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COURT DIRECTORY.
CIRCUIT COURT.—First Monday after the fourth Monday in March and September.
COUNTY COURT.—Second Monday in February, May, August, and November.
PROBATE COURT.—Second Monday in January, April, July and October.

LOCAL AND COUNTY NEWS.

WANTED! BONDS!—In the next three weeks, Lincoln county railroad bonds, at 90 cents on the dollar, flat. F. C. CARR, Agent 3012 for Lincoln county.

Probate court will be held on the second Monday of August, which will be the 11th day of that month. The usual business will be transacted.

Dr. Mudd left for St. Louis yesterday morning to purchase a Universal jobber for our office, and other material. We propose to compete with city offices in the price and quality of our work.

During the sojourn of Mr. Bonfils and family near Prairieville while the cholera was raging here, somebody who hadn't the fear of God, the law nor cholera in his heart, entered his house and stole a large quantity of sugar, coffee and flour.

There will be no camp-meeting this year on the ground between this place and Wright City. The committee having the matter in charge met a short time since and determined to defer it, on account of the unhealthy season.

Joseph L. Duncan of West Prairie, in this county, has put in two hundred and forty acres of corn and one hundred acres of oats, besides wheat, and other crops. Mr. Duncan is a good specimen of the vigorous, go-ahead, intelligent farmers of that section.

In another column will be found the advertisement of Harvey & Rogers, commission merchants, St. Louis. This firm is represented by Mr. Geo. P. McRoberts, who is well known in this and adjoining counties as an energetic and efficient business man. He will no doubt secure the house a large trade from this section.

Last week there was but one fatal case of cholera in this place, and one or two cases which recovered, showing that the disease is modified in its virulence, and is no longer epidemic. There have been no new cases since. Our refugees are returning, and the town presents a more cheerful aspect than it has for several weeks. People from the country are also beginning to visit us, and Troy is fast assuming the even tenor of its way.

COUNTY COURT.—This court met last Monday for the purpose of entering judgment on the delinquent lands, a list of which was published last month. Commissioner Lewis C. Wright, who was authorized to repair Frenchman's bluff bridge, reported that he had completed the work, and that the bridge was in good condition. He also reported that the Big creek bridge needed a new roof and floor, and the court directed the clerk to notify the St. Charles county court, that some action might be taken in the matter. The bridge is on the line dividing this county and St. Charles. Commissioner Wright submitted specifications for a bridge over Bob's creek, on the Moscow and Cap-au-Gris road. Mr. Brevator proposes to pay one half the cost of the bridge. Bids will be advertised for after the August term of the court.

A WRONG SPIRIT.
A merchant of this town, a gentleman of correct and liberal business views, some days ago made a proposition to the other merchants and business men to have posters printed and circulated in the neighboring districts from which Troy has heretofore drawn her trade, giving the people reliable and accurate information concerning the health and sanitary condition of this place, assuring them upon the strength of their responsible names that all danger of infection is past and that they can with perfect safety come here to do their dealing and transact whatever of business they may desire. For the past four or five weeks business here has been at a stand-still. People of the country shunned us, and there was left in town scarcely anybody to purchase of the stores. The reason for this does not now exist, and the interests of our business men requires that this fact should be more generally known in order that the trade which has been diverted to other channels should return. This project, although strongly urged by the gentleman who conceived it, failed because of the expense of a few dollars it would necessarily involve, though the share of each would be but a mere pittance.

Now the failure to receive this job of printing is a small matter to us—scarcely worth a thought; but the incident so strongly illustrates a characteristic of a majority of our business men, at the bottom of which lies a principle so radically wrong, that we cannot forbear to mention it. The stagnation attendant upon the visitation of the epidemic in our midst has worked a serious loss to our merchants and others dependent upon the patronage of the surrounding country. This loss may be more than temporary, as much of the custom belonging here may be permanently estranged. This state of affairs, except stopping for the time being our usual cash receipts, has not damaged our newspaper or printing business one cent. In last week's issue we had an article intended to remove the impression that it was dangerous to come to Troy. This, like every article written for a newspaper, cost time and effort. It was written with the unselfish purpose of benefitting the business men of Troy. Our business men expect and demand this. For this what return do they make to us? Almost nothing. The aggregate yearly patronage extended to us by the merchants of Troy would not begin to run this office one month. They in effect say to us: "You devote all your energies and all the abilities you possess to the building up of the business and the prosperity of this town, and if you can live by it, we have no objection."

Is this just? We ask this question in all candor. Is it even politic? We believe not. This close-fisted policy which withholds a decent patronage to the local paper is a serious obstacle to our advance in prosperity. It is wrong in principle, and leads to false conclusions. It can save at the spigot, but its views are not broad enough to comprehend the waste that is going on at the bung. While its narrowness is occupied with diligent and anxious care in making and hoarding nickles, the opportunity for making dollars slips by unnoticed and unknown.

Suppose a stranger, anxious to learn something of us, our business, and the enterprise of our population, possibly with a view to location and permanent investment, would pick up the *Herald*. The home advertisements would solely occupy his attention, as they are considered a sure index of the business of every place. The only conclusion he could possibly arrive at is: "Troy is no town of account; but little business done, and that principally in the drug line. It is a weak unhealthy place. I'll look out for some other location."

These are considerations which most of our business men have overlooked. Those of other towns of our size and smaller who have not done so, but have none their plain duty in this respect, have invariably profited by it.

TAXABLE WEALTH OF LINCOLN COUNTY.—The total amount of taxable wealth in this county, according to the last assessment, is \$4,119,860. The personal property amounts to \$1,282,020, and the real estate to \$2,837,840. The state tax rate is 45 cents on the hundred dollars, making \$18,588 that the county will pay over to the state treasurer. The county rate is \$1.50 on the hundred dollars, the amount to be raised for county purposes being \$61,622.70; of this amount \$41,061.80 is for our slow-coach railroad, and \$20,650.90 for the general expenditures of the county. This will make \$80,161.17 to be paid by our people in the way of state and county taxes, exclusive of road and school taxes. The road tax is 10 cents on the hundred dollars, making the amount to be collected \$4,108.18, which may be worked out under the overseers of the several road districts, who will give a receipt for the work which will be accepted by the collector in payment for this tax. Every person between the ages of twenty-one and fifty is subject to a road tax, and they can either work it out at one dollar per diem or pay it in money. The school tax is fixed by the various school districts, according to their demands. In this county the rates range from 12 cents to \$2 on the hundred, the latter being the limit of the law.

HANDLE FACTORY.—Two gentlemen engaged in the business of manufacturing handles for axes, spades and the like, have been prospecting in St. Charles for a location for a factory in that city. They have been examining the timber and have come to the conclusion that St. Charles, with the help of Lincoln and Warren, will furnish enough for their purpose. Shellbark hickory is the kind of timber used. Now, as Lincoln county has the greatest abundance of this timber—more than any three counties in this part of the state—why can't some of our citizens take the matter in hand and induce these gentlemen to establish their factory here, where they can obtain their stock at the least possible cost? This factory will give employment for twenty-five hands, and would be an important addition to the business of our town. It would, if secured, stimulate the community to further effort in the same direction. Our advantages for the location of such enterprises will never be appreciated unless we make them known to the proper parties.

OUR TIMBER TRADE.—Perhaps one of our largest exports is timber, which is cut from the banks of the Mississippi river, King's lake and Cuivre, and rafted to St. Louis. The quantity of wood of all kinds cut from Cuivre is immense. The timber growth all along this stream is very heavy. It comprises the very best qualities for general use that can be had, such as black and white walnut, white and other valuable varieties of oak, wild cherry, birch, maple, sycamore, linden, a-h, hackberry, cottonwood, elm, hickory and many others. The trade in elm stock has of late become quite a business of itself. This is principally in the hands of St. Louis men, who purchase the elm trees of the owners, and hire laborers to cut down and saw the trees into blocks. These are used in the manufacture of saddles. A considerable amount of the finer timber goes to the furniture and car factories. We will shortly give some statistics concerning the lumber trade of Cuivre.

Mr. Buchanan, paymaster of the railroad company, came to within six miles of Troy last Wednesday, intending to come to this place for the purpose of making the regular monthly payments, but was deterred by the reports he heard of the cholera here. We beg leave to assure him that there is not the slightest danger in coming to Troy, and that many of our citizens would hail his coming with pleasure, especially if he brought with him that plerotic pocket-book of his. Please to remember, Mr. Buchanan, that there is now no epidemic cholera in Troy.

PERSONAL.—Thomas Corley, Esq., was in town Friday.

E. S. Ackerman of the Warrenton *Chronicle* was in to see us last week. Ben. T. Whitmore of Clarksville passed through Troy on his way from St. Charles.

Capt. Richard Wommack was in town on Monday, attending to probate business.

Capt. J. M. Reeds, an old and respectable citizen of this county, was in town Monday and gave us a pleasant call.

Our friend Sam'l Wilson left us a nice lot of ripe June apples yesterday, the finest we have seen this season. Thanks.

Our young friend Alex. Duff was in town on Monday. He is making arrangements for a tournament, to be held next month in West Prairie.

S. B. Hopkins, one of our oldest citizens, paid us a visit this week. He has been in this county for more than forty-three years.

R. C. Magruder, Esq., of Cap-au-Gris, called to see us. He is about to found a new city on the line of the Mississippi Valley and Western railroad, on the road from this place to Cap-au-Gris.

Judge W. W. Shaw, collector of this county, was in his office this week, the first time the office has been occupied for several weeks, his deputy having left during the epidemic without his knowledge.

Dr. J. P. Coffey, a native, and until lately a resident, of this county, is now living in Collin county, Texas.

Esquire J. C. Elmore of Nineveh, called on Monday and entertained us very pleasantly for a half hour. He informs us that in Nineveh both village and township improvement is the order of the day. A fine Masonic hall is nearly finished, and a lodge will shortly be instituted. The farmers' club is prosperous; it extends a cordial invitation for the co-operation of the farmers of the rest of the county.

ANGING FOR A PRESCRIPTION.—The principles of many of our good templars wiled at the approach of King Cholera. We believe the rules of the order do not prohibit the use of alcoholic liquors for medical purposes. This provision is right and just; and some of the members acting up to the letter and spirit of the law, have, without any special pleas as to their individual ailments calling for this particular remedial agent, been taking their medicine regularly as a precautionary measure during the unhealthy season. One of our good brethren, however, who has for some years occupied an advanced position in the cause of temperance, advocating not only total abstinence and prohibition, but even the suppression of the manufacture of intoxicating liquors, wanted to enjoy the same privilege and the same immunity from the dreaded disorder, but the desire to preserve a show of consistency prevented the use of it upon his own prescription. He must have medical advice to urge him to it—a gentle violence, as it were, to his own scruples. The plan of action formed (the cholera was then at its height), he sauntered down the street in search of a physician. Seeing Dr. McLellan seated in Woolfolk's drug store, he went in looking as blue as possible and stretching his limbs, and yawning rubbing his hands, said; "Doctor, I feel mighty bad; feel my hands; see how cold they are; I feel bad and cold all over. Don't you think a little whiskey would help me?" "No," said the Doctor, "I do not think it would. I would prescribe it for any body else in your condition, but you have demonstrated conclusively that alcohol, under every and all circumstances, is an unmitigated evil, and I cannot bring myself to advise any body to take what he is satisfied will work nothing but positive injury." This was a poser. Our cold-water friend began to think his chances of obtaining a little of "that 'ere," in an authorized and a legitimate manner, was exceedingly slim. But the good-natured physician, after chafing him a little while, relented and gave the coveted prescription.

MULTUM IN PARVO.—In looking over the tax book of this county we see that twenty-seven figures represent the grand totals of the valuation of property in this county and the various taxes thereon. They stand there, at the bottom of the different columns, so plain, and tell with such readiness their mission, that it appears as if they placed themselves there of their own accord, or came by magic; and yet to obtain these twenty-seven figures, all in their proper order, five large books have been added, subtracted, multiplied and divided, costing a year's labor and giving employment to thirteen different persons as it progressed—assessor, assistants, board of equalization, clerks, collectors, etc.—and when the collector signs the receipt for the book, before one dollar of the taxes is collected, will have cost the state and county over \$2,000. One would hardly think that, just to take a casual glance at these twenty-seven figures.

For additional locals see fifth page.

DIED.
MARTINIK—July 24, 1873, in Troy, of cholera, MAX. MARTINIK, aged about 25 years.

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. [ptov816]

R. C. MAGRUDER,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
CAP-AU-GRIS, MO.,
Will practice in the Courts of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. [ptov816]

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. [ptv816]

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. [vs22]

F. T. WILLIAMS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
WARRENTON, MO.,
Also Notary Public and Real Estate Agent. Will give special attention to collecting, real estate practice, and the investigation of land titles. Office in clerk's building, west room. Satisfaction given or no charge made. [vs22]

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. [vs22]

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. [vs22]

DR. W. W. BIRKHEAD,
DENTIST,
TROY, MISSOURI.
Will always be found in his office, next door to T. W. WITTHORN'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. [vs22]