

# Chase AA Wheat Bags and Oat Bags for sale by Alexander & Tisdale Deering Building

## A River's Tragedy.

JOE OWENY CRADDOCK  
Down by the flowing river,  
There on the sands one night,  
Where the waters gleamed  
Under the moon's soft light,  
A sigh from a woman's bosom  
Betrayed her presence there,  
With the night dew of Heaven  
Kissing her waving hair.

Forever the burden of pain so keen  
Destroys all hope, it seems,  
There's naught but the river with its  
silver sheen.  
The thought, Father, one thought be-  
tween,  
That offers rest to a broken life,  
The rest I crave after the touch  
Of wedded hand—parted now—  
Divorced by only a man.

And from her pretty hand  
Slipped a circle of gold  
And fell on the soft wet sand.  
Always she cried in the dusky gloom—  
With no thought of sunny noon.  
One step nearer toward the misty stream  
That onward swept while she in a dream  
Wept and saw the shadow between.

O'er the beautiful hills and giant trees  
The King of Day with his goblet of gold  
Pierced the veils of dawn and smiled,  
In his beautiful way, on the flowing river,  
And briar roses that bloomed in masses  
And lined the stream that rushed with  
a swish,  
With its burden of death—a woman  
fair—  
With a thorn in her chestnut hair.

## Tile in Roads

Illinois has been experimenting with under-drainage for roads for several years, and in last year's report the State Commissioners say it is impossible to build a road over one of those seepy slopes—either of the hard or dirt kind. With this information, and from observation, and with tile on my farm, which is the oldest in the county, caused me to have to make a statement in order to show what I did with the money I collected last year. The report is as follows:

### MONEY RECEIVED.

H. Dietzel	50
Lock Alexander	50
W. P. Nash	50
Will Stalcup	100
S. S. Alexander	200
T. L. Bransford	250
George Nash	150
V. E. White	100
Tom Reynolds	300
Dorrell Harris	500
M. E. Hareless	200
S. P. Harris	200
Hugh Carrin	100
Will Waterfield	300—\$410

### MONEY PAID OUT.

To Baker & Walker, 30 rods at 50c.	\$15 00
For tile	3 25
Extra work	1 00
Forty rods at 40c.	16 00
Pitser & Butts, hauling	1 50
Pursley, hauling	3 25
All work done by me to date	8 00—\$48 00

Balance due..... \$7 00  
Hardy & Whipple, gift of cull tile..... \$17 50  
This tile extends north from Mr. Lawson Caruthers' to Robt. Scott's home, emptying in a cesspool at foot of slope, 2½ feet below drain ditch, and will remain in that condition until extended. As to its success: For five months last winter the water ran over the top of the pool, which is sufficient test. This line is on one side only, being limited from unbelief, although I tried to strengthen their faith by offering to give them back their money if the tile did not run off the water. I did not ask any one for a nickel who was not interested. Now if you don't believe I had a job, you try it. I want to thank each and every one, separately and collectively, for their aid in this job. That this may be a test job, I want the County Court to finish it by putting in a line on the opposite side with leads running across to the opposite side through swamps, and get a man to do it who knows how better than I do.

I now ask our commissioner and contractor to accept this job as a present to the county, and to keep the cesspool clean, a job I have been doing, and a very important one, as every one who has tile knows. D. H.

## Doctors Endorse It.

Lang Bros., Druggists, Paducah, Ky., write: "We sell more of Mendenhall's Chill and Fever Tonic than all others combined, having retailed over 700 bottles in one season. It is prescribed largely by the physicians here." Sold by Red Cross Drug Store.

## In Memory of John William Bradshaw.

Death loves a shining mark, they say,  
And one we loved has passed away  
To join the happy angel band.  
The smiling face we loved so well,  
The voice that echoed in the dell,  
The friend that we used to greet,  
Has gone and leaves a vacant seat.  
On summits of the other shore,  
Beside the bright and golden door,  
The angel guides in robes of white  
Lead our dear brother through the night.  
The heart that ever seemed so free,  
The form that all were glad to see,  
The smile that always was so sweet,  
Has gone and there's a vacant seat.  
Farewell! dear one, fare thee well!  
And where the happy angels dwell  
I know you have found a quiet rest,  
A home where all the pure is blest.  
A FRIEND.

## Real Estate Transfers.

J. P. Garland et al. to W. L. Alexander, lot in Union City, \$4,500.  
Will Taylor and wife to Josh Jones, lot in Woodland Mills, \$165.  
W. J. Goodman and wife to W. C. Culbertson, 100 acres in District No. 6, \$1,800.  
W. B. Lanes to P. H. Lanes, interest in land in No. 16, \$50.  
M. M. Morris to Thos. O. Morris, lot in Ohio, \$200.  
J. H. Ragsdale to W. P. Rogers, lot in No. 13, \$250.  
E. M. Wilson to A. O. Corum, 75 acres in No. 5, \$2,400.  
J. F. Carter and wife to Mrs. Bettie M. Harrison, lot in Union City, \$800.  
J. D. Swafford to J. D. Alexander et al., interest in land in No. 2, \$1,700.  
T. D. and G. A. Bryan to Mary Dudley, lot in No. 1, \$150.

## Married Five Couples Sunday.

Fulton, Ky., July 26.—Sunday was a busy day for Magistrate J. T. Futrell, Fulton's far-famed marrying 'squire. During the day he married five couples from four different towns in Kentucky and Tennessee. The first couple, Miss Crostic and Hoyt Youree, drove over from Moscow, Ky. They left home telling their parents they would attend church, but instead hastened with all speed to Fulton and were married while sitting in their buggy.

Archie Johnson and Miss Viola French, from Dukedom, Tenn., were married next. The pretty bride is a niece of Mr. Futrell.

The next was a double wedding, the contracting parties being Miss Forney Owens and Pleas Rollins, Miss Eva Webb and Clem Pickens, all of whom live in Wingo, Ky.

Miss Effie Wilkins and George King, prominent Crutchfield, Ky., people, made the fifth couple.

## Marriage License.

Archie Johnson and Miss Viola French.  
Pleas Rollins and Miss Fannie Owens.  
Clem Pickens and Miss Eva Webb.  
George King and Miss Effie Wilkins.  
Hoyt Youree and Miss Mary Crostic.  
W. N. Covington and Miss Fannie Brooks.  
Hester Gray and Miss Arel Owens.  
Judson Gray and Miss Delia Owens.  
J. C. Henley and Miss Lula Hargrove.  
C. L. Brock and Miss Florence Irby.  
C. P. Mason and Miss Mamie Smith.  
J. J. Allen and Miss Bessie Mason.  
N. E. Holmes and Miss Willie Collins.  
Clarence Odom and Miss Shellie Wilson.  
C. O. Williams and Miss Tommie Barnett.  
Horace H. Hughes and Ruth Simmons.  
John E. Church and Miss Ellen Cooksie.  
H. D. Wilson and Miss Lena Powers.

## What Merit Will Do.

Meyer Bros. Drug Co., St. Louis, write: "We believe that merit is the prime factor in creating the demand for Mendenhall's Chill and Fever Tonic. It ranks among our best sellers." Sold on a signed guarantee by Red Cross Drug Store.

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## Death of C. E. Cobb.

Chas. E. Cobb, one of the older citizens of Union City, died early Wednesday morning, July 28, at his home on West Church street, of heart trouble and hardening of the arteries, aged 72 years.

Mr. Cobb was a native of Maine and located in this city soon after the war. He was married to his first wife in Maine and to them was born one child, who died in childhood. Mr. Cobb enlisted as a Confederate soldier and it is said served through the war as gallantly and bravely as the bravest Southerner. Evidently he followed the dictates of his convictions, otherwise he could not have joined the Confederate service.

Mr. Cobb was born Oct. 2, 1836. He was therefore nearly 73 years of age. About twenty years ago, his first wife having passed away some years before, he was married to Miss Dean, a sister of Thos. Dean, of this city, and to them were born four children as follows: Mrs. Harry Lorbe, of Blytheville, Ark., Lula, Eulalee and John Edwin Cobb, at home with Mrs. Cobb.

Mr. Cobb was a member of the Methodist Church. For some years he was engaged in the grocery business and succeeded, but his attention turned to real estate, and he accumulated extensively in city property. Mr. Cobb was always a busy man, but pleasant in his business dealings, generous, honorable, and a citizen who was very generally and highly esteemed. His service in the Confederacy and his citizenship proved him to be a man of good parts, and his departure is greatly lamented.

Services were held at the residence yesterday morning, conducted by Rev. Sellers. At the cemetery the Confederate comrades took charge of the remains and buried them with Confederate honors. The ritual was delivered by Dr. F. M. McRee.

## Obion County Telephone Notes.

The "Central Energy" proposition is now talked of and many of our directors and stockholders are of the opinion that it can and ought to be put in. Give us the best possible service, is the unanimous verdict. Jackson, Paducah and all the larger cities use this system. Why not Union City? Let the good people of Union City say so, and it will.

We are busy selling the stock and making arrangements to begin operation.

Operators and linemen will be needed soon and we would like to have your application. Some have come in already.

We want to begin with the first 100 subscribers and will have connection now with most of all western Kentucky and many in this and adjoining counties in Tennessee.

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# ...Our Piano Contest...

Special Prize---\$25.00 Ladies' Gold Watch  
To be given away July 31st.



The most valuable of all the special prizes will be given away July 31. This will be a \$25.00 ladies' gold watch, to be given to the contestant turning in the most subscriptions—new subscribers, renewals and back subscriptions—on July 19 to July 31, at 6 o'clock p.m. This is the best special prize to be offered, and is alone worth an effort to win. All girls can compete for this, except the winners of the silverware and locket, but all votes count in the piano contest.

We are offering this week, ending Saturday evening, July 24, at 6 o'clock, 10,000 extra free votes with every \$10.00 turned in on subscription, new subscribers, renewals and back subscriptions. Next week, ending July 31, the same offer, with the exception that the extra free vote will be reduced to 9,000, will be made. The extra free vote will be given to everyone for every \$10.00 turned in on subscriptions, as stated. The third week the extra free votes will be reduced to 8,000 and diminished 1,000 votes each week until the close of the contest.

As we have stated, this is the most important period of the contest. Everyone can readily see that the vote offered for subscription this week is the largest at any time during the contest and the largest that will be offered. The work done this week counts more than at any other time, hence it is important that those contestants who are really in earnest to do their best right now.

One of the fine pianos can now be seen in the Union City Bank & Trust Co.'s building. See it. Examine it. Get busy, girls.

## The Commercial, Union City.

## Examination.

A clerk-carrier civil service examination will be held at the city postoffice in Union City, Tenn., August 25, 1909. For application blanks, instructions, etc., call on or address the local secretary, Union City, Tenn. No application will be accepted unless properly filed with the secretary on or before August 18, 1909.

## NO REASON FOR IT.

## When Union City Citizens Show the Certain Way Out.

There can be no just reason why any reader of this will continue to suffer the tortures of an aching back, the annoyance of urinary disorders, the dangers of diabetes or any kidney ills when relief is so near at hand and the most positive proof given that they can be cured. Read what a Union City citizen says:

H. T. Dunn, veteran, living on East Matthews street, Union City, Tenn., says: "My wife was subject to headaches, pains through her limbs and back, and a weakness of the kidneys, which was very annoying. At times it was hard for her to stoop, lift or rest comfortably. On using Doan's Kidney Pills she was cured of the disease. I have also taken this remedy and have found the best of results."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

## To All Whom It May Concern.

Next Tuesday, Aug. 3, is the day for the annual graveyard working at Pleasant Hill. Let all who have friends or relatives buried at Pleasant Hill come and bring your axes, rakes, mowers, etc. Let us come to put the cemetery in good shape.

## COMMISSIONERS.

## Very Creditable.

The Union City Bank and Trust Co., Union City, Tenn., makes a very creditable statement to the auditor at the close of business on June 30. President Whitesell and Cashier Hefley are reliable bankers who have the confidence of the people of Obion County.—Commerce Monthly.

## New Front.

The business house on First street, occupied by Mr. Vaden's grocery, is to have a new plate glass front. The house belongs to Mr. Luther Park, who is making the improvements.

## Church-Cooksey.

Mr. John Church and Miss Ellen Cooksey were married at the Baptist parsonage in this city last Sunday evening, July 25, by the pastor, Rev. E. L. Watson.

The groom is a son of E. N. Church and the bride a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cooksey, of this city. They are both held in popular esteem and are congratulated by numbers of friends. Mr. and Mrs. Church are at home at the residence of the elder Mr. Church on Palmer street.

LOST—Silver, open-face, stem-wind watch, between my home and Shady Grove. Reward, J. A. Cloar. 1t

## Camping on the Lake

A party of young people chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Will Herring and Mr. and Mrs. Walter McCord are enjoying a few days at Reelfoot Lake this week. Among the party are Miss Cora Palmer, Miss Keithley, Misses Phelbus, Miss Mamie Calhoun, Miss Kenna Compton, Hugh Catron, Caesar Palmer, Grady Palmer, Howell Palmer, Reece Alexander and Jas. Herring and children.

## A Golden Wedding

means that man and wife have lived to a good old age and consequently have kept healthy. The best way to keep healthy is to see that your liver does its duty 365 days out of 365. The only way to do this is to keep Ballard's Herbine in the house and take it whenever your liver gets inactive. 50 cents per bottle. Sold by Nailing Drug Co.

## A Hot Time.

From what we understand the picnic at Woodland Wednesday and Wednesday night was somewhat like a Bacchanalian festival. A great many who thought they wanted to attend changed their minds after reaching the scene, and returned without ceremony. It is thought that a religious revival could be recommended at some location convenient to those who attended and took part in the picnic.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proved Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Bull's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hill's Family Pills for constipation.

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