

### CIRCUIT COURT IN SESSION.

Trouble Experienced in Empanelling Juries—Attorney-General Garner Absent, and Jas. A. Smiser Elected Special Attorney-General.

Circuit Court convened Monday for the first term of the new year. Judge Holding was on the bench but Attorney-General Garner was detained in Nashville and James A. Smiser was sworn in as special Attorney-General. Attorney-General Garner arrived Tuesday morning and began his duties. Some delay was occasioned in the empanelling of the grand jury on account of two of the men on the venire having served on a jury within the last two years, and the county court having failed to name any other for service.

John T. Akin was excused as foreman and John Latta appointed by Judge Holding in his stead, and George H. Dodson was taken in the place of P. R. Brady.

Trouble was also experienced in making up the traversers jury, three of the men selected by the County Court being incompetent because of having performed jury service within the last two years. Chas. R. Baker, W. A. Glenn and Joel A. Gray were excused for this reason and several others failed to report. The work of completing the jury was not finished therefore until this afternoon.

In the case of James Gilliam against A. F. Brown the plaintiff took a nonsuit, and in the case of Brown against Gilliam the plaintiff took a nonsuit. The suit of A. I. Nixon against Abe and Sol Kymer was continued on application of the plaintiff.

Judge Holding opened court Monday morning with a gavel which was carved from a piece of timber taken from the hull of one of the Spanish warships destroyed by Admiral Dewey in Manila bay on the morning of April 1, 1898.

The gavel was presented to Judge Holding by Aleck Barker, who was a corporal in Major Whitthorne's company in the First Tennessee Regiment, which did service in the Philippines.

Judge Holding sustained the demurrer to the evidence and dismissed the case of Woodruff Brown against the Central Phosphate Co.

The case of A. M. Hughes against W. J. Moore & Sons for \$1,000 attorney fee is now on trial.

The case of A. M. Hughes vs. W. J. Moore & Sons for \$1,000 attorney fee, resulted in a verdict in favor of the defendants. It is understood that Mr. Hughes will appeal the case.

W. B. Greenlaw vs. L. & N. R. R. Co., continued.

Cook Bros. vs. Insurance Co., continued.

R. R. Butler vs. L. & N. R. R. Co., continued.

Owing vs. Brishy, case tried and jury found for plaintiff.

Blair vs. L. & N. R. R. Co., case dismissed.

#### ARE YOU NERVOUS?

Probably your nerves are starving—crying for nutrition. Your circulation is at fault, locally or generally. The blood carries nutrition to every tissue of the body, including nerve centers and nerve fibres. Osteopaths are masters of the blood and nerve forces for the human body, stimulating or inhibiting the circulatory function and revivifying the nervous mechanism. Of all the nervous diseases, protein in their manifestations, there are men that fail to yield to osteopathic methods. Tensed tissues are relaxed, the circulation quickened, carrying food to all of the tissues; tissue waste products are freely eliminated by the increased functioning of the excretory organs, appetite increases, and relaxation, rest, sleep and health follow. Sufferers from these ailments are privileged to consult without charge Drs. Collier & Duffield, Osteopaths. Offices in Grant building, Columbia.

#### DEFENSE OF THE ONION.

Without the Odoriferous Bulb, There Would Be No Gastronomic Art, Says This Writer.

The onion is one of those strenuous vegetables about which one cannot be indifferent. One either yearns for it with a passionate longing or else utterly repudiates it and everybody who has any trafficking with it.

## MAURY - DRY - GOODS - CO. CLEARANCE SALE

OF ALL HEAVY WEIGHT GOODS, To reduce stock before inventory, and to make room for the early arrivals in New Spring Goods.

We are cutting prices without regard to cost or loss.

### Big Reduction in Men's and Boy's Clothing, Men's and Boy's Overcoats and Underwear

Lot 1—Men's Suits, made by the best makers of fine clothes. About 75 Suits to select from. Sizes 33 to 42; in regular or double breasted. Worth \$12.50 to \$17.50, Choice \$6.95.

Lot 2—Men's and Youth's \$6.50 to \$8.50 Suits. About 40 Suits to select from in this lot. Choice \$4.95.

Lot 3—Boy's Knee Pant Suits. Worth \$5 and \$6 and \$6.50; age 3 to 16 years. Choice \$3.95.

One lot of Men's all wool Shirts and Drawers; mostly small sizes. Worth \$2 and \$3 per Suit, Choice 75c garment.

### Sale of Ladies' Ready Made Garments.

Choice of twenty Tailor Made Suits. Worth \$12.50 and \$15; in castor, brown and grays and blues. Sizes 32 to 40. Choice \$6.95.

Choice of any Ladies' Jacket left in our house now at 1/2 price.

Choice of \$1.50 Flannel Waists and \$3.50 Corduroy Waists, sizes 32, 4 and 6, 35c each.

### Slaughter Sale of Dress Goods.

Over 30 pieces of wool Dress Goods, consisting of waistings, suitings, plaids and zibelines, worth as high as \$1 yd. Choice 50c yard.

20 pieces of wool Dress Goods, consisting of double width Tricots, fancy Flannels, Chevots, Serges, etc., value 35c and 40c, Choice 25c a yard.

### Sale of White Quilts, Towels, Sheets, Domestic

98c for large size white Quilt with fringe ends or plain, worth \$1.05.

10c each for large size cotton huck Towels.

25c per pair good size linen huck Towels.

25c yard for one of the best brands of 2 1/2 yard wide bleached Sheeting.

YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT OUR STORE.

### 'OVER THE COUNTY.

Mr. Birdman Fariss, arrived at his old home at Hampshire Thursday night from a year's stay at Rockland, Cal. He expressed great delight at returning to Tennessee, and says that Maury county is good enough for him.

Mr. W. S. Fleming went down to Mt. Pleasant Sunday, where in the afternoon he delivered an address before the Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church at that place.

Prof. Harris opened school at Santa Fe Sunday with a good attendance.

Miss Coulter, of Illinois, who has been engaged to teach music, is expected to arrive in a day or two.

Miss Hattie Bass, of Santa Fe, has gone to Glass, to visit her sister, Mrs. Satterfield.

All tickets are good, regardless of date, at Youngs.

Rev. W. H. Doss, pastor of the Methodist church at Mt. Pleasant, preached at Cross Bridges Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at Hampshire Sunday afternoon.

The work on the branch railroad from Ashwood to the A. B. Harlan place in the Frierson neighborhood will be completed as soon as possible, we understand, in order that mining operations may be commenced on the properties of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. in the spring.—Mt. Pleasant Chronicle.

On account of the bad condition of the roads the school at Glendale has been forced to suspend. It will probably be closed several weeks.

The Eureka Mfg. Co., of East St. Louis, Ill., want a man with rig to introduce poultry mixture in this county. They offer a salary of \$60 per month to a good worker, and they furnish bank reference of their reliability. Send stamp for full particulars to Eureka Mfg. Co., Box 100, East St. Louis, Ill.

Jan 16-17

Cecil Brownlow, of Mt. Pleasant, broke a bone in his right ankle Sunday by jumping from the loft in his barn.

Miss Maud Cecil of Cross Bridges left last week with her sister, Mrs. Haggard, for the latter's home in Denver, Col. Miss Maud will remain in the West several months.

Miss Lucy Webster, who has been quite ill, is much improved.

Mr. Walter Dawson and bride and Mr. Luther Dawson, of Cedar Hill, Texas, are visiting Mr. Phil Dawson, at Cross Bridges.

Mr. M. E. Wheeler, of Rutland, Va., who is one of the largest holders in the phosphate field of Maury county, has arrived for a visit of several days for the purpose of looking over the conditions in the phosphate business.

Mrs. J. K. Johnson and children, of Culleoka, are visiting in Nashville.

Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Thomas, who have been visiting Mrs. Thomas' parents at Donelson near Nashville, have returned to their home at Glendale.

Mr. D. Fitzgerald, a prominent farmer of the Santa Fe neighborhood, lost his pocket book a few days ago, which contained something over \$40, besides other small papers. Nothing has been heard from either the purse

or the money, though diligent inquiries have been made.

The Odd Fellows lodge of Mt. Pleasant will act on fourteen applications for membership next Monday night. The lodge is in a very prosperous condition.

Roy Cecil returned Wednesday from a trip to Atlanta.

Judge W. O. Gordon, who has been dangerously ill of pneumonia at his home at Godwin, was reported considerable improved today.

Eli Parkins, the noted humorist, delivered his lecture on "The Philosophy of Wit and Humor" at Howard Institute at Mt. Pleasant last night.

W. and J. La Grippe Tablets afford one of the quickest, pleasantest cures for colds known. Price 25 cents. Only at Woldridge's.

Rev. J. M. Jordan, Secretary of the Tennessee Children's Home, while on his recent trip to Maury county, took three children from Spring Hill back with him to Nashville, to place them in the home. The children were those of Mrs. Melisa Clark.

STRAYED:—One black Berkshire boar, weighing about 150 pounds. Return to W. A. Hayes, Mowd, or telephone Bell No. 38-5 rings, for reward.

The banquet to night to be given by the Culleoka lodge, Knights of Pythias, will be an elaborate affair. Hon. E. B. Wilson, former speaker of House of Representatives of the Tennessee Legislature, will deliver an address on the principles of Pythianism.

Mrs. Will Edsall, of Nashville, is visiting her sister, Miss Allen, in the Santa Fe pike.

HEIK TO MILLIONS. Giles Countain May Inherit Part of \$159,000,000 Estate.

Lynchville, Tenn., Jan. 15.—M. L. Tunnel, of Bivins, was here yesterday taking out some power of attorney papers before Esp. J. W. McLaurine, which he will send to two prominent attorneys at Dallas, Texas, who have been employed to investigate a fortune which he has reasons to believe awaits him at Amsterdam, Holland. Mr. Tunnel's grandfather emigrated from Lyons, France, with Lafayette during the Revolutionary war, leaving behind him an only brother living in Amsterdam, where he died, without heirs, in 1789, leaving a fortune of \$150,000,000, which, of course, descends to his brother's children and grandchildren. Mr. Tunnel being one of three descendants entitled to the rich fortune now living.

Wheat Wanted. We are in the market every day for wheat in any quantity, and pay market price from same. Telephone us. Columbia Mill & Elevator Co. wt&dtf

### ...PEOPLE AND THINGS...

#### Curtain Talk.

"The practice of appearing before the curtain and giving a talk in response to certain calls is fast playing out," said a well-known theater-goer after the show last Tuesday night. "As Mr. Murphy said in his curtain speech tonight, many of the leading actors have abandoned the custom, because they assert that it spoils the effect upon an audience for an actor to step out of a character which he has been portraying and assume another one foreign to the cast during the progress of a play. Many of our best actors have taken this view. Among them I may mention Mansfield, Otis Skinner, Wm. H. Crane, James O'Neil and others. Still, there are those who have not bowed to the idea, chief among them being that grand old comedian and patriarch of the stage, Joseph Jefferson, who holds that the chief purpose of an actor is to please his audience, and if his audience pays him the compliment to manifest a desire to hear him speak the actor should accede to their wishes. I heard Jefferson a short time ago deliver one of those charming curtain talks for which he is famous, to a packed house, and he answered the new creed most completely. For my part, I think if Joe Jefferson can still make curtain talks, the lesser lights can well afford to follow his example. Mr. Murphy lost nothing by his little talk before the curtain tonight, for everyone thoroughly enjoyed it."

#### He Swallowed It.

A well-known young man who clerks in a leading Seventh street establishment, had occasion the other day to go over to the Circuit Court Clerk's office in the court house to transact some business. When he entered the room he found several young ladies from various parts of the country, who were taking a teacher's examination. Being an acquaintance of one of them, he struck up a conversation with her. On entering the room, not expecting to meet any young ladies, the young clerk had neglected to remove from his mouth a piece of tobacco, which he had been industriously chewing. He presently found himself in a dilemma. He had more "juice" on hand than he could well take care of, and talking was becoming more difficult every second. He would not have had the young lady to know he chewed tobacco for anything. But something had to be done; the situation was becoming really critical. Finally in sheer desperation, and as a last resort, he nerved himself to the act and swallowed tobacco, juice and all. Half an hour later there was "something doing" in a very sick room and the young clerk wore a Cassius-like paleness nearly all the next day.

#### Tennessee and Heaven.

Tim Murphy, the comedian, in his curtain talk at the Opera House Tuesday night told a capital story, exceedingly appropriate, which had for its purpose a graceful tribute to the people of his audience. Mr. Murphy said that a man in another state died and went to heaven. He was being shown over the new Jerusalem by a guide directly after his arrival and was impressed with the satisfaction of everyone there with their surroundings. "Everyone seems to be perfectly happy and contented," said the new arrival as he cast his eye here and there over the people. Finally they came upon a man who was bound hard and fast with immense iron chains. "What have you got that man chained for?" asked the new arrival. "Oh, that fellow? Why, he's from Tennessee, and he wants to go back," said the guide. It was such a pleasing story that the audience cheered Mr. Murphy very enthusiastically.

#### Will Help Columbia.

"I believe the building of the Interurban Electric Railroad will greatly enhance the value of residence property in Columbia," said a well-known citizen Wednesday. Many of the wealthy men of Nashville will purchase homes here, in my opinion, and come down in the evenings and go up early in the mornings on the electric railway. Columbia is an ideal place to live, and I believe the population of the city will be materially increased by the interurban road. I look for a considerable boom in real estate values here when the road is completed.

#### Phosphate Conditions.

"I noticed in an article in the Daily Herald the other evening about the phosphate outlook for the present year that it is estimated that there is only 25,000 or 30,000 tons of phosphate rock above ground in the Mt. Pleasant field," said a phosphate dealer yesterday. "But I think this amount is entirely too large. In my judgment there is not now over 10,000 tons on the field, and this will melt away very quickly just as soon as cars can be gotten to facilitate shipments. I share in the general tenor of the article, however, that the present year is an exceedingly promising one in the phosphate business. I anticipate the best year since 1899, and I believe it's coming."

#### Reward for Lost Cows.

Strayed from the Rimney place, near McCain's, one light red cow, tip of one horn off, and one red heifer, deboned weight about eight and seven hundred pounds. Bought at Hampshire. Address J. Lem Thomas, McCain's, Tenn. It

The session of the Lynchville Presbyterian Church has refused to grant Rev. R. S. Brown leave of absence to accept the position of evangelist, recently extended him from the Home Missionary Committee of Columbia Presbytery. The place has been offered him three times during his pastorate of eight years at Lynchville. He is very popular with the people of Lynchville, and they are gratified that he will continue his work at that place.

According to the honorable Perry Heath, the Mormons control the Utah legislature and will inevitably send a "saint" to the Senate. He will be a rare avis in that body.

### M'MILLIN SENDS IN HIS MESSAGE.

Recommend That State Erect Monument on Shiloh Battlefield, Appropriate for St. Louis Exposition, Take Steps to Regulate Proposed Railroad Combines and to Give Consumers Better Oil. The Legislature Gets Down to Work.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 12.—The legislature got down to regular work this morning. The principle feature of the morning session in both houses was the reading of the governor's message. A number of bills were introduced, in the senate, one by Mr. Adams to amend the four mile law to extend the operation of the law to towns of not more than 5,000 inhabitants hereafter incorporated. The bill passed first reading. In the senate this morning Senator Cox, a staunch admirer and supporter of Mr. Theo. King, comptroller, introduced a resolution calling for an investigation of the charges made public by Senator Peake in the joint caucus Friday.

Gov. McMillin's message is lengthy and a complete review of the chief events of his administration. He devotes considerable space to educational matters and strongly recommends the enlargements of the country districts. Steps are recommended to insure better coal oil to consumers.

The erection of a monument on the battlefield of Shiloh, an appropriation for a state fair and one for a suitable exhibit of Tennessee's resources at the Louisiana purchase exhibition in St. Louis are recommended.

It is shown that the financial affairs of the state have been economically administered and that the operation of the sinking fund has been satisfactory. Attention is called to real and rumored railroad consolidations that might destroy legitimate competition, and such action is recommended as will best subserve the interest of the State.

The importance of good roads is emphasized and legislation looking to the permanent improvement of the public highways is recommended.

#### Wednesday.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 14.—The senate held a morning session and adjourned at noon until tomorrow. Among the bills introduced was one providing for a state fair, one to prevent stock running at large, and one to require separate street cars for negroes.

The first bill to pass the senate was one extending the law for employment of convicts.

In the house the following were among the bills introduced:

By Mr. Cecil—To authorize the bureau of agriculture to hold a state fair, \$30,000 per annum being appropriated; to create a state board of agriculture, the governor to name seven farmers, two from each grand division, and one from the state at large, the secretary to be the executive officer.

The standing committees were announced and the house adjourned until tomorrow.

Mr. John C. Nelson, representative from Maury county, is on the following committees: penitentiary, internal improvements, new counties and county lines, enrolled bills and agriculture.

Capt. A. Lipscomb has a place on the following committees: claims, banks, public buildings, agriculture, sanitation and labor.

#### Thursday.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 15.—Both houses of the legislature were busy this morning. The house adjourned until two o'clock and will hold an afternoon session.

The senate adjourned until ten to-morrow.

Senator Jones introduced a joint resolution providing for the investigation by a committee concerning the expediency of purchasing a governor's mansion.

A joint resolution by Senator McFarland inviting Gen. Fitzhugh Lee to address the legislature in the house at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon was adopted under a suspension of the rules. The resolution was also adopted by the house.

#### CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

#### SO-LVE THE COAL PROBLEM.

Congressman Gibson, of Tennessee, Introduces Bill in Congress.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Representative Gibson of Tennessee, has introduced a bill in Congress which he believes will "solve the coal problem." It provides that in the event of a combination between mine owners, operators of coal mines or employers of miners which restrains interstate commerce on coal, or a combination of miners which has the same effect it shall become the duty of the Attorney-General to file a bill in any United States Circuit Court having local jurisdiction, alleging the facts, and to authorize the court to appoint a receiver, who shall operate the mines, railroads or canals and put the coal into the channels of interstate trade. The bill also provides that if the Attorney-General fails for fifteen days after the request of any Mayor, Governor or member of the House or Senate has been made to him to take action, any citizen engaged in interstate commerce may file the bill. Mr. Gibson's bill also provides that if the defendants give a suitable bond covering the probable amount of his profits the receivership shall be discontinued.

#### FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD.

In another part of this paper appears an advertisement worthy the reading, as it's for the public good. It tells of a free distribution of Doan's Kidney Pills, a remedy for Kidney Ills. Read it, and call at Adam's & Martin's drug store, Tuesday January 30th.

### At The RACKET

Cold weather necessities at Bottom Prices.

Plush Lap Robes \$1.25.

Plush Lap Robes Double \$2.00.

Ladies Wool Mittens from 10c and up.

Infants and Childrens fancy Mittens 10c and 5c.

Ladies Golf Gloves all Colors 25c and up.

Ladies Heavy Ribbed Vests 15 and 25c each.

Ladies Heavy Ribbed Union Suits 25c each.

Childrens Heavy Ribbed Union Suits 25c each.

Boys Heavy Ribbed Union Suits 25c each.

Boys Heavy Fleeced Lined Shirts and Drawers 25c each.

Mens Jersey Ribbed Fleece Lined Union Suits 50c.

Mens Black Heavy Fleeced Lined Undershirts 30c.

Mens Fancy Stripe U. Shirts and Drawers reduced to 75c Suit.

Mens Heavy Fleeced Lined Shirts and Drawers 70c Suit.

Mens Golf Gloves assorted Colors 25 and 45c Pr.

Mens Jersey Fleece Gloves 15 and 25c Pr.

Mens Scotch Gloves 24 to 40c Pr.

Boys Gloves all kinds 20 25 to 50c Pr.

Mens Leather Gloves 25c and up.

Mens Woolen Socks 15 to 25c Pr.

Boys Heavy Lace Leggins 45c Pr.

Mens Heavy Lace Leggins 50c and up.

Mens Spring Leggins reduced to 35c Pair.

Ladies Rubbers 30-35 and 45c Pair.

Mens Rubbers 50 to 65c Pair.

Mens and Ladies Arotics from Cheapest to Best.

Mens Rubber Boots \$2.75.

Mens Over Gaiters 19 to 24c Pr.

### ANNEX

B. & B. Oil Heaters are the best only \$3.50.

Curry Combs 5 and 10c each.

Horse Brushes 10c and up.

Ideal Food Choppers only \$1.00.

Axle Washers 4c coil.

Health Brooms 10c each.

Grates Varnish 10 and 15c.

Black Jack Stove Paste 8c box.

Corn Poppers 7 and 15c each.

Feather Dusters 15 to 50c each.

Wool Dusters 10-15 and 25c each.

Lanterns the best makes 45 to 75c.

Glass Milk Strainers 10c each.

Small Curtain Poles 10c complete.

Shoe Scales 10c and up.

Shoe Nails 3c paper.

Shoe Hammers 8c each.

Rabbit Planes 25c each.

Distons 26 inch Saws \$1.50.

Coal Hods 20c and up.

Shovels, Tonges and Pokers.

New Line of Bone and White Mottled Earthenware Cheap.

See us for wall paper.

### LATE NEWS ITEMS.

Gen. Bitha reports that \$325,000 has been collected in America and Europe for the relief of destitute Boers.

Mrs. Carrie Nation has bought for \$750 a big house in Kansas City, Kan., to be used as a home for drunkard's wives.

The bubonic plague still rages in Mazatlan, Mexico, and people are fleeing from the city by the hundreds.

Because the girl he loved refused to marry him, Ray Houck, a prominent young Kentucky planter, shot himself and will die.

Gov. Taft, of the Philippines, having decided not to accept the tender of the place on the United States Supreme Bench, which will be made vacant by the retirement of Justice Shiras, it is said that Judge Day, of Ohio, will be offered the position.

Senator Wm. E. Mason, who has been a candidate for re-election to the Senate by the Illinois Legislature, Tuesday night quit the race. The Senator's withdrawal came after a hard day's work on his part and that of his friends who went to Springfield to assist him. It finally became apparent that Congressman Hopkins had the race won and will be the next Senator from Illinois.

The figures submitted showing the income account of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company for the six months ending Dec. 31, 1902, show the increasing profit-making capacity of the property. The net income, as shown, is at the rate of 10.7 per cent. per annum on the present outstanding capital stock. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, the actual profit earned amounted to about \$7,000,000.

Expenditures for railroad betterments and extensions during 1903 promise to exceed in magnitude those of any other year in the history of railroads. Estimates have been made that the total will exceed \$300,000,000.

The Democrats of the Missouri delegation in Congress have determined to place H. C. Champ Clark in the field as a candidate for the minority leadership in the next House. Early in December Judge D'Amico announced that he would not be a candidate, but would support Mr. Clark.

A letter received at Louisville from Mrs. Jos. Armstrong, who is at present in Vevay, Switzerland, says the engagement is reported there of Mrs. Alice Carr Chancey, formerly of Louisville, but now residing in Cannes, France, and Lord Rosebery, the former Prime Minister of England.

Four rural free delivery routes will be established Feb. 2, at Clifton, Wayne County, Tenn., with four carriers. The routes are 92 miles long, containing a population of 2461. The postoffices at Glenkirck, Wayne County, and Bob, Decatur County, are to be discontinued and the postoffice at Mooney supplied by rural carrier from Clifton.

According to the most reliable information obtainable a compromise agreement has been practically effected between the management of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad and Locomotive Engineers employed by the system, by which the men will receive half of the increase in wages which was asked for Monday. The men, it is understood, demanded an increase of 20 per cent., and the company agreed to give 10 per cent.