

## Gradyville.

Look out for mad dogs, that is the topic of the day.

Plenty of rain this week.

Philip Sherrill, of Green river section, was to see his father last week.

Morrison & Baker, of Columbia, were here one day last week looking after their timber.

Judge J. C. Carter stopped over night on his return from Columbia, one day last week.

Nat Walker and James Diddle made a trip to Greensburg one day last week.

Strong Hill is putting in a saw mill in the community of Pickett, at this time.

Mrs. Eliza Simmons and son are visiting relatives at Jamestown this week.

Messrs. Ed and U. N. Whitlock, of Bliss, were through this section last week looking after tobacco.

Mr. A. T. Sherrill continues in a very critical condition.

Mr. Sam Walkup, of Garlin, spent a day or so in this community last week in the interest of his monumental work.

Messrs. Leftwich and Beauchamp, two popular young men, of Edmonton, were shaking hands with their many friends in our community one day last week.

Dr. John A. Yates, of Edmonton, spent one night last week with his uncle Charlie, in our city. The night was a very enjoyable occasion with Uncle Charlie.

Messrs. Altshler & Co., of Horse Cave, called in to see us while en route for Columbia, one day last week, to buy mules.

Mr. Alfred Parson, the well-known mill man, of our city, says we will have to write to Highland Park, for hands to assist in the timber business in this section. The demand is greater than the supply.

Dr. S. Simmons and Dr. L. C. Nell spent one day in Columbia last week.

Our town was full up with commercial men last week, and from the appearance and smile they all wore they must have had a good trade during the week.

Mr. Jack Barnes, one of our progressive farmers, in the western part of this county, was in our midst one day last week, and while in conversation with him on the cultivation of ging seng, he informed us that he had one acre growing, and the proceeds of that last season was something near \$300. He also has a nice start in the growth of Yellow root on his farm and it will only be a question of a short time until his receipts from that will be equal to the ging seng.

W. B. Henson sold last week to Sam Lewis, of Columbia, a nice and assorted lots of furs at a fancy price. Mr. Henson as well as Mr. Lewis is a good judge of furs.

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## From Illinois.

(SECOND LINCOLN LETTER.)  
Oakford, Jan., 23, 1914.

Editor News:—

In 1860 Abraham Lincoln was elected President of the United States, and assumed the duties of office on March 4, 1861. It was the intention of Lincoln to use every means of conciliation consistent with the policy he deemed essential to the national interest to pursue. On one point, however, his resolution was steadfast, to permit no secession, and before his assumption of office, secession was as resolutely determined on the other side.

In 1856 chief justice Taney, in voicing the decision of the United States Supreme Court, decided that a negro was a chattel, that the compromise of 1820, known as the Missouri Compromise, which admitted Missouri as a slave State but forbade slavery North of 36 degrees 30 minutes North latitude was unconstitutional, and that a slave owner might settle with his property where he pleased, in any territory. Following this came John Brown's raid into Virginia—his attempt to excite a slave insurrection, and his death upon the gallows. There was nothing for it but war, and into war the country rapidly drifted.

The Presidential campaign of 1860, was the most confused in the whole history of American politics. There was talk, of secession in the air. There were notorious war preparations in the South. The North was divided. Every man felt that parties would have to be rearranged and new political frontiers defined.

The platform of the Republican party, under which Lincoln was elected, is the most significant in the political history of the Republic, and contains the essence of all its history since that date. It denounced the threats of disunion made in Congress, as "an avowal of contemplated treason," which it was the duty of the people to rebuke and forever silence. It asserted that the normal condition of all the territory of the United States is that of freedom, that the reopening of the slave trade was a crime against humanity; that duties should be adjusted so as to encourage the development of the industrial interests of the whole country; that Congress should pass a complete and satisfactory homestead law; that the right of citizenship enjoyed by foreigners should not be abridged or impaired; that the right of all citizens, native or naturalized, should be protected abroad and at home.

When Lincoln was elected, the Slave States considered themselves defeated, and on December 20, 1860, South Carolina declared that the Union was dissolved, and a secession resolution was passed. Mississippi, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas formally seceded from the Union. These States formed themselves into a Southern Confederation, February 4, 1861, with Jefferson Davis as President, and were subsequently joined, after hostilities had begun, by Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Arkansas.

The events of the Civil war during the next four years in Lincoln's career belong to the

history of the United States. The inauguration of Lincoln took place on March 4, just one month after the inauguration of Jefferson Davis, President of the Southern Confederacy, and 13 days later hostilities had actually begun.

Lincoln's persistence in raising and pouring in fresh troops after every disaster, finally enabled the Federal government to subdue the secession. The toleration of slavery was always in Lincoln's opinion an unhappy necessity; and when the Southern States had by their rebellion forfeited all claim to the protection of their peculiar institution, it was an easy transition from this view to its withdrawal. The successive stages by which this was affected—the emancipation of the Slaves of rebels, and the offer of compensation for voluntary emancipation, followed by the Constitutional Amendment. Unconditional emancipation were only the natural steps by which a change involving consequences of such vast extent was reached.

The determination of the Northern States to pursue the war to its conclusion on the original issue led to the re-election of the "Great Emancipator," as President in 1864.

The decisive victory of Grant over Lee on April 2, 1865, speedily followed by the surrender of the latter, had just afforded the prospect of an immediate termination of this long struggle, when on the 14th of the same month, President Lincoln was assassinated by a man by the name of John Wilkes Booth, who uttered the words "sic semper tyrannus" as he fired the fatal shot which took effect in the back of the President's head. He struggled against death for several hours and expired the next day, April 15th. In the affection of the American people Lincoln holds a place second only to Washington.

During the afternoon preceding his assassination the President signed a pardon for a soldier sentenced to be shot for desertion, remarking as he did so, "Well, I think the boy can do more good above ground than under ground."

He also approved an application for the discharge, on taking the oath of allegiance, of a rebel prisoner, in whose petition he wrote, "Let it be done." This act of mercy was his last official act.

Mr. Lincoln often remarked to a friend that his religion was like that of an old man named Glenn, in Indiana, whom he heard speak at church meeting, and who said: "When I do good, I feel good; when I do bad, I feel bad; and that's my religion."

Mrs. Lincoln herself has said that Mr. Lincoln had no faith, no faith, in the usual acceptance of those words. "He never joined a church; but still, as I believe, he was a religious man by nature. He first seemed to think about the subject when our boy Willie died, and then more than ever about the time he went to Gettysburg; but it was a kind of poetry in his nature, and he never was a technical Christian.

When a member of Congress, Lincoln went to Lexington, Ky., to hear Henry Clay speak. The Westerner, a Kentuckian, by birth, and destined to reach the goal Clay had so often sought, wanted to meet the "Millboy of

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the Slashes." The address was a tame affair as was the personal greeting when Lincoln made himself known. Clay was courteous but cold. He may never have heard of the man, then in his presence, who was to secure, without solicitation, the prize which he for many years had unsuccessfully sought. Lincoln was disenchanted; his ideal was shattered. One reason why Clay had not realized his ambition had become apparent.

Clay was cool and dignified; Lincoln was cordial and hearty. Clay's hand was bloodless and frosty, with no vigorous grip in it; Lincoln was warm, and his clasp was expressive of kindness and sympathy.

This will be followed by a letter on Lincoln as a lawyer and public man, relating some of his anecdotes and yarns.

R. N. Anderson.

## Breeding.

Mr. Alvin Lyons, of Campbellsville, visited our merchants last week.

Miss Nina Simpson left a few days ago for Bowling Green, where she intends entering school. She was accompanied by her father, Mr. James Simpson.

Mr. Lewis Reece has recovered from his recent illness.

Mrs. H. B. Simpson attended the funeral of Mr. Ivan Patterson, Milltown, last Sunday.

Mr. Guy Comer, Glasgow, was here last week to see our merchants.

Mr. Corbette Breeding's little son was buried here in the Breeding cemetery last Sunday afternoon. Quite a number of friends were present.

Mrs. Cofer Reese has been quite sick for several days, but is improving at present.

Misses Mary Breeding and Cary Rosenfield, were the guests of

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Mr. and Mrs. D. Ward Denton, last Sunday.

Quite a number from this section attended court last Monday week.

Mr. Arthur Frodge was in Columbia the first of the week on business.

Reece & Reece are doing a large poultry business at present.

Mr. Robert James and family will remove to Texas in a short while.

Miss Nina Breeding has been quite sick for several days.

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