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THE death of Albert Gallatin Talbott, which occurred at the home of his young wife's relatives in Philadelphia, Friday, recalls the history of a man who was for a long time a prominent figure in the politicts of this district. Beginning in 1849, when he was chosen to represent Boyle in the constitutional convention, he was elected to the legislature in 1851, to Congress in 1855 and in 1857, to the State Senate in 1869 and to the Lower House again in 1883. The latter was his last public service, but since then he has made a canvass for the democratic nomination for Congress and sought the appointment of minister to Austria. He made some of the most remarkable canvasses ever known in this section and in a number of respects was quite a remarkable man. For a man of his age, 80 years, he was unusually well preserved and vigorous both in mind and body. He was three times married, his first wife being a Miss Caldwell, his second a daughter of Gov. Owsley and his last a Miss Watson, of Philadelphia. Above all of his achievements and efforts, his proposition for the general government to pay for the slaves and free them, made years before the war, was the most far seeing and commendable. Had it been accepted war would have been averted, brother would not have met brother in deadly conflict and the cost would have been much less than half that injurred by the resort to arms in '61.

THE Barbourville *News* flies into a spasm because this paper had the temerity to remark that murder trials in the mountains were nothing more than farces, and wants to know how many men have been hung in Lincoln. That's not here nor there though two have been hung in the county. Murder trials are farces everywhere in Kentucky and because we happened to say "in the mountains" it is useless for our esteemed contemporary to get up on its hind legs and howl. The fact remains all the same. Life is dirt cheap both in the mountains and in the blue-grass. But it is cheaper in the mountains according to our contemporary's own statement. Hear it: "The affairs between the beligerents of Bell county have at last reached a stage than which there can be none worse. The warfare of the savage has been adopted, and assassination is the method that each party now uses to rid itself of its enemies. Already eight or ten men have "bit the dust" the last three by unseen foes in cold blood. There can be no worse state of society than this. The evil effect of such bloody tragedies as are occurring weekly or monthly in Bell county is incalculable. Yet there is probably but one remedy—extermination. It is safe to say now that the murderers of Jack Turner will never be punished by any law but that of retaliation."

THERE has been a shape up in the newspaper business at Glasgow. The town is two small for two such papers and the proprietors decided to no longer cut each other's throats by continuing to try to run them, consequently H. C. Gorin has sold his half interest in the *Times* to J. M. Richardson, of the *News*, and J. B. Leslie, of the *News*, has disposed of a half interest in that paper to W. B. Smith of the *Times*. The former will be discontinued and the latter run for all it is worth by Richardson & Smith. The fraternity loses a good man in Mr. Gorin, who, it is said, has gotten so rich in western speculations as not to be dependent on a newspaper. Mr. Richardson formerly owned the *Times* and is one of the best and spiciest writers on the State press. Here's to them all around.

IN a recent issue of the Hopkinsville *South Kentuckian*, Editor Meacham insinuates that a certain paragraph in this paper was a little too steep to be taken in, even by his credulous nature. Dwelling in a glass house as he does it is a little dangerous for him to throw such stones. A man who can get his own consent to publish that a Christian county man is using a "jimson" weed for a shade tree, which is so large that his little boy plays around in its branches, and that he has already cut 1,230 burs from it, ought to know that he is too dark a pot to call the kettle black.

IT is said that Fontaine Fox Bobbitt is importuning democratic legislators to vote for him for door-keeper of the next House, but it is hardly probable that he will find even one fool enough to do so, when it is told that he pledged his hearers in a speech here last court day that no democrat should ever represent Lincoln county in the legislature again. And yet the imposter claims to be a democrat!

THE prohibition campaign in Tennessee is getting red hot and from now until the election on the 29th the welkin will ring with the oratory of men and the appeals of women. The antis have invited Governor Barnett, of Texas, one of the leaders against prohibition in the recent bitter fight in that State, to come and make speeches and he has consented to do so.

GOV. BUCKNER issued his first pardon Saturday. It was to Algie Rush, a Louisville tough, who cut and nearly killed Jack Pettit, for which he was given two years in the penitentiary. After reading a history of the case one is not particularly struck with the idea that a pardon was the proper thing in the premises.

—Of the 120 members elect of the next legislature but 18 were members of the preceding legislature.

THE editor of the Louisville *Commercial*, Mr. Dan E. O'Sullivan, is receiving the congratulations of his journalistic friends on having become a papa. It is said that the little fellow is the exact image of the old man, even down to the bald head.

THE Danville *Tribune* is maintaining the reputation that old man Murphy gave it, in one respect at least—that of a picture paper. The last issue contained just 40 pictures of men, women and things.

NOTES OF CURRENT EVENTS

—A negro woman has been discovered in Louisville that claims to be 112 years old.

—From March 4, 1885, to August 1, '87, there were 450 new national banks organized.

—Senator Blackburn's daughter, Miss Theresa, is shortly to wed a Cincinnati merchant, Mr. Price.

—Mrs. Ada Bittenbender is making an active canvass for judge of the Supreme Court of Nebraska.

—The Medical Congress which has been in session at Washington, has adjourned to meet in Berlin in 1890.

—Two men were fined $20 and costs by Judge Thompson for profane swearing on the streets of Louisville.

—Thomas Flournoy, tobacconist, doing business in Louisville, Richmond and Danville, Va., has failed for $50,000.

—Up to date application to the Treasury Department has been made for prepayment of interest on $91,380,150 of bonds.

—It is reported that a rich find of gold-bearing quartz, yielding $2,000 a ton, has been struck by a Georgia mining company.

—Burt Tolliver, son of Craig, shot and fatally wounded John Walters, another boy, at Morehead Saturday, it is claimed accidentally.

—Six hundred people are thrown out of employment by the burning of Joseph Jackson's silk factory at Patterson, New Jersey; loss $150,000.

—At the banquet given the doctors in convention at Washington 1,400 bottles of champaigne, besides other wines and liquors, were consumed.

—Speaker Carlisle says he will rest his case on the record made up by his opponent, Thobe, and will not take advantage of any legal technicality.

—The steamer City of Rome, that reached New York Friday, brought in 1,564 persons, the largest number ever carried on a single trip by any steamer.

—The stem of the new naval steamer, Charleston, weighing 16,000 pounds and the largest ever made in this country, has been successfully cast at San Francisco.

—The schooner Niagara was wrecked in Lake Michigan during the gale of last week and 15 of her crew were drowned. Three lady passengers are also missing.

—Theodore L. Harrison, United States Consul at Baracoa, Cuba, died at that point last Friday night. He was appointed from Carrollton, Kentucky, four months ago.

—It is estimated that 21,323,000 acres of land have been restored to the public domain by the revocation of railroad indemnity withdrawals, all since the democrats went into power.

—John T. Garth, a relative of the philanthropist, who gave his estate to educate worthy young men in Bourbon county, was found dead near Paris Friday, evidently killed by his horse running away.

—Ben Lee Hardin, of this place, has been so often spoken of as a candidate for clerk of the House of Representatives at Frankfort that he has at last decided to make the race.—[Harrodsburg Democrat.

—James H. Arnold has filed suit to contest the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Turner, at Richmond. Arnold is the man who killed Little and since the tragedy has been keeping himself in the background till now.

—The negro, Ross, who killed an aged white woman at Baltimore in order to sell her body to medical students, paid the penalty of his heinous crime Friday. He sang a solo on the scaffold and died without a struggle.

—Roscoe Hubble, who shot Caldwell Hunt some two weeks ago and went West, returned and surrendered himself at Somerset Saturday and was tried before Judge Tartar, who released him on the ground of self defense.

—Mollie Workman has been acquitted in the Bath circuit court of the charge of being accessory to the murder of her husband. The only witness against her was the actual murderer, who is now under sentence of life imprisonment for the crime.

—Dr. Barcheim, a prominent physician, addicted to the cocaine habit, blew his brains out in the Kimball House, at Atlanta, Saturday morning. Two years ago, while in New York he fell into a trance, was pronounced dead and was placed in a coffin for burial, but recovered only to end his miserable life at his own hands.

—George Carroll, a coal miner at the Jellico mines, was robbed of $25 and called upon a fortune taller for assistance in recovering it. From the description given by her he suspected Lewis Patton, whom he attacked, and in the melee that followed, received a mortal wound at the hands of the suspected party.

—At Schenectady, New York, Fred Knight shot and killed Ella Wallace, alleging that he did so because she gave him a loathsome disease, which he communicated to his wife, causing her death. A good strong halter ought now to be brought into play and made to end the remaining actor of the miserable tragedy.

—The circuit judge of the Paducah district has decided that a county judge is compelled to issue license to sell liquor where the applicant complies with the law and a majority of the citizens of the community do not protest against it. This is the first decision of the kind in Kentucky and will be appealed to a higher court.

—The poor-house farm, consisting of 122 acres, was rented to W. Speed Taylor, the present incumbent. The price paid was $946, $400 more than it brought last year the county to pay $65 apiece for the keeping of each pauper for a year. There was considerable bidding, which caused the high rent.—[Harrodsburg Democrat.

—Lapp, Goldsmith & Co., wholesale whisky dealers, Louisville, have failed for $250,000. They lay their losses to depression in the whisky trade, but it is no secret that they have been at the head of a Louisville syndicate that is said to have sunk $250,000 in the Idaho Mining Company's mines without having received any returns, and with very poor prospects of realizing anything on their investment.

LONDON, LAUREL COUNTY.

FAIR NOTES AND OTHER THINGS

Joe Young makes a first-rate ring master.

Representative and Mrs. Sam Ward were in attendance at the fair.

Judge Boyd, who is now in the middle of the Knox circuit court, took in the fair.

One might have thought the fair belonged to "Fred" Links, so much interest did he manifest.

The third annual exhibition of the Laurel County Fair Association was an unqualified success.

J. D. Smith suffered the loss of a toe nail at the hoof of Sam Ward's horse just before the fair was over.

Your enterprising business manager, who was on the grounds the second and last day, will give you a complete report of the fair.

General Black sits a horse handsomely and is a magnificent rider. Many a young lady felt her little heart beat faster when the general rode round the grand stand.

The ladies complain that the judges who were (gentle) men gobbled up all the competitive jelly entered at the fair without so much as offering them a little bit. Shameful men!

Mrs. Fred Links and her handsome blue riding habit created quite an ovation every time they appeared in the ring. Blue ribbon always accompanied the blue habit out of the ring, too.

I heard more than one remark that our friend Dick Ward was a most elegant and graceful horseman. He carried off the blue in the combined saddle and harness ring. His striped coat was very becoming.

Hon. James B. McCreary, the model Governor and model Congressman, the young man Eli of modern politics, was observed and observing among the thousands of honest men and pretty women at the fair Friday.

Your genial and industrious business manager was at the fair and did a land office business. E I is not only the b. m. of the I. J., but is a b. m. from b c., when it comes to getting subscribers for his excellent paper and hitting the boys for job work and and ads. Long may he wave!

Granville H. Brown, of Laurel, the same man who had "12 or 15 bushels" of corn last spring, after wintering his stock, took the premium on corn at the fair. Mr. Henderson, of Rockcastle, was second best. Mr. Brown not only knows how to raise corn, but he knows a good paper when he sees it. He takes the INTERIOR JOURNAL.

The grand sensation of the occasion was Tom Williams' turnout. The prize was $3 for the sorriest turnout and Tom took first and second, and deservedly so. His rig was an old rickety, hunch-backed, broken-bowed, tar-bucketed, typical road cart, covered with a dirty sheet and drawn by a shaggy, angular, long-eared jennet. Tom was dressed up to match and when he started round the ring and Bob Jackson mounted the jennet and tapped his bass drum, the band behind struck up a lively air and Frank Baugh and Lish Bowling each seized an ear of the docile animal and thus marched around the arena, the 3d session of the Laurel County Fair "went out in a "blaze of glory" and at the gate and everybody retired in a great cloud of dust, such an one as a prolonged drouth can bring.

—W. A. Parsley is down with typhoid fever. Mrs. G. P. Johnson is reported dangerously ill. Miss Katie Lawes has been very low with typhoid fever. John H. Jackson is sick. Mr. Charles T. Faris is sick in Louisville. His brother George left Saturday to see him. Miss Florence Hancock, of Lexington, is visiting the Miss Jacksons, this city. Finley Boyd Anderson, of Barbourville, is visiting here. Old Uncle Billy Stuart, of Rockcastle, passed through here Sunday on his way to Knox county. C. C. Williams, Mt. Vernon, was up on legal business Saturday. The London Kid Nine played the East Bernstadt Dittoes on the latter's grounds Saturday and downed them in a score of 28 to 22. Our boys play like thunder till they strike Williamsburgs and then they tumble. For further particulars we refer you to Fen Harding. Postoffice Inspector E. F. Finley was in town Sunday.

GARRARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT.

Lancaster.

—W. A. Ross, a farmer living near Spoonville, this county, made an assignment to J. G. Sweeney Friday.

—J. A. Doty has one car of mules which will be fat by November 15th. It is his intention to ship them as soon as they are ready.

—A meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the court house on Sunday evening, at which stirring addresses were made by Eld. W. G. Yancey and others.

—Messrs. J. C. & N. A. Thompson have bought the interest of H. T. Noel in the Jackman property, recently purchased of W. H. Miller. I understand Mr. Noel was paid a handsome profit on his share.

—While Gen. Buckner is creating new colonels I hope he will not overlook Capt. T. A. Elkin. The Captain was a gallant Union soldier and is a democrat of unquestioned integrity. By all means let our Simon Bolivar make him a colonel.

—The muddle in the local option matter will at least result in the people's getting all the law on the subject. It is to be hoped that no hard feelings may be engendered. There are two sides to every question, and every man has a right to his opinion. Let the fight be a fair one and let the side which is beaten take the result quietly. There is no sense in getting mad at one another. Let us have peace.

—The subscription for the artesian well to be bored in the centre of the square, amounts to about $700. It will take $1,500, to do the work. Let everybody subscribe. The well is wanted. If Lancaster was to take fire to day, the citizens, could only sit still and like Nero of old fiddle while she burned. The county should help us. We have a $65,000 court house and a $30,000 jail. The county can better afford to help us get water than to have its property burned. Don't let the project leg gentlemen. Keep the ball moving.

—Judge Morrow decided he had no jurisdiction in the local option matter. Judge Walker, who had granted license to J. W. Miller upon the decision of Judge Morrow, that the act calling the election was illegal, has revoked the same since the last ruling of Judge Morrow. The town trustees, who had granted license upon Judge Walker's action, at their meeting on Saturday night, revoked the town license. What is to be the solution of this dilemma is more than your scribe can tell. The situation is interesting to say the least.

—I have received the following letter:

"To the Correspondent of the INTERIOR JOURNAL: Please suggest to the city authorities in your next letter that they stop all driving upon our streets in day time and until 9 o'clock at night. The reason I want this done is that the vehicles raise such a h—l of a dust around town that it chokes a man. What little hauling is necessary in Lancaster can just as well be done at night as in the day. Also have a law passed making a death punishment to any one prophecying rain; upon any change of the moon, such as new moon, first quarter or any quarter thereof; or the close of dog days; lightning in the north; increase of running water; circle round the moon; the sun setting clear on Friday; pains in the limbs of those afflicted with rheumatism, &c; south winds, or any of the popular signs of the day. Forbid all discussions of the weather, or allusions to the drouths of '13, '36, '63 or any other year. Encourage conversations about the deluge of Noah's day, the floods of recent years and the vast quantity of water upon the earth's surface. Do this and receive the gratitude of Z."

DANVILLE, BOYLE COUNTY

—J. W. Baird's mammoth minstrels will exhibit at the Opera House on the 17th inst.

—One of the twin infant children of Mr. G. D. Mahan died Sunday evening of cholera infantum; the other is very ill.

—Mr. George Hopps, who has been quite ill with typhoid fever, is reported by his physician, Dr. Tucker, to be much better this, Monday, morning.

—Miss Anna Morgan, whose people live near Kings Mountain and who has been assisting Mrs. Stanwood in dress making, died of typhoid fever on Friday and was buried at the cemetery on Saturday.

—Sol Williams, sent to the work-house some months ago for swindling, has about served out his term, during which he has escaped twice. Deputy Sheriff Mitch Bailey will to day take him to Harrodsburg, where he is wanted for larceny.

—John Hanner, a young white man who was committed to jail during the summer to answer to the charge of rape, and who escaped by sawing out five or six weeks ago, was returned to his old quarters Saturday evening. He was recaptured at Athens, Illinois, by detective G. T. Helm and Marshal George Wells.

—Major General James H. Cornahan, of Indianapolis, Commander in Chief of the Uniform Division of the K. of P., will be here on Thursday to institute Danville Division No 13, Uniform division of the above order. The Grand Lodge of the order is to convene in Lexington on the 20th inst. and the Danville brethren are preparing to attend in a body.

—Hon. Albert Gallatin Talbott died on Thursday night at the residence of the father of his last wife and widow, Mr. Peter Watson, of Philadelphia. The remains have arrived here and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon will be interred at the cemetery. Mr. Talbott's honorable life and career are so well known to the readers of the INTERIOR JOURNAL that it is unnecessary to detail them here. With him passes away another of the old time, dignified public men, a class that have not been improved on by the manners and methods of later days.

—Rev. E. H. Pierce has returned from Chicago, where he has been for several weeks past. Mr. D. S. Hinman is absent on a visit to friends at Wilmington, Ohio. Mr. John Builder, of Dundas, Canada, a former citizen of Danville, is in town. Mr. Thomas Durham, of Dayton, Ohio, is visiting friends in Boyle county. Mr. William H. Lucas, of Kansas City, is spending a few days with Danville friends. Dr. L. S. McMurtry has returned from Washington City, where he has been in attendance on the big medical convention. Mr. Fred Yeiser and daughter left Sunday night for their new home in Tampa, Florida. Mr. J. T. Mock is ill with typhoid fever. He has been confined to his bed for about ten days.

—Henry C. Metcalf has been appointed postmaster at Carlisle.