friends. He has a good position with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at that place.

Rev. W. N. Matheney arrived here Tuesday from Kentucky to spend a few days with friends and review some of the scenes of happy boyhood. Mr. Matheney informs us that to-day is the first time he has set foot on Benton County soil in 33 years. He was reared here, but left just as he grew to manhood, and this is his first visit to his old home. He says 33 years has wrought many changes in the appearance of the neighborhood.

FAXON, September 14.

I want to buy stave and cross-tie timber in the woods. Parties having such will do well to see me before closing out with others.

18-26 R. L. BRIDGES.

When you are in town come in and see us.