

LAWRENCE.

A correspondent writing from this county on the 21st says:

This is a fine county of lands. Fine inducements are offered here to immigration. The Cairo and Fulton railroad passes through the eastern portion of the county, and further to the west Black river, a navigable stream all the year, runs through the county.

The people are well satisfied with the administration of Gov. Baxter, and desire no change. They wanted a man for governor who was honest and capable, and who would administer the government of the state, according to the laws of the land, for the interest of all the people. These essential elements of manhood they find Gov. Baxter possesses, and are now more than willing that he shall remain the governor, and that Mr. Brooks shall retire to other business—say the development of the morals of the country. We are perfectly sick and tired of strife, and have a contempt for a man who is continually appealing to the basest passions of men. There are no "ring" Brooks men in this quiet, good old community.

The June term of our circuit court has just adjourned, Hon. W. F. Henderson presiding as judge; Rufus Black, esq., attorney for the state; Wm. McBryde, county clerk; James P. Coffin, deputy clerk, who does the most of the business for the clerk, and W. G. Wasson, sheriff. These were the court officers, and they are men, too, of whom the people are proud. Not one of them, in my opinion, is scarcely capable of doing a mean act, either officially or otherwise. Integrity is a great principle which each has cultivated, and, in my judgment, they have succeeded well in the development of that noble virtue. The board of supervisors for this county is a safe guard. Judge Dent and Col. Ponder, members of the board, are men who all agree cannot be bought. They are above suspicion.

The court was held in our new court-house, which is now complete, and is pronounced by Judges Byers and Mack as the best court-house they have seen in north Arkansas. It cost in cash \$16,725, and is pronounced by those who have seen both, as a better court-house than the Jackson county court-house, which I am told cost over \$60,000.

Judge Dent, presiding judge of the county court, and Benj. F. Matthews, commissioner of county buildings, were the main men in protecting the interests of the county in letting out this building, selling the bonds and protecting the interests of the county during the progress of the construction of the house.

These men have nothing in their composition that gives them power to perpetrate a fraud on the county, and for this their people are proud of them as citizens. They successfully met every effort at a swindle during the progress of the building of the house and defeated it. They were wide awake all the time. The people fully appreciate their integrity and zeal in this matter.

Three little boys were drowned in Black river at Powhatan, while in bathing on the 29th inst. The bodies were found. Crops—corn, cotton, wheat, oats, etc., are generally good. "H."

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