

The Chase County Courant.

COTTONWOOD FALLS, KAS., THURSDAY, JAN. 22, 1885.

W. E. TIMMONS, - Ed. and Prop

No fear shall awe, no favor sway; How to the line, let the chips fall where they may.

Terms—per year, \$1.50 cash in advance; for three months, \$1.25; after six months, \$2.00. For six months, \$1.00 cash in advance.

ADVERTISING RATES.

Table with columns for advertising rates: 1 week, 2 weeks, 3 weeks, 4 weeks, 1 month, 3 months, 6 months, 1 year. Includes rates for local notices and double price for black letter.

TIME TABLE.

Table with columns for EAST, WEST, and Safford mail routes, listing times for various stations like Cedar Pt., Elm Dale, and Strong.

DIRECTORY.

- STATE OFFICERS: Governor, John A. Martin; Lieutenant Governor, A. P. Riddle; Secretary of State, C. C. Whitson; Attorney General, R. Bradford; Auditor, E. P. McCabe; Treasurer, Sam T. Howe; Supt. of Pub. Instruction, J. H. Leland; Chief Justice Sup. Court, A. H. Horton; Congressman, 3d Dist., Thomas Ryan.

LOCAL SHORT STOPS.

Business locals, under this head, 20 cents a line, first insertion, and 10 cents a line for each subsequent insertion. It snowed Sunday and Sunday night. Mr. T. S. Stockton has gone to Illinois on a visit. Maj. Frank Davis, of Emporia was in town, Tuesday. Mr. John Vetter has returned, home from Butler county.

Capt. W. G. Patten, Legislator from this county, spent last Sunday at home.

Mr. J. W. Fry, of Doniphan county, was visiting friends at Strong City, last week.

Mr. J. H. Scribner shipped two car loads of cattle and two of hogs to Kansas City, last week.

Mr. Geo. O. Hildebrand and his son, Alma, have gone to New Orleans to attend the World's Fair.

See the Sheriff's proclamation in another column, for a general election, on Tuesday, February 3, 1885.

Mrs. J. H. Doolittle, after spending a few days at home, has returned to Kansas City, for medical treatment.

Mr. Jim Garland, of Emporia, passed through Strong City, last week, on his way to Wichita, where he may locate.

Very nearly every night during the past week the thermometer has stood below zero, twice going as far as 15° below.

Mr. B. Lantry, of Strong City, has been elected one of the Directors of the Topeka State Journal Publishing Company.

Mr. E. Cooley fractured one of his ribs by falling, one day last week, as he was coming down the stairs in the Court-house.

Mr. Edgar W. Jones has left Florence and gone back to Canton, McPherson county, where he is clerking for Messrs. Elwell & Co.

Mr. Chas. J. Lantry, of Strong City, came home, last week, from Wichita, where he had been summoned as a United Juror. Messrs. Wm. Jeffrey and S. F. Jones remained.

Mr. H. S. Lincoln has been appointed post-master at Matfield Green. Have they not any Democrat at that place who is willing to accept a post-mastership under a Republican President?

The Rev. W. F. File, who used to officiate in this and Marion county as a Baptist minister, and who was recently teaching school in the Indian Territory, is now working in the Santa Fe cabinet shop at Topeka. Mr. File is a fine mechanic, a good writer and an excellent citizen.

Died, in this city, at the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Porter, his sister, between six and seven o'clock, yesterday morning, January 21, 1885, after a lingering illness, Mr. O. C. Pratt, familiarly known as "Dick" Pratt, aged 46 years, 9 months and 6 days. Mr. Pratt was born in Ohio, and came to Kansas in 1857, and took an active part in the early part of the history of the State. His funeral will take place to-morrow (Friday) afternoon, at 1 o'clock, from his sister's residence.

At a recent meeting of the Chase County Stock-raisers' Association it was decided to have a ball and banquet on Monday evening, February 23, and the following committees were appointed for that purpose: On Arrangements—Dr. McCaskill, W. F. Dunlap, J. C. Scroggin, D. A. Park, J. R. Holmes and Jas. Farrington. On Invitations—C. R. Van Meter, W. P. Martin, J. R. Blackshere, Al. Brandley, J. D. Minniek and Milton Brown. On Music—Jeff Blackshere, Chas. Van Meter and Ed. C. Holmes.

The great fair at New Orleans opened December 16th. It continues until the end of May. A world's fair in winter, and at New Orleans, was a bright idea, for the city itself and its surroundings are the most enjoyable in the world at that season. But a winter journey thither has never been so cheap until now. In view of the fair, and the desire of many people to see it, the circumstances are favorable, the Santa Fe road has supplied its agents with round-trip tickets which carry the purchaser to Kansas City, Saint Louis, Memphis, New Orleans and back, and give him a month or more to enjoy himself in, at nearly half fare. Persons who are thinking of making this journey, either for business or pleasure, can obtain all details by talking with Mr. J. C. Lythe agent at Strong City.

The case of Mr. C. C. Watson, charged with having attempted to commit a rape, and of which we made mention last week, came up last Tuesday before Squire F. B.

Hunt for trial, and, after hearing the evidence, the Court discharged Mr. Watson. Now, under these circumstances, does it not look that it would have shown far greater newspaper enterprise in the Leader to have reported the arrest just as we did? and not to have tried to forestall the action of a jury by "going for" the prisoner, as that paper did for Mr. Watson, last week. Now, we are not trying to defend Mr. Watson, except against the uncalled-for attack of the Leader; in other words, he was tried and acquitted, and needs no one's defense in this case, and we lived when he gave all of his advertising to the Leader, his name not even appearing on our subscription list; therefore, we hope to see the day when the people of this county will frown down that kind of localizing, and say that they will have nothing but decent journalism in their midst; and, in conclusion, we also hope the spite work that has been practiced in this county for years past will soon be a thing of the past.

ADDENDA. This week's Leader advises fathers in such cases as a shot-gun or a club. Supposing there is no father to take this advice, what then? Why, in such a case the Leader's advice would be to drop the matter and say nothing at all about it, either at law or in any other way; for, what does the world care for orphans?

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION. The following is the programme for the Teachers' Association to be held at Cedar Point, Friday evening, February 6, at precisely 7 o'clock:

"What benefit should accrue from Associations?" J. C. Davis. "What work should be given to do to children who are too young to study?" Miss Ada Rogler. "Should children be required to pronounce each syllable in spelling?" Yes; W. B. Gibson. No; Miss Cleo C. Ice.

"Good system of diagramming?" B. P. Wason. "Should whispering be allowed in school?" R. D. Rese. Select reading, Miss Emma Bailey. Recess. Recitation, Miss Alice Rockwood. "How should we proceed to get the State Superintendent's Course of Study in general use?" Miss Cora Billings.

"What is the reason education should advance in the following order? What? why? how?" J. M. Warren. "What is Education?" Ira Billings's. "Why do we educate?" L. A. Louth. "How should we educate?" I. C. Warren. Miscellaneous business. Query box.

MISS ADA ROGLER, Conductress. MISS CLEO C. ICE, Secretary.

HANDSOME PRESENTS.

The question that has just bothered the minds of the single men, as well as of those who are married, was, what they should buy for a Christmas present for their sweethearts, wives and daughters, and to settle this question Messrs. Johnson & Rettiger, the druggists, at Strong City, laid in a large supply of beautiful and novel Mexican Filigreed Jewelry of many designs, which they warrant to be pure gold and silver, and which they are now selling at reduced prices. They have also a handsome display of albums, vases, ornamental chinaware and other goods suitable for presents at any time of the year, and if you have not seen these goods, it will pay you to go and take a look at them, whether you buy or not. Be sure to go and see their Filigreed Jewelry.

BOOK OF THE DOG.

We have received from the Associated Fanciers, 237 South 8th Street, a copy of their Dog Buyers' Guide. It contains a finely executed colored frontispiece; well drawn engravings of nearly every breed of dog, and all kinds of dog furnishing goods. We should judge the book cost to produce a great deal more than the price asked—15 cents—and would advise all our readers who are interested in dogs to send for the book.

SPECIAL NOTICE. All persons interested in the Prairie Grove Cemetery are requested to meet at the office of C. C. Whitson, January 31, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the election of five trustees, and for such other business as may come before it. J. P. KUHL, Sec'y.

HARDWARE, TINWARE, WAGONS, ETC. JOHNSON & THOMAS, DEALERS IN. HARDWARE, STOVES, TIN AND GRANITE WARE, NAILS, Barbed Wire, Buggies, Wagons, Agricultural Implements, And SPORTING GOODS. AGENTS for the Celebrated Columbus & Abbott Buggies, Olds & Schuttler Wagons, Pearl Corn Shellers, Buford Plows, Farmers' Friend Corn Planters, and Bakers' Friend Vapor Stoves. OUR STOCK IS NEW. Call, and Examine our Prices before Purchasing Elsewhere. JOHNSON & THOMAS, East side of BROADWAY, between MAIN and FRIEND Streets, COTTONWOOD FALLS, KANSAS.

E. F. BAUERLES' CONFECTIONARY AND RESTAURANT AND BAKERY. My loan, hungry-looking friend, why don't you take your lunch at Bauerle's Restaurant and grow fat? My friend, I thank you for your kind advice. It is worth a good bit to know where to get a first-class lunch! I will patronize Bauerle. Strong City and Cottonwood Falls, Kansas.

SETH J. EVANS, PROPRIETOR, RED FRONT, NORTH SIDE, Main Street, Cottonwood Falls. LOWEST PRICES, PROMPT ATTENTION, Paid to, ALL ORDERS, Good Rigs at, ALL HOURS. BOARDING HORSES MADE A SPECIALTY.

FROM INDIANA. GOSHEN, IND., Jan. 15, 1885. Leaving Elm Dale on the 11th, I arrived at Goshen, on the 14th, at my sister's home, which I have not seen for 15 years. I was glad to see her once more. There is a beautiful valley here, the Elkheart river running through northwest corner of the State. Goshen is as beautiful a city as I have ever seen in the West. The valley is not as the valleys of my native home in Chase. The fields look small as compared with fields in Kansas; but the timber is as good as ever grew out of the ground. There is a great deal of snow here; it is about 14 to 20 inches on the level. On Monday, the 18th, I start for Zanesville, Ohio, Yours, JAMES RAMSEY.

TOWNSHIP CONVENTION. There will be a people's convention of the voters of Cottonwood township, held at Cedar Point, on Saturday, January 24, 1885, at 2 o'clock, p. m., to place in nomination candidates for the several townships officers. A full attendance of all parties is desired. By order of several voters of all parties.

BUSINESS BRIEVITIES. Boots and shoes at Brees's. Good goods and bottom prices at Brees's. A car load of Glidden fence wire just received at M. A. Campbell's. Meats 25 cents, at P. Hubbard's, next door to the Congregational church, and board and lodging \$3 a week. Single meals at any hour. A car load of Studebaker's wagons and buggies just received at M. A. Campbell's. Fresh goods all the time at the store of Brees, the grocer. A car load of new improved Bain wagons just received at Hildebrand, Bro. & Jones, Strong City.

Mann & Ferguson's MEAT MARKET, EAST SIDE OF BROADWAY, COTTONWOOD FALLS, KAS., Always Has on Hand A supply of FRESH & SALT MEATS, BOLOGNA SAUSAGES, ETC. HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR SALTED AND DRY HIDES. Jan 22-11

PHYSICIANS.

J. W. STONE, M. D. Office and room, east side of Broadway, south of the bridge.

COTTONWOOD FALLS, KAS. W. P. PUGH, M. D., Physician & Surgeon, Office at his Drug Store, COTTONWOOD FALLS, KAS.

A. M. CONAWAY, Physician & Surgeon, Office at his Drug Store, COTTONWOOD FALLS, KAS.

L. P. RAVENSCROFT, M. D., Physician & Surgeon, STRONG CITY, KANSAS, Office in McIntire's drug store, residence opposite the post-office. Calls promptly responded to. Jan 17-11

DR. S. M. FURMAN, RESIDENT DENTIST, STRONG CITY, - - - KANSAS, Having permanently located in Strong City, Kansas, will hereafter practice his profession in all its branches, Friday and Saturday of each week, at Cottonwood Falls. Office at Union Hotel. Reference: W. P. Martin, R. M. Watson and J. W. Stone, M. D. Jan 17-11

MISCELLANEOUS. TOPEKA DAILY JOURNAL 75 cts a Month, Mailed. KANSAS STATE JOURNAL \$1.50 a Year. -O80-

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DO YOU KNOW THAT LORILLARD'S CLIMAX PLUG TOBACCO with Red Tin Top; ROSE LEAF Fine Cut Cheering; NAVY CUTTINGS and Black, Brown and Yellow STUBBS are the best and cheapest, quality considered. oct 17-11

ELECTION PROCLAMATION. STATE OF KANSAS, } ss. County of Chase, } ss. The State of Kansas to whom all these presents may come, greeting: Know ye, that I, J. W. Griffin, Sheriff of Chase county, Kansas, by virtue of the authority in me vested, do by this proclamation give public notice, that

ON THE FIRST TUESDAY IN FEBRUARY, A. D. 1885, being the 3d day thereof, there will be a general election, and the officers at that time to be chosen in each township in said county, are as follows, to-wit:

One Township Trustee, by virtue of his office Assessor. One Township Clerk. One Township Treasurer. One Justice of the Peace in Cottonwood township, to fill vacancy. Two Constables, and One Road Overseer for each road district. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand at my office, at Cottonwood Falls, in said county and State, this 24 day of January, A. D. 1885. J. W. GRIFFIN, Sheriff. Jan 24-11

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Governor John A. Martin's Review of State Affairs.

State Finances—Public Institutions—Our Schools—State School Lands—Railroads and Other Matters of General Interest.

To the Senate and House of Representatives: Before the opening of the regular session, Kansas has completed her first quarter of a century as a State in the Union. Admitted to the Union on January 18th, 1861, just on the outbreak of the most violent and treacherous conflict the world has ever known...

The reports of the Auditor and Treasurer showing the financial condition of the State are full and satisfactory. The credit of Kansas has always been high, and no outstanding bonds of the State company a large premium. The total bonded debt of the State on the 1st of January, 1885, was \$985,510.

The indebtedness of the State is small, and its payment in full will be gradually and easily provided for. The contract interest on the bonds is small, and the rate of local debts is starting. The bonds issued by the several counties of Kansas, and outstanding on the 1st of July last, aggregated \$4,447,410.

Our laws on the subject of the assessment and equalization of property for taxation are defective, and need revision. Section 1, chapter 107, laws of 1873, requires that all classes of property be assessed on the true value thereof in money. This provision is practically a dead letter.

tion of the respective county assessors upon tax levies provided in section 23, chapter 107, laws of 1873. Under this system a county with a property valuation not exceeding \$300,000, can levy one per cent. for local purposes, and is thereby enabled to raise \$3,000. But should the valuation be increased to \$3,000,000, the county authorities are only authorized to raise \$30,000.

SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND LEVIES. Under the provisions of chapter 23, L. of 1873, it is made the duty of the Board of County Commissioners of each county to levy, annually, for each school district property in such school district in such county a tax sufficient to pay the interest on the bonds of such district, and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption of the bonds.

The school system of the State embraces the common schools, the University, the Agricultural College and the Normal School. The constitution makes an important duty of the State to provide for the promotion of intellectual, moral, scientific and agricultural improvement, by establishing and maintaining a system of common schools and schools of higher grade embracing Normal, Preparatory, Collegiate and other schools of the State.

The report of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction shows a school population of 1,000,000, an increase of 24,000 over 1884. The scholars enrolled numbered 450,000, an increase of 12,000 over the enrollment of the previous year. The attendance in 1884 averaged 191.77 for the year just closed, or 21,622,000 days of school.

The school buildings and grounds are valued at \$7,155,282. There are 6,000 school houses, and 1,000,000 square feet of school grounds. The receipts and expenditures for school purposes for the year ending December 31, 1884, are shown by the following exhibit: Receipts—Balance in district treasurers' hands, \$1,875,000; from State, \$1,000,000; from county treasurers, \$1,000,000; from other sources, \$1,000,000.

The condition of the University, its prospects and needs, is fully stated in the report of the Board of Regents. The report shows that a substantial and gratifying property has been accumulated during the past two years. The new chemical building has been erected and is now in use.

adopted to the extent for which the institution was founded. Its needs are fully set forth in the report of its Regents and officers. STATE NORMAL SCHOOL. The school teachers constitute the largest body of public functionaries in Kansas and this institution, the State's training school for teachers, is a most important factor in our educational system.

The Board of Regents reports the sale in 1884 of 1,000 acres of school lands in the County at the rate of \$40 per acre. The report of the State Auditor shows that the proceeds of the sale of school lands in 1884 exceeded \$400,000 of their value.

No interest in Kansas has been so recently attracted as that of the State school lands. On her admission into the Union, Kansas received, for the support of her public schools, 1,000,000 acres of school lands.

The rapid growth of the railways of Kansas is a source of pride and of grave public anxiety and apprehension. The vast extent of the State, the great distances between the great arteries of commerce, in promoting the development of the State in all directions, and the necessity of a rapid communication of our products to market, and in bringing to the products of other sections, are the great necessities of the State.

Every Governor of the State during the past eight years has directed the attention of the Legislature to this reckless and improvident use of the State's resources. My recommendations touching this subject have been supplemented by the elaborate reports of several State Auditors, Treasurers and Superintendents of Public Instruction. Nothing has been done to correct the defects and abuses of the system, and to protect the property of the State from spoliation.

The source and sum of all unresolvable and extortionate charges made by railroads upon the public, is the "watered stock" so-called. In other words, stock issued far in excess of the cost of their construction. The railroads are entitled to a reasonable remuneration for the services they perform and to a reasonable profit on the capital invested in the building and operation of their lines.

his crimes, and has not yet been apprehended. The Warden, Colonel Jones, asks that the Legislature make a searching and impartial investigation of this embezzlement, and the management of the prison generally. This report should be completed with not only the facts of the crime, but also the facts of the proper person, and the justice of the State, and encourage industries within the very walls of the State's prison.

The Insurance Department. The report of the Superintendent of Insurance furnishes a detailed exhibit of the transactions of his office, and your attention is directed to its statements and recommendations. An immense amount of money is annually paid for insurance in this State.

The Permanent School Fund. For many years past certain fraudulent and dishonest persons have been receiving from the State a large sum of money, and aggregating \$140,000, have been counted as school lands, and the proceeds of their sale have been appropriated to the support of the common schools.

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Every Governor of the State during the past ten years has called the attention of the Legislature to, and advised a repeal or amendment of the act of March 2, 1862, which abolishes capital punishment by indirect means. In my judgment it would be better to abolish the death penalty absolutely than to continue in force the present law.

Our crimes act originally brought over from Missouri, in 1858, has never received any attention from the Legislature. It needs revision and amendment. But your attention will be called only to one important part that has been the subject of much discussion in some of our courts, namely, the difficulty of distinguishing between a murder in the first degree under section 2, and an excusable homicide under the second clause of section 11.

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THE STOCK INTERESTS. Barred prospects have reached me from stock owners in several portions of the State against the proposed National cattle trail. The losses from Texas fever, so called, are much greater than are generally supposed. It is the duty of the Legislature to take prompt action to prevent the driving of such cattle through any portion of the State during the months of the year when the disease is prevalent.

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. The State Historical Society of Kansas has become a permanent organization of the country. Its reports are instructive and valuable, and its influence upon the public mind is steadily increasing. It was organized to promote has been well organized. Your attention is directed to the fact that a series of resolutions recently adopted, and which will be presented to you.

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