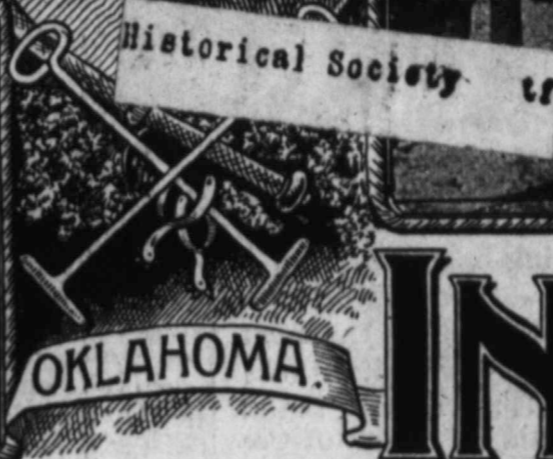
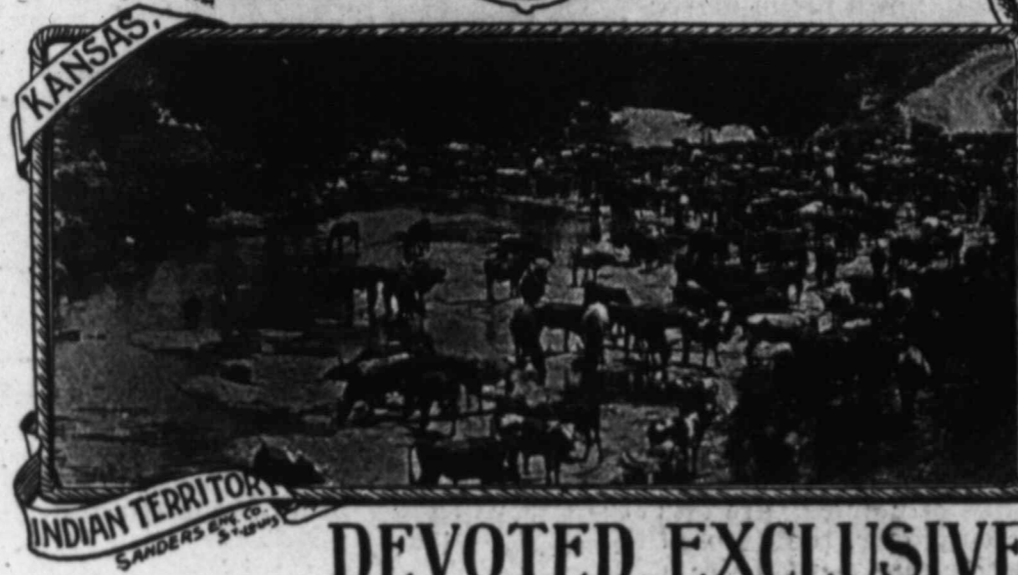


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From Our Exchanges.

Shawnee is to have a \$75,000 gas plant.

The corner stone of the First Congregational Church was laid at Gage on the 15th.

Enid expects to have a street car system in full operation in three or four months.

Hibbs is the name of a new post-office that has been recently established at Missouri Flats in Beaver county.

President Beuchamp has resigned his position as President of the Oklahoma State Baptist College at Blackwell and accepted a position with a college at McAlester.

In speaking of the Rock Island-Frisco merger, the Enid Echo says that town has the "merger" a little more numerous than any of its neighbors as three Frisco and three Rock Island lines enter that town.

Custer county is to have a new jail building. The grand jury thinks the old one will not stand moving and that the "county seat" location being in doubt, the better plan is to find a permanent location and build a new one.

"All is well that ends well." "It now seems that the interview given out by W. S. Fulton, of the Alva Review; in which he slanders Oklahoma, is going to do the country lots of good. The simultaneous denunciation that he received by other papers all over the territory directs attention to the conditions and show up Mr. Fulton as an outcast of the newspapers of the fair land of Oklahoma—Carmen Headlight.

W. O. Mercer brought a few head of wheat from a patch he sowed with Ironclad seed last fall. The heads are very long and well filled out and the straw is exceedingly stiff. The Ironclad is said to be rust proof and to never fall down—two very important qualities to consider in wheat seed. He sent last fall and got one hundred and twenty pounds of seed and it just measured one bushel and three pecks—a very heavy wheat. He expects to have a good start in the wheat this year and well sow a large area of it—Okeene Eagle.

A new kind of grafter is said to be working in the territory. He is in possession of K. of P. grip and password, wears a Knight of Pythias pin and knows the secret work thoroughly. His method is to borrow small sums of the members and get a few of them to indorse bogus checks and drafts. He has reaped a rich harvest in sections of the territory, and should he strike Chandler should be given the "marble heart.".....Monday evening a young lady residing in this city was down town when the storm came up, and in her haste to reach home she lost her purse, a valuable comb from her hair, and about all the other small trinkets worn for personal adornment. Fortunately, as we said before the lady was young and has a beautiful set of teeth provided by mother nature and the hair she wears is likewise her own, consequently we are not called upon to record a tragedy.—Chandler Tribune.

Woodward is soon to have an ice plant and a two hundred barrel flour mill. About thirty buildings are now under course of construction—LENORA LEADER.

The territorial board of health met at Guthrie on the 21st and took action on the charge that had been made that tainted meats were being disposed of in that place. They found the charges true. Meats in a decaying condition having been found in a car that was being sold in competition with local dealers. Most of the meat in the car was good, while three quarters of beef were found tainted. It was the opinion of the board of health, and of the members of the live stock sanitary board with whom a joint session was held, that the car had been reloaded with fresh meat while some of that which was older had not been removed.

A team of horses belonging to a Blaine county farmer were drowned in a forty foot well last week. The farmer had started to fill the well with dirt and in a manner unknown to the driver of the team the horses slipped into the well and were drowned in a few minutes. As we stated last week we want a girl to learn typesetting. Our reasons for preferring a girl to a boy are these: First, and foremost, we very much prefer the smell of onions to the smell of cigarettes—some girls use neither. Second, As a rule girls don't swear every other breath; we want to do all the office swearing our own self. Third, They are usually free from the disgusting habit of tobacco chewing. Then after all this, they are as a rule steadier, quicker to learn and more accurate in their work and, on general principles, are less trouble to their employer, than a boy. It will take the average person from two to four months to become proficient enough to enable them to draw any wages.—Blaine Co Vanguard.

The Gage Creamery Co. have received their charter and are making preparations to build and expect to have their creamery in full running order in a short time.

The Kingfisher, O. T. Free Press this week prints a list of the names of 370 persons who have been taken into the church at the Tabernacle meetings being conducted by Oliver Bros. at that place.

Oklahoma is indeed a picture of waving green, more beautiful than the Emerald Island. The wheat fields tributary to Enid are booming, and thirty days hence the music of the reapers will enchant husbandman and merchant alike.

Judge Billups is lording it over the rest of us on account of his having new English peas from his own vines on his table Saturday, and challenges anyone to equal it. The judge says his garden "sass" has been doing duty since April 20.—Cordel Weekly Beacon.

To show that the climate of Oklahoma is beneficial to all mankind we take the following from the Beaver Herald. "William R. Haley, of Fulton, was among business callers in town Monday. Mr. Haley is now in his ninety-second year but in spite of this fact, gets around in a livelier manner than many who are much younger in years. He says he is yet only a boy and but for an occasional cold, enjoys perfect health."

Ben Vanderwork is about ready to remove the splints from his index toe, big finger and eye-brows, and the mules have nearly healed up, except where they were hurt. He was coming from Enid and the mules saw a load of hay, got scared at the strange object and ran against a telephone pole and fell over each other. Meantime Ben jumped out, stepped on one eye and punctured his person with his eye-brows, breaking one or two of them smack off.—Oklahoma Hornet.

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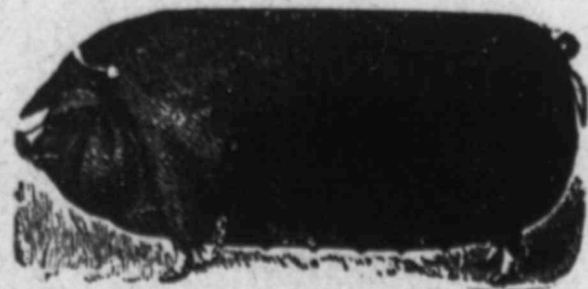
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Lots of people make their calls over the telephone.

The best unionist is the man who strives to make all matters amicable between employer and employe.

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MISS MABEL LEWIS BOLTON.

Just at this time when the pulse of fair Oklahoma is bounding with life and joyousness over abundant harvest, peace plenty and prospects of immediate statehood, another wreath of fame has been added by Oklahoma's Sponsor at the Confederate Veterans Reunion at New Orleans in May, Miss Mabel Lewis Bolton who was said to be the most beautiful young lady of all the charming repre-

WOODWARD COUNTY AND CITY

The early history of Oklahoma is known to everyone in America better than that of any other state or Territory aside from the original thirteen states in the Union.

In the settlement of all others, the process has been slow; here it has been instantaneous.

In other states, the climate, soil and prospects for development have called men to build up governments within their bounds; here, thousands have stood in line waiting the signal gun or chance for a draw, to claim a home on the most fertile soil, in the most salubrious climate and under the fairest skies ever warmed and lighted and purified by the golden rays the sun of the universe.

representatives of states and Territories in attendance. Miss Bolton is a resident of Hobart; her father was chief clerk of the House of Representatives in the last legislative Assembly and her disposition is as sweet and charming as she is beautiful in form and feature. The publisher of this paper feels a pardonable pride in presenting his little cousin to its readers in this manner.

Primarily, Oklahoma is an Indian word signifying "Land of the Fair God" or "Beautiful Land." In the fullness of fertility, this name has been corrupted into "Belly Full Land" by the tribes of delighted farmers and stock growers who have entered into and developed the first roseate tints of the future greatness of our young commonwealth.

But the real history of Oklahoma has not yet begun, as it were, for we are still outside the portals of Uncle Sam's Statehood Corral.

The period of responsible self government has been long overdue yet we are still in leading strings and all history up to the present time is necessarily antenatal to the date of our birthright as

American citizens of a free and responsible self-governed commonwealth. But the tide is now in our favor and the time will soon come when we will no longer be compelled to use Washington City as our Mecca, in order to worship the flag of the free, the star spangled banner of America.

Oklahoma is familiar with the word "openings" for its settlements recorded by each successive right to enter upon and cultivate the virgin soil of Indian holdings by the "opening" of some white settlement. On September 16th, 1893, Woodward county was "opened" to settlers, along with other counties composing what was then known as the "Cherokee strip." This latter consisted of a body of land sixty three miles wide by 180 miles long, reaching from the Arkansas river on the east to Beaver county on the west and adjoining the Kansas border on the north. The westernmost of all the counties cut from this strip, comprises the empire known on the map as the land of Woodward.

The town of Woodward sprang up as if by magic, in a day, on September 16, 1893. At high noon there were only a few persons, and those employed in the Government service only, to be seen, in addition to the railway agent and his clerks, and the Railway eating house people. At one p. m. a town of 1200 people were busy building houses, moving in goods, surveying lands and performing the usual avocations of life while an extra force of land office clerks and managers were kept busy with filings and a fully officered county government took charge of the peace and welfare of the people generally.

The appointed officers were as follows:
Appointed September 16, 1893.
J. D. F. Jennings, Probate Judge;
J. E. Love, Sheriff;
H. S. Emmerson, Treasurer;
A. O. Kincaid, County Clerk;
B. B. Smith, Co. Supt. Jan. 1894;
C. H. Webster, County Surveyor.
T. L. O'Bryan, }
R. J. Ray, Ch'rm. } Co. Commissioners.
W. T. Judkins }
The first elected officers were Nov. 6, 1894.

E. S. Wiggins, Treasurer;
C. E. Oden, Sheriff,
John McGrath, Register of Deeds;
Bertha McPherson, Co. Supenintendent;
J. M. Workman, Coroner;
Thos. Doran, County Clerk;
B. B. Smith, County Attorney;
J. D. F. Jennings, Probate Judge.
A. P. Ellis, County Surveyor.
John Ruttman, Ch'rm. }
John White, } Co. Com.
W. T. Judkins. }

As the depot was one mile east of the "Government Square" as it was termed, where the land office and the Court house were first located, two towns began a scrapping match on the dot, the depot location being chosen by a colony enlisted at Denver, Colo., by Dr. B. F. Milton, S. B. Laune and others and the "Govern-

ment Site" by the new comers.

For seventeen months the war waxed furious and more or less bad feeling was engendered, culminating in an occasional bloodless battle, but steadily increasing in venom, when an order from the Government directed the Santa Fe to move the depot to within one fourth mile of the government town. "The Denver" town having lost its depot got on wheels and moved one half mile west to the line and the government people extended their principal holdings one half mile east, thus joining the two, and the war was ended forever.

After the first flush of the opening, the town settled back to development basis and has steadily grown since then. Owing to the fact that most of people had piled up big losses as a result of the land boom in Kansas and Texas a few years previously, the fertility of Woodward county was overlooked and the cow man came in and took peaceable possession of the thousands of acres of rich nutritious grass until the coming of the farmer six or seven years later occupied the pasture lands and made the business unprofitable.

Owing to the state of affairs, Woodward county never suffered by reason of lack of revenue as many other new counties in Oklahoma did during their early settlement. While waiting for the lands to become taxable, hundreds of thousands of cattle bore the burden of taxes, and when they were moved from the county, their place was taken by many acres of farm and ranch lands upon which final entry had been made in the meantime.

This has always kept Woodward county in fine healthy condition financially, and places it today in better circumstances than most counties in the states.

Old Camp Supply located eighteen miles northwest of Woodward was at the time of the settlement occupied by troops and a splendid body of land was held as a reservation to maintain same. In 1894 the post was abandoned by the army and in 1900 all but the two sections of the reservations was sold to the highest bidder. The last Oklahoma Legislature voted to utilize the Post as a Territorial Insane Asylum, on account of its most healthful location and as soon as a railroad of some sort can be constructed the appropriation made for the care and maintenance and cure of those unfortunates will be available.

In addition to Woodward there are a number of flourishing little cities in Woodward county, the principal ones being Gage, Persimmon, Curtis, Shattuck, Oleta, Supply, Richmond, Quinlan and Mooreland.

The Post offices of Woodward county at this date are:

Abbie.	McNeal.
Alexandar.	May.
Burgar.	Mooreland.
Bloomfield.	Moscow.

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Communicated.

EDITOR INSPECTOR:—Recently I read an article signed by J. E. Johnson, he seems to have a great hatred to everything socialistic, and in jingle of words such as Physiologically Geologically Phycologically &c., he denounces Socialism. I have never studied Physiology being a plain home spun farmer, but I have studied a little of Phrenology and I would like to examine the head of the gentleman, just to see if the knowledge bump on his head is as big as a castor bean? I would ask Mr. Johnson what function performed by the Government would he have go back in the hands of private individuals, would the gentleman have our Public School system abolished? Yet our Public school system is socialistic, and also our postal system, our army and navy, our police system, our country, roads all these are socialists. Does Mr. Johnson know that the leaders of both the Democrat and Republican parties are beginning to see that socialism is coming with rapid strides, and they are trying to head it off by adopting some of its principles. The National Democrat Platform calls for the referendum. Socialists have advocated that for over 15 years, and right in the Republican state of Oregon last June, it was adopted by a vote of the people, it carried by a vote of 12 to 1. The Democratic platform of the state of New York demanded the government ownership of all mines and they cut the Republican majority of 175,000 down to less than 18,000. The people of New York state don't seem to be afraid of Socialism as Mr. Johnson is. Does Mr. Johnson know that Mayor Carter Harrison, of Chicago, and Mayor Tom Johnson, of Cleveland, both ran on a platform demanding the municipal ownership of the street car lines and were both elected by increased majority. The people of Chicago and Cleveland seem to be boiling over with socialism. Mr. Johnson says this class of individuals (meaning socialists) never did anything for the advancement of the country, don't Mr. Johnson know that some of the greatest and noblest men that ever lived believed in socialistic principles. Such men as William Morris, John Ruskin, Herbert Spencer, Count Leo Tolstar, Emile Zala, Hall Caine, Henry D. Loyd, Dr. Lyman Abbott, Prof. Ely, Prof. Herron and others to numerous to mention. Does Mr. Johnson believe that these men never done anything for the advancement of this country and the world at large? Mr. Johnson says "We must recognize natural laws; riches go in the hands of a few men who can prevent it?" Don't Mr. Johnson know that if the oil wells belonged to the government, riches would not go in the hands of John D. Rockefeller and the Standard Oil trust, those riches would be among the people, and if the government owned the rail roads does Mr. Johnson believe that riches would

The Free Methodists, of the Cleo District, will hold a District Camp Meeting in C. J. Mize's grove, on Sand Creek near Moscow. Eight miles south and eight miles east of Woodward, and six miles north and two miles west of Persimmon, Woodward Co. Okla. Beginning Wednesday May 27th, and

go in the hands of the Goulds, the Vanderbills, Morgans, Hills and Gates. No their millions would be among the people who created that wealth and where it rightfully belongs. Abraham Lincoln in his message to Congress, December 30, 1861, said labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor and could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital and deserves much the higher consideration. I suppose if Mr. Johnson had been around about that time he would have denounced Mr. Lincoln as a socialist and would have said he never done anything for the advancement of the country. Mr. Johnson says there has been in this country a seet that have prophesied that the world was coming to an end, and in a similar manner the socialists have been prophesing dire callanitys. I would ask Mr. Johnson if that seet isn't similar to the old party politicians, every 4 years in the last 40 years the politicians have prophesied that prosperity was just at hand and all the people had to do was to put them in office and prosperity would cover our defenseless heads with the shadow of its wing. But, alas, there are just as many men tramping the country looking for employment as ever and the cost of living has increased over 50 per cent. The gentleman seems to think that socialism means the collective ownership of all products. It seems Mr. Johnson heard a bell some where, but he don't seem to know where the clapper hangs. Socialism means the collective ownership of the tools of production, not the production. Under socialism every man would be intitled to the full products of his labor and would not be at the mercy of a rail road nor a grain gambling combine. Mr. Johnson says there is not a law in the statutes that is any more for the rich man than for the poor man, and he sends a sweeping challenge to a gentleman whom he calls Max Reir or Rein to prove there is. Now let us see, Mr. Johnson, the foundation of these great fortunes were laid during and after the civil war. One of the laws passed a few years after the war was the retiring of the green back and a manny who had \$50,000 in green backs could go to the government at Washington and get \$50,000 worth of interest bearing bonds for it. The government destroys the green backs and the law said the man who held the bonds could start a National Bank by depositing the bonds with the government. The government would furnish \$45,000 in National Bank notes give them to the owner of the bonds and he would start a National Bank he would draw 4 or 5 per cent from the Government as interest on the bonds, and at the same time drawing 2 per cent a month from the farmer and a chattle mortgage. Now Mr. Johnson where was our \$50,000 when that was going on we had an equal chance, but as a general thing poor people don't carry \$50,000 around in their overall pockets and there are other laws that was passed where the rich man made thousands of dollars where the poor man made a dollar. Such laws as were passed when they built the Union Pacific rail road. That company had laws passed under which the famous or infamous credit Mabeleir

steal took place, but Mr. Johnson or myself wasn't in on that deal, yet we had an equal chance. Mr. Johnsons arguments put me in mind of the old fable of a man who had a pet crane and a dog, he would fill a jug of water for them both to drink out of, the crain with his long beak could reach in the mouth of the jug and get all the water he wanted, but the poor dog died of thirst, yet he had an equal chance, with the crane. Mr. Johnson says (I challenge the gentleman to show how the country is going) According to the increase of the socialist vote last fall it is going socialistic Mr. Johnson going socialistic. Get into the procession Mr. Johnson and future generations will rise up and call thee blessed.

WILL U.
Richmond, Okla.

Dairy Test.

Plans are being made and rules and regulations formulated for a dairy test at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition from May to November of next year. The different Cattle Breeders' associations have been invited to furnish herds for this. The object is to demonstrate practically how economically milk and butter may be produced under certain conditions. Representatives of the Cattle Breeders' organizations have been in conference with Chief Coburn at St. Louis upon his invitation, and he is relying upon them, together with the foremost dairy experts of the country, to work out the plans for the most thorough and satisfactory test ever undertaken.

A superintendent will be appointed by the Chief of the Live Stock department of the Exposition, to have general charge. Each breeders' association participating will name a superintendent in its own behalf. The American Jersey Cattle Club has already selected C. T. Graves, of Maitland, Mo., who with the Club's executive committee is hard at work on the many preliminary arrangements for the great contest. There will be three classes provided for the cows entered for this test, viz.: Class A, consisting of twenty-five cows; Class B, fifteen cows, and Class C, ten cows. For the latter class only cows of the Devon, Brown Swiss, Red Polled and Dutch Bolted breeds will be eligible. The cows and their milking will be in the Live Stock Department, and the milk when drawn will go to Chief Taylor of the Agricultural Department, under whose supervision it will be made into butter and cheese, and exact records kept of each cow's performance and product.

The other day William went over to Sibley's desk and said: "Joe, do you remember that fine park back of your house up there on Lake Champlain?"

"Indeed, I do," replied Sibley.

"Why?"

"Well, I'm writing a beautiful poem about a lovely girl and a hand some young man sitting on the fence there in the gloaming making love."

"That's impossible," protested Sibley.

"Why?" inquired Williams indignantly. "Are the young men and women of northern New York so cold blooded that they do not make love in the gloaming?"

"No," snickered Sibley, "but the fence you're putting in the poem is made of barbed wire."

The Butcher Man's Moan.

With garb uncouth and grimed face marked
By many a furrowed line;
With tear and sigh and moan he said
"My name is Christian Klein.

"I was an East Side butcher, sir,
For many happy years;
A false love slaughtered my fond hopes—
So pray excuse these steers!

"Oh, Bekle Katie Dinkelspeil!
Why for you did I yearn?
Why give to you my fresh heart, and
Ask skewers in return?

"I said I'd carve my way to wealth;
She vowed she'd marry me.
Infatuated! The time
How brisket seemed to flee!

"But she proved false. One day she wrote—
It was no tenderline—
"I love the baker, and I am
Frankfurter own it; Klein!

"I livér lone for him, and oh!
He finds his knead in me.
I never sausage love as his!
It suets me to a T!"

"I read, then cried, 'She's tongue me deep.
A viper have I nursed!
Oh, sir, of all bad cuts I've had,
That was the very wurst!"

"One thought is branded in my brain—
Your pity, pray, allow—
Where my poor head she fondled once,
His headcheese pressing now!"

Then paused the uncouth butcher 'nan,
And fierce his eyes did glare;
And closing tight his brawny fist,
Right furiously he swore:

"False Katie Dinkelspeil," he cried,
"I'll haunch ye till I die!
But saddle be my lonely lot!"
"Pork Christian Klein!" quoth I.

The good man dried his tearful eyes
And said, "It's back beer time;
Oh, sir! Oh, could you favor me
Bolognaing me a dime!"

—Ed. Mott, in New-York Sun.

A Family Cow.

We believe in advertising—every enterprising man does. In the last issue of the Platteville news we noticed the following item:

"FOR SALE.—A good family cow. J. H. Thompson, Belmont, Wis."

As we are thinking of buying a cow—if we can borrow the money—we are desirous of learning something about the strain to which this "family cow belongs." No well regulated printer with money to burn, would rush madly in and over bid one of his subscribers on a "family cow" without first knowing the size of the "family," and whether or not the case is long standing. What we want to find out is whether this "family is married, or whether a widow, with a dozen "little cowsees," a grass widow or an old maid cow that has passed the millenium and grown morose and sullen with country life and wants a good suburban home, where she can hold despotic sway. If the latter applies in any way to the "family cow" which the Belmont gentleman wishes to get rid of, he need not write us, as market reports give no quotations on this kind of "family cows."

This is going the rounds: A Texas reporter was sent to write up a cattle show and a fashionable ball on the same day. Unfortunately he took too much wine, and got things mixed up a bit as follows; Miss A. D., a beautiful young heifer with red and white on her back and fore shoulders, was charmingly arrayed in blue velvet, and ornamented with a cow bell. Mr. A. C., a fashionable yearling half-breed, looked very well in lavender colored pants and loose cocleburrs in his tail; no ornaments. Mrs. A. K. L., a Texas-raised cow, very gentle, looked lovely in amber colored silk with lace trimmings; wore a new belt on her shapely neck."

COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

To the citizens and tax payers, of Woodward county, O. T.

Our session laws of 1901, provided for the establishment of a county high school and for building and maintenance of the same in each county. Woodward county is 58 by 60 miles, has an area of 3480 square miles larger than the states of Rhode Island and Delaware combined. We have a valuation of more than 82,500,000. We have a population of over 30,000. Where is a High school building more needed than at Woodward, and where is a county that the benefits accruing from high school facilities will be appreciated more? What are we waiting for? Will this school building in ten years from today do the young man and the young women of today any good? This is an important question for all citizens and parents of Woodward county to decide. Let us not stand still while the great procession of progress moves forward. Let us move, let us act, let us have a high school building at Woodward, of which our children and the people who come after us will be proud. Let us grasp the opportunity with which the legislators of Oklahoma, in their wisdom have provided us. We have the ability, we have the energy, we have the means.

In order to get this matter thoroughly before the citizens and tax payers of Woodward county you will find published herewith the act of the Legislature of Oklahoma, authorizing the establishment of and providing means for the building and maintaining of county high schools.

JOHN J. GERLACH.

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COUNTIES MAY ESTABLISH COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS.

An Act to Authorize the Establishment and Maintenance of County High Schools.
Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Oklahoma.

SECTION 1. Each county in the Territory of Oklahoma having a population of six thousand inhabitants or over as shown by the last Territorial or Federal census, may establish a high school on the conditions and in the manner hereinafter prescribed for the purpose of affording better educational facilities for pupils more advanced than those attending district schools.

PETITION FOR ELECTION; NOTICE OF ELECTION.

SECTION 2. When one-third of the electors of the county, as shown by the returns of the last preceding election, shall petition the Board of County Commissioners requesting that a high school be established in their county at a place in the said petition named, or whenever the said County Commissioners shall in their discretion think proper, they shall give twenty days notice previous to any general or special election, that they will submit the question to the electors of said county whether such high school shall be established, and at the place specified at which election the electors of the county shall vote by ballot for or against establishing such high schools. The notice contemplated in this section shall be given as are all legal notices of a general or special election.

ELECTION, HOW HELD; BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HOW SELECTED; BOND OF.

SECTION 3. Said election shall be held in the same manner as are elections for county officers; and the votes on said question shall be canvassed in the same manner as in the election of county officers, and if a majority of all the votes cast shall be in favor of establishing such high school, the County Commissioners shall immediately proceed to appoint six persons, who shall be residents and freeholders of the county, but not more than three of whom shall be residents of the same township or city or members of the same political party, who shall with the county superintendent of instruction, constitute the board of trustees for such school. Each of said trustees, appointed as aforesaid, shall hold his office for a term of one year or until his successor is appointed and qualified and shall be required in ten days after appointment to qualify by taking the usual oath of office, and by giving such bond as may be required by said Board of County Commissioners for faithful discharge of such duties.

ORGANIZATION OF BOARD; QUORUM.

SECTION 4. The county superintendent shall, by virtue of his office, be president of said board of trustees in each year they shall appoint from their own members a secretary and treasurer who shall perform the duties devolving upon such officers and shall give such additional bond as the County Commissioners shall deem sufficient. A majority of said board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business, but four votes in the affirmative or negative shall be required to decide any question.

TRUSTEES TO MAKE ESTIMATES FOR LEVY; LIABILITY.

SECTION 5. At said first meeting, or at some succeeding meeting called for such purpose prior to the 15th day of June of each year, the trustees shall make an itemized estimate of the amount of funds needed for building purposes, for payment of teachers' wages, and for payment of contingent expenses, and they shall present to the Board of County Commissioners a certified estimate of the rate of tax required to raise the amount desired for such purposes. But in no case shall the tax for teachers' wages and contingent expenses exceed in any one year eight mills on the dollar on the taxable property of the county. All indebtedness created by said board of trustees in excess of eighty per cent of the tax so levied shall be void as against said fund but may be recovered from the individual members voting to create the same.

HOW COLLECTED.

SECTION 6. Said tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as other county taxes, and when collected the county treasurer shall pay the same to the treasurer of the county high school in the same manner that school funds are paid to the district treasurers.

TREASURER OF HIGH SCHOOL, DUTIES OF; REPORT.

SECTION 7. The said treasurer of the high school shall receive from the county treasurer and from other parties all moneys that belong to the funds of said school, and shall pay the same only by direction of the board

of trustees, upon orders duly signed by the president and countersigned by the secretary, stating the purpose for which they were drawn. Both secretary and treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all moneys received and expended for said school, and at the close of each year or oftener if required by the board of trustees, they shall make a full statement of the financial affairs of the school.

SELECTING SITE; CONTRACT FOR BUILDING; MAY LEASE BUILDING.

SECTION 8. The board of trustees shall proceed as soon as practicable, to select at the place determined by the vote of the county the best site that can be obtained without expense to the county, and the title hereto shall be vested in said county; they shall then proceed to make purchases of material and let such contracts for the erection of necessary school buildings as they may deem proper, but shall not make any purchase or contract in any one year to exceed the amount of cash on hand and eighty per cent of the tax levied for that year. The board of trustees, at their discretion, may lease suitable buildings for the use of the high school until the erection of such new buildings, the rent to be paid out of the fund created by this Act.

SELECTING TEACHERS.

SECTION 9. The board of trustees shall employ a suitable person who shall take charge of said school and teach the same and shall be known as the principal of such school; and the trustees shall furnish such assistant teachers as they may deem necessary, and shall provide for the salaries thereof; *Provided*, That no member of the board of trustees or the wife, son or daughter of such member shall be employed as principal or teacher in such school.

RULES AND REGULATIONS; SEPARATE SCHOOLS.

SECTION 10. Tuition shall be free to all pupils residing in the county where the school is located. The board of trustees shall make such general rules and regulations as they deem proper in regard to age and grade of attainments essential to entitle pupils to admission in such school; *Provided*, That no person shall be admitted to such high school who shall not have passed a satisfactory examination in all the work of district schools of the county in which such high school is situated. If there should be more applicants than can be accommodated at any one time in such high school, each district shall be entitled to send its equal proportions of pupils according to the number of pupils it may have, as shown by the last report of the county superintendent of public instruction; the board of trustees shall designate such pupils as may attend subject to the proviso above; *Provided, further*, When the board of trustees shall deem the same expedient they may provide separate school facilities and teachers for pupils of colored or mixed blood who are otherwise qualified for admission to such high schools.

PUPILS FROM OTHER COUNTIES.

SECTION 11. If at any time the school can accommodate more pupils than apply for admission from that county in which the school is situated the vacancy may be filled by applicants from other counties upon the payment of

such tuition as the board of trustees may prescribe, but at no time shall such pupils continue in such schools to the exclusion of such pupils residing in the county in which such school is located.

PRINCIPAL TO CONDUCT AND GOVERN SCHOOL.

SECTION 12. The principal of such high school with the approval of the board of trustees, shall make such rules and regulations as he may deem proper in regard to the studies and conduct and government of the pupils in such schools; and if the pupils will not conform to nor obey the rules of the school, they may be suspended or expelled therefrom by the principal of said school to the approval of the board of trustees, provided, that the principal shall have power to temporarily suspend.

GRADUATES MAY ENTER TERRITORIAL COLLEGES.

SECTION 13. Those graduating from the normal course in the county high school shall be entitled to a teacher's second grade certificate and shall be admitted to the first year of professional work at the Territorial Normal schools without further examination; and those graduating from the collegiate course shall be entitled to admission to the freshman class of the freshman class of the Territorial University and the Territorial Agricultural and Mechanical College without further examination.

ANNUAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES, WHAT TO CONTAIN.

SECTION 14. The board of trustees shall annually on the first day of July of each year, make a report to the County Commissioners which report shall specify the number of students attending the high school during the year, their sex, and the number of branches taught, the text books used, the number of teachers employed, the salaries paid and the amounts expended respectively for library, apparatus, building, and for all other purposes; also the amount of funds on hand, the debts unpaid, if any; the amounts due if any; and all other information deemed important or expedient to report. Such report shall be printed in at least one newspaper of the county if any is published therein, and a copy of the report shall be forwarded to the Territorial Superintendent of Public Instruction.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES; VACANCY, HOW FILLED.

SECTION 15. The County Commissioners shall have power to fill any vacancy that may occur in the board of trustees.

SALARY OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

SECTION 16. The County Commissioners shall allow the secretary and treasurer of the board of trustees a salary not to exceed fifty dollars per annum each; the same to be audited and paid in a like manner as other claims by the said board of trustees. Said trustees shall not be entitled to or receive any other additional remuneration.

SECTION 17. All Acts and parts of Acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 18. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved this 8th day of March, 1901.
See Amendment session June 1903.

Woodward, County and City

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At this time, Woodward county has eleven newspapers, five banks, and nearly all other lines of business. Readers are requested to note particularly the advertisements in this issue, as same have been ordered specially by the different firms. These will be found safe and reliable as no frauds are advertised in this paper knowingly. This being the fifth

issue of the WOODWARD NEWS during this month it is therefore an extra and only advertisers giving special orders are allowed space. This action is taken in fairness to everyone concerned.

This issue commemorates the Decennial Anniversary of The WOODWARD NEWS, under the ownership and management of the Publisher. Finding it has grown to such an extent, in connection with other demands upon his time the Publisher has deemed it wise to take on an assistant and according during the present month has associated with him Mr. Chas. S. O'Bryan, who will have charge during the publisher's absence at all times.

The present issue of the NEWS differs from its regular weekly issue in no respect except as to quality of print paper, a better grade being used this time to carry the illustrations and the map of Woodward county as shown on supplement of this issue. And while on this subject, the information is here given that the NEWS is sent only to paid in advance subscribers, whether for three, six or twelve months, and the rate is only one dollar for a year.

A number of copies are sent this issue to friends of our patrons by their request and for which no charge is made other than their regular subscription. Any one wishing extra copies of this issue may obtain same until the supply is exhausted, at the rate of five cents per copy. All orders for regular subscription are given prompt attention.

WOODWARD HOT SPRINGS.

Wonderful Resources of Woodward County.

Howard, Woodward county, Oklahoma, Middle Saline Reservation, May 23, 1903.

EDITOR INSPECTOR:

Woodward, Okla.

Dear Sir:—Wishing to give to the readers of your valuable paper, the

WOODWARD NEWS, and to the people of Woodward county and all who may read your paper for the benefit of Free Homes in this county and for the advancement and benefit of all those who desire to know about the Middle Saline Reservation may get a brief sketch of same in the writeup of this date in Woodward county, O. T.

The Saline Reserve contains seven by nine miles and contains a fraction over sixty miles, and that portion of the Reserve that is covered by salt is estimated to be eight thousand acres and is valuable for the large amount of salt which forms in dry weather by solar evaporation, from four inches thick to that of fourteen inches, and one peculiar feature of the formation of this salt is the great number of boiling springs that are to be seen in the salt bed throwing up the clear salt water which causes the salt to form and during the heat of summer causes the plains to become a vast ocean of snow, which causes the sun to blister one's hands and face, and in winter time is a very bleak and cold stretch to travel over. One other feature of the Reserve is the Artesian wells that were put down last fall by John Mincher, one well to the depth of 70 odd feet that is a constant gusher, throwing up that of the strongest salt water that tested ninety-five per cent salt. The distance across the salt bed in the widest place is three miles, and the amount of salt that gathers during the hot, dry weather will range somewhere near fifty and one hundred thousand car loads. The Alva Mineral Company and other corporations have most of the claims in the Reserve but there are some mineral claims yet to be taken. The prospect for oil is very good on account of the Hot Springs and are located at the mouth of Wild Cat Creek and are noted for their medicinal properties and in time this section will be famed as a health resort. The first settlers south of the Reserve are as follows: L. P. Snedeger, Wm. Hackney and the Five Nixon Families who have taken five claims of the best land in the Buffalo Bottoms, the next is E. L. and E. W. Scott, on Elm Creek and as settlers came in fast the land has about all been taken with the exception of a few rough claims that are left for the late comer. The first store on the Reserve began to supply the settlers on July 6th, 1902, and later on April 7th, 1903 a postoffice was established at Howard, O. T., bringing and dispatching the mails three times per week. The population at the present time numbers 115 and the prospect for a railroad at the present time is good and the community is in need of a doctor and a preacher and the agricultural interests are of the best quality and the morals of the neighborhood are excellent.—READER

One day last week a couple of girls went to the livery stable and asked for a gentle horse, as they wanted to drive out in the country a few miles. The man gave them one and told them the horse would be all right if they kept the rein from his tail. When they returned in the evening he asked them if they had any trouble. "Oh, no," said one, "there was one little shower, but we had an umbrella and we took turns at holding it over the horse's tail, so that there was not a drop of rain touched it, and we got along all right." That explains the dazed look the liveryman has been wearing the past few days.

Oklahoma Press Association.

The annual Press meet was at Lawton this year, May 19th and was in many respects a huge success the attendance being fair and the interest beyond the average.

The usual trouble appeared early in the fact that the hospitable citizens of Lawton over-entertained thus giving too little time for business and discussion of papers.

Very interesting features were the papers of Mrs. French of the Chandler Publicist on "How to make a Daily pay in small towns"; and of Bert Howard of the Lawton Republican on Type setting machines in Country towns."

A carriage drive to Fort Lill, watching target practice by the troops and a picnic in the mountains were features of Lawton's entertainment.

Col. Kingsburg at the Fort very pleasantly entertained the writer and others and extended appreciated courtesies.

On account of very limited space this issue the NEWS, the writer regrets that he cannot say more concerning the value of this meeting and tell of the phenomenal beauty and greatness of Lawton the "Magic City" but it is a wonder to everyone and will be the third if not the second largest city in Oklahoma at no distant date.

Enid S. S. Convention

Thinking some of your readers would be glad to hear from the S. S. convention held at Enid commencing on Tuesday last and holding three days. The convention met on time and program fully carried out.

Mrs. Mary Foster Bryner of Ill. in her talks was the principal attraction. J. H. Engle of Kansas inspiration to all and his addresses was a help to all.

The convention was very fortunate in having Prof. E. O. Excell of Chicago to lead the singing. The S. S. of the city had a Parade the first day with about seven hundred in line marching to the opera house which was soon filled to listen to Mrs. Bryner as she conducted a Boys and Girls meeting. She believes in boys and girls and her talk as all of her talks were soul cheering.

The convention was noted for its enthusiasm for its instruction and the benefits that will accrue from some. The number of delegates which was three hundred and the energy and liberality of the citizens of Enid in providing for an taking care of delegates.

I wish that we would have had some of the S. S. workers of Woodward Co. with us as it would have given them courage to go on in their work and they would have found many things to help them along.

Five counties were not represented but most of them had good strong delegations. I was somewhat lonely as being the only delegate from Woodward Co.

Dr. Buxton as president made a good presiding officer.

When I get home I will try and give you an account of some of the things I learned at the convention.

I live near Hackberry Post Office, Woodward County, and was elected as delegate by county convention held at Moscow on first Sunday of May.

J. M. THOMAS Delegate.

Tornadoes Galore.

For the past ten days travellers and residents in Oklahoma have been treated to several opportunities to view the panorama of swiftly moving tornadoes.

The air is so light and the obstructions so few that the clouds of the storms which visited southern Kansas the past week, were watched by a number of spectators in this section of the country.

That the path of tornadoes should pass through Western Oklahoma is as unusual as the extreme cold weather we have experienced this spring. The usual order of climate for Western Oklahoma is sunshine every day in the week.

The storm nearest our neighborhood swept diagonally through Whitehead lifting one new square house—all except the kitchen floor and dining room table and carrying a block away and depositing on one side. Another long two story house was set diagonally across its foundation while the lumber yard belonging Yourk-Key presented a scene of unstacked lumber of all lengths and sizes, resembling more a collection of debris. Fortunately no lives were lost although several chimneys, barns and out buildings were over turned.

The little town of Carmen in Woods County the present terminal of the Oaient railway, was completely demolished and four lives were lost.

Last Thursday night a cyclone passed near Ashland Kansas over a path fifty yards wide, killing thirty head of horses and blowing a school house to pieces.

Prosperity has struck the South and the price of cotton has soared until there is danger that American women will have to wear silk.—Lakin (Kan.) Investigator.

"Do you subscribe to the theory that people's characters are made by what they eat?"

"No," answered the scientist; "but judging from the advertisements I should say that in many cases their reputations are made by the medicines they take."—Washington Star.

The following rates will be given on the Santa Fe Railroad on the dates given below Boston, Mass., July 6-10, 1903, one fare plus \$2.00 for the round trip. Nashville Tenn., June 1 to July 20th., 1903, one fare plus \$2.25. Tent City, Coronado Beach (San Diego) California, June 1 to August 31, 1903 rate of \$118.25 in Standard Pullman sleeper, 106.75 where two occupy same berth, 106.75 in Pullman Tourist sleeper, 100.25 where two occupy same berth.

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GEO. WITTEN, Agent.

Perry people are out "gunning" for parties who have been systematically poisoning the dogs in that place. As usual the dog that picks up the poison is never the one that it is intended for. The dog that gets his living from around the back doors and when he finds an article of food never raises a question as to ownership, but immediately settles that matter in a few hungry gulps, though the article in question may be the beefsteak for the breakfast of the household at which he is the uninvited guest, never picks up any thing that has the slightest suspicion of anything about it that is injurious to his health. He leaves all concoctions that are prepared for the express purpose of helping doggie to hasten to his "happy hunting ground" for his more fortunate brother. The fine haired dog that does not get his living by the methods pursued by the the above character is the one that usually finds the little parcels that are placed out for the "other dog" and thus when one has had their patience worn out by receiving unwelcome visits from some thieving dog and concludes some evening to put out a couple of "dog biscuits," he wakes up in the morning to find out that instead of catching the dog that has been systematically robbing his larder, he has caught his neighbors fine bird dog, that was never known to stray away from home and that is where the trouble usually begins.

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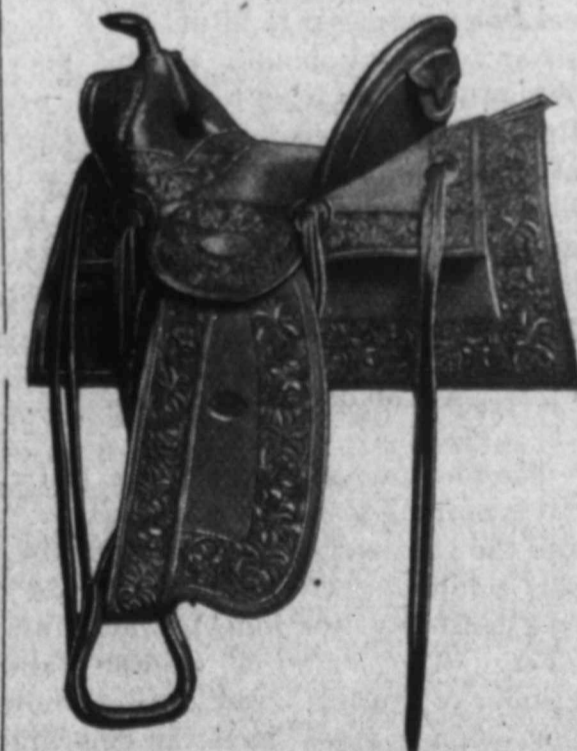
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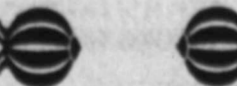
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PURELY LOCAL.

T. H. Lane, of Perry, Okla., was in Woodward Monday looking after business interests.

A. Bailey, of White Deer, Texas, was looking over this section for a location.

J. C. Lane of Kibbey has complete the work of assessing Supply township.

Wm. Egbert of Driscoll was in town Tuesday.

C. M. Cricke of Guthrie was in our city the first of the week on business.

J. L. Lindley of Stone, Okla., was a Woodward visitor Tuesday.

Sam Entriiken of Grand was seen on our streets this week.

W. C. Williams of America, Okla., was in our city the first of the week on business.

C. H. Johnson of Canadian blew into town one day last week.

Mrs. Ida Ballard, of Topeka, Kans., was in Woodward this week looking for a location.

J. W. Redford of Liberty Hall, Tex., spent Monday looking over our city.

Eugene Hodson of Carmen was calling on Woodward friends last Monday.

Thos. Lane was up from Miami, Texas, the first of the week on business.

W. H. Brown came down from Wichita Monday to look after business interests.

Edwin M. Mansel, of Anadarko, was a Woodward visitor this week.

Mrs. D. Boyd, of Topeka Kan., was down looking for a location in this part of the country.

E. M. Murphy, of Arkansas City, Who Pays Roosevelt's Junketing Bills? was in our city this week.

Hugh Hooper, of Kiowa, transacted business in the city Monday last.

Wm. H. Anthony, of Medford, O. T., was here last week, after a claim.

Charley Thompson, of Garber, O. filed on a claim in the west part of the county last week.

W. L. Pitten, of Hackberry, was in the hub Tuesday.

You can help us make this a better publication if you will patronize those who advertise in it. The more advertising that we can secure the better we can make our journal, as it is the money paid us for advertising space that enables us to improve it.

The world is full of people who would be Good Samaritans if they thought there would be dividends.—EX.

One of the hardest things in the world is to acknowledge a blunder which turned out to be profitable.—SWIPED.

A farmer named Smith once hired an unexperienced boy to help him about the place. One morning he told the boy to go and salt the calves over in the pasture. The boy took about a quart of salt, rubbed it all over the calf, working it into the hair. A gang of colts in the pasture scented the salt and got after the calf. They licked the hair off the calf's back and and tried to lick the hide off, too. The farmer tried to catch the calf, thinking he wanted to lick too, ran through a hole in the fence and disappeared down the road.

The Lenora Leader publishes the following on "one of that town's good looking young ladies is said to be terribly upset in consequence of a mistake she made the other day. Going in a hurry to a grocery store after flour she took up what she supposed was a clean pillow slip from the bureau drawer, she skipped into the store, smiling like a basket of chips, and handed the supposed slip to the grocer, who proposed to fill it. The first scoop full went plumb to the floor. When he raised it up to see what was the matter, and displayed two outlets at the bottom heavily fringed, the lady lit out without saying a word. The grocer laid the article away to await her return, but up to date she has not appeared in the vicinity."—EX.

A Lot of Horse Sense.

The fool has said in his own heart, "It is nothing to get out a local paper," and the politician thinks the newspaper columns were built to provide a free causeway for him to walk into office. The writer of epitaphs and grinder of spring verse do not know that column rules have an end and type cases a bottom and vigorously resent any office rules governing space that may interfere with the flow-for ever of their goose-quills. The editor iterates and reiterates the true story of the splendid resources of his county and section and gets damned by the 2 by 4 petty politician before whose rascality he declines to perform an humble salaam. The free-ad. grafter butt-in from every side, and sometimes the editor is courageous enough to puncture his windbag.—Earlington (Ky.) Bee.

The majority of our presidents, as a majority of all our great men, started in life as poor boys. The struggles with poverty proved the discipline which developed a greatness that otherwise would have remained latent. President Roysevelt, upon the other hand, was Lorn with a silver spoon in his mouth, and as boy and man has never felt the want of a bank account. The surprising trait in a character thus matured is the fact that no man who ever occupied the presidential chair was more in sympathy with the struggling half than is Roosevelt. And his sympathy and interest have not been evinced in words only, but in strenuous action.

In reply to the question, "Who pays the expenses of the president's junketing trip?" William Allen White says: "It is a stocky built man with a ratty mustache, a font of double pica teeth, and a jaw set with a Yale time lock; man rather below medium height, inclined to be pussy, with a voice that needs a machinist, and a vocabulary that needs a compositor—man named Roosevelt—T. Roosevelt, to be accurate. He is the first president of the United States in recent years who has refused all courtesies from the railroads and pays his way, and by the same token he is the first president in recent years whom the railroads are going to fight."—Wichita Daily Eagle.

He Minced Nothor.

From the New York Mail and Express.

A Lewiston woman purchased a new dinner set. She gave an informal dinner, and allowed her little son to sit at the table with the guests. But before the guests arrived, she took the boy aside and told him to ask all the questions that he could think of about the dishes.

"I'll tell you anything you want to know," she said, "but after the company comes I don't want you to speak of the dishes."

The boy asked every conceivable question regarding price and color and other particulars and the mother thought his curiosity must be satisfied.

But to her dismay at dinner, during a lull in the conversation, he piped out shrilly:

"Mamma! what did you do with the old ones?"

A little Woodward County Miss of less than four years of age is under going the usual process of acquiring the necessary knowledge of table etiquette, as imparted by her parents. She had been instructed that before leaving the table, she must be excused by either papa or mamma. It was Saturday evening, and mamma hurried through her supper in order that she might open her new magazine, and she turned her back to the table and proceed to read. Papa likewise turned round in his chair, and opened the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR. The young man who makes his home with the family had his favorite paper also, and hastily swallowed a few bites, and devoured the news from home. Little Miss, having no paper, and seeing no necessity for haste, finished her supper with the usual deliberation, and surveying the situation with critical eye, gave, a sigh and remarked, "Excuse me, Lamp." Papa and mamma are wondering if this does not cut both ways

Sotham's 21st Annual Auction of Hereford Cattle.

Elsewhere in these columns will be found the advertisement announcing the 21st Annual Sale of Hereford Cattle by T. F. B. Sotham, at Weavergrace Farms, Chillicothe, Mo. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 2, 3 and 4th, 1903.

Mr. Sotham is one of America's foremost Hereford Breeders and has made the breeding of this class of cattle a life time study. His herd is headed by world famed prize winners, animals that have captured every thing in sight at all the leading large Hereford Shows throughout the country. He bred, exhibited and sold "Old Times" the champion steer, who when sold in Kansas City in October 1900 made a record as the world's highest price prime beef. At the time of the sale he weighed 1574 pounds and brought \$1.53 cents per pound making a total of \$2,392.92.

The following we quote from Mr. Sotham's preliminary announcement.

Since my last sale, at Chicago, March, 1902, the Weavergrace Herefords have increased by birth and purchase until I can spare at my forthcoming sale June 2, 3 and 4th, fifty head of as good cattle, all things considered, as I have ever offered including thirteen bulls; of which five extra good ones are by IMPROVER and three by CORRECTOR out of favorite Weavergrace cows, and one is by the phenomenal champion DALE out of the celebrated prize winning \$3,700 Carnation. Taken as a lot, I have no hesitation in saying that the equal of these bulls has not been offered in years at one sale.

There are some cheaper bulls of good quality for those who desire steer-getters of the thirty-seven cows, twenty-three will have calves at foot, most of them bred again, and the balance with two exceptions will be choice heifers and young cows bred to great bulls. It is now past twenty-one years since I embarked in the Hereford business for myself. I have been earnestly interested in the breed and have personally seen the up and down for over a score of years, thus adding materially to my interest and information supplementary to that which I inherited and received from my father.

I am convinced that never before in the history of Hereford cattle have their merits been so widely known and appreciated, and never before has the demand for them been limited in its influence.

I call your attention to the following pedigrees of Hereford cattle. They contain much of the very best blood of the breed and the individuality will be found pleasing to the most painstaking breeders. I believe that I never offered a more uniform lot. I earnestly invite the attendance, of every lover of good cattle. I will sell on Tuesday and Wednesday June 2nd and 3rd, 1500 grade Hereford yearling and two-year old steers, and 500 grade cows and heifers. A limited number of choice young cows with calves by their side will be included among the grades. These grade cattle will be offered on a beef basis and it is expected that the prices on both steers and females will be within the reach of feeders. These cattle are personally selected by myself from Missouri,

Kansas, Colorado and Texas herd having in mind when making the selections their profitableness as grazing cattle. The wise grazier accumulates grass in his pastures before he turns on to it. It is like corn in the crib. This sale occurs at a good time after the grass has had a good chance to start. I would much prefer to have these cattle eating some other man's early grass than mine, but the up-to-date intelligent cattleman who forms the bulk of my customers, prefer to let the cattle eat the other man's grass until their own pastures get a good start.

To every man who expends his good money and time to attend my sale, I can faithfully promise that no booming methods will be used or tolerated; no by-bids or trickery of any sort resorted to, or allowed. I have made for myself nearly two score public sales and have conducted for others as many more; these sales have occurred in good times and bad; in fair weather foul; with the thermometer at 80 above and twenty below. After more than two decades of experience I am still thoroughly convinced that fair and honest methods will be fairly rewarded. I have good cattle to sell, whether you want grade steers and females for feeding, or pure bred bulls and females for breeding. Having these cattle to sell, I offer them at public auction to the highest bidder without reserve or by-bid; leaving the public to make the price without let or hindrance.

Frank L. Kenyon, traveling representative of Hudson & Cook patentees and manufacturers of Oklahoma steel stock-water pools is in our city instituting one of his companys pools for a public drinking place for the city of Woodward. The pool being instituted is size No. 4, with a holding capacity of 2700 gallons of water, or 89 barrels. In our estimation this is the most perfect stock water proposition ever brought to our notice. The simplicity of structure enabling any ranchman or farmer to institute and equip the pool, is one of the chief factors. Mr. Kenyon has demonstrated the fact that the pool is adapted to every character of soil in his demonstration here, as the soil is 99 per cent sand. Of course the people of Woodward feel very grateful to Hudson & Cook for their manner of advertising, thereby giving Woodward a perfect drinking place, and themselves a standing advertisement.

Sid Nixon should be very highly commended for his public spiritedness in giving the service of his windmill and well to the general community for the purpose of providing free stock water to the citizens of Woodward, which he has so graciously done, allowing the piping of the Hudson & Cook water pool connected to the well. Every stockman should investigate this proposition as the pool is so easy of construction and so permanent in appearance.

The Santa Fe are selling second class colonist tickets to California at \$25.00 also very low rates to Oregon and Washington. Call and investigate. GEO. T. WITTEN, Agent.

NO NEW TEXAS LINES.

Railroads Will Avoid That State in the Future.

Austin, Tex., May 18.—Railroad construction in Texas has practically ceased. The cause of this sudden cessation of the work of building extensions and new lines of road is not definitely known. It is stated, however, that a mutual understanding or agreement has been reached between the larger railroad interests to do no more railroad building in this state, at least not for the present. Chief Engineer R. A. Thompson of the railroad commission issued a statement on January 1 of the present year that there would be not less than 600 miles of railroad constructed in this state during the first six months of this year. He says that, owing to the action of the roads in abandoning much of their proposed new work, there will not be to exceed 200 miles of new track built during the period named. There will be very little new track built during the last half of the year.

The first definite information of a change of plans of the roads occurred several days ago upon the return from New York of General Manager Leroy Trice of the International and Great Northern. Mr. Trice was called to New York to confer with President George Gould. It is said that representatives of the Harriman, Rockefeller and Rock Island interests were present at this conference, and that an armistice was agreed upon whereby there should be no encroachment into each other's territory in Texas by building new lines. This agreement is reported to have been in the nature of a signed contract, and for a period of five years.

Studebaker Orders.

The sales recently made by the Chicago House of the Studebaker Bros. Mfg. Co. show which way the wind is setting with big concerns that are satisfied with nothing short of the best to be had in vehicles and harness. The first was to the Yellowstone Park Transportation Co., the concessionaires under the Government of the transportation privileges in the Yellowstone National Park, who have some 800 head of horses in service. Some time ago this Company ordered from Studebakers a few sets of harness, and having tested and compared them with other makes used by them quickly followed with an order of fifty sets of four-in-hand harness. The order was placed expressly on the superior quality of the Studebaker goods. The other sale was to the W. C. Walsh Co. of Chicago and consisted of sixty United States Mail wagons and sixty sets of harness to go into the Government mail service and to be made after the approved Government designs and specifications. These orders, though not of great magnitude as Studebakers do things, yet indicate in a forcible way the high standing of Studebaker goods.

To Grow Better Bees.

Northwestern cattle raisers are preparing to raise the grade of their beef cattle by procuring more blooded stock. To this end a train-load of Shorthorns last week went into Eastern Oregon and the State of Washington.—National Provisioner.

Herd Book Societies.

American Red Polled Cattle Breeders' Association, President, D. Fields; vice-presidents, E. H. Small, J. Weldon, R. G. Lamberton and A. Y. Sweesy; corresponding secretary, Freeman Current; treasurer, G. D. Foster; board of directors, S. C. Bartlett, B. R. McConnell, C. W. Far, C. H. Night; secretary, J. C. Murry, Maquoketa.

Holsfein Friesan Herd Book. Incorporated 1885. Consolidated 1898. Frederick L. Aoughton, secretary, Brattleboro, Vt.

American Jersey Cattle Club Herd Register. Organized 1868. Incorporated 1889. J. J. Hemingway, secretary. No. 8 W. 17th street, New York.

Ayrshire Breeding Association. Organized 1875. Incorporated 1886. C. M. Winslow, secretary, Brandon, Vt.

Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association. Organized 1880. Not incorporated N. S. Fish, secretary, Gorton, Conn.

American Guernsey Cattle Club, Organized 1878. Not incorporated. H. Caldwell, secretary, Peterboro, N. H.

American Hereford Record. Organized 1881. Incorporated 1885. C. R. Thomas, secretary, 225 West 12th street, Kansas City, Mo.

American Polled Durham Breeders' Association. Organized 1889. Incorporated 1890. J. H. Miller, secretary and treasurer, Peru, Ind.

American Galloway Herd Book, R. A. Park, secretary, Kansas City, Mo.

American Devon Cattle Club, L. P. Sisson, secretary, Newark, Ohio.

American Short-Horn Herd Book. Incorporated 1882. John W. Groves, secretary, Springfield, Ill.

The American Polled Hereford Cattle Club. Incorporated in 1890. Warren Gammon, secretary, Des Moines, Iowa.

American Branch Association North Holland Herd Book. N. F. Sluiter, secretary and treasurer, 481 6th avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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From the Markets

Kansas City Office, 289 Live Stock Exchange.

Kansas City Market Letter.

Kansas City, Mo., May 28, 1903.

Receipts of live stock at Kansas City last week amounted to 26,954 cattle, 65,197 hogs, 35,312 sheep and 1,112 horses and mules. The same week last year the run was 20,603 cattle, 42,124 hogs, 14,850 sheep and 1,004 horses and mules.

Demand for beef cattle last was heavy, both from local killers and for Eastern orders, but excessive supplies at all the markets were the controlling feature, and corn cattle of all kinds declined 10 to 15 cents. Stockers and feeders show as much or more loss and she stuff sold lower. An analysis of the stocker and feeder situation shows a better demand for country kinds of cattle, relative to the greater receipts, than at this time last year. That is, the demand has grown more than the receipts, a good outlook for the summer and fall trade.

Best price for beef steers last week was \$5.25, and top today, on a run of 4,500 head, is \$5.00. Best heifers sold at \$4.90 last week, and highest stockers sold at \$5.00. The general market to-day is steady to 10 cents lower from Friday. Stockers and feeders are strong, cows and heifers steady. A very good class of beef steers are selling from \$4.65 to \$4.85. Stock calves sold dull and lower last week and stock bulls steady.

Quality of hogs at Kansas City last week was good all week, indicating a good reserve in the country, and liberal future supplies. Receipts are rapidly gaining and will soon be on a normal basis again, or equal to two years ago. The run last week was the best since last October. Prices continue downward, net loss last week being 25 to 30 cents. Light mixed hogs sold from \$6.15 to \$6.25, heavy mixed ranging up to \$5.40. These prices are 75 to 85 c under a year ago. Supplies of hogs at five principal markets last week amounted to 334,000 head, against 308,000 head same week last year.

Texas muttons formed practically the whole sheep supply last week. The week's trade was strong at the opening, weak in the middle, and strong again at the close. Not nearly enough lambs arrived last week on any day, except Monday, on which day \$7.50 was reached for woolled Colorados. Moderate runs of spring lambs and reports of small number of lambs still on feed apparently justify the very bullish predictions on lamb prices for the future. Run to-day is heavy at 12,000 head, mostly Texans, but market was extremely active. Texans 10 cents lower, lambs strong. Top Texans, \$4.75, lambs \$7.35, clipped wethers \$5.00, ewes \$4.75.

In the horse barns at Kansas City the clearance at the end of last week was about as complete as it could be, and there is every prospect for a good trade present week. The last part of the week an inquiry for rail-

road mules also effectually cleaned up the mule barns. Big mules are still wanted, and a small government order for mules insures good week in mules.
JNO. M. HAZELTON,
Live Stock Correspondent.

The Way a Hog's Mouth Enables the Animal to eat Hickory Nuts.

"People often wonder how it is that a hog can get all the kernel out of a hickory nut, or any other kind of nut for that matter, without swallowing any of the shell," said a man from the country, "but as a matter of fact there is nothing mysterious about the process. Mind you, hogs don't swallow any of these harder substances. They get rid of them, and then it is just as easy for them to get rid of the shell of a nut as it is for a man or a squirrel. You might think because a hog crushes the nut into small fragments that he would necessarily swallow a good portion of the hull. But he doesn't do any such thing.

"It is a conceded fact among men who know anything about the subject that the horse is the most perfectly constructed animal in the world, considering the purposes for which the horse is used and its method and habits in life.

But I want to put in a good word for the hog when it comes to the thing of cracking and eating nuts without getting any of the harder substances into the stomach. The horse has very fine teeth. The back teeth particularly are finely constructed with a view of enabling the horse to crush its food well before passing it into the stomach.

These heavy grinders, heavily set in the horse's jaw, are looking upon as marvels. So they are.

But what's the matter with the teeth of the hog? What's the matter with that marvelous process by which they separate the kernel of the nut from the hull? It has occurred to me that this is no small achievement, and nature is at least entitled to some sort of tribute for her skill in making this result possible. In the first place the hogs tongue is more sensitive than would be supposed, and it can easily detect the harder from the softer substances. By some sort of process the hog is able to work the bits of a hickory nut hull over to the sides of its mouth, the tongue being used for the purpose, and here they are thrown out at the corners. Probably you have noticed that the corners of a hog's mouth are somewhat different from the corners of the mouths of other animals.

The lines of the mouth do not end so pointedly and hence it is a much easier thing for the hog to work the harder substances which he does not care to swallow out through these little openings."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Frisco is establishing a new town between Eagle City and Thomas. It is not far from the old Fay post office and the buildings that were at Fay are being moved to the railway town. McCallum, of McCallum & Dolae, is putting up an elevator and will handle the grain at that place. The town will probably be called Fay.
—Okeana Eagle.

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Washington, May 21.—The year book of the department of agriculture, which will be published soon, will contain the official report of Dr. D. E. Salmon, chief of the bureau of animal industry on the epidemic of foot and mouth disease which appeared in the New England states last autumn and winter. Dr. Salmon says that 4,175 cattle were affected and that 3,543 were slaughtered to prevent further spread of the contagion. The total compensation paid the owners of the cattle killed was \$129,007. He says that the outbreak was very virulent, adding:

"The disease spread with extreme facility and affected all the cattle in the infected herd within a few days, while their fever was very high, the loss of flesh extreme and the after results unfavorable."

Dr. Salmon says that the communication of the disease to the persons using the milk of animals affected has been frequently reported and that a few cases of this kind were reported during the Massachusetts outbreak.

They were not investigated, however and it is not positively known that the disease affecting the people was identical with that of the cattle. "During the outbreak the sale of milk was stopped as soon as the disease was found upon a place and for that reason there was not the opportunity for the infection of mankind which exists when an outbreak is more extended and affects practically all the milk producing animals of a country."

However, people were advised to pasteurize the milk which they used and thus avoid any possibility of infection."—DROVERS TELEGRAM.

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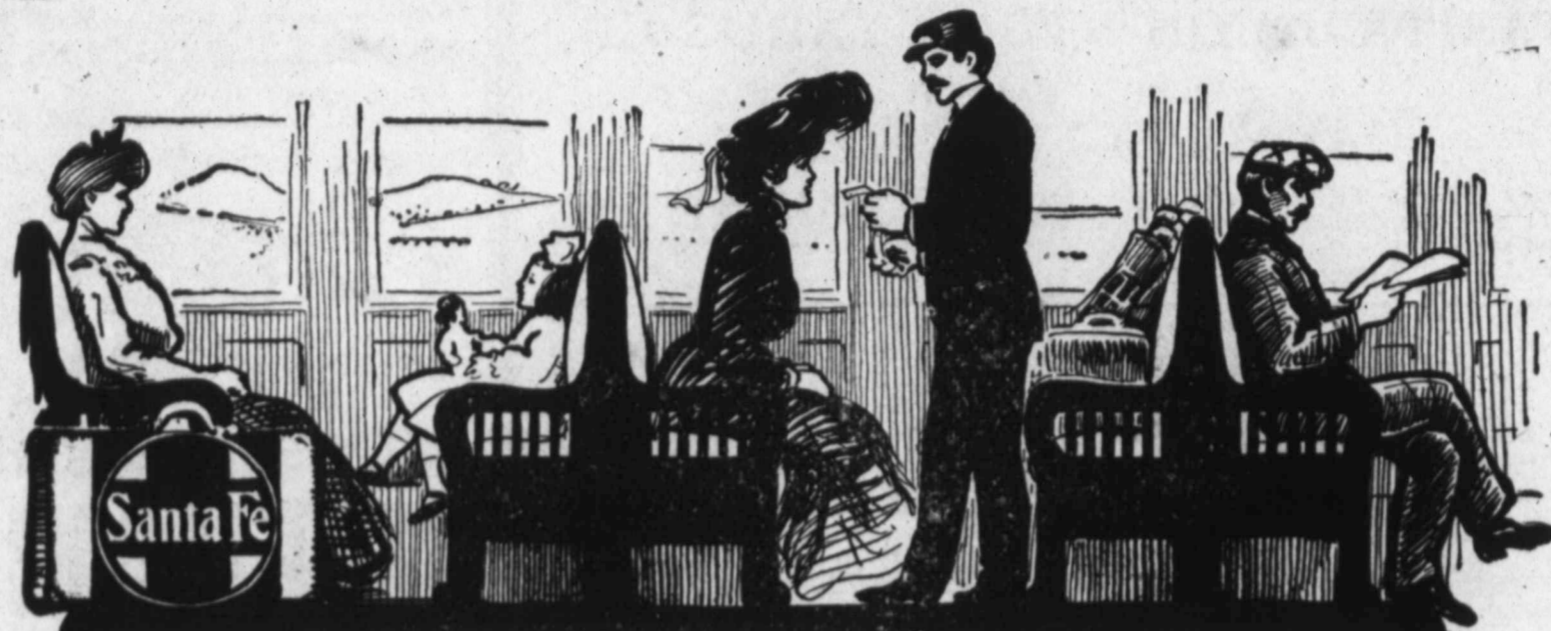
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JUNE.

Now is the high tide of the year,
And whatever of life hath ebbed away
Comes flooding back with a ripply cheer,
Into every bare inlet and creek and bay;
Now the heart is so full that a drop overfills it,
We are happy now because God wills it;
No matter how barren the past may have been,
'Tis enough for us now that the leaves are
green;
We sit in the warm shade and feel right well
How the sap creeps up and the blossoms swell;
We may shut our eyes, but we cannot help
knowing
That skies are clear and grass is growing;
The breeze comes whispering in our ear
That dandelions are blossoming near,
That maize has sprouted, that streams are
flowing,
That the robin is plastering his house hard by
And if the breeze kept the good news back,
For other couriers we should not lack;
We could guess it all by your heifers low-
ing,
And bark! how clear bold chanticleer,
Warmed with the new wine of the year,
Tells all in his lusty crowing!

—JAMES KUSSELL LOWELL

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ON THE SUBJECT OF DRINKS.

Please never drink any more ice-water, as long as you live, and drink nothing iced, says NANNETTE MAGRUDER PRATT, who, by the way, has many common-sense ideas on the subject of health and beauty without medicine. The temperature of the stomach is said to be 100 degrees F., and anything iced gives it such a shock; and drinking ice-water with meals is dreadful. Just drink cool water the year around and see how much better you feel, and never with your meals.

If no liquid whatever is taken with meals, the food will assimilate better. When you are downtown and get thirsty, drink mineral water or lemonade, not iced. And tell them not to fill the glass half full of powdered sugar.

Drink a glass or two of hot water when you first get up in the morning. If you cannot drink it plain, add a few drops of orange or lemon juice—just enough for the flavor.

Grape juice, buttermilk and lemonade are good beverages.

A glass of hot milk, taken before retiring is fine for nervous people, or those troubled with insomnia, or when one desires to put on flesh. Always sip the milk.

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A LESSON ON VENTILATION.

Smitkins had to rise very early one morning and rush down town to meet a train. On his way he encountered a man who walked with long strides, slow and easy, and who

was drawing deep breaths with evident relish—not as though his life depended upon it, but as if it were a pleasurable occupation. Smitkins recognized him as a casual acquaintance from the country.

"Hello!" said the town man cordially. "Out early, like myself, I see."
"You bet!" responded the country man heartily. "I'm fillin' up with this here pure air. Storin' it in before it's pizeened. Tell you what, it nearly stifles me to think o' breathin' at all after sun up in this here town."
"Why?" asked Smitkins, regarding him curiously.

"Why? why?" repeated the country man as if astounded at the stupidity of one who would ask light on a subject so obviously plain to him.

"Yes—why is the early morning air best?" persisted Smitkins, smiling.

"Why! Well, Land o' Goodness, man! Don't you know it stands to reason that the air is purer before all the people of this town get up in the morning and open up their bed rooms so's the bad air they've been breathin' out o' their bodies all night can get out o' the house? Don't it stand to reason that when that bad air flows out and mingles with the pure air outside, that air ain't to say hardly fit to breath? Give me the air before these town folks turns their sleepin'-room air out into it!" and he walked on with his head high, taking in deep whiffs of the exhilarating oxygen.

"My stars!" ejaculated Smitkins. "What a travesty on the chest and cranial capacities of us 'town folks.' Does he think we—but then, there's some sense in what he says, after all. I believe I'll see whether my own bed room windows can't be raise a notch higher at the bottom and let down another inch or two at the top. He's a simpleton for sure who can't learn one little lesson in a lifetime from another as simple as himself!" And Smitkins laughed aloud as he continued his rush toward the downtown station.

♦♦♦♦♦ HOW LITTLE IT COSTS.

How little it costs, if we give it a thought,
To make happy some heart each day!
Just one kind word or a tender smile,
As we go on our daily way;
Perchance a look will suffice to clear
The cloud from a neighbor's face,
And the press of a hand in sympathy
A sorrowful tear efface.

One walks in sunlight; another goes
All weary in the shade;
One treads a path that is fair and smooth,
Another must pray for aid.
It costs so little! I wonder why
We give it so little thought;
A smile—kind words—a glance—a touch!
What magic with them is wrought!

—Somerville Journal.

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AGAINST PIANO PRACTICE.

Those little girls from eight to sixteen years of age who suffer martyrdom for the sake of musical education can now take comfort from the fact that a noted physician of Berlin has declared himself on their side. He says piano practice is largely responsible for nervous disorders so increasingly common, and that sixteen years is the youngest age at which a girls' musical education should begin, limiting the practice hours to two a day.

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MRS. BARNES WRITES AGAIN.

DEAR AUNT MARY:—From family

work and worries and pleasures I turn once more to come to see you and your charming circle. But I see you twice a month (when the INSPECTOR comes) and every day, in fact, for I keep the INSPECTOR hanging over my kitchen table, with the Woman's Page turned outside. To tell the whole truth, then, I am just coming in to let you and your circle see me.

What have you all been doing the past winter and the present spring? Why haven't you told the rest of us about it? Have you missed me? I have had a good excuse for not coming before—I have been ill. I don't mean that I've been cross—I never am cross. But I have not had that common illness, the "Gripp," either—I never have that. Most of my neighbors have that, though, every winter; and going by what the papers say, I judge that a good many other people's neighbors have it every winter too, I know a sure preventive of "grip," and if any of you want it (the preventive) I'll tell it "free of charge," as the patent medicine people say. It's the simplest thing in the world—this preventive of "Grip" is, and now, if you want it, say so, and you shall have it.

I don't like to intrude, but if I have not staid to long already I will take the privilege of an old friend and tell how I take good care of my INSPECTOR (for of course I preserve every one of them. I was so sorry that I could not send that one that was asked for dated Dec. 15, because I treasure mine so much to part with a single one. I hang them on my handy, home-made

PAPER HOLDER.

Take two large spools and two long nails and two feet of strong twine or cord of any kind, or wire. Tie the twine around the heads of the nails, firmly. Run the nails through the spools and then drive the nails in the wall as far as the spools will allow. The nails should be long, to permit deep driving, and driven far enough apart to stretch the string tight. Fold the INSPECTOR and hang over the string,

Oh, where's my bonnet!—I must go.

Your old friend,

MARIE T. BARNES.

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STOCKING BAG.

Material required, one and one-half yards of heavy cretonne, large-flowered and bright-colored; a piece of cardboard seven inches square; batting; tape.

Round off two corners of the cardboard, to form lower part of the stocking bag. With batting thinly pad one side, for outside of bag. Cover with the cretonne. Measure off a piece of the cretonne fifty inches long and fifteen wide. Hem the ends and draw a tape string through hem. Gather the sides and sew to the covered cardboard.

ELSIE ELLEB.

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DEAR AUNT MARY AND OTHER FRIENDS:—Did you think I never, never would come again? I'm calling today on Aunt Mary, really, and thought the rest of you would like to hear from me once more. This time I promise to say nothing cynical,

I want especially to comfort "Sad-Hearted Mother." Cheer up. The past is irrevocable. Sadness cannot efface it nor make it any better. Per-

haps what you did in time gone by was a part of God's irresistible Plan. You cannot know. Having done what you thought was right at that time, do not let its memory rankle in your mind now. Do not let it cloud the present.

That boy of yours, about whom you want sympathy and advice—how old is he? How big? How heavy? How strong and how headstrong? And what is the color of his hair? And what kind of an eye has he? I know something about training and managing boys, but before I ever undertake to handle one I must "size him up" first. Tell us particulars, and perhaps some of us sisters who have boys of our own can recommend a method that will fit your boy's requirements.

O. W.

Tell It As It Really Is.

We can understand why people outside of Supply could have a motive in circulating the report that a railroad must be built to Fort Supply within one year from the passage of the legislative act locating the insane asylum or that institution would not be located there, but there is no necessity for any one living at or near the Fort repeating this report as a real condition affecting the matter, for it is not a fact. The bill as it passed the council made no provision for the matter of transportation of patients, but in the house it was amended, and as it finally passed both branches provides that a steam or electric railway shall be constructed to within one mile of the brick guard house at Fort Supply before the transfer of patients shall begin. It does not require that this must occur within one year to make the act effective. There is no time limit, and our people should deny this story wherever and whenever they hear it repeated.—Ft. Supply Republican.

New Inventions.

STARTING GATE.

Claim.—In a starting-gate, a suitable rigid pole, means located near the base thereof for supporting the same in position, a runner loosely embracing the pole above its point of support arms carried by the runner, a bridge-piece connected to said arms, means for securing a suitable netting or web of said bridge-piece, a pivoted arm depending from the runner, a finger at the free end of said arm, said finger being adapted to engage an electrically-operated trigger of a suitable lock, elastic or rubber cables connected respectively to the runner and to the free end of the pole, and a buffer carried by the pole adjacent to the upper end thereof, the parts operating substantially as, and for the purpose set forth.

HORSE-HITCHING DEVICE.

Claim.—In a horse-hitching device the combination of a toothed ring fixed to a vehicle-wheel, a bracket secured to the axle of a vehicle, an arm provided with a casing, said arm adjustably connected to the bracket, a shaft, a toothed disk mounted thereon, a ratchet-wheel mounted upon the shaft, and the shaft journaled in the housing and capable of longitudinal movement a winding-drum loosely mounted upon the shaft.

It has been about settled that moisture is unnecessary and that frequent arming of the eggs is best for the embryo-chicks.

ENERGETIC OKLAHOMA

Enid, O. T., May 23.—Enid is soon to have the largest horse and mule sales stable on the line of the Rock Island between Kansas City and Dallas, and when the firm which is having it constructed begins to expand in their operations Enid will be beyond question the distributing point of more horses and mules than any other town in the two Territories. It is believed that it can now lay claim to that distinction. The unparalleled activity in railroad construction in the Southwest and especially in Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Northern Texas has created a heavy demand for good, heavy railroad mules, and breeders are offering few of that kind for sale.

Horses and mules of every class are being held at stiffer prices.

A local printer who does the big end of the advertising for owners of stallions and jacks is authority for the statement that of the large number of bills printed for owners this season between 60 and 75 percent advertise draft stallions and jacks, with only an occasional bill for a coach stallion, trotting or saddle stock, which would indicate that breeders are going in for raising mules and draft stock. Another fact he mentions in this connection is that the pedigrees of the animals show they are from the best strains in the world.

Reports received from nearly all portions of Oklahoma indicate that the wheat crop this year will be the greatest in the history of the Territory, provided conditions continue favorable.

All are favorable with the exception of a very few localities. In the "new country" down about Lawton crop conditions are good beyond all expectations and the settlers feel that in picking Oklahoma for an agricultural paradise and planting their stakes here they have made no mistake. Even the Apaches near Lawton—a remnant of old Geronimo's scalp-lifting, hell-inspiring warriors—are sharing in the general prosperity. Some of them are today wearing the garb of the pale-faces, while but a few years ago about the only article of apparel that had any vogue among them was a geestring worm around the belly, and a feather for their hair and a few gobs of paint on their faces sufficient for adornment. Last year they made a pretty nice bunch of money on the side cutting and baling hay, and this year they have in a big crop of corn, wheat and cotton. Poor Loism't in such hard luck in this part of Uncle Sam's dominions as he is said to be and even if he does occasionally supplement his rations of beef and other white man's grub with a nice, tender fricaseed poppy its a whole lot better than the Moki-diet of snakes and horned toads over in Arizona.

Were it not for the fact that it has been demonstrated that Oklahoma lands are worth all—and then some—asked for them the way values have ascended during the past year might excite the suspicion that some of the real estate grafters of the boom days in Kansas are down here getting in some of their old-time work. Down in the new country \$3,500, \$4,000 and \$5,000 are not unusual prices for claims and one claim on the outskirts of Lawton sold the other day for something over \$11,000. However, that

claim will be covered with houses instead of crops within the next twelve months. Again returning to the subject of the Kansas boomer. The work of the Oklahoma real estate man is just about as fine as any recorded of the old Kansas artists if the stories to be heard are true.

It is related that a seeker after the truth—and also a farm—with a big fat roll of green reposing in his jeans, dropped into the office of a real estate man in Waurika the other day to make inquiries concerning a location.

"I've got just what you want; 160 acres; on the creek; virgin soil, but I'll guarantee it to raise 40 bu. corn the first crop; fine place on top of the rise for a house; water in ten feet from the grass roots; no mosquitoes; fine neighbors; good school in three-quarters; healthiest country on earth—"

The real estate man was enthusiastic and was laying it off to the prospector as energetically as the spell-binding onetime sage of Medicine Lodge sings the praises of Roswell when he happens up into Kansas when his prospective purchaser interrupted him and said:

"Come on pardner, I'm looking for a place like that. I ain't from Missouri but my daddy was and I take after him in that way, show me."

They went down to the claim and the prospector sized it up. He was from the Brazos bottoms in Texas and had had some experience with floods.

"Does it overflow?" was about the third question he asked.

"Overflow? I should say not!" replied the agent. "The creek never was known to get bank full. Never goes dry though. You get ever lasting stock water and it only takes \$4,000 to get this fine claim—"

The prospector interrupted him again. "Pardner how come that red mud half way up that black jack? What causes mud in the tree tops if this land does not overflow?"

"Simplest thing in the world." blandly replied the real estate man.

"Billy Bolton over here at Woodward got a stock of a new breed of hogs from china that climb trees and a bunch of 'em strayed off down here ahead of the blizzard."

The prospector looked at the tree again and shook his head.

"Nope, pardner I dont believe I want your land. You can just keep it and take the \$4,000 too I'll just give \$1,000 for a couple of head of them hogs."

Greer county raised 25,000 bales of cotton last year. Just think of it!

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The official gin reports are in and they show a production upwards of the figures stated.

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Gets News by Wireless.

Copies of the Wireless, a small paper published at Avalon, Santa Catalina Island, have reached Chicago. This is said to be the first newspaper in the world to get its news entirely by wireless telegraphy. The enterprise is backed by the Los Angeles Times. The news is sent from a point near San Pedro to the island. The first issue was printed March 25.

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That Man Will Be An Angel.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox is not only a poet of passion, but as a writer she is the most philosophical and logical of any of the women magazine writers of the present. Radical and progressive yet ever is her winning womanhood bubbling up. In writing lately of woman's fads and pedagogic preachers she said: "If the clergymen talked more to the people about their home lives, and said less about the future life, the latter would take care of itself. The man who makes a good husband, father and citizen, will make a good angel when the time comes. The woman who renders her home the most peaceful and lovely place on earth, will adorn heaven when she reaches there, and its gates are wide open to receive her."

Oklahoma Air Inspires Action.

Hunter Enterprise: An Augusta boy who is learning how to dance is a very active waltzer and while dancing lately, said to his partner: "I beg your pardon, I stepped on your foot." She replied, sweetly: "No, it was my knee you stepped on."

Any Color, So It's Red.

Augusta Free Homes: Once there was a time when heroes wore dark, raven locks, but the fashion has changed and nothing but red now goes in politics. Governor Ferguson of Oklahoma set the pace with a head of hair that blazes like the burning bush of Moses (or a can of John Dillon's gasoline-coal-oil.)

Quickly following in the wake is "Vic" Murdoc of the Wichita Eagle, nominated for congress in the Big Seventh of Kansas last week. Well, the color of Victor's hair is so sanguinary, so frightfully bloodthirsty that a burning house fades to pale old rose whes he flashes on the scene, and Vic's head inside is brighter than chain lightning. why, just a glimpse of his hair at Great Bend set the convention afire.

Then here comes the news that Cassin M. Barnes, ex-governor of Oklahoma, was elected mayor of Guthrie yesterday and it is thought that a great saving can be made to the city by abolishing their electric lights. And all this just on account of the color of his hair.

Well, give us any color, just so it is red.

Just Like His Dad Used to Be.

In district one hundred and forty-one Lived an old man and his son. The son is a brave young man, you see He is just like his dad used to be.

Now this young man whom the neighbors all dread.

His name I'll not tell because it is Ed, Carries a gun and dangerous is he, For he is just like his dad used to be.

His neighbors dare not treat him with scorn,

If they do he will make them draw in their horns.

They submit to his demands very free, For he is just like his dad used to be.

Now if ever you stop him in the road,

Look out for the gun and its dangerous load,

For his gun is most as dangerous as he, If he is at all like his dad used to be.

Now this young man so brave and true

Thinks that he can provide for two, But instead of two, if he should get three,

He'll make it all right, he's like his dad used to be.

Now if this poetry Eddie should see,

From this country I would have to flee, Or there'd not be a grease spot left of me,

For he is just like his dad used to be.

The Hog Run and Pork.

The hog run and the kill of green pork for the packing year ending March 1 shows the hog and meat shortage which The National Provisioner foretold as early as June of last year. The present prices of pork and lard and provision situation. The disquieting symptom is the continued short run of hogs through March as compared with January and February runs and with the runs of March, 1901 and 1902. The shortage for March was 270,000 hogs. The shortage for the packing year ending March was 4,806,000 hogs and a net shortage of 457,319,0000 of green meats for the summer and winter pack of 1902-8 over that of 1901-2. The green pork shortage amounted to 14 per cent., and the lard shortage to 19 per cent. This would indicate that hogs were marketed at a younger age and in a leaner state than they were during the previous packing year.—National Provisioner.

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