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## LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

Those of our subscribers who wish their papers left in this office instead of the post-office, in order to save the postage, should notify us at once. We wish to arrange our books so that there can be no misunderstanding or delay.

We refer our readers to the report of the sanitary committee, which was handed in this morning. It is an official statement of the condition of the health of the town. We are glad that it is able to make so encouraging a report.

**CHINCH BUG.**—We hear many complaints from the farmers that the chinch bug is at work upon the late corn. Should the weather continue dry, the damage they inflict will be quite serious.

**THEFT.**—Mr. R. F. Sanders of New Hope arrived here this morning with a negro man named John Dorsey and delivered him over to the jailor. He was arrested for stealing a pair of pants from Mr. Salsbury and a pocket knife from Mr. Andrew Downing of that place.

We learn from the Clarksville Sentinel that while a large number of ties for the Mississippi Valley and Western railroad have been delivered, contrary to the general expectation, no iron has yet arrived. There must have been some mistake about the telegrams from Mr. Henderson which announced the purchase of the iron for the whole road.

From a letter from Will Norton to a gentleman of this place, we learn that he, with his father and Mr. Knox, are at James Link's, in Florissant, Colorado, one hundred and fifteen miles west of Denver, and that the health of the latter two gentlemen had very much improved. They were about to go on an extensive hunt, and after that visit Mt. Lincoln, the highest peak of the Rocky mountains, which is seventy-five miles further west. The party had visited all the wonderful scenery of that wild country. Will Norton expects to return home in a short time.

**COUNTY COURT.**—Judge Wilson, the presiding justice of the county court, was in town on Monday and convened the court for the purpose of taking judgment in the matter of the delinquent real estate. This was the day set by law for this purpose, but as the delinquent land list had not been published in time to give the legal notice, nothing could be done in the premises except calling the court and adjourning until next Monday. It being unnecessary, the other two justices, Martin and Mudd, did not appear.

We desire to impress upon our authorities and citizens of the town, and our readers, the necessity of continued care and precaution to guard against the cholera. Notwithstanding the disease has abated, it is of the highest importance that the same sanitary regulations be rigidly enforced, disinfectants freely used, and all nuisances promptly suppressed. Everybody should continue to exercise the same care in diet and attention to general health. We may not expect to be entirely safe from the disease until the cool weather of autumn sets in.

## THE CHOLERA.

The hope expressed in our last issue that the cholera had abated its fury has been realized. Since then we have had but one death in town, and but one other well marked case of the disease. The measures suggested by the sanitary committee have been faithfully carried out and every precaution has been taken by the town authorities and our citizens to prevent its recurrence as an epidemic. With the present regulations in force we consider Troy as safe as any other place.

It is likely that the disease will manifest itself occasionally until autumn, but we are satisfied that the cases will be isolated and that the cholera will not rage again as an epidemic. We are further satisfied that from now there will be no greater danger of contracting the disease in Troy than elsewhere. The reason for this is plain. The disease invaded this place in exactly the same manner as it did other parts of the county. That it became epidemic here, while sporadic elsewhere in the county, was due entirely to causes which offered a nucleus for its evolution and spread. This hypothesis is based upon the latest researches of medical science. Those causes, thanks to our sanitary regulations and the exertions of our citizens, no longer exist. Our town has been thoroughly disinfected and cleansed of everything that could generate noxious gases, or be the vehicle of infection.

As yet but very few of those who left to escape the disease have returned, and our streets are still deserted. Persons from the country shun us as much as ever, and only venture in on the demand of important business. While we commend their care and prudence, we must represent that so much of it as makes them regard Troy as a breeder of pestilence, is unnecessary. It is further from our intention to say or do aught that would inspire false confidence, or cause the proper care and precaution to be abandoned. On the contrary we have, from the first approach of the disease, warned our readers of the necessity of the utmost care and vigilance. We still recommend the same measures of precaution, and the same attention to hygiene. We believe, however, that the time has come when the absentees may safely return, and the people of the country resume their business relations with us. In this view we are supported by medical advice.

Many exaggerated reports of the ravages of the cholera have been circulated, the effect of which has been to create unnecessary alarm in the minds of the people, and false impressions concerning our actual condition. The continued circulation of these reports will work much injury to the business of our town; hence the necessity on the part of our citizens of removing false impressions by spreading reliable information as to the health of the place. We have, since the commencement of our affliction, kept our readers fully posted as to the extent and the mortality of the disease, and privately, whenever occasion offered, justified and advised the exodus of our population. We are not therefore open to the imputation of endeavoring to deceive when we recommend the return of our citizens and the resumption of broken business relations.

To sum up: Troy is as safe from the cholera as any other place; that the disease ceased to exist here as an epidemic on the 11th of this month, and that the cases we have had since that time, and those we may yet have, are sporadic, such as are liable to occur anywhere; and finally, that so long as our present sanitary regulations are enforced, the cholera will not appear here as an epidemic, because the propagating germs have been effectually destroyed.

Little Charley Jackson was thrown from a donkey, which he had been riding about town, on Sunday, and severely bruised and cut about the face. He now wears a mask of sticking plaster.

## HONORS OF THE EPIDEMIC.—An ancient colored individual, Nelson Mourning, during the most fatal period of the cholera epidemic here, was deliberately walking along toward our graveyard, and one of our citizens riding out overtook him. Just before getting to him, he saw the old darkey run his hand in his pocket and draw out a large green cucumber about a foot long, and holding it in his left hand he drew his pocket knife and began to let it into it. "Hello, Nels., are you going to eat that thing?" inquired the gentleman. "Dat I is!" "Why, Nels., that's a fine thing to bring on the cholera." "O, oh, I'll risk dat; you see dat nigga dar wid dem saddle-bags—dey's plum full of whiskey." Whiskey is a good thing to bring on the cholera, too." "O, no, I'll risk dat." And the old fellow went on his way rejoicing. A few days ago he saw old Nels., and said: "Well, Nels., that cucumber didn't give you the cholera?" "No, sa'; I wish I had some mo'!"

All the fools are not yet dead and there is no law in this country against a man being as big a fool as he can. A man, whose name we have not heard, saw a neighbor of his preparing to come to town and gave him a dollar to buy some coffee. After some conversation the neighbor remarked that he must hurry up as it would be night before he could get to Troy and return home. "You going to Troy?" asked the man in great alarm. "Yes." "Why, I thought you were going to Truxton. Ge'my dollar back. Don't fetch me any coffee from Troy; don't come on my place after going to Troy." And after getting back his dollar he incontinently fled the presence of the man who was so rash as to venture to Troy.

It has been suggested to us that in our last week's paper we neglected to do justice to two of our citizens who with a truly commendable, self-sacrificing spirit, devoted themselves during our affliction to the good of the town and the preservation of the property of the citizens. It is well known that the corps of nurses and the posse of the marshal engaged in executing the orders of the sanitary committee, left no available force to keep within bounds the huge coal fires that were kept burning upon the streets to dispel miasma and purify the atmosphere. In this emergency, Sim Thornhill and John McDonald, with sleepless vigilance, guarded the fires night after night until the exigency was past. It is to their forethought and care that we owe our preservation from the probability of a conflagration that would have been as destructive to the material prosperity of our town as the cholera has been to the lives of its inhabitants. We repair this omission with pleasure, believing, as we do, that merit wherever found should be recognized and commended.

The Montgomery Standard thinks that the cholera at this place was probably caused by some impurities in our town spring, from which, it says, nearly all our citizens use water. In this our con-temporary is doubtless mistaken. Not the half of our citizens use water from the town spring, and not a death has occurred in any family during the epidemic that used that water exclusively. The water from our town spring is cool, clear and wholesome, with so little mineral in it that it is with difficulty detected. The disease was brought about by other causes, the air was heavy and damp, and during its prevalence the wind blew from the east and southeast, which to many systems is very enervating.

The Montgomery Standard estimates that Mr. Henry Larimore of Callaway county lost nearly \$24,000 by not advertising his late stock sale as extensively as did Kissinger of Pike. It very justly remarks that when Mr. Larimore learns the value of printer's ink he will meet with success and not before, a suggestion which business men of every class would do well to heed.

## PERSONAL.—Mr. E. Garrett called yesterday.

Joe Creech ventured in on Monday and ventured out on Tuesday.

James Leach, of Moscow, called yesterday and left a substantial token of his visit.

Mr. Henry A. Bailey, of the firm of Bailey, Estill & Co., St. Louis, was in town this week.

J. B. May, of Wentzville, showed his smiling face in our sanctum on yesterday. He is the same Jim Booker.

Mr. Mark Canmann of St. Louis, wholesale dealer in liquors, was in town yesterday.

Our friend Bonfils trusted his precious self a short time in town yesterday, and returned safely to his retreat near Prairieville. He will bring his family home to-day.

Geo. L. Collier, the artist, having remained here through the whole of the dullest season we could possibly have, has taken his car to Wright City.

Wm. H. Wells, of St. Louis, has been in town several days. He expects to locate here and go into business. We hope that he will not forego his intention, as he is a young man of good business qualifications and would conduct an establishment that would be an acquisition to the place.

J. F. Bennett of St. Louis, formerly editor and proprietor of the Pleasant Hill (Mo.) Review, and later on the staff of the St. Louis Times, has been in Troy and vicinity for several days, looking up life insurance. His special business was to settle the policies of the late Messrs. B. Crump and J. W. Rogers.

We give as far as we have been able to ascertain the places our absent population now "reside": J. R. Knox, Elias and Wm. Norton, Colorado; Dr. Waddy and family, Princetown, Kentucky; Fred. Wing and family, Austin Wing and family, Jacksonville, Illinois; Chas. Wing and family, Arendia, Iron county; J. M. McLellan's family, Sedalia; Mrs. Withrow and family, T. W. Withrow and J. R. Knox's family, Ottumwa Iowa; R. H. Norton, St. Paul, Minnesota; J. F. Brown and family, Jonesburg; N. Ackerman and family, and J. B. Allen's family, Warrenton; Dr. East's family and Mrs. Chas. Wheeler, St. Charles; H. W. Perkins and family, St. Louis county; E. N. Bonfils and family, Prairieville; J. Creech, Calhoun county, Illinois; R. D. Walton and family, Truxton; John Henry and family, St. Louis; Leonard Henry and family, St. Charles; Geo. Gentry, Mrs. Poensalot and family, Mel. Glorie and family, W. H. Swan and family, Chantilly; Mrs. Wm. Norton and family, Wright City; Rev. Mr. Robinette and family, Martinsburg.

We have received a late copy of *Der Wahre Fortschritt*, edited and published by Gustav Bruere, St. Charles. It is a neat seven column paper, well edited and claims to be the organ of the German element in Missouri. It takes several items from our paper, which contain reliable news; but when it follows the example of some of our cotemporaries and gives flying rumors, it is as far from the truth as any of them. The following extract which we translate is a specimen:

Families flying from Troy bring fearful news about the cholera in that village. There have been in the last two weeks over fifty-five deaths from this dreadful disease, in a town of not more than seven hundred inhabitants. Constable Lay and the partner of the county clerk, Mr. Cake, count among the deaths. Every business house with the exception of one hotel and one drug store, is closed. The whole town has a death-like appearance, and everybody who can possibly afford to leave has already gone.

## REPORT OF THE SANITARY COMMITTEE.—The sanitary committee of the town of Troy submits the following report:

The town has been thoroughly cleansed of all filth and nuisances, and the general health is better at present than usual for this season. There has been fifteen deaths in the town limits, and five in the near vicinity, from cholera.

This committee apprehends no further danger, and is satisfied that those who have fled to the country can return in safety. Many have already done so.

JOHN McDONALD,  
G. W. COLBERT,  
JAS. D. BROWN. } Com.  
Troy, July 22nd.

## DIED.

BIRKHEAD—July 11, 1873, at his residence 4 miles east of Troy, of dysentery. JOHN M. BIRKHEAD, in the 48th year of his age.

BOURLAND—July 18, 1873, at the residence of her husband in Troy, of cholera. Mrs. JUDITH A., wife of Dr. Jos. W. Bourland, in the 28th year of her age.

CHANDLER—July 19, 1873, at the residence of her husband, 3 miles east of Troy, of cholera. Mrs. MATILDA A., wife of R. M. Chandler, aged 33 years, 6 months and 5 days. The same day, of cholera infantum, CHARLES, youngest child of R. M. and M. A. Chandler, aged 1 year, 5 months and 23 days.

A. V. M'KEE | E. N. BONFILS | C. MARTIN, JR.  
McKEE, BONFILS & MARTIN,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW.  
TROY, MISSOURI.  
Will practice in the various courts of this and adjoining counties. Special attention given to collections and matters relating to real estate. Office northeast corner Main and Cherry streets, just below the Laclede Hotel. [vs24]

G. T. DUNN,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
NEW HOPE, MO.,  
Will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Special attention given to collecting. [ptovm16]

R. C. MAGRUDER,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
CAPAU-GRIS, MO.,  
Will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. [ptovm5]

W. C. McFARLAND,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
TROY, MISSOURI.  
Will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, and pay special attention to collecting. Office over Bank building. [vs22]

ALLEN & BAKER,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
TROY, MISSOURI.  
Agents State and Phoenix Insurance Companies, and Real Estate Agents. J. B. ALLEN, Notary Public.

B. W. WHEELER,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
TROY, MISSOURI.  
Will attend to any professional business in the courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit; also prosecuting attorney of the county and notary public. [ptovm5]

WALTON & CREECH,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
TROY, MISSOURI.  
Will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit and Supreme Court of the State. Business promptly attended to. Office over Dr. East's drug store. [vs23]

F. T. WILLIAMS,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
WARRENTON, MO.,  
Also Notary Public and Real Estate Agent. Will give special attention to collections, real estate practice, and the investigation of land titles. Office in clerk's building, west room. Satisfaction given or no charge made. [vs23]

FRAZIER & COLBERT,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
TROY, MISSOURI.  
Will practice in the courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Special attention given to collections and to the sale, purchase and leasing of real estate; abstracts of titles, warrants, deeds, deeds of trust and mortgages made on short notice. Large number of valuable farms for sale. Office on Main street in Henry's building, up stairs. [vs28]

KNOX & NORTON,  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
TROY, MISSOURI.  
COLLECTORS AND REAL ESTATE AGENTS. Particular attention given to conveying and examination of land titles, and controversies affecting real estate. We make a specialty of collecting all kinds of claims, notes, bills, etc., at a reasonable commission.

Dr. J. C. GOODRICH,  
DENTIST,  
WENTZVILLE, MISSOURI.  
Will be in Troy from time to time, due notice of which visits will be given in THE TROY HERALD. [vs23]

Dr. W. W. BIRKHEAD,  
DENTIST,  
TROY, MISSOURI.  
Will always be found in his office, next door to T. W. Withrow's, up stairs, where he attends to dental and surgical diseases of the mouth. He keeps an assistant always in the office to aid in filling teeth. [vs23]