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SMALLPOX IN BENTON.

The expected has happened, and Camden has several cases of smallpox. The announcement Saturday evening that there were three cases of smallpox at the Melton Hotel created general consternation, and there was a rash to be vaccinated.

At first it was thought that the disease which has been gradually spreading here was chicken-pox, and several persons in town and the surrounding country contracted it, but the disease is probably a mild form of smallpox and none of the cases have proved fatal or even serious.

When the disease was declared to be smallpox, the Melton Hotel and several houses where it exists have been placed under quarantine restrictions and every precaution will be taken to confine it to the families and localities where it is now found and prevent its further spread if possible.

While the statement that there is smallpox here is rather startling, it is nothing new, as it has been in the county every since last summer. It was first brought to the negro settlement in Wyly's Bottom by a negro. No precautionary measures were then taken to prevent a spread of the disease, and it has gradually spread to town through the negroes, who said nothing about it. Its appearance in town has been so gradual, many thinking it was chicken-pox, that no alarm was felt and those who have contracted it were indisposed only a short time.

There are less than a dozen cases in and near town, and nearly all of them are over it. Only one new case, Mrs. G. C. Hudson, has been reported since last week. Several new cases have developed in the country, but if the citizens

of the town will co-operate the authorities do not apprehend a further spread of the disease here.

MEETING OF CITIZENS.

A meeting of the citizens of Camden was held Monday night at the store of Stigall & Potts for the purpose of discussing plans by which to prevent the further spread of the smallpox. E. G. Flowers was elected president and W. D. Cooper was elected secretary.

A motion was made by Henry F. Stigall and seconded by Bertram Johnson, to ask the board of health to quarantine all houses in or near town that are or have been affected. The motion was put in the form of a resolution and was adopted.

A motion was made and adopted to request the town authorities to insist that there be no public gatherings, such as church and Sunday school, etc., for an indefinite time.

It was also recommended that all parents keep their children off the streets; this to apply to children up to the age of 18 years.

A motion was made and adopted to furnish a copy of these proceedings to THE CAMDEN CHRONICLE for publication.

E. G. FLOWERS,

W. D. COOPER, President.
Secretary.

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PERSONAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

There are a few cases of pneumonia in and near town.

P. J. O'Reilly spent a few days at McEwen this week.

Eugene Travis has gone to Henderson to spend a few weeks.

Frank Holland is convalescent after an illness of several days.

Mayor Tom C. Eye is sick this week and confined to his room.

M. E. Byrn and family of Big Sandy visited relatives here Saturday.

The residence being built by U. A. Potts will soon be ready for occupation.

J. H. Whitfield and wife visited relatives and friends at Holladay this week.

Allie V. Bowles left the first of the week to spend a short time at Memphis.

The handsome new two-story residence of Dr. F. G. Hudson will soon be completed.

Alma Fry of Coxburg and M. A. Fry of Lilburn left Monday night on a trip to Missouri.

Mrs. J. D. Crocker and little son are spending the week with relatives at Hollow Rock.

Uncle Asberry McElyea, who has been in very feeble health for some time, is quite sick this week.

G. B. Bonds of Holladay came down this week to assist his brother, U. B. Bonds, in the grocery business.

H. W. McGill and wife were called to Plant the first of the week by the serious illness of relatives of Mrs. McGill.

Dr. Albright, of the State board of health is here, and he will adopt such measures as are deemed advisable to curb the smallpox.

THE CHRONICLE wants to exchange subscription to the paper for a few loads of 16 inch wood for heater. Apply to this office.

Miss Ebbie Rushing has been very sick at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. J. Hudson, with pneumonia. We are glad to learn that she is better.

All communications for publication in THE CHRONICLE must bear the signature of the writer. We hold an unsigned communication from Holladay.

Through an oversight we failed to mention the election of R. J. Bomar as county surveyor in our report of the proceedings of quarterly court last week.

The churches here have agreed to have no services of Sunday school for the time being, and all lodge meetings have been postponed until it is deemed prudent to meet again.

J. M. Herrin and family left Wednesday to make their home in the Indian Territory. They are an excellent family, and carry with them the best wishes of a host of friends.

Marriage licenses have been issued by County Clerk G. B. Greer to M. J. Berry and Mary R. Merrill, R. E. Rowland and Martha Pierce, Bruce Farmer and Sopha Garner, J. C. Markham and Quilla Arnold.

At a call meeting of the board of education and faculty of Benton Seminary Monday morning, it was decided to suspend school for a short while until the smallpox excitement is over. We think it will be but a few days anyway until the advanced classes will resume their work.

A Big Sandy special Saturday says: Charles Stitts, who resides in the ninth district, lost his life in an accident a day or two ago. Young Stitts took an old wagon skein, drove it down over a small stump, and filled it with powder, saying he was going to fire a big gun. When the "gun" went off two of the flying pieces went through Stitts' body, killing him almost instantly.

FROM FLATWOODS.

Special correspondence.]

A cordial invitation is extended to all to join our Sunday school.

Mrs. Mary Warrick visited her sister, Mrs. Martha Pafford, last week.

A monument was erected here Friday in memory of J. C. Vick, deceased.

The friends of G. W. Toliver will be glad to learn that he is thought to be some better.

The home of Mrs. Malissa Cuff was the occasion of an enjoyable song service Sunday evening.

There was a well attended and enjoyable song service held at the home of W. E. Pafford Saturday evening.

W. E. Pafford and Miss Fleta Cuff were happily joined in the bonds of wedlock at the home of the bride's father last Wednesday, Rev. W. A. Watts officiating. We wish them a long and happy life.

FLATWOODS, January 14.

FROM GREENEBER.

Regular correspondence.]

S. A. Byrn is moving to this community.

Several from here went to Camden Saturday.

Hase Brooks and wife of Paris are here on a visit.

There are several cases of pneumonia in this locality.

Lem Thompson of Camden was mingling with friends here last week.

J. W. Byrn and family and Dock Baker left Saturday for Lake County.

A great many people took advantage of the fine weather last week to kill hogs.

GREENEBER, January 14.

FROM CLAUD.

Special correspondence.]

There was a good attendance at Sunday school Sunday.

Dock Benton has moved to this community. We have a welcome for all wheelers.

Thad Furgason and family have gone to Rockport, Ky., to live. May they prosper in their new home, is the wish of many friends here.

Uncle Lige Holloman preached here Sunday. Uncle Lige is an old servant of the Lord, but at present he is so feeble that he gets about with a great deal of difficulty.

Bruce Farmer surprised his friends last Sunday by marrying Miss Sopha Garner, daughter of G. W. Garner of Big Sandy. The happy couple has our best wishes for a long and happy life together.

CLAUD, January 14.

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In all probability Camden will enjoy a building boom during the present year. As is well known, a good start was made last summer and fall, and at one time there was as many as nine buildings going up at one time, and the mechanics have not lost any time since then.

Aside from this there is already a large amount of building contemplated, and much of it is already contracted for.

Then there is the proposed new Baptist and Christian churches, which will be a great addition to the town, and the new Methodist Church will be completed as soon as the weather will permit.

More than this, there is the proposed hotel building and four new brick business houses in prospect.

Several fine residences are also being considered, and some smaller ones will be built.

There is a movement on foot to establish a cannery here. This is not an idle dream, and we confidently predict that Camden is on the eve of enjoying a building boom unrivaled in the history of the town.

In this connection it would be well to again call attention to the fact that dwelling houses are constantly in demand. There has been a number of people here looking for houses, but they are all occupied and some of them by two families, which is not conducive to good health.

Camden being already an educational and business center, it seems to us that more money could be well invested in suitable residences to accommodate a desirable character of citizens.

One of the saddest things we have to realize is that the world is full of dishonest people. We do not refer to those people whose dishonesty takes the form of stealing your money, your watch or other personal property, but to those miserable Uriah Heaps whose thievery consists of relieving you of your peace of mind by a pretence of friendship in your presence and a corresponding amount of enmity when out of your sight.

There are few places so favored as to escape the contamination of these wolves in sheep clothing, and it is a matter of deep regret that some of their victims are created so unsuspectingly as to never discover their guile and deceit.

If the country editor was to snap at all the great inducements held out he would soon be a millionaire. If he ran a paper according to the popular notion he would be in the poor-house. If he published one-half the items sent him he would be in jail one-half the time and in the hospital the other half.

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF **Benton County Bank** At Close of Business December 31, 1901.

| RESOURCES. | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Bills receivable | \$30,936.41 |
| Real estate, furniture and fixtures | 2,991.25 |
| Cash on hand and with other banks | 27,604.29 |
| Expense | 281.87 |
| | \$61,847.82 |

| LIABILITIES. | |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Capital stock paid in | \$10,000.00 |
| Exchange | 262.88 |
| Discount | 318.07 |
| Surplus | 37,632.37 |
| Deposits | 13,644.58 |
| | \$61,847.82 |

State of Tennessee, I, W. L. Morris, cash-
Benton County, one of the above named
Benton County Bank, do solemnly swear that the
above statement is true to the best of my knowl-
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