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We Are Making a Specialty

Of High Grade Fertilizers. If you intend using fertilizers in your crops, call at once and give us your orders. We can save you money if you intend buying.

WE DELIVER EVERYTHING.....

LASHLEE & HALL.

WE CARRY THE MOST COMPLETE LINE OF

Staple and Fancy Groceries in Camden.

WE ALSO CARRY A MAMMOTH STOCK OF

CORN, HAY, OATS, BRAN, FEED STUFF,

AND ALL KINDS OF FIELD SEED.

Try Our Mixed Feed.

The best thing ever produced as a Mixed Feed.

WE BUY

Everything the farmer has to sell, and pay the best market prices.

WHEN Congress subsided by limitation a few days ago and Mark Hanna's ship subsidy bill subsided with it, the anxiety of a people also subsided.

THE bill introduced by Representative Bowers of Carroll County to abolish the charter of Camden last week was rejected by the committee to which it was referred and then withdrawn by Mr. Bowers.

HERE is an old one going the rounds of the press. Says an Irishman: "The best remedy for baldness is to rub whisky on your head until the hair grows out, then take it inwardly to clinch the roots."

CAMDEN was very much surprised Wednesday when they learned that a bill had been introduced to repeal their charter. It came very near taking Dorse Hudson's breath away when G. T. McCall told him about the move Tuesday.—Huntingdon Republican.

WHAT Rufe Fields done to the alleged editor of the Shelbyville Monitor was a plenty. When Rufe goes gunning for a varmint of that kind he always gets it. He knows exactly what kind of a gun to carry and no man is better versed in the use of the weapon, and he's always got plenty of ammunition on hand.

MARTIN BOWERS, representative from this county, introduced a bill in the house last Tuesday repealing the charter of Camden. Benton County's representatives in both houses are strong temperance men and the bill, if it has anything like a good backing at home, ought to pass without much trouble.—Carroll County Democrat.

IF all the unkind remarks, the unjust and uncalled for criticisms made about the people into whose faces we peer with friendly interest and upon whom we smile each day, could be treasured up for just one week, and could by some strange mysterious power be transformed into jewels of value they would be sufficient in number to bedeck the brow of every citizen of the entire place and then have enough left to enable Mark Hanna to purchase the Presidency for life.

CAMDEN might profit by adopting precautions similar to those taken by Dickson. The city council of Dickson recently passed an ordinance establishing what would be termed a "fire district," covering the principal business portion of the town. The object of the ordinance is to restrict all builders, hereafter, in the territory provided for, to such specifications in material and construction of building as the council may, in its discretion, see fit to grant. Some such regulations are essential to the safety of property owners of the town, and recent fires at Dickson have primarily influenced the city council to establish a fire district.

NEWS AND COMMENT.

Personal, Political and Social Observations for Our Readers.

Services at both churches last Sunday, and how many of the inhabitants of the town attended?

Chancery court escaped with no divorce cases of importance, if, in fact, any divorce case is important.

The wind blew away a wagon and pair of mules on the public square Saturday. They were stopped by a man.

It is strange to note with what unanimity and enthusiasm the citizens adopted the suggestion of the board to plant shade trees.

"When Reuben Comes to Town" was probably sung by the news boys when Dorse Hudson and John Frank Beaton struck Nashville last Thursday night.

The jay birds have come, soon the lizards will begin to crawl and your "Uncle Bones" will be found nodding under the shade of a tree on the banks of Beaver Dam or Cypress Creek.

If we would use all our influence to get people to embrace the opportunity to attend church, hear the Gospel and then heed it, the other evils we complain of wouldn't amount to so much after all.

The street committee's attention is called to the hole in the ground north of the bridge near Beaton's saloon. It's a bad place for a hole and we are informed that the board ordered it fixed at its regular meeting the first of the month.

With a good preacher in the pulpit in the church at Camden every Sunday, and a man who is a gentleman during the week and whose walk is that of a man of God, there is no excuse for people staying at home and not attending church.

Go to Sunday school and church next Sunday and Sunday night, listen to what the preacher says and remember what you've learned in the Sunday school lesson; try and profit by it all and then don't do anything mean nor say anything unkind about anybody for another week and see if you don't feel better.

Lately there has been some trouble in our subscribers getting their CHRONICLE at several offices in the county. We wish to say to them this fault is not ours, as we are careful to see that every paper is carefully and properly mailed. If at any time you fail to get your paper, you can get another by calling at this office.

Advertising can not be weighed by its cost. Paying advertising is cheap at any price, and advertising that brings no results or adequate results is the most expensive. Thus if a paper charges a dollar a line, it may be a good deal cheaper than another paper that charges fifty cents a square foot. Have you ever carefully weighed this fact in your mind?

The telephone exchange has been incorporated under the laws of Tennessee. Certificates of stock will be issued at once.

The Friday evening debates at Benton Seminary are largely attended and enjoyed by all who do attend. The public should encourage the young people by lending them their presence.

We understand the acts of the present legislature when published will make a volume the size of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, and yet but few laws of general character have been passed.

The question of a constitutional convention will again come before the general assembly. The Democratic caucus last Friday decided to make it a party question and press the passage of a bill submitting it to the people. This will be done, we believe, despite the opposition of the railroads and corporations.

Camden has the best school ever known in her history, over 200 students enrolled with a daily attendance in excess of 150. There are quite a number of young men and ladies from other places and they are an excellent set of people. The young men are sober, moral and intelligent. The young ladies are what they ought to be and when we say this we pay them a higher tribute than any words of mouth or pen can express.

The fellow that sits on the street, chews tobacco and curses is about as good a man in the sight of God as a fellow who don't chew tobacco and curse, but who measures everybody by his own narrow selfish standard and is pious only when somebody's eye is upon him. And the first mentioned fellow is a gentleman compared to the fellow who curses down deep in his heart in silence, chews his cud of self righteousness and wears the robes of his religion with his smile of hypocrisy while he robs the defenseless and steals human character for pasture, and then thanks God he ain't like somebody else.

Maj. A. J. McWhirter, member of the State board of prison commissioners has tendered his resignation to take effect May 1. Major McWhirter takes this step on account of ill health and is now in Florida. The term of chairman W. W. Nixon will expire in July and Governor McMillin will have two appointments to make, one from Middle and one from East Tennessee. There is much speculation as to whether the governor will reappoint Nixon, who is an applicant. J. H. Bowling, a civil engineer and an excellent business man wants to be made manager of the State coal mines, and in view of his experience and sterling worth and unusual energy, we hope he will be given the place. Competent men should be appointed to fill the places of incompetent officials.

There is not a young man in school with perhaps one or two exceptions who visits the saloon and none of them smoke cigarettes that the board of education knows of; all of them have sweethearts and are entitled to them, because they are a manly set of fellows.

Why does not some good pious brother who knows of all the dens of infamy of which we have heard in the last few days, point them out to the marshal or furnish the necessary information leading to an investigation? We opine that the municipal as well as the State authorities would be glad of the information.

THE RIGHT IDEA.

Two farmers were not long ago discussing THE CHRONICLE. One thought it had too many advertisements. The other replied:

"In my opinion the advertisements are far from being the least valuable part of a paper. I look over them carefully and save at least five times the cost of the paper each month by the information and advantage I get from them."

Said the other: "Come to think of it, I believe you are right. I know that they pay me well, and I am inclined to think now that it is not good taste to find fault with the advertisements of a paper."

These men have the right idea of the matter. It pays a man with a family to take his home paper for the sake of the benefits he gets from the advertisements if nothing more. And when business men fail to give the farmers a chance to read their advertisements in THE CHRONICLE they are blind to their own interests, to say the least of it.

LATEST LITERARY NEWS.

It is said that the powers of either man or woman are developed five-fold by working with a life-companion who is in entire harmony. The ideal wife as a rule has it in her power to make the ideal husband. What constitutes the ideal wife is discussed in an extremely able article by Lavinia Hart in the April number of the Cosmopolitan.

WHAT A CHRISTIAN IS.

Christian Leader.]

To be a christian means to possess and to be possessed by the spirit of Jesus, and there are many who have this spirit who never make any conventional profession of it, but who by the Christlikeness of their lives indicate its presence and its power. They may be profoundly ignorant of the complexities of theology, may even deny the details of many of the doctrines of the church and modestly hesitate to define the nature of God and Christ, yet by the honesty, sweetness, gentleness, purity and trustfulness of their lives reveal the gracious power that animates them. Such are christians and should be welcomed in the church.

HELLO, CENTRAL!

Some Thoughts Apropos Camden's New Telephone System.

But few more days and all or nearly all the people of Camden will be in a controversy, that is to say, the exchange will be in operation in almost every residence and business house and the sound of the telephone bell will be heard.

By this method the busy housewife can order from the grocer the things to eat and call on the store for what she wants. The man of business can inquire the hour dinner will be served, advise his wife that his uncle or her mother-in-law will be there to dine, and save trouble, if not the ordinary apologies. The wife can advise "hubby" what will be necessary for him to bring home with him and thus destroy many an excuse for going out at night. The man with business across the street can transact it minus the expense of car fare or other trouble. The swain with a sweetheart can save time, paper and expense in making engagements with his best girl. The fellow with a rival can disturb the quiet tete a tete in spite of opposition, and the young man ever haunted with a pair of bright eyes, yielding with all his nature to the magnetism of a sweet voice, can steal time while collecting laundry or hunting news for THE CHRONICLE and speak to "her" over the telephone. The gossips, if any there be in Camden, can communicate with each other in storm as well as sunshine with little or no inconvenience. The "I told you so" individuals need not wait until they see you, but merely use the telephone. The man of business wanting a train can have "Central" connect him with the depot without going three quarters of a mile to see about it, and cold drinks can be served all over town on short notice. The county officials will all be connected with the exchange and marriage license may be provided upon a moment's notice, and the doctors will be waiting at the other end of the line for a call. In case of fire "Central" can alarm the city and Camden will have a "hello" of a time for some time to come at least.

RAS COLLIER IS DEAD.

Carroll County Democrat.]

A. D. Collier died at his home in McKenzie last Wednesday night at 1.30 o'clock after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Collier is well known here and has a host of friends who will regret to hear of his death. He was for many years a United States deputy marshal and was one of the most popular officers in the service. He was 64 years old, a member of the Baptist Church and a clever gentleman. He was a Mason in good standing and his remains were laid to rest with Masonic honors. The burial occurred yesterday. His family has the sympathy of a host of friends.