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Boonville Weekly Advertiser, Boonville, Missouri.

Actually, there are two files, one giving a condensation of the happenings reported in 1883, the other 1884.

The edge of the page of the 1883 record is badly torn, and I can only report part of it. However, there is enough there, that I think it is worth reporting. I hope you agree.

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_____TY CULLINGS

_____nty Correspondence

___ of Interest to all and Queries for any to Answer.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

Resume '83

Chonological-1883
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JANUARY

_____town lively with New Year Callers. City ____ncil discussed feasibility of establish-___ a market house. Ice harvest commen-____The court house officers were installed ____ the 1st. Smith & Ragland bought a ___en mule for \$200 from Ed. Joplin; Sun- ____ school mass meeting commenced at ____sbyterian Church on 7th inst. Masonic ___ are on night of 2d by Rev. C. C. Woods ___ banquet at Wagners. Keithley started ___ bus line. Elder S. B. Jackson, aged ___ _ears, died on 2d, two miles South of ___ city. Firm of Snapp & Steel disolved. ____ Hutchison had pair of horses stolen. ____e at Kemper school on night of 7th. __unceton Dramatic association visit Prai__e Home. Took a sleigh ride with

Smith __Ragland on 17th. Meeting at Thespian __all on 17th for benefit of sufferers of the __ine. David Andrews store broken into __0th. W. T. Pigott and Miss Jennie _____ marry at Louisiana on 11th. Dr. W. ___dleton of Pilot Grove died on 25th. _____ of ice and everyone getting it up. _____nd meeting at Bunceton on 20th. _____ttle Freidmeyer of Lone Elm died _____ Mr. E. Chalfant, of this city, ac-_____ took poison at Cedartown. Geor- ----- was supposed to be dead, but came _____. _____d Cramer and Miss Mary Con-_____ married on 25th. Miss Addie K__ton _____1st. J. C. Keys and Miss Alice _____ married on 30th.

FEBRUARY

_____d Kraentz _____ on 5th. Harry _____ arm broken at rink on 3rd. Rock _____ had meeting at Wehmeirs store on _____. John Canole, of Howard, died on 4th. F. ___ Mitchell and Miss Mattie Mars married in Kansas City on 1st. Mrs. Benj. Goodman died on 4th. Snow, sleet, hail, rain and thunder and lightning on the night of the 2d. Casper Manger died on the 1st. Prize ___ skate at rink on 3rd, in which Miss Mattie Hutchison and L. H. Levens took prizes. Thomas Alexander, of Clear Creek, left for Nevada. M. W. Hall and Miss Minnie Woods married in Kansas City on 15th. G. ___ Horn and family left for Florida on 12th. Work commenced on water works. B. F. Albin and Arrabella Hurt married on 15th. A. Hurt, of Clarks Fork, died on 23d. Rock road meeting at Court House on 20th. Telephone exchange started working on lines. Capt. C. H. Brewster died on 21st. Martin Schieberl closed on 25th. Odd Fellows celebration at Pilot Grove on 22d.

MARCH

Jack Starke took possession of Collectors office on 4th. Phantom skate at rink on 2d. Drummer robbed on M. K. & T. R. R. at Franklin by Aleck Coleman on 5th. Nathan Hayes of Saline, suicided on 5th. Ice in rive broke up this week. Dr. Lee got wrist broken at rink on 2d. Cooper County Bible society meeting at Methodist Church on 18th. Very heavy rain and hail on 14th. Mrs. Combs celebrated her __th birthday on 17th. Nick. H. Bowman, Howard, died in 15th. Snow storm on 21st and sleighing on 22d. John A. Frays big sale on 16th. Engine ran into Kings wagon, breaking Willie Cooks leg and killing mule. Ed. Marsh attempts the life of Milt Stahl at Mo. ___ Depot on 16th. Mrs. Annie E. Wallace, died on 30th, aged 84 years.

APRIL

Calico ball at Hall by B. T. G. V. on 2d. James ___ton and Miss Ruth Gale married on 2nd at Fayette. _____ty election on 3d. Miss Laura Roeschell died on 1st. New council organized on 7th. Hillery and Stevenson, counterfeiter, caught on 5th. Jim Woods, a roustabout on "Rob Roy" was _____ on 6th. Skating tournament on _____ Chad Pinnell died on 15th. Mitch _____addy Ryan escaped from guard on 16th. _____ Hain and Miss Katie Fox married on _____. Democratic convention for city organization on 14th. Fray brought a car ___d of Norman horses and mules from Ill-_____. Ordinance in relation to high license ___d card playing in saloons passed in coun-___ on 20th. Charley Hoffmeister married on 24th. N. W. Mack, Jr., died at Mrs.

___arke on 24th. Thornt Smith had hand cut ___ by cars on 26th. 64th anniversary cele-----on here by I. O. O. F. on 26th. John ___ughes suicided near Fayette on 20th. ___ and Lindsay, forgers and horse stealers arrested on 30th. T. P. C. open free reading room. Mrs. Jeff. Swearengen died suddenly at Pilot Grove on 20th.

MAY

Howard & Co. left for Niangua on 3d. Judge Wash. Adams died suddenly on 7th. J. W. Parson and Miss Hattie Rogers married on 2nd. George H. Chorn, of Howard, died on 9th. John Glazier and Miss Annie Waite married on 25th. Abiel Leonard and Miss Mittie Stephens married on 10th. Reuben Haggarty, of Lamine, died on 4th. Horse show at Pilot grove on 5th. Caleb Jones died on 15th. Pleasant Rains accidentally killed his brother, Allen, on 11th. Closing exercises of public school commenced on 18th. Emil Gross and Miss Sophia Beahle married in Belleville, Ill., on 23d. McCurdy's gallery opened on 28th. Barretts circus here on 21st. J. W. Wooldridge died on 30th. Dr. Stoddard, of Mexico, lectured to high school alumni. Body of Anna Bauerlein, of Kansas City, found in Missouri river at Island below town on 17th. Granville White drowned in Lamine on 24th.

JUNE

Cooper Institute examination on 4th. Dr. W. S. Hutchison and Miss Mattie Lawless married on 5th. Corner stone of St. Johns Church, Clear Creek, laid on 13th. Officers of water works elected 5th. Mr. Fred Hurley celebrated his 82 birthday on 7th. John Thale, alias John Davis, drowned in Missouri river on 14th. Kemper school exercises on 19th. Deputy Sheriff Williams caught Cal. Keyton in Johnson county on 8th. Mrs. Henry Sahn died on 16th. River at about its highest from 20th to 25th. Burglars enter Caseys house in Howard on 15th. Theo. Stegner and H. W. Hunt came near drowning in Clarks Fork on 19th. E. S. Stewart, balloonist, drowned at Fayette on 16th. Picnic at Bell Grove on 20th. George Nuttle arrested in Lamine by Sheriff Rogers. Boiler at Gaunt's mill exploded on 22d. Very severe wind, resembling tornado here at noon on 22d. "Bright Light" sunk on 30th.

JULY

Keithleys ponies got in river and nearly drowned on 12th. Tyre H. Eager and Miss Nellie Carlross married on 17th. Koontz sent us the first water mellon of the season on 18th. Moonlight pic-nic by Turn & G___ Ve___n on 17th. Body of Francis Carrol, of Kansas City, found in river on 19th. Rev. G. W. Horn left for Colorado on 15th. Sweden Joliffe killed George Conger on 15th. Robert Skinner killed near Fayette while hunting foxes on 19th. Normal Institute commenced on 22d. We received letter from R. T. Smiley in answer to ours about establishing creamery here, on 23d. (The creamery is established). Martha Stephens tried machinery on 28th and made her first trip on 30th. Mrs. Boehms daughter, Susie, gored by a mad cow on 29th. Speed's fine horse hurt on 29th.

AUGUST

Corner stone laying of College Chappell at Fayette on 2d. "Rob

Roy" ran on snag and sunk below here on 2d. License to saloon keepers for state and county purposes raised to \$400, making a total, with city license of \$800. Bell Bros. commence work on three story steam evaporator. Celebration by colored folks on 4th. Banquet by citizens to Normal Institute attendants on 7th. Cooper county Sunday school convention 13th, 14th, and 15th. Protracted meeting held at C. P. Church in Otterville. Hack upset and injuries sustained by Misses Sophia and Rosa Meisel and Mrs. Fesler on 14th. New German M. E. Church building was commenced. Teachers of Normal Institute gave two concerts. Joe Barths saloon at Tipton robbed on 11th. Moonlight pic-nic at Miss Clara Crawford's on 20th. Lawn party at Windsors on 23d and party at A. A. Walkers on 16th. Will McGavoch passed through town with his Hereford herd on his way to fairs. Geo. Lindsay, alias Smith, Marion Hedgepeth, and Henry Saunders escaped from jail on 21st. Boonville gun club visited Arrow Rock on 28th and captured most of the prizes. Judge A. W. Morrison died near Fayette on 14th. Chas. S. Williams and Miss Nannie O. Meredith married on 30th.

SEPTEMBER

Colt show at Palestine on 3d. Laurence Geiger had his arm broken on 3d. Mrs. Annie E. Spahr died on 3d. Colt show here on 2d. Corner stone of German Methodist Church on 6th street laid on 6th. Mrs. Marry Koontz died on the 8th. ADVERTISER commenced advocating J. W. Draffen for Governor on 7th. Coles circus here 18th and Dorris' on 26th. Joseph A. Williams and Miss Mamie E. Dunscomb married at Jefferson City on 12th. Mrs. Dr. M. W. Hill of Saline County, died on 17th. Frank Chambers, deputy county clerk present with watch and chain by E. B. Bunce on 20th. Miss Annie Derringer died on 13th. Methodist conference began on 26th and closed on 30th. Lodge of Knights of Pythias instituted here on 24th. George T. Graham arrested here by Dr. Turner, Sheriff of Green County, Ill. on 21st. Mr. Henry Corwin died on 18th, aged 88 years. Dave Campbell, a Boonville negro, killed his wife in Moberly on 25th. Marion Hedgepeth recaptured in Miller county, on 29th. Mrs. George W. Carey died on 15th. Will Roeschel and Miss Cora Holt married.

OCTOBER

The James revival at Baptist Church commenced on 3d. Dr. J. C. McCoy and family left for California on 3d. Storm passed near Pilot Grove, doing great damage. Dr. S. C. James and Miss Lula Doran married on 2d. T. M. Travillion and wife, of Otterville, leave for State of California. John P. H. Short died on 7th. Editor married on 10th. Water works opened on 16th. Charley Nance burnt to death in jail at New Franklin on 12th. Mr. Jeff. Conner and Miss Minnie Streit at Clifton, married on 16th. S. W. Wooldridge moved into town and purchase Ledlie house. Mrs. John Hulett died on 22d. Council receive water works on 16th. W. C. Culverhouse appointed Chief of fire department. Dr. Herbert Longan and Miss Mattie Walker married on 31st. Flourney Snelling moved to Clinton. Frank Hanson, the bogus cattle buyer visited this place on 30th. Dr. W. S. Hutchison died in Arrow Rock on 31st.

NOVEMBER

Mr. C. B. Furguson and Miss Bessie Morrison married at Fayette on 7th. Capt. and Mrs. John Porter celebrated their golden wedding on 7th. John Grant put in jail for stealing on 7th. C. C. Gibson and Miss Cora Wertheimer married on 13th. Fire at Baptist Church at 11 o'clock am on 13th called out new first department for first time. F. M. Caldwell, of the TOPIC, celebrated his 64th birthday on 9th. Miss Jane Howard celebrated her 90th birthday on 12th. Mrs. Kesterson died on 11th. David Gett shot while resisting arrest by J. Q. Ragland on 22d. Thomas Parish, at Bunceton, died on __, age 72. James Barnhart thrown from his mule and killed on 25th. W. R. Estil and Miss Nannie Gentry married in Sedalia on 28th.

DECEMBER

Bishop Robinson administered Holy Rite of Confirmation at Episcopal Church on 5th. "Bee," of Pilot Grove, sold to J. J. Dickinson. Mayor J. L. O'Bryan and Mrs. H. G. Bell married on 3d. Public baptising at river by Mr. Machett on 2d. W. H. Smith, of Prairie Home, and Miss Bettie Muir married at Bunceton on 6th. J. ___ Seaton, of Clifton, shot Will Mallory through hand while trying to arrest him on 7th. Geo. Groh of Emporia, Kansas and Miss Annie Lear, of this city, married on 11th. Mrs. Catherine Marshall, an old woman near Ridge Prairie burnt to death on 10th. J. Ross Appler and Mrs. Sallie Ferrell married at City Hotel on 17th. Mrs. Mary Lionberger, aged 75, died on 19th. Herman Cohn failed on 17th. Mr. Draffen declined to make race for Governor by letter on 18th. Ball at Ravenswood on 20th. A. Haynes presented with gold headed cane by students on 21st. Father Hoffman presented with gold watch by The Catholic Knights of America on 25th. Rev. Edward James and wife, after conducting a very successful revival for over two months left for Trenton on 28th. Dr. Ellis' house and office and contents burnt on 22d. Miss Jane Howard died on 31.

The Year 1883

has most certainly been a prosperous year as well as one of improvement for the old Vine Clad City and we note with pride the establishment of some enterprises, private and public that will show that, though our citizens don't do much blowing, they are not asleep. 1883 saw the finest system of water works in the state established here and our citizens given the privilege of one of the greatest and most important conveniences. The creamery, though to be built in 1884, owes its initial step and establishment to '83. 1883 is to be credited with the erection of Bell Bros. steam evaporator which will prove of advantage to the fruit growers of this and adjoining counties. Public hitching yards and drinking fountains for man, horses, cattle and dogs were placed in 1883. The most improved brick machine of the age was put up here by Dongalesky Bros. Our cemetery was improved during this year by the erection of a Sextons house and a handsome public drinking fountain and other improvements. Our stores and dwellings, depots and offices, water works, hotels and public offices are now connected by telephone exchange, and the city is in speaking connection with Old and New Franklin, and but a gap between here and Arrow Rock stands between us and speaking privileges with Kansas City, Marshall, Lexington, and other points. We have now, to be credited to '83, a fire department

composed of three companies and a chief, and able to successfully use five hundred feet of hose, all reeled and ready to use on three hose carriages. The R. R. bridge over the Missouri river at this place has been strengthened, to be amply safe under the increased weight and size of engines and cars now used. More improvements, in the way of grading, paving, sewerage, and guttering, has been done in our city limits and on our streets than has been done in years and many of our store fronts that were old fashioned have been replaced by new iron and glass fronts. Many old houses have been pulled down and new ones put up or the old ones have been so remodeled that they knew not their former selves. In this connection we will give a partial list of houses built in 1883, as we remember them, knowing, of course, that we necessarily leave out a great many, which a treacherous memory overlooks or want of space precludes; The Bell mansion on Main Street, though commenced last year was completed in '83. The Baptist Church was entirely changed and refitted and repainted in the last year; the Court House and both banks underwent needed changes and improvements; a Knights of Pythias room has been elegantly furnished and fitted up in the upper story of the Thespian Hall, while one of the most commodious skating rinks in the state has been put in the basement. A number of business and private houses have been newly painted and remodeled in '83 which can't be of course mentioned, but the following we give as nearly correct as we can:

WM. WILLIAMS, BUILDER

H. M. Thomson, residence, Main Street
W. R. Baker, residence, Sixth Street
J. M. Nelson, store, Main Street

E. H. ROBERTS, CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER

W. M. Lionberger, residence, Sixth Street
Dr. Wm. Mittelbach, residence, Sixth Street
German Methodist Church, Sixth Street
Bell Bros. Fruit Evaporator, M. K. & T. R. R.
Marcus Lohse, residence, High Street
C. C. Bell, residence, Morgan Street
C. Arp, residence, self, High Street

THOMAS H. B. McDEARMON, CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER

W. C. Culverhouse, residence, 4th Street
C. W. Sombart, residence, 3rd Street
C. W. Sombart, residence, High Street
W. G. C. Ass. Sextons house, Cemetery
W. W. Trigg, residence, Main Street
H. McPherson, Steamer Martha Stephens, levee.

B. F. JONES, CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER

Colored Baptist Church, 6th Street
Catholic, addition to church, 7th Street
Leonard Cline, residence, 5th and 4th Streets
Mrs. Fox, residence, 7th Street
Kunzweiler, builder -- Mathias Thomas, hotel, Vine Street
J. Cochran, builder -- J. E. Thro, residence, Morgan Street
Marcus Williams, builder -- W. M. Williams, residence, Morgan Street

J. C. Macurdy, four story photograph rooms, Morgan Street

With few exceptions the above are brick, and some of them elegant brick dwellings, notably, the Bell Mansion, H. M. Thomson's, W. W. Trigg's, W. R. Baker's, Dr. Wm. Mittelbach's, William Lionbergers, and both churches are brick structures.