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## THE WORLD AT LARGE.

### Summary of the Daily News.

#### CONGRESS.

THE second session of the Fifty-first Congress convened at noon on December 1. The Senate met with nearly all the Senators present. Immediately after prayer by the chaplain the credentials of Messrs. Carey and Warren, Senators-elect from the new State of Wyoming, were presented and they were sworn in, Carey drawing the long and Warren the short term. The President's message was then presented and read and the Senate adjourned. The House met at noon, when the credentials of Messrs. Breckinridge (Ark.), Sweet (Idaho), Stone (Pa.) and Clark (Wyo.) were presented and they were sworn in, Mr. Breckinridge being greeted with applause by his friends. The credentials of David A. Harvey, as Delegate from Oklahoma, were presented and he was sworn in. The President's message was then read and the House adjourned.

AFTER disposing of various motions and resolutions on the 2d the Senate by a strict party vote took up the Federal elections bill and while the bill was being read the hour of 2 o'clock arrived and a motion by Senator Hoar to continue the reading of the bill was antagonized by Mr. Gorman, who wished to proceed with unfinished business—the eight-hour bill. It was finally decided by a party vote to proceed with the reading, which continued until adjournment. In the House petitions for the amending of the tariff bill were presented. The copyright bill was then taken up and various motions made to get it out of the way, but after ordering the previous question the House adjourned.

In the Senate on the 3d Mr. Cullom introduced a bill to reduce letter postage to one cent. The Indian troubles in the Northwest were then discussed until 2 o'clock, when the elections bill came up and Senator Turpie addressed the Senate in opposition to the bill until adjournment. In the House the copyright bill was taken up and after some debate passed by 139 yeas to 95 nays, and the House adjourned.

PETITIONS were presented in the Senate on the 4th, and the resolution offered by Senator Hawley to issue arms to the States of North and South Dakota and Nebraska, for defense against the Indians, was taken up, and after a general discussion of the Indian troubles was adopted. The elections bill was then taken up and Mr. Pugh spoke against it. No other business of general importance was transacted. The House passed the bill for the punishment of any guardian, committee or other judicial agent for the embezzlement of the pension of a ward, and the pension appropriation bill was considered in committee on the 5th.

AFTER routine business in the Senate on the 5th the elections bill again came up as the regular order and Senator Gray spoke at length in opposition. During the debate the fact came out that a grave error had been made in the printing of the bill, and pending discussion the Senate adjourned after Mr. Morgan had offered a resolution calling on the Attorney-General for a statement as to places of residence and date of appointment of chief supervisors of elections in the Southern States. The House, after some discussion, took up and passed the Senate resolution for supplying arms to certain Northwestern States for defense against the Indians. The pension appropriation bill was then further considered, and on motion of the Secretary of Missouri, an amendment was adopted providing that no agent or attorney should demand, receive or be allowed any compensation in any disability case. It is estimated by Mr. Dockery and Chairman Morrill of the Invalid Pension Committee, that this will save \$5,000,000 to the pensioners in the next three years. The bill passed and the House adjourned.

#### WASHINGTON NOTES.

THE President has directed the removal of Joseph H. Wilson, United States district attorney for the Eastern district of Texas, on the ground of neglect of duty and inattention to the public interests.

SECRETARY TRACY gave a banquet and a reception on the 1st to the officers of the Brazilian war ships now in this country.

THE House Committee on Appropriations has accepted the sub-committee's pension bill. It calls for \$133,099,783.

THE public debt statement showed an increase during the month of November of \$6,130,819.

GENERAL CADMUS M. WILCOX died at Washington on the 2d.

MR. PERKINS has introduced a resolution in the House for the issuance of seeds to needy farmers in Kansas and Nebraska.

A BILL has been introduced in the House to cut from \$10 to \$1 the fee for prosecuting a claim for increase of pension.

IT is declared that an understanding has been reached in Congressional circles by which no river and harbor bill will be passed at this session, thereby reducing the appropriations by \$20,000,000.

DR. JODDIAH BAXTER, Surgeon-General of the United States army, who was stricken with paralysis, died at Washington on the 4th. He never regained consciousness after the attack.

THE President has nominated Romaldo Pacheco, of California, as Minister to Central America, vice Mizner, recalled in consequence of the Barandina affair.

#### THE EAST.

THREE men were run down by a train and killed in Philadelphia on the 4th. An electric storm and a heavy snow prevailed at Watertown, N. Y.

THE strike on the Pittsburgh, Shenandoah & Lake Erie railroad has ended in a compromise.

POTTER-LOVELL liabilities at Boston have been paid off to the amount of \$3,000,000.

THE Rittenhouse Manufacturing Company, of Passaic, N. J., at the head of which is Edward H. Ammidown, has failed with \$900,000 debt and \$300,000 assets.

THE Pennsylvania railroad has withdrawn its concessions to theatrical troupes.

THE Catholic Church and school at Homestead, near Pittsburgh, Pa., has been destroyed by fire.

JACOB SCHAEFER defeated Frank Ives at Boston in a 400 point ten inch balk line game of billiards by a score of 400 to 87. Schaefer finished the game in five innings, making a run 253.

IRWIN, a janitor, and his wife perished in a fire at the corner of Pennsylvania avenue and Ninth street, Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 3d.

FOUR firemen were seriously injured at Pittsburgh, Pa., being caught under falling walls when Maggine's cracker factory was burned. The loss was \$125,000.

JOHN S. CLEMO, of Wayne County, Pa., was frozen to death while driving to his home from Honesdale.

COHEN'S corset factory, New York, has been destroyed by fire. The loss reached \$500,000.

THE lockout of the hat trimmers of Danbury, Conn., which had paralyzed the trade, ended by concessions on both sides.

THE New York Herald supports Charles A. Dana as successor to Everts in the United States Senate.

DELAMATER & Co., bankers, of Meadville, Pa., have assigned. The head of the firm was the defeated Republican candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania.

#### THE WEST.

CATTLE thieves had a bonanza in the vacation of the Cherokee Strip. It was estimated that 2,000 animals were stolen.

EDWARD HEATON, a recently released Ohio convict, shot and killed George Tunget, a farmer, living near Ottawa, O., because Tunget had secured his conviction.

E. COOLIDGE, the banker of Waupaca, Wis., who assigned September 3, has been arrested for receiving deposits when he knew the bank was insolvent.

THE conference with the Cherokees with relation to the surrender of the Strip commenced at Tahlequah on the 3d.

ONLY the hub and spoke factory was destroyed by the fire at Anna, O.

THE Scotten tobacco factory, Detroit, was on fire recently. The loss footed up \$300,000. Two firemen were killed and two seriously injured by a falling wall.

Mrs. MARY TURPIE, mother of Senator Turpie, was burned to death near Delphi, Ind., recently. She was nearly 90 years old.

HON. ISAAC M. JORDAN, one of the best known members of the bar in Cincinnati, fell down the elevator in the Lincoln Inn court, where his office was located, and was instantly killed.

THE propeller Van Raalt was reported on the beach near Kenosha, Wis. The Van Raalt was valued at \$8,000.

THREE men were badly injured by the explosion of a tank in the Cincinnati chemical works.

THE famous trotter Electioneer died at the Palo Alto farm, Cal., recently.

KING KALAKAUA, of the Sandwich Islands, arrived at San Francisco on the United States war ship Charleston.

THE Timmerman Opera House, Englewood, Chicago, burned the other night. There was a panic of hotel guests, but all escaped. The loss was about \$100,000.

CHICAGO proposes to issue \$5,000,000 bonds for World's Fair purposes.

THE fear that diphtheria would become epidemic in Indianapolis, Ind., has been realized and cases are being reported to the health department at the rate of fifteen a day.

SEVEN workmen were killed and eight badly hurt by the collapse of a blast furnace under repairs at the Illinois iron works, Joliet, Ill.

THE warden of the State penitentiary of Minnesota has been compelled to resign for laxity of discipline. Among other things he allowed Cole Younger to leave the prison for a time on parole.

THE Federal grand jury at Chicago has indicted, along with two other men, John M. Egan, president of the Chicago, St. Paul & Kansas City road, for violation of the Inter-State commerce law.

THE Cherokees have been offered \$7,528,442.19 for the Strip.

#### THE SOUTH.

REPRESENTATIVE WARDELL, of Virginia, has introduced a bill to provide for a drawback of two cents per pound on all original and unbroken factory packages of smoking and manufactured tobacco and snuff held by manufacturers and dealers at the time the reduction of the tax from eight to six cents took effect, October 6 last.

THE Georgia railway offices and freight and passenger depots, Augusta, Ga., have been destroyed by fire. Loss \$75,000; insurance \$54,000.

LORD SALISBURY challenges Mr. Gladstone to relate all the facts in the Harwarden interview with Mr. Parnell.

A SCHOONER with all hands was recently lost in the Bay of Fundy, near Cornwallis.

THE trial of Mrs. Nellie Peary at London, charged with having in October last murdered a woman named Mrs. Hobbs, the wife of her lover, ended in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree and the prisoner was sentenced to death.

PARNELL can not marry Mrs. O'Shea until the Captain chooses to enter a motion in court for absolute divorce.

THE czar has decreed that no sentence of death shall be executed without his express sanction. The order was due to the killing of young Perloff, of Moscow, for a crime of which he was innocent.

LORD THOMAS FRANCIS FREEMANTLE COTTESLEE, twice First Lord of the Treasury of Great Britain and once Chief Secretary for Ireland, died in London aged 92.

HENRICH BERGHAUS, the eminent German geographer is dead. He was 93 years old.

RUSSELL, SEYBOLD & Co., wholesale dry goods dealers of Ottawa, Ont., are in financial difficulties. Their liabilities are \$250,000.

ONE of the inoculated patients of Prof. Koch died recently in terrible agony.

THE Bank of England has reduced its rate of discount from six to five per cent.

RIO DE JANEIRO is considerably agitated over the wrecking of the Tribuna newspaper office by officers of the Government.

SIX pauper women were burned to death by a fire at the workhouse at Newcastle-on-Tyne, England.

THE country's mortgage indebtedness amounts to \$850,000,000.

MR. WALSH, chairman of the Kildy-sart Union, Ireland, and a staunch supporter of Parnell, has been arrested on the charge of intimidation.

MR. BALFOUR's Irish relief bill, in which he asks a vote of £5,000, to provide seed potatoes for distressed farmers in Ireland, has passed the committee stage in the British House of Commons.

EMIN PASHA has arrived safely at Victoria Nyanza, after having been engaged in several fights with the Arab slave dealers, in all of which the Europeans were victorious.

THE czar is displeased with his Minister of War, a party of the name of Vannovskii.

BUSINESS failures (Dun's report) for the seven days ended December 4 numbered 312, compared with 249 the previous week and 316 the corresponding week of last year. Money continued stringent.

HON. SIR JOHN WALTER HUDDLESTON, Justice of the Queen's Bench division of the English High Court of Justice, is dead. He was born in 1817.

Mrs. PEEL, wife of Right Hon. Arthur Peel, Speaker of the British House of Commons, is dead.

#### THE LATEST.

A BOILER of a Lehigh Valley locomotive exploded near Attica, N. Y., recently. The engineer, Thomas Mahoney, and the fireman, J. Beary, both of Buffalo, were killed.

Much comment was created by the announcement that the Government contemplated several radical measures to relieve the stringency in the money market. Free coinage of silver was one of the changes; also the issue of \$150,000,000 greenbacks.

THE czar-witch has left Egypt on his visit to India.

THE reward of \$50,000 for the arrest of Tascott, alleged murderer of Amos J. Snell, of Chicago, stands good for another year.

THE National Board of Trade met in convention at New Orleans on the 8th.

THE Federation of Labor met in convention at Detroit, Mich., on the 8th.

CREDITORS of Delamater & Co., the Pennsylvania bankers, do not expect more than fifty cents on the dollar.

THE elections bill was again before the Senate on the 8th. The House devoted most of the day to the District of Columbia. The tobacco section of the McKinley was amended.

## KANSAS STATE NEWS.

OTTO LING, a well-to-do shoemaker of Atchison, was recently fatally injured by being struck by a Missouri Pacific engine.

LEWIS JONES, colored, was instantly killed and Edward McConley fatally injured by a train on the Santa Fe road near Turner the other morning. The men were employed as trackmen at Turner and while at work on the tracks an Olathe passenger train came around a curve at a great speed and struck Jones before he could get off the track, throwing his body against McConley with such violence as to produce fatal injuries.

FRANK MARRIOTTE was recently given a sentence of thirty days in jail at Topeka for stealing an overcoat from the Y. M. C. A. rooms in that city. He came to Topeka from San Francisco about two years ago. He said that when he left San Francisco a check was given him which would supply his wants while he lived, and produced a slip of paper upon which were written the words "My God Shall Supply all Your Needs." He was an enthusiastic member of the Y. M. C. A.

A DEAL was recently made by which the Gould interests obtain possession of the Pennsylvania & New York salt plants of South Hutchinson. These are among the largest plants in Kansas. In addition to this purchase it is understood that Mr. Gould has an option on 160 acres of salt lands adjacent to the city.

SECRETARY MOHLER, of the State Board of Agriculture has received reports that the Hessian fly is doing considerable damage to wheat. He has requested Prof. Snow, of the State University, to investigate the matter and report as soon as possible. The fly is said to have appeared in all sections of the State, and is especially bad in the wheat sown early.

THE School Fund Commissioners have purchased \$50,000 bonds for the permanent school fund. This purchase included \$30,000 issued by the city of Wellington for a new school building. The State Treasurer has received from the United States Treasury a draft for \$100,007.51, being five per cent. of the sales of public lands within the State. The amount goes into the permanent school fund of the State.

WILLIAM E. ALBRIGHT, about 28 years of age, committed suicide the other evening near Eudora by taking morphine. He was in comfortable circumstances and was engaged to be married to the daughter of a farmer with whom he lived.

AT a recent country dance in Cowley County A. Isaacs fired five shots at another man, missing him, but shooting two young women in the lower limbs.

A LATE fire at Brookville destroyed several business houses, including the Brookville Bank, and three dwellings.

A SMALL colony recently camped near Arkansas City for the purpose of moving into the Cherokee Strip as soon as they may legally do so.

THE Governor has issued a call for a special election, December 30, in the Thirty-second Senatorial district, comprising Cloud and Republic Counties, to fill the vacancy caused by the suicide of Senator E. E. Swearington.

G. H. ROON, Republican, and E. W. Maxwell, Alliance, received an equal number of votes for member of the Legislature from Marion County at the recent election, and, according to law, the matter was determined by lot by the State officers on the 3d at Topeka. Mr. Rood drew the prize and was commissioned accordingly.

LETTERS lately received at Topeka from West Africa announced the death on October 20, at Rotafunk, of Charles L. Helmick, who left Kansas as a missionary to the Soudan early last spring.

A NEW organization is reported to be forming in the West, which may in some localities take the place of the Farmers' Alliance. The members are known as the Knights of Reciprocity, and the first lodge was organized a few weeks ago at Garden City. It is understood that about a dozen lodges have since been instituted in Congressional district, and that the order is rapidly extending.

JOHN COX, a citizen of Rawlins County, was recently in Atchison soliciting contributions of food, money and clothing for the distressed inhabitants. He said the people of that section have neither food nor clothing. Hundreds of people have left the county; others are unable to get away. In his township there were polled last year 164 votes; this year the number was reduced to 34 votes.

ONE farmer near Meriden has recently lost 150 hogs from cholera or a disease similar to it. Many other farmers had also lost a number of hogs with the same disease.

THE cash receipts of the State penitentiary for the month of November were \$11,055, and the expenses were \$16,869. The receipts from convict labor were \$3,393.29 and from the sale of coal \$7,133.69.

BURGERS blew open the safe in the post-office at Farlinville the other night and secured \$69 in money and \$50 in stamps.

ISAAC VAN BRUNT, who had been on trial in the district court at Newton for the murder of George Broer, a Harvey County farmer, was found guilty of murder in the first degree.

TOPEKA reached its thirty-sixth birthday on the 8th. A number of the old settlers celebrated the event with a banquet.

FRANK DAFORD, a switchman, was struck by a Missouri Pacific engine at Atchison the other night and frightfully mangled about the head and shoulders.

## PRELATES AND PARNELL.

Irish Bishops Issue a Manifesto Condemning the Retention of the Old Leader.

DUBLIN, Dec. 4.—At a meeting of the Catholic hierarchy, held at the residence of Archbishop Walsh in this city, it was resolved to issue a manifesto declaring that the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland considered that Mr. Parnell was unfit to remain the leader of the Irish party.

The objections to Mr. Parnell were based mainly on moral grounds, but it was also the opinion of the hierarchy that his continuance in the leadership would inevitably cause disunion in the party.

The manifesto which was issued by the Catholic hierarchy last evening declares, however, that their judgment is not given on political grounds, but solely on the revelations of the divorce court, after which they were unable to regard Mr. Parnell in any other light than as convicted of one of the gravest offenses known to religion and to society, which is aggravated in his case by almost every circumstance possible to give it scandalous prominence in guilt and shame.

"Surely Catholic Ireland," the manifesto continues, "so eminently conspicuous for the virtue and purity of its social life, will not accept as a leader a man wholly dishonored and unworthy of Christian confidence. Further we can not avoid the conviction that the continuance of Mr. Parnell's leadership will disorganize and range in hostile camps those hitherto united with the force of our country. Confronted with the prospects of a contingency so disastrous, we see nothing but inevitable defeat at the general election, and as the result, home rule indefinitely postponed, coercion perpetuated, the hands of the evictors strengthened and evictions without the shadow of a hope of being reinstated."

THE Donkey Engine started in Time to Overcome the Flames of the Citizens' Line Boat City of Troy.

TROY, N. Y., Dec. 4.—The passengers who left New York on the Citizens' Line boat City of Troy Monday night are under lasting obligations to Jack Frost. The fact that there was ice forming in the river saved passengers and crew from an awful death. By reason of the condition of the river the crew was ordered on duty all night. When near Hudson, at an early hour Tuesday morning, a fierce fire was found to be raging in the cotton in the hold. Mate Jake Burbans discovered it. He sent out an alarm, and cutting the fire hose loose, had the donkey engine started. The vessel was at a place where there was no chance to beach her. It was useless to hope to make a landing within two miles. The greatest excitement prevailed. The passengers were aroused and dressed. The man in state room No. 11 slept soundly, and his door was broken open. Meanwhile the crew was fighting the flames. Mate Burbans realized the great danger, and took desperate chances. He went into the hold with the hose, and, though his hair, whiskers, face and hands were burned, he stood his ground, and floated the burning bale. The escape was a close one; much closer than the officials care to admit.

TOBACCO WORKS BURNED.

Disastrous Fire at Detroit—Two Men Killed and Two Injured.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 4.—The fine cut Detroit works was destroyed by fire early this morning. It was worth \$100,000. The stock was also a total loss, but the value is unknown. Two firemen were killed and two injured.

The names of the dead are O. G. Robinson and Patrick Coughlan.

The names of the injured are Peter Cullen and Peter DeMay.

The snow rendered it difficult for the engines to reach the fire. The blaze spread rapidly and in three-quarters of an hour the whole side of the building on Camp street was in flames.

At this time the firemen were at work on the front street side. The order of the front was seen to totter, and the order was given to fall back. It was too late, however, and Robinson and Coughlan were killed by the terrible fall of brick.

About 600 girls are thrown out of employment by the fire.

The loss will be about \$300,000, of which \$100,000 is on the building and the remainder on the stock and machinery. The loss is covered by insurance.

PARNELL RESOLUTIONS.

DUBLIN, Dec. 4.—The municipal authorities of Boyle, Cork and Drogheda, the plan of campaign tenants of Cuross and Mellin and the Boyle branch of the National League have passed resolutions against Mr. Parnell, but the municipal council of Ballina, the Nationalists, the poor law guardians of Ennis, the Cork Young Ireland Society and the Lismore branch of the National League have voted in favor of his remaining in the leadership, while the Nationalists of Sligo are divided in their opinion.

THE Union Pacific.

BOSTON, Dec. 4.—The preliminary statement of the Union Pacific for October shows: Gross earnings \$4,300,000; increase \$3,264; net \$1,483,595; decrease \$483,459. The expenses show an increase of \$487,723. For ten months to October 31, the gross were \$35,859,783; increase \$3,485,502; net \$12,019,284; decrease \$785,095. Expenses increased \$4,269,095.

## A THIRD PARTY.

The Kansas Delegates at the Ocala Convention Talking Over the Matter.

OCALA, Fla., Dec. 5.—Glimpses of a third party movement have appeared in the National Farmers' Alliance convention. It was chiefly agitated by the Kansas delegation.

General John H. Rice, candidate for the Kansas Senatorship, assisted by John Davis and Mr. Vincent, of Kansas, is drawing up a call to be issued to the Farmers' Alliance and all industrial unions of America which favor the principles of the St. Louis platform to meet in convention in Cincinnati February 23 to consider the third party or People's movement. The name of this new party is to be the "National Union party of America."

The new party to be formed will doubtless work on the same lines as the People's party in Kansas, that is, renounce all affiliation with the other political parties and place a National ticket of its own in the field. This call, when completed, will undoubtedly be presented to the National Alliance for its indorsement. Some of the men in the movement, however, are not convinced that this course will be wise or politic.

John Davis, Congressman-elect from Kansas on the People's ticket, said with reference to a call for delegates to a National conference with a view of forming a new party: "This call was drawn by Prof. Vincent and his two brothers, all of Winfield, Kan., the two latter being editors and publishers of the Nonconformist. They were aided in the work by C. A. Powers of Indiana, and General J. H. Rice, of Kansas. They submitted a rough draft of the call, and after making some few suggestions I asked them for signatures. It ended with the Alliance platform adopted at St. Louis and a call to fraternal organizations in sympathy with that platform to send delegates to Cincinnati. It has been extensively signed by Alliance members and by delegates of other organizations."

THE "HUMMER" WRECKED.

Disastrous and Fatal Collision on the Chicago & Alton in Illinois.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 5.—The Chicago & Alton through Kansas City express called the "hummer," which left Chicago last night, was run into by a Wash-bash coal train at Jacksonville Junction, Ill. Two passengers were instantly killed and six others seriously hurt, some of whom may die.

The Chicago & Alton express had stopped on the crossing to take on passengers when the heavy freight coming from the south and which was, according to the statements of the Wash-bash officials, unmanageable, came thundering along and crashed into the rear sleepers, splitting it entirely in two pieces. The engine rushed through the sleeping car, throwing the sleeping passengers dead and wounded to the right and left, piling cars of coal in a huge mass upon the demolished passenger coach.

A few moments afterward a headless body was found sticking out of the ruins and taken out. A little while afterward the head was found and placed beside the trunk. By papers the body was identified as that of James Riffel, of Fountain place, Kansas City, who boarded the train at Delavan.

The next body recovered was that of Fred Smith, a merchant of Pekin, Ill. His body was badly crushed.

Six other prisoners were taken from the wreck with broken limbs and internal injuries.

General Manager Hays, of the Wash-bash, is of the opinion that the Chicago & Alton train did not stop on the crossing, but backed on to the crossing to get a start and by so doing got in the way of the freight.

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

Seven Men Killed and Eight Injured by a Coal Mine Disaster.

JOLIET, Ill., Dec. 5.—In the blast furnace department of the Illinois Iron & Steel Company's works a furnace which was blown out for rolling and other repairs made necessary by a recent explosion which was attended with a loss of life, fell to the ground without warning when eleven men were on the inside at the bottom and about six on top. Masonry work and furnace linings were piled upon each other in a confused heap, mingled with the dead and dying workmen.

A band of laborers at once gathered at the scene and began the work of recovery and rescue. Gathered about them and urging them to renewed effort were the wives and children of the unfortunate men.

Within half an hour the rescuers had succeeded in taking out eight bodies. Five of the unfortunates were dead, crushed almost out of all semblance to human shape, while the other three were apparently fatally injured. Late in the afternoon the rescuing party succeeded in extricating all the victims from beneath the mass of debris.

The dead are: Nelson Larson, John Peterson, Gus Loosa, Thompson Swanson, Slaus Fasmeeck, Frank Miller and John Mulstadius.

Those most seriously injured are: Oscar Lind, Joseph Mason, John Olen, August Wentberg, A. Seinsanair, Peter Erickson, John Larson, Patrick Killeen.

The accident was caused by the giving way of one of the columns on which the huge blast furnace rests. The loss to the company is estimated at \$75,000. One man was buried in the water tank and another cut in two. One of the men on top of the furnace escaped serious injury.

NIGHTFALL.

The bees fly swiftly to their homes, To find repose in honeyed cells; The birds seek out their leafy bowers; Safe screened until the morning hours; The little ant her labor tells; And hastens to her tiny cells; Their work is done; the day is past; And night's dark shadows gather fast.

MRS. VANE'S MISTAKE.

The Plotting Against Her Rival Was of No Avail.

"Weren't you surprised to hear of Mrs. Meredith's engagement, Kate?" Kate Osborne turned toward the speaker a face which sufficiently answered the question without spoken words. Nevertheless, she strove to calm the wild beating of her heart, and she made an effort to control her voice that she might speak steadily.

they are more or less compromising when it has been quite understood that he can never, as an honorable man, marry any woman but Mrs. Meredith. Of course, if you had had a mother, you never could have made the mistake of taking his attentions seriously. Really, fathers are no good at all as the guardians of young daughters. But what I started to say was this—don't let people suspect how much you are hurt. Put a brave face on the matter, since you can't help it; and, above all, carry it proudly with Mr. Leslie. It may seem a cruel thing to say of an old friend, but the dreadful truth is that Allan likes to break hearts, and it really is not right to flatter his vanity by letting him see how badly you feel. Forgive me, child, if I am obliged to speak plainly; but it is good advice I offer you, though it may sound harsh. And now, good-bye!"

thought that just resentment prevented me from writing. "Of course his devotion to you increased and all went happily till my return a few days ago. My first act was to summon him to my presence, and he was simply in despair when he learned that I still considered him my promised husband. "And now comes the singular part of all this. Up to this time I had considered myself madly in love with Allan Leslie. He had no sooner left me than I discovered that I was as completely indifferent to him as he to me. "I could not realize this change. I feared to trust myself. But when, on the following day, a gentleman whom I had met on the voyage home—a charming man who had greatly interested me—called and made me a formal offer of marriage, I understood all in a moment—the mystery of my changed feelings toward Allan. "I can't refrain from laughing, my dear, but the fact is I am engaged to marry that same charming man, and I instantly wrote to Allan to make him a gift of his freedom. "He is generosity itself, and he never would have told you the truth; so, as I am very happy, I was prompted to come and try to make you as happy as myself."

USEFUL AND SUGGESTIVE. —A full tablespoonful of flour makes one-half ounce. —Keep silver and nickel ornaments and mounts bright by rubbing with woollen cloths saturated in spirits of ammonia. —Shoo-Fly.—One cup of sour cream, half-cup of butter, two cups of sugar, whites of four eggs, three cups of flour, flavor with citron or bitter almonds; add to the cream half teaspoonful or more of soda. —Economy is simply the avoidance of all waste, and economical housekeeping means the endeavor to obtain for the whole household the utmost amount of health, comfort, and enjoyment of life. —London Queen. —Apple Puffs.—Six apples stewed, strained, flavored and sweetened to taste; add a pinch of salt. Cut paste into pieces four inches square, put on a spoonful of sauce, fold over the other half, and bake in a pan lined with paper.—Good Housekeeping. —Sugar Biscuits.—One and a half pints of flour, pinch of salt, one coffee-cup of sugar, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one tablespoonful of lard, two eggs, half pint of milk. Mix into smooth batter drop into tins. Bake in hot oven eight or ten minutes.—Housekeeper. —All engravings or photographs that are framed in wood up to the edge look much better if the frame is rather flat and the wood is stained to harmonize with the tones of the picture. A silver or bronze beading is now often used on the outside of the frame, instead of inside next the picture. —Fried Celery. (To serve with boiled fowl or turkey).—Cut the white pieces of celery into lengths about four inches long, dust them with salt and pepper, dip them in beaten egg, then in bread-crumbs, and fry quickly in smoking-hot fat. Drain on brown paper and serve very hot.—Demorest's Monthly. —Dainty Corn Meal Muffins.—Beat together in order mentioned, two eggs, two tablespoonfuls of white sugar, one and a half cups sweet milk, a half-teaspoonful of salt, a cupful of Indian meal (white preferred), two cupfuls of flour sifted with two heaping teaspoonfuls of baking powder and one tablespoonful of melted butter. Bake in hot oven pans for twenty minutes in hot oven. Delicious. Water may be used instead of milk. Those left over may be reheated by steaming, or may be used for the foundation of puddings.—Boston Budget. —German Potato Balls.—Take one pint of mashed potatoes; add to them while they are hot one tablespoonful of butter, two tablespoonfuls of cream or four of milk, salt, pepper and a teaspoonful of finely-chopped onion and the same quantity of chopped celery, also three tablespoonfuls of flour; mix well together; form into balls; roll them well in beaten egg, drop them into boiling fat; place in a colander until all are cooked; then place on a sheet of white paper on a flat dish; garnish with parsley and serve hot.—Boston Herald. —The skirting steak is both cheap and tender, but so dry that it requires a little additional extra dripping or suet dotted about it when baking. Scatter these over the steak, with salt and pepper, a little sage or sweet marjoram and a little onion juice or a small onion grated. Over these spread a thick layer of mashed potato (cold, left over from the day before, is as good as any). Roll up the steak and tie with a cord so that it will look something like a duck. Put it in a dripping pan, with either hot water or stock, and a little catsup or a tablespoonful of vinegar. Baste frequently while baking.

MANITOBA AND THE CANADIAN NORTHWEST. Official Crop Returns Show a Splendid Field. The wonderful productiveness of the great wheat lands of Manitoba and the Canadian Northwest Territories receives a splendid indorsement in the crop of 1890. That these Canadian lands are peculiarly adapted to the growth of the very finest grades of wheat and other cereals is already well known, and, in addition, they produce what are unquestionably the greatest crops of potatoes, roots and all sorts of garden vegetables grown on the American continent. Small wonder, then, considering the many advantages possessed by the Canadian country now offered in Manitoba, Assiniboia and Alberta, that settlers are flocking thither eager to secure farms in a well-governed, peaceable country, where the climate is most healthful and the soil does not wear out, but yields a rich return year after year for the labor bestowed upon it. The following dispatch in this connection will no doubt be read with interest. It refers to the province of Manitoba: "WINNIPEG, Nov. 27.—The local government has just issued another bulletin which gives the following comparison with 1889 in average yields and products of wheat, oats, barley and potatoes, based on the returns of 'average and average yields for the respective years: "Estimated average yield in wheat '89, 21.4 bushels in '90, 21.1 bushels in '90. Oats, 16.8 in '89, 41.3 in '90. Barley, 13.6 in '89, 32.1 in '90. Potatoes, 119 in '89, 230 in '90. Product of wheat, 7,301,579 for '89, 14,665,769 for '90. Oats, 3,415,104 for '89, 9,513,433 for '90. Barley, 1,051,551 for '89, 2,069,411 for '90. Potatoes, 1,383,385 for '89, 2,540,820 for '90. "Little information is given about flax, but field roots are spoken of as being more than usually productive 'this year. "Large quantities of hay were put up 'this year, compared with last. During the harvesting season there was a great scarcity of farm laborers. "Three persons from Hamilton, Dakota, had been in the city since Monday, and to-day left for the West. Their expenses here are paid by the Dominion Government, and their mission is to pick out sufficient good farm land on which to locate three hundred Dakota families whose names are in their possession, and who will remove to Manitoba early in the spring."

Partners in Guilt. Three malignant foes to human happiness cooperate for evil. Their names are dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation. Though they constitute a strong syndicate, they can be overthrown with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Not instantaneously, of course, but by persistence. So can malarial, rheumatic and kidney ailments and nervousness. Ask your druggist for Hostetter's Almanac, and be advised of their superior merit. ... Two Giants. On the one hand—Scrofula, the ancient disease, known the world over, gnawing at the vitals of every nation, existing in the blood of nearly every family—descended to us from our fathers or acquired by our wrong habits and indulgences—powerful, obstinate, almost impregnable. On the other hand—Hood's Sarsaparilla, the modern medicine, the great enemy of impure blood, accomplishing the most wonderful cures of scrofula, salt rheum, etc.—the conqueror of disease, economical, reliable, sure. ... Hood's Sarsaparilla. Sold by all druggists. \$1.50 per bottle. Prepared only by C. I. HOOD & CO., Apothecaries, Lowell, Mass. ... ABDOMINAL BANDS. Warning, Comforting, Health Preserving GARMENTS. Great PROTECTION to BOWELS and KIDNEYS. No one can afford to go without in cold weather. ... SCOTT'S EMULSION. A GAIN OF A POUND A DAY IN THE CASE OF A MAN WHO HAS BECOME "ALL RUN DOWN," AND HAS BEGUN TO TAKE THAT REMARKABLE FLESH PRODUCER, SCOTT'S EMULSION OF PURE COD LIVER OIL WITH Hypophosphites of Lime & Soda IS NOTHING UNUSUAL. ... PRICKLY ASH BITTERS. One of the most important organs of the human body is the LIVER. When it fails to properly perform its functions the entire system becomes deranged. ... Money. A pocket full of money amounts to little after health is gone. To enjoy life, a good appetite, sound digestion and elastic limbs, take Tutt's Liver Pills. ... Tutt's Liver Pills. GIVE GOOD DIGESTION.

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

Table with market prices for various goods like CATTLE, HOGS, WHEAT, CORN, etc. in Kansas City, St. Louis, and Chicago.

ARTESIAN WELLS.

Geological Conditions Essential to Their Successful Operation. Whether water can be obtained by artesian borings in any district, or not, depends upon the geological structure. All rocks contain more or less water. Sandy formations absorb water mechanically, and fine sand can take in about one-third of its bulk of water, and if a well be sunk into it, and regularly pumped from, nearly all of this moisture can be drawn out. Chalk, and similar rocks, which are made up of very fine particles, closely compacted together, contain a very large proportion of water, but from the capillary attraction of this rock, very little of this water will drain into a well sunk into it. But as there are often wide crevices in chalk rocks, through which water flows in much greater quantity than the rock can retain in its pores, wells sunk into chalk formations often secure water. There is another formation, that of the clays, through which water does not percolate, and a well sunk in this rock can not secure water. In the geological strata of the earth, the veins which are impervious to water and those through which the water readily penetrates may occur in alternating layers, and when in this manner a pervious bed of earth lies between two impervious ones, it is plain that we have a formation altogether favorable to the objects of the artesian well. For, if a perforation be made through the retentive rock into the water-logged strata below, the moisture there contained will rise through the bore to a height depending upon the pressure of the water which has accumulated in the confined space between the two impervious veins. When, as so often happens, especially where the surface of the country is uneven, the vein of water-yielding sand may run beneath the surface of the earth, to a level far above the point where the boring has been made, the water will rise rapidly in the well, to the surface of the earth, and often higher, and will then flow continuously by hydrostatic pressure. As veins of sand or pervious rock run through the earth everywhere, there seem to be few places where the process of boring can not secure water at less or greater depth. Many artesian wells have been made in the deserts; in the Sahara a number of wells made in this way are transforming a perfectly arid land into a fertile, beautiful country. And as surface waters are continually percolating into the strata from which the artesian well draws, such wells seldom fail even after many years of usage. There are such wells in the Old World that have been in use for centuries.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

BOGUS ALASKA CURIOS.

Their Manufacture an Important Industry in San Francisco. The spread of American enterprise and Yankee ingenuity is nowhere seen to better advantage than among the guileless natives of Alaska, said Captain Anderson, of the Bertha, a reporter of the San Francisco Chronicle. The captain thereupon proceeded to throw new light upon the results of the fad of relic-hunting pursued by Alaskan excursionists. "The captains of the excursion steamers are posterred by the passengers for information as to the best place to procure relics," said he. "The arrival of excursionists creates a mad day of stir among the natives as a steamer duff of in San Francisco in the 60's. They are the legitimate prey of the children of Alaska. Years ago it was possible to get real relics at a moderate price, but now it is hard to tell the difference between real and false relics. "Some time ago some ingenious natives used to take half-dollars, hammer them out very thin, and manufacture them into bracelets. These curious were sold for \$1.50 or \$2 at the most. When steamer-loads of tourists commenced going to Alaska in the summer they bought up the bracelets as fast as they were made. The native Alaskan is a very speedy individual. He saw fortunes in store for him. The bracelets could not be made fast enough to supply the demand, and he formed a sort of syndicate with his brothers. This syndicate sent to San Francisco and had hundreds of these bracelets manufactured here and reshipped to Alaska. They were very and are still retailed to the guileless excursionists at \$5 or \$9 a pair. The same may be said of native idols, straw hats, bottle covers, and bows and arrows. More than half of them are made in this and other coast cities and then sent to Alaska for sale. The natives know when they are talking to an expert, and they do not try to palm off spurious articles on him. But the green excursionist is their ready victim. They will sell him a straw hat made of spruce roots for \$5 or \$6 which they ordinarily sell for 50 cents. Imported war suits decked with feathers and beads are disposed of at from \$25 to \$75 each. "If the studious collectors of Alaskan curios only knew the history of half their materials they would become very sad. The native Alaskan is a victim of civilization. He has learned from his white brother how to lie, and he knows how to seize an opportunity."

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WONDERFUL GLACIER.

The Largest in the World Found on Mount St. Elias.

Mark Kerr and associates, of the United States Geological Survey, who went a few months ago on an exploring trip to Alaska, have returned. He climbed Mount St. Elias to the height of 9,000 feet, an exploit which has baffled such accomplished mountain climbers as Schwatka, Seton, Karr and Gilder. He also discovered the mightiest glacier in the world in the canyon below Mount St. Elias. With Kerr was Prof. Russell, of the United States Geological Survey, and six woodsmen. The party proceeded to Kettle river from Yakutat Bay to the head of the Augusta Glacier they came upon a singular sight. Fifteen hundred feet above the sea level was a small island in the middle of glacial streams covered with flowers and verdure. They decided to call the little paradise Blossom Island. Making their way over the mountains above the Augusta Glacier, and coming over a glacier they called the Hitchcock, after the scientist, they reached the mightiest glacier in the world, which they named Lucia Glacier. This vast body is ten miles in width and flows for twenty-five miles, until it falls by a big moraine into Baird Glacier, which includes all the north side of Yakutat Bay. It moves fifteen feet a day, and is covered with circular crevices.

Proceeding up Lucia Glacier, they came to what is called Pinnacle Pass at its head. This is a natural pass into the interior of Alaska across the St. Elias range. They crossed over this pass and proceeded in behind St. Elias. Following up a glacier, they came at last to a place that seemed impassable. A wall of snow and ice barred further progress. By tunneling they gradually made their way through to a ledge. Fastening a long rope at the top of this they managed to slide down with great peril to a ledge below, from which they, by arduous and dangerous climbing, reached a point 9,000 feet above the level of the sea and a slope of hard snow leading straight to the summit. Here provisions ran out just as they were in a fair way to reach the summit. Before they replenished their stores violent snow-storms set in, preventing all further advance for the season. They returned to Blossom Island, where they made elaborate studies of the mountain and its glaciers.

Kerr is confident the crest of the mountain is in American territory, the boundary line, crossing the northeast slope near the summit. As to the height, Kerr says he doubts whether it is more than 12,500 feet. Between St. Elias and Lucia glaciers there are several other peaks about 12,000 feet high.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

STEALING NEW IDEAS.

How Dress-Makers Obtain Designs for Gowns Free of Cost.

One of the big Broadway retail dry-goods firms had its fall opening the other day, and a large crowd of women filled the store. One of the visitors was sitting before a "dummy" figure which was clad in an exceedingly rich and handsome gown, and was writing rapidly, pausing occasionally to look at the garment. One of the male "floor-walkers" walked up and said something to her in a low but apparently firm tone. The woman snatched a reply, crumpled up her paper and shoved it into her pocket, and then walked hurriedly out of the building, with a look of mingled mortification and indignation on her face.

The little incident created a deal of excitement, and whispered comment among the shoppers who observed it. The general idea was that the woman was a "shoplifter," and many were the expressions of surprise that so well dressed and respectable a looking woman should be a criminal. These inferences were entirely at fault, however, as an inquiry put to the "floor-walker" showed. Said he:

"The woman was merely a dress-maker who was stealing the design of the dress. These fall openings are sources of considerable expense to our house, because we make up a much handsomer and fuller line of bonnets and dresses for them than we ordinarily carry. The women who can plan a really artistic and attractive garment are few and command high salaries. The dress-makers and milliners who do business on a small scale, many of them, watch carefully the announcements of the semi-annual openings of big houses and never miss one of them. They can thus get ideas free which cost the firms a lot of money.

"We don't object to their coming and looking, even if we know they have not the slightest intention of buying anything, but we think it going too far when they sit down and write descriptions of and sketch our most striking novelties. We speak to them quietly when we catch them stealing our ideas in this way, but sometimes we find them at work again with their pencils a few minutes later! Some of the old-times even hide behind 'dummy' figures and showcases, or in dark corners, to pursue their drawing unobserved. We get to know them, though, and keep an eye on the old offenders when they pay us a visit."—N. Y. Tribune.

—In a discussion lately carried on in Europe as to the distance at which large objects on the earth's surface are visible, it was stated that the Himalaya mountains have appeared to view from the great distance of 234 miles, and Mount Blanc 210 miles.

—Buttons Not Wanted.—"There has evidently been a misapprehension," stated the minister after the collection for the heathen had been taken up, "among certain members of this congregation concerning the heathen's costume. I will state that they do not wear pants."—N. Y. Herald.

CIRCUS STORIES.

How Wilber Huskins Browning Became a Bareback Rider.

"Dead-Head" Dodge of a Kentucky Countryman When the Band Began to Play—His Adventure with a Tobacco Plug and Tent Canvas.



Millersburg, Ky., a long time ago. The countryman was engaged in making the acquaintance of the circus folks, hoping to get a complimentary ticket which would entitle him to admission through the front door. If he failed in this, the wish of his heart, he still entertained a belief that he could crawl in under the side wall. After he had exchanged the time of day, etc., he took a fresh chew of "homespun," cleared his throat, and rattled off the following narrative: "Nigh onto thirty years ago, as well as I can recollect, thar was a troupe come to our town—a kind of a thin affair—and put up their sheets right back of the steam mill. It was right in the middle of harvest and the boys and gurrels



wuz pretty bizzzy in the fields. Well, the band it paraded around and the show commenced, but, owing to the harvest, the boys and gurrels did not turn out well; but they went on showin' anyhow.

"Well, now, thar was a boy livin' in our town. Wilber Huskins Browning was his name; a riggerlar dare-devil, a born clown. Everybody said he'd never come to enny good. Wilber was a limber cuss. Why, he could just stand flat-footed and jump over any critter his dad had in his barn without frizzling a hair on its back, a riggerlar supple-jack.

"Well, Wilber was known to have bought a bran new plug of tobacco that mornin' the show came to town. So he went right down to whar they wuz puttin' up their sheets, and one showman asked him for a chew.

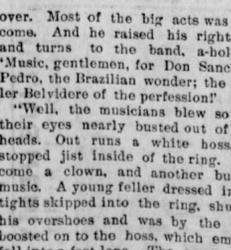
"Well, he pulled his plug right out—good-hearted cuss that he wuz—and give it to the showman. Well, he just took a chew, and they just chewed, and chewed that tobacco all day.

"Well, that night while they wuz packin' up their sheets Wilber was still around, and as nobody seen nor hern of him arter the supposition wuz he got wrapped up in the sheets. The showmen jist jined him out to get that plug of tobacco, an' God knows they got it.

"Well, about six years arter that same troupe came along with a caravan attached.

"Well, they put up their sheets on the same ground whar they had been before. This time it was right arter harvest and the boys had plenty of money, so they filled the benches to overflowin'. The show run along quite a spell. I recollect when a feller come

"A feller come out" and give notice that there was goin' to be a concert arter while and a feedin' of the wild beasts in the menagerie with raw meat from their keepers' hands; that what he said. He told the folks the show wasn't b



over. Most of the big acts was yet to come. And he raised his right hand and turns to the band, a-hollerin': "Music, gentlemen, for Don Sancho de Pedro, the Brazilian wonder; the Apoller Belvidere of the perfection!"

"Well, the musicians blew so hard their eyes nearly busted out of their heads. Out runs a white horse, that stopped jist inside of the ring. Then come a clown, and another bust of music. A young feller dressed in silk tights skipped into the ring, shuck off his overshoes and was by the clown boosted on to the boss, which emejely fell up to a fast lope. The young feller stood up and rode around, his right leg up in the air and his heel held by his right hand. My! but he looked fine, with his hair as slick as an onion. Who was it? Why, nobody else than Wilber Huskins Browning."

sat by the side of the gate keeper. The darky was chewing sugar cane, and every time he received an answer to a question he discarded his old chew and reloaded his mouth.

"How does you do, sah? Is you de boss man?"

"Yes, I own the show, if that is what you want to know." (More sugar cane.)

"Well sah, does you own all dem varmint and things?"

"Yes, uncle." (More sugar cane.)

"Umph. One little man own all dem varmnts. Biess de Lord. Well, how much does you charge to go in?"

"One dollar, uncle." (Sugar cane.)

"One dollar. Reckon de show ain't nigh out?"

"No, uncle. The second act is in the ring. You have plenty of time to see all I pay me here and go in." (More cane.)

"One dollar. You ain't gwine to charge any less by and by, is you?"

Uncle had by this time demonstrated the fact that he did not have a dollar, but was probably fifty cents strong. He was hoping to get in when the performance was half finished.

"No, uncle," said Mr. Sells, "no less." (More cane.)

"An' you is de boss man, an' owns all dem varmint and things. Well, sah, bless God, an' you ain't gwine to charge any less by and by."

"No, uncle, no less. You are losing a good act going on in the ring now. You had better pay and go in." (More cane.)

"Yaas, sah. How much did you say you is gwine to charge?"

"One dollar, uncle." (More cane.)

"An' no less?"

"No, not any less." (More cane.)

AGRICULTURAL HINTS.

ORCHARD MANAGEMENT.

Young Trees Need Both Manure and Mellow Cultivation. A common mistake in years past, which the planters of orchards fell into, was in supposing that orchards did not require as much care and enrichment as any other crop on the farm. Many set out young trees and gave them little more attention. They erroneously supposed that in time these trees would bear abundantly of fine fruit, and bring them in plenty of money. The trees were expected to take full care of themselves. The result was that some died the first year, a good many the second and in a few years but few remained. A neighbor set out a hundred fine peach trees. They were transplanted into a clover meadow, and allowed such chance as the place afforded them. In two years only three remained. Success,



however, is often better, but without proper treatment the trees will make poor growth, and yield a small and poor fruit.

In contrast with these was an orchard of a few apple trees in an adjoining State on a place of a few acres, the owner of which made it a rule to spread all the enriching material he had of any kind, the manure of the horse and cow, on the orchard ground. No crop was raised beneath the trees, and the ground was so rich and mellow that it could be easily kicked loose with the foot. These trees were loaded with large and beautiful fruit (Fig. 1), while in other orchards in the neighborhood they were small and few. Another owner of a hundred and thirty acres in this State made the raising and sale of fruit his chief business and source of profit, selling his annual entire crop (at a time when prices were higher than now) for about five thousand dollars. The rest of his farm was tributary to his orchards, and all or nearly all the manure made on the farm was given to his fruit trees. This treatment gave him good crops when others had none, and large and attractive fruit, when in other orchards the apples were small and scabby, and the trees still appeared like those in Fig. 2.

No one should set out a new orchard unless he is sure he can give it both manure and mellow cultivation. A small one of a few acres, bearing yearly rich and beautiful specimens, is better than a neglected one spreading over wide acres. There will be more profit in the small and perfect one than in the one extended and neglected. Until



planters who have the means avoid this superficial practice, they will continue to set the unwholesome example to others, and perpetuate to a great degree the slipshod style of orcharding. It is well therefore for the planter to determine beforehand what special attention can be given to the trees, and fix on the size of the orchard accordingly. Cultivation alone, keeping the soil clean and mellow for several years, may answer while the trees are young; but when they come into heavy bearing, this large annual draft can be supplied by an annual or at least biennial top-dressing in the autumn or winter, of rich barn manure.—Country Gentleman.

They are Not As Beneficial as Some Would Have Us Think. As the hens will not eat oyster shells when ground as fine as meal, and prefer the large, coarse pieces, it is doubtful if oyster shells assist in supplying lime for the egg shells, and are rather eaten because of being sharp and assisting to grind their food in the gizzard. Oyster shells are as insoluble as limestone, or any other carbonate of lime, and can not therefore be utilized as food. If lime is to be given to fowls it can best be done in the drinking water, as the freshly burned lime (hydrate, when slaked) is the best form for the purpose.

The lime of the egg shell can be secured from the food very easily if the hens are supplied with plenty of grass and a variety of food. The grains are deficient in lime, and when the hens are confined and fed entirely on grain, the eggs will have soft shells, no matter how well the hens may be supplied with pounded oyster shells. In some sections of the country oyster shells are seldom seen, yet there is no difficulty in regard to the hardness of the egg shells. The oyster shells promote digestion, by assisting to grind the food, and in that respect are very serviceable, and aid in promoting the secretion of lime for the shells of the eggs.—Farm, Field and Stockman.

FATTENING FOR MARKET.

One of the Most Important Branches of the Poultry Industry.

Vary the manner of cooking the food as much as possible to induce the birds to eat as much as they can. One day boil the corn, another day make mush and another day boil in some vegetables or roots. Keep the board clean and have fresh water or milk in dishes for them; slatted bottom to the coop with cut straw or chaff, makes it more comfortable; move the coop every few days to a clean spot, then scrape the floor and put fresh earth on and air slaked lime. Feed three times a day, making sure to give a full meal each time. In three weeks they will be fat if they were in good condition when cooped.

Sometimes cooped birds begin to lose their appetites after a week or two. In such cases the food must be varied and prepared to induce them to eat. Corn and barley mixed, ground corn, oats and barley mixed with the house pieces, which will divide the vertebrae and cause immediate death, after which hang the fowl up by the legs till the bleeding ceases and pick it while warm, using powdered resin for the fingers while picking. With a little care the skin of the fowl does not become as torn and ragged as it does in the old-fashioned way of scalding. Another thing, the flesh presents a better and more natural appearance when not scalded. When each bird is relieved of the entrails, liver, heart, etc., and thoroughly cleansed, the bodies should be molded on a table or board prepared purposely to give prominence to the breast and width to the back, and while being molded they should be wrapped in wet linen cloths.—Western Plowman.

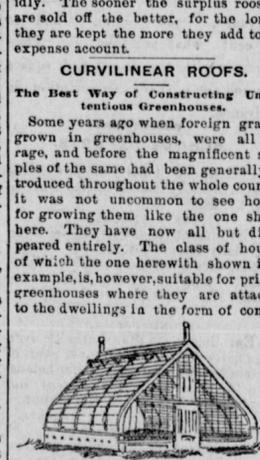
AMONG THE POULTRY. Keep the feeding coops clean. Sweet corn makes a splendid feed for young poultry. A broad board makes a good feeding place for soft feed. Rightly managed, red peppers fed to poultry will aid materially to prevent cholera. Poultry often do considerable damage if allowed to roost in the stables or granaries. Systematic work in feeding and caring for the poultry is what returns the most profit. In some localities Kafir corn is highly recommended as a food for poultry during the winter. All hens that do not show some particular merit or evidence of thrift, should be fattened and marketed. Feeding skim-milk to the poultry can often be made fully as profitable as to feed it to growing pigs. Give it a trial. The best and easiest way of supplying salt to the poultry is by mixing with their soft food. During the winter it is best to give some warm, soft food and with it both pepper and salt can be given. The Brahmas are among the best of the large breeds, and with good care the pullets will commence to lay when six months old, and will often lay thirty or forty eggs before they will become broody. Ducks are enormous eaters, but they have one advantage, and that is if they are well fed they will mature very rapidly. The sooner the surplus roosters are sold off the better, for the longer they are kept the more they add to the expense account.

CURVILINEAR ROOFS. The Best Way of Constructing Unpretentious Greenhouses. Some years ago when foreign grapes, grown in greenhouses, were all the rage, and before the magnificent samples of the same had been generally introduced throughout the whole country, it was not uncommon to see houses for growing them like the one shown here. They have now all but disappeared entirely. The class of houses, of which the one herewith shown is an example, is, however, suitable for private greenhouses where they are attached to the dwellings in the form of conservatories, as the outline, in its many forms, is more pleasing to the eye and more in harmony with architectural science than the lean-to or shed roof, or the common span-roof greenhouse. The large conservatories of our public parks usually have combinations of the curvilinear roof. The best samples are made of metal in preference to wood, as the cost is often considerable, and wood is very perishable in a greenhouse, unless the utmost care is taken in its construction. Where wood is used, all joints should be well saturated with oil and well white-leaded. It should likewise be painted every two or three years. With this care, greenhouses, even of wood, will stand at least twenty years' wear and tear.—Prairie Farmer

A FANTASTIC ORGY. Dance of His Sataunic Majesty in An African Chief's Court-Yard. A fantastic orgy was witnessed at the town of Loongi, the capital of Bulum, west coast of Africa, by a party of officers from the West India regiment quartered at Sierra Leone. The people of Loongi are Mohammedans, but the dancing devil himself is a relic of not long departed paganism, and so also probably is the dance itself. It takes place in the court-yard of the chief's premises, which is entered through a circular hut. The scene which presents itself to any one coming suddenly out of the darkness into the noise and glare is decidedly uncanny. In the center of a circle which fills the court-yard, the devil with an orthodox tail, a great crocodile's head, and long grass, looking like hair, depending from his body and legs and swaying as he moves, leaps, beating time with his feet to the beat of the drums; while the women, two deep, wall a chant and strike their palms together in slow, rhythmical measure, those in the front row bowing down between each beat. The young men in long robes and caps wall with the women. Both are under yaws, the dance being one of their rites. They look dazed to begin with, but gradually work themselves into a frenzy; and the black faces, the monotonous, wailing cry, the thrumming of the drums, the rattle of the clackers, and the beat of the devil's feet as he springs up, crouches down and swings about, make a scene to shock the quiet moon and stars and gladden Gehenna. North of Sierra Leone Africa is Mohammedan, south pagan, and the southern people have this devil.

When peace is declared between two native tribes, the peace devil, who is fetich, comes leaping into the town; but if he stumbles or falls it is considered a bad omen and he is put to death for his pains. His dress is sacred, but his person is of no consequence.—London Times.

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We have a very complete stock of everything in Men and Boys' wear. The Warm weather for the past few weeks had left us with a great many winter weight goods. What we must do is to sell a majority of it this month. If you need anything in our line this month, you will have a good assortment to select from and you can buy it at bottom prices.

Fine Dress Suits, Good Business Suits, Fine Dress Overcoats,  
Good Solid Working Suits, Big heavy driving coats, Extra  
Pants, Tailor made suits, Varieties in Underwear, White  
Shirts laundered, White shirts unlaundried,

Giesecke Boots, Giesecke Shoes, Men's  
Arctics, Wool Boots, Rubber Boots,  
Wool Hosiery, Cotton Hosiery,  
Caps, Hats, Neck Wear,

Gloves and Mittens, Duck Coats, Duck Vests,  
Duck Pants, Leather Coats, Boys' Suits,  
Children's Suits, Boys' Overcoats,  
Children's Overcoats, etc., etc.

What we wish to impress upon you is the fact that we carry everything for Men's and Boys' wear and sell them at Bottom Prices.

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## The Chase County Courant.

W. E. TIMMONS, Editor and Publisher  
Issued every Thursday.  
Metal Paper of Chase County.

The People's party has only a Lease in Kansas.—*Republican Ex.*  
Yes; but what if it is for ninety-nine years? Is not that almost equal to a fee simple?

The Kansas Star, a new Sunday paper, W. E. Huttman & Son, editors and proprietors, a very neatly printed and quite a newsy paper, published at Wichita, has reached this office. The Star is resurrected out of the ruins of the lately defunct Journal of that city; and we wish it a long and prosperous life.

### TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

The teachers of the county, in response to announcement of County Superintendent J. C. Davis, met, last Saturday, in the public school building, at Strong City. It being the first association of teachers this year every one seemed hungry for educational thought, and each topic was discussed with interest and enthusiasm. The large turnout gave evidence of the great interest taken in school work by our teachers. First on the program was a chorus by the High School pupils of Strong City, in which they did themselves credit. Next was a paper, on "School Government," by Geo. U. Young, which contained many valuable thoughts and suggestions. T. J. Perry, following on the program, discussed the merits of the paper in an able manner, and gave additional thoughts on the subject. The discussion was then taken up by various members of the meeting, each one showing interest in the work and a mind awake with the time.

Mrs. Knox, ex-County Superintendent of Lyon County, was present, and took an active part in the various discussions. Mr. Brown, not being present with his paper, on "Trials and Triumphs of a Country School Teacher," that subject was laid over till the next meeting. A paper, on "Primary Work," by Mrs. T. H. Grisham, was appreciated by all. It contained valuable hints and suggestions, and was indicative of ability, experience and adaptation for the work.

Songs, recitations and declamations by the pupils of Strong City schools added life and interest to the meeting.

A CHILD SUPPOSED TO BE LOST.  
Little Georgie Beymer, only two and a half years old, caused quite an excitement in the neighborhood for about five hours. He was missing for only a few minutes, when his mother and sister went to look for him, and he was not to be found any where about the place. A search was begun, the neighbors joining, until nearly every one was hunting. The creek was waded, that was near by.

At one o'clock his sister found him about a quarter of a mile away, fastened in a sled by the side of a rick of fodder. A FRIEND.  
Morgan, Kan., Dec. 1, 1890.

A QUESTION ANSWERED.  
What is a Pullman tourist sleeper? It is a comfortable sleeping car, without expensive upholstery, just suited to the purposes for which it was designed. Mattresses, bedding and curtains; handy lunch tables; and necessary toilet articles, are all there.

Everything is kept clean and tidy by a competent porter. The Santa Fe Route uses Pullman tourist cars on its line to the Pacific Coast. A pretty little folder, describing in detail the many advantages of traveling in tourist sleepers, can be had by addressing G. T. Nicholson, G. P. & T. A., Topeka, Kansas.

LITERARY NOTES.  
"The Slossons of Bangzville," a Five-Hundred-Dollar Prize Story, by James T. McKay, is one of the admirable stories given in the Thanksgiving Double Number of "The Youth's Companion." Among the other stories are: "A Thanksgiving Guest," by Louis R. Baker; "Cy and the Bear," a humorous adventure, by John F. Barnes; "Chased by a Shadow," by Warren L. Watvia, while a whole page of Thanksgiving fun is given for the younger readers.

## TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

A pleasant word or two with you. Many of you are old time subscribers and an occasional reminder is carefully heeded. To our later friends we point this exampled courtesy.

On our mailing list there are fully five hundred subscribers who owe on subscription six dollars, on an average. \$3,000, you say, due us! Correct.

Experience shows that the most of these delinquencies are due to neglectfulness rather than inability to pay. Our policy has been to allow our subscribers their own time; but when one allows himself to get as much as three or more years behind, the "putting-off" comes with greater ease. You, dear subscriber, will generally say when you come to settle, that it ought to have been paid much sooner, that you were able to pay, but neglected to call.

Now, if we were rich, we would like to let "by-gones be by-gones," and let you keep what you owe, and start from this moment with cash-in-advance subscriptions. But what you owe is rightfully ours and we need it. These calls do not come unless they are necessary.

Take the date opposite your name on the upper margin of first page or wrapper, count the time to January 1, '91, and find how long you are delinquent. Reckon the subscription at \$1.50 per year, as we will not just now insist on the \$2.00 rule, although some of you owe us as far back as when our paper was \$2.00 a year, even if the subscription was paid in advance, and you find to a cent what you owe us. Then come in with the money and square up and pay a year's subscription in advance.

## SCHOOL REPORTS.

Cottonwood Falls Public Schools Report for the month ending November 21, 1890:

FIRST PRIMARY.  
Enrollment for the month, 52; average daily attendance, 44; per cent. of attendance on average number belonging, 95; number neither absent nor tardy, 17. MISS MAGGIE BREESE, Teacher.

SECOND PRIMARY.  
Enrollment for the month, 34; average daily attendance, 31; per cent. of attendance on average number belonging, 97; number neither absent nor tardy, 13. MISS ANNA ROCKWOOD, Teacher.

FIRST INTERMEDIATE.  
Enrollment for the month, 39; average daily attendance, 36; per cent. of attendance on average number belonging, 96; number neither absent nor tardy, 17. MISS ANNA ELLSWORTH, Teacher.

SECOND INTERMEDIATE.  
Enrollment for the month, 40; average daily attendance, 37; per cent. of attendance on average number belonging, 96; number neither absent nor tardy, 22. MISS MATTIE SHEEHAN, Teacher.

GRAMMAR DEPARTMENT.  
Enrollment for the month, 46; average daily attendance, 43; per cent. of attendance on average number belonging, 97; number neither absent nor tardy, 18. MISS SALLIE P. ACKLEY, Teacher.

HIGH SCHOOL.  
Enrollment for the month, 42; average daily attendance, 40; per cent. of attendance on average number belonging, 96; number neither absent nor tardy, 21. MRS. HATTIE E. DART, MRS. SADIE P. GRISHAM, Teachers.

## ITEMS FROM BAZAAR.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Chandler and daughter, Birdie L. of Sedgwick City have come on a visit to friends and relatives.

Last Thursday the ladies of the Methodist Church were invited by Mrs. R. H. Chandler to a dinner party at her home.

Protracted meetings will begin this week, conducted by Rev. G. W. Blackburn.

The Church voted on the question of admitting women as delegates to the General Conference and resulted in favor of women.

Mr. F. V. Alford has been suffering from a sore throat the past week.

### OBSERVER.

BAZAAR, Dec. 8th, 1890.

### LETTER LIST.

Letters remaining in the postoffice at Cottonwood Falls, Kansas, December 4th, 1890:

Albright, Henry McKinney, Wm. Cooper, J. A. Shade, Isaac Davidson, Wm. Scott, W. M. Hitchcock, N. W. Wright, Rev. R. M. Bernard, Jennie O'Brien, Mary Baldrige, Thos. 2 Slaughter, Mr. Mason, Florence Stewart, T. S. Moraine, Jennie Van Horn, David

All the above remaining undelivered for December 20th, will be sent to the Dead Letter office.

### S. A. BRESE, P. M.

### SOUTH OF SNOW BELT.

Texas, New Mexico and old Mexico are well worth visiting this winter. It will not cost you much to take a trip there via Santa Fe route. Winter tourist tickets now on sale, good until June 1st, 1891, with thirty days' limit each way. List of destinations includes Austin, Corpus Christi, Deming, El Paso, Galveston, Houston, Lampasas, Monterey, Rockport, Saltillo and San Antonio. Inquire of local agent of Santa Fe Route, or address G. T. Nicholson, G. P. & T. A., Topeka, Kansas.

### MORGAN SCHOOL.

The following named pupils made an average of 85 per cent. and above on examination, Dec. 5, 1890: Charlie Carver 91, Clara Morris 85, Mattie Fessler 85, Nettie Butler 88, Fannie Morris 88, Eddie Fessler 89, Sammie Fessler 92. VIRGINIA FETTY, Teacher.

### FOR SALE.

A stallion and jack. Apply at this office. nov20

I, the undersigned, have in the pound in the city of Cottonwood Falls Kans., one 2 year old bright bay filly with star in face, and one 2 year old light bay filly with blaze in face, right hind foot white, and a split in left ear. I will sell the above described colts, on Wednesday, December 17th, 1890, at 10 o'clock a. m., if not called for before that time. ROBERT SMITH, City Marshal.

### CHARLES M. FRYE

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Slate Pencil, six for 3 cents.  
" wood covered, 3 for 5  
Lead Pencils, per dozen 5 cents.  
Wood tooth picks, per box 5 cents.  
Crayon chalk, 10c. 3 boxes for 25 cents.  
Ink, 2 oz. bottles 5c 3 for 10 cents.  
Writing Tablets, 5c 3 for 10 cents.  
" 10c 3 for 25 cents.  
25 white envelopes No. 4 5 cents.  
Good pen holders 6 for 5 cents.  
Gold Pens and Holders, Writing Desks, Album, Toilet Sets, Collars and Cuffs, Boxes, Pocket Books, Children's Books and nice Holiday Presents.

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We will guarantee the "LOVELL" WASHER to do better work and do it easier and in less time than any other machine in the world. Warranted five years, and if it don't wash the clothes clean without rubbing, we will refund the money. AGENTS WANTED can show proof that agents are making from \$75 to \$150 per month. Farming make \$200 to \$300 during the winter. Ladies have great success selling this Washer. Retail price, only \$35. Sample to those desiring an agency \$2. Also the Celebrated KRESTON WINGERS at manufacturers' lowest prices. We invite the strictest investigation. Send your address on a postal card for further particulars.  
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COTTONWOOD FALLS, KANS. THURSDAY, DEC. 11, 1890.

W. E. TIMMONS - Ed. and Prop

No fair shall we, no favor sway; New to the line, let he chips fall where they may.

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Table with columns for ad length (1 week, 2 weeks, 3 weeks, 1 month, 3 months, 1 year) and rates for different ad sizes (1 in., 2 in., 3 in., 4 in., 5 in., 6 in., 7 in., 8 in., 9 in., 10 in.).

Local notices, 10 cents a line for the first insertion and 5 cents a line for each subsequent insertion; double price for black letter, or for items under the head of "Local Short Stops".



TIME TABLE.

Time table for various routes including East, West, and Mixed services, listing stations and departure/arrival times.

LOCAL SHORT STOPS.

Business locals, under this head, 20 cents a line, first insertion, 10 cents a line for each subsequent insertion. 12<sup>th</sup> above zero, Sunday night. Rings of all kinds, at R. L. Ford's. It is just two weeks until Christmas. A store room for rent. Apply at this office. 72<sup>nd</sup> in the shade, out-doors, yesterday afternoon. Miss Ida Estes is clerking for Mr. Chas. M. Frye. Mr. T. B. Johnston has gone back to Henderson, Ky. Work on the Main street culvert is progressing nicely. Mrs. E. P. Butts is visiting her sister, in Kansas City. A large assortment of clocks, at R. L. Ford's jewelry store. Don't fail to go to R. L. Ford's and price his holiday goods. The inside of the depot at Strong City is being remodeled. Mr. Charles Minor has been appointed night policeman. For Sale—A piano. Apply to H. Bonewell, at Eureka House. Mr. J. G. Winters is putting up a new ice-house at Strong City. Mr. D. C. Ellsworth has moved back to Strong City, from Emporia. Solid gold rings, for ladies, gentlemen or children at R. L. Ford's. Mrs. E. Cooley is confined to her home by sickness, but is about. Mr. Geo. Holsinger and wife moved into the Gandy house, yesterday. Mr. Clyde Hoover has returned to Strong City, from San Antonio, Texas. Dr. J. M. Hamme has been appointed Santa Fe surgeon for this county. Very pleasant weather now-a-days, and no snow as yet, this winter or fall. Mr. and Mrs. Chester F. Gandy have gone to Shannon, Atchison county. Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Hickman have returned to Strong City, from Kansas City. The McKinley bill has no effect on the prices of jewelry at R. L. Ford's store. Mr. Tom Quinn has returned to Strong City, from the State of Washington. Mr. B. Lanry, of Strong City, took a large shipment of hogs to Kansas City, last week. Mr. F. C. Hasbrouck has taken the place of Mr. Gartsdale, as Foreman at the round-house. Messrs. Wm. Bradburn and Horace McKnight have returned to Strong City, from Texas. Mr. Robert Race is building a residence in the south part of Strong City near the ice-house. The winter term of school in the Arch Miller district will be taught by Miss Lulu Hansen. County Attorney F. P. Cochran was out to Marion and Florence, on law business, last week. Miss Elsa Hawkins, who was visiting in this city, returned to her home at Chanute Tuesday. A large assortment of breast pins, ear rings and watch chains, at R. L. Ford's jewelry store. Mr. Chas. Chandler and wife, of Sedgewick, are visiting their friends and relatives, near Bazaar. Mr. Frank Darling has been re-appointed Street Commissioner, vice Mr. N. W. Frisby, resigned.

Born, on Friday night, December 5, 1890, to Mr. Aaron Lyons and wife, of this city, a 12-pound boy. Mrs. O. M. Ellis enjoyed a visit last week, from her brother, Mr. Geo. Atherton, of St. Louis, Mo. Last Sunday was about the first really cold day this fall and winter, and it was not very cold either. Messrs. Ed. and Charles Gottbehuet start this morning, by wagon, for Missouri, to farm in that State. Died, in Strong City, Tuesday night, December 9th, 1890, in child-birth, Mrs. Geo. McCraw; also the child. The pensions of Postmaster S. A. Brees, of this city, and of Mr. Henry Howe, of Cahola, have been increased. Messdames Eamans, Slaughter and Adams, of Strong City, have returned home from their visit at Kansas City. Mrs. W. H. Holsinger and Miss Estella Brees were down to Emporia, the latter part of last week, on a visit. When you are looking for Christmas presents, don't forget to go to R. L. Ford's jewelry store and look at his goods. On Tuesday night of last week there was a very pleasant dancing party at Mr. S. Miller's, on the H. S. F. Davis ranch. Mr. Dennis Madden and wife were down to Kansas City, last week, visiting Mrs. Madden's sister, Mrs. Crookshank. Married, in this city, on Friday, November 28, 1890, by Judge J. M. Rose, Mr. Wm. A. Mann and Mary J. Stewart. Be sure to go to R. L. Ford's and look at his goods and find out his prices before buying your holiday presents. If the date opposite your name on your paper or the wrapper is not right, send word to us, or call in and have it corrected. Messrs. C. E. Wilson and Frank Arnold, of Saffordville, shipped a car load of hogs, each, to Kansas City, last week. Mrs. Will Clark and her niece who has been visiting at her Grandmother Strickland's, started, yesterday, on a visit in Missouri. R. L. Ford keeps in stock a large assortment of elegant silver ware. Be sure to examine it before buying your Christmas presents. By a unanimous vote the M. E. Church at Strong City decided to admit women as lay delegates to the General Conference. Mr. Jesse Kellogg has opened a billiard hall in the new building put up by Mr. Wm. Hillert, north of Mr. E. F. Bauerle's bakery. Ladies' gold watches, gentlemen's gold watches, school-teachers' watches, in fact, watches of all kinds, at R. L. Ford's jewelry store. The M. E. Church of this city has decided by a vote of 22 for 14 against in favor of admitting women as lay members to Conference. Mrs. James Jackson, of Bazaar township, was called to Ohio, last week, by a telegram stating that her sister was not expected to live. Having finished the building of A No. 1 ice-house at Clements, for Messrs. Hamill & Green, Mr. Scott Dennison has returned to Strong City. Mr. S. F. Jones has bought the stock of goods of Mr. N. B. Berry; and Messrs. E. P. Hickman and Albert Berry are now in charge of that store. M. J. Fanning, of Michigan, delivered a temperance lecture at the Methodist church, Tuesday night, and at the Presbyterian church, last night. The first railroad station one mile west of here has been named Bennett in honor of one of Plymouth's leading business men.—Emporia Republican. Died, on Friday, November 27, 1890 at Elmdale, Mrs. Campbell, mother of the Campbell boys, on Middle creek, consort of Mr. E. Campbell, aged 72 years. Mr. Carl Fritz and his sisters, Misses Lena and Martha Fritze, returned home Tuesday night, from their visit to their sister, Mrs. Hamm, at Olerle. Mr. T. D. McClelland, of Saffordville, has returned home from his visit in Nebraska, accompanied by his brother, Mr. John McClelland, and his brother's wife. The following parties, of Strong City, are the happy parents of newborn sons: Mr. John Boylan and wife, Mr. John Gannon and wife and Mr. Lee Clay and wife. A good musical instrument would make an acceptable Christmas present, and you can get any kind of an instrument at R. L. Ford's, and very handsome ones, at that. Mrs. J. A. Goudie, of Strong City, has gone to California to visit her son, Mr. J. A. Goudie, Jr., at University, in that State, and will remain there, at least, during the winter. A petition with ninety names to it will be presented to the Board of County Commissioners at the next meeting, for the division of Bazaar township into two townships. Mrs. J. H. Scribner and daughter, Mrs. J. H. Mercer, went to Kansas City, last week, on a visit to Mrs. Scribner's daughter, Mrs. J. C. Scroggin, returning home, Sunday. Mr. E. F. Bauerle, having broke down his delivery wagon, the other day, while crossing the street car track between here and Strong City, has sent to St. Louis for air brakes. If you want to make a valuable and durable, Christmas present, a good sewing machine would be a very nice one, and you can get the best of sewing machines at R. L. Ford's jewelry store. The Ladies' Society of the Methodist Church, at Elmdale, will have a bazaar and supper at G. A. R. Hall, Wednesday and Wednesday evening, Dec. 17th, 1890. All are cordially invited. Married, in the parlors of the Eureka House, Monday, December 8, 1890, by Probate Judge J. M. Rose, Mr. Michael Browning to Miss Katie Stensli, both of Middle creek, Chase county, Kansas. You can get jewelry of any and all kinds, at R. L. Ford's jewelry store.

Messrs. J. G. Tice, of Albuquerque, N. M., and Charles Young, of Wichita, route agents for the Wells-Fargo Express Co., spent one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. George McGovern, in Strong City. Mr. Chas. M. Frye has had the house recently vacated by Mr. Fred Yenser, north of Mr. E. F. Holmes, put in repair for the purpose of occupying the same with his family, and has moved into the same. The merchants of this city have given their show windows holiday decorations, notably among which we notice the windows of Messrs. E. F. Holmes & Co., of Messrs. Carson & Sanders, of Mr. R. L. Ford and of Messrs. S. F. Perrigo & Co. The Peyton Comedy Co. will give us three nights of good legitimate drama, commencing to-night and closing Saturday night. They are good and deserve patronage. Rip Van Winkle to-night, will be good. On Sunday, December 21, 1890, the Rev. W. A. Quayle, President of Baker University, will dedicate the new M. E. church, at Cedar Point, at 11 o'clock, a. m., to which every one is invited. We will publish the order of exercises, next week. At a recent meeting of Dan McCook Camp No. 42, S. of V., the following officers were elected: Captain, A. P. McMind; 1st Lieut., George S. Maul; Camp Council, E. Wilson, W. E. Hansen and Wm. Bradburn; Delegate to State Encampment, W. E. Hansen; Alternate, George S. Maul. Last Saturday night, Mrs. W. C. Giese and her daughter, Miss Tillie, had a joint celebration of their birthdays, at which quite a large number of their friends were present, and a most enjoyable time was had. The presents were numerous, valuable and useful. A piece of nice jewelry, or a watch, or a musical instrument, or a sewing machine, or some silver ware would make a very nice and much to be appreciated Christmas present; and you can get anything in these lines of goods at R. L. Ford's, and at prices that will suit all, both old and young and rich and poor. At a recent meeting of Elmdale Lodge No. 204, K. of P., the following officers were elected for the ensuing terms: C. C. Elmer Akers; V. C. W. M. Tomlinson; Prelate, John Talkington; K. of R. and S., Earle M. Black-shere; M. of F., C. H. Klein; M. of E., J. R. Critten; M. at A., J. A. Holmes; Representative to Grand Lodge, S. D. Thomas. The Live-Stock Indicator, the leading western live-stock paper, can be obtained in connection with the COURANT at \$2.25 a year. The information of interest to farmers and stock raisers, contained in the Live-Stock Indicator, is worth many times the price of a subscription. Sample copies can be had by addressing Live-Stock Indicator, Kansas City, Mo. Rev. J. P. Ash will preach in the Strong City Baptist church, on Friday, Saturday and Sabbath evenings, Dec. 26, 27, and 28th at 7:30 o'clock; Also, on Sabbath morning, the 28th, at 11 o'clock; and will hold a Sabbath-school Institute, on Saturday and Sabbath afternoon, at 2 o'clock. All are invited. A special invitation is given to all Sabbath-school workers. At a meeting of Strong City Lodge No. 110, A. O. U. W., held in their hall, Saturday night, December 6, 1890, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: M. W. J. L. Hackney; F. Geo. C. Thompson; O. H. Weibrecht; Recorder, C. H. Filson; Financier, Geo. W. Crum; Receiver, E. D. Jones; Trustee, H. Weibrecht; Med. Ex., Dr. C. L. Conaway; Representative to Grand Lodge, Chas. H. Filson; Alternative, A. McKenzie. At a meeting at the M. E. church, in this city, last Monday night, a "Gospel Temperance Society" was organized by the election of the following officers: Heron Johnston, President; Mrs. S. A. Brees, Vice-President; Miss Maggie Stone, Secretary; Mrs. J. M. Tuttle, Mrs. Barbara Gillett, Mrs. S. F. Perrigo and Messrs. W. F. Mathews and John Maclean, Executive Committee. Mr. Heron Johnston acted as temporary Chairman, and Mr. E. D. Repligle as temporary Secretary. The Executive Committee were instructed to take such steps as to them seemed proper to close the original package house. The publishers of the Homestead, the weekly twenty-four page agricultural paper of Des Moines, Iowa, edited by a practical farmer, inform us that they will send their paper from now until the first of next January, free of charge, to every farmer in this county not already a subscriber, who will send his name and address, plainly written on a postal card, to the Homestead Co., Des Moines, Iowa. The copies will be absolutely free, and will be sent to any farmer to enable him to judge for himself of the merits of the Homestead as a paper devoted to his special interests. On the first of January the paper will be discontinued unless subscribed for in due form. On Tuesday of last week, as Mr. Daniel Ludy, son of Mr. John Ludy who lives near Emporia, and brother of Mr. Jim Ludy who lives near Rettinger Bros. & Co.'s quarry, east of this city, was returning to Brownstown, Indiana, with Miss Maggie Hunsucker of that place, who had thirteen months ago, gone to California, where her brother lives, for her health, that dread disease consumption having laid siege to her constitution, and who wanted to get home to her father and mother to die, and he having been selected as a friend, to accompany her home, and as the train on which they were traveling drew near Ft. Worth, Texas, the young lady was failing so rapidly that she had to be taken from the sleeper to a hotel, where medical attention and everything else was done for her that could be done, but she died that afternoon, with "mother" father on her lips. The remains were embalmed and interred, the next day, in the cemetery, the funeral cortege consisting of a large number of sympathizing strangers. In due course of time the remains will be taken to Indiana for burial. For farm loans call on Frew & Bell.

About 10 o'clock, Monday morning the residence of District Court Clerk Geo. M. Hayden, the old J. N. Nye building, was discovered to be on fire in the kitchen, and the alarm was given, and, in a few minutes, almost the entire population of the business part of the town was at the scene of the conflagration; but, with the exception of saving a portion of the parlor furniture and some bedding, a carpet and a few smaller things, the house, with its contents, including all the wearing apparel of Mr. Hayden and wife, except what they had on their persons, was consumed by the fiery elements. The stove pipe in the kitchen went up through the ceiling and roof of the kitchen, and when Mrs. Hayden left home that morning to assist her husband at the office, as she does every day, she left a fire in the kitchen stove, and it is thought that the fire originated between the roof and the ceiling of the kitchen. She had only left the house about a half hour before the alarm was given. The house was worth about \$600, and Mr. Hayden places his loss on its contents at about \$500. Mr. H. F. Gillett holds an insurance of \$400 on the building, in which Mr. Hayden has an equity of \$100. The house was built in 1850, and was the first frame house erected in the town site; and it was about the best built house in the town. A subscription is being taken up among the people of this county to enable Mr. Hayden to build another residence for himself and wife, and any one who desires to contribute to the same can leave their subscriptions at either of the banks of this city or at the Strong City Bank or with H. F. Gillett. All that Mr. Hayden owned was this home property, and it is to be hoped that the people will contribute according to their means to assist him in his hour of trouble, as none of us know who may be the next to suffer a like loss.

**BUSINESS BRIEVITIES.**  
Wood taken on subscription. Go to J. S. Wierman for Flour & Feed in the Pence Building one door north of the Furniture store, Cottonwood Falls, Kansas. FOR SALE—A horse and buggy. Inquire of Dr. Stone. For abstracts call on Frew & Bell. J. W. McWilliams wants town loans—large and small. FOR SALE.—My residence in Cottonwood Falls, Kansas, at a bargain. Address Scott E. Winne, Hutchinson, Kansas. Roland Roberts guarantees that he will cure fistula and poll evil in horses, with one application of medicine, and desires owners of horses afflicted with these diseases, to give him a call. dec26 tf Loans on farms; money ready; no delay. Papers made and money paid same day. Come at once, this money must go. J. W. McWilliams. Pure drugs, and prescriptions carefully compounded, at A. F. Fritze & Bro.'s, Strong City.

**It is a Good Idea,**  
To buy something useful for a CHRISTMAS present. You can always find something of this kind in our store. A nice dress for your wife or daughter, a pair of shoes for your mother, a suit of clothes for your son. Your daughter would like a nice pair of gloves or silk mittens; get some nice handkerchiefs, or a tie for your brother, your sister would like a pair of those fleecy lined Overshoes. Your wife would appreciate a nice pair of Curtains for the house, or a nice damask table cloth and a set of napkins. Your husband will appreciate some nice socks in either Wool or Cotton, or a pair of slippers, maybe he would rather have a nice warm Cap or a stylish Hat. If you have a friend that you would like to remember, buy some China silk or Surab silk or a Plush in some pretty color at 75c. a yard and some of the fancy ornaments that we have and make something pretty. Get some Push or Cloth and some quilted Satin for lining and make your husband a smoking jacket. This is a good time to buy a cloak. You can buy one from us as cheap as at any time. We still have a good line of them. We have an endless variety of small articles that will be nice for presents and good for service. We solicit your patronage. **CARSON & SANDERS** Cottonwood Falls, Kans.



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There will be a great many other stories about other little children, and about dogs and kitties, and a great many nursery rhymes and large beautiful pictures, and funny ones, too. January begins the new volume. Fifty cents a year, postpaid.

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Wm. A. Pearman, Plaintiff, }  
vs. }  
Maranda E. Pearman, Defendant. }  
In the District Court of Chase County, Kansas.  
Maranda E. Pearman will take notice that she has been sued in the District Court of Chase County, Kansas; that the title of said cause is Wm. A. Pearman, plaintiff, vs. Maranda E. Pearman, defendant; that plaintiff's petition is now on file in said court, charging you with abandonment and praying that plaintiff be divorced from defendant, and that the bonds of matrimony, and that plaintiff have the custody of his child, Ada Bell Pearman; that you must answer plaintiff's order to show cause, on or before the 21st day of January, 1891, or said petition will be taken as true, and judgment rendered accordingly.  
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"Never."

"Ever have a chance to splurge out and make fools of ourselves?"

"No."

"D'ye think we'd do it if we had the money?"

"Wall, I was thinkin' of a new watch and a broadcloth suit."

"And I was thinkin' of a silk dress and a new bonnet. Uncle Jerry, we dasn't do it. We'd splurge in less'n twenty-four hours."

IN THE ELECTRICAL WORLD.

By a new device, pieces of metal may be shaped with great rapidity by being forced under dies while rendered soft or plastic by an electric current.

Experiments with the 25,000 candle power search lamps show that vessels three miles off can readily be detected, and that, by throwing the light on the clouds, signaling is possible at a distance of fifty miles.

M. Hegfrok, who recently, before the Hungarian Academy, read a paper involving the results of five years' study of thunderstorms, stated that he accepted of Holt's theory that the electricity of thunder storms is due to the friction of water drops on ice.

The perfected target for firing at the small-arm ranges is worked by electricity. By means of contact and a battery, there is communication with the indicating apparatus at the firing end of the range, showing which section of the target has been struck.

The German post-office officials have been experimenting with the North Sea cable, 75 kilometers long, between Helligoland and Cuxhaven, to test the possibility of using submarine cables of considerable length for telephonic purposes. The results have been very favorable, distinct communication having been obtained at both ends.

Electricity has not been practically applied in the art of music heretofore, except, perhaps, in the operating mechanism of Church organs. George Breed, of the United States Navy, has devised a method by which the passage of a broken current over a conductor in a magnetic field produces musical tones of varying pitch and volume.

The latest wonderful discovery is reported from Syracuse, N. Y. A man there has discovered a bed of what he calls "electric rock," which, according to his reports, is endowed with wonderful properties. It will generate unlimited power, and give any amount of incandescent light, equal, if not superior, to that produced by manufactured electricity, in addition to which it is cheaper than kerosene.

One small charge of 400 pounds of rock will produce light and power enough for a whole year before losing its force, and it is perfectly harmless, making insulation entirely unnecessary.

The idea that electricity flows through a wire somewhat as water flows through a pipe is likely to pass away, as reasons appear for believing that the energy is not transmitted by the wire at all, but by the surrounding ether.

In some experiments by Prof. J. J. Thomson, the velocity of electric disturbances along a wire surrounded by air was nearly double the velocity along the same wire surrounded by sulphur, and the velocity of the discharge through a vacuum tube 50 feet long was comparable with that of light.

The conclusion is that the conductor merely guides the discharge impelled through the ether.

A recent writer observes that electricity is gradually invading the whole domain of commercial chemistry. A factory for the manufacture of chlorate of potash by electricity has been established in Switzerland; soda is being obtained by electrolysis of sea salt; the electric bleaching of paper is largely carried on in France, and the manufacture of electric soap on a large scale is proposed in Germany.

The transformation of wood into paper pulp by the electrolysis of a salt solution into which sawdust or wood is immersed has been proven to be practicable, and the new industry is to be established. Some sugar works in Havana have adopted appliances which greatly hasten the process of sugar making.

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RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL.

In Sarajevo a young Mohammedan woman has joined the Christian Church to the alarm of the Mohammedans.

There are some wicked people who would be less dangerous if they had no good qualities.—La Rochefoucauld.

The being of a God is the guard of the world; the sense of a God is the foundation of civil order; without this there is no tie upon the consciences of men.—Charnock.

Absolutely stationary in religion we can not be. We must either advance or recede. If Christians are not growing in grace, they are certainly relapsing.—N. Y. Independent.

We sadly need to be touched by the power of a great spiritual regeneration; this common life is pivoted upon two great and radical errors from which we can find no refuge except in the spirit of the gospel of Christ. These are that enjoyment of some kind is the true end of life, and second, the belief that pain and suffering are life's greatest calamities.

The University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Mich., began its fifty-third year under the most auspicious circumstances. Its large list of students was greatly increased by the arrival of 200 or 300 more new students than last year.

The catalogue for 1899-90 showed a registry of 2,153, but it is estimated that this year's new students will raise the total to nearly 2,500, or more than at any educational institution in the country. The greatest increase is shown in the law department.

Chas. McDonald, president of the Union Bridge Company, has endowed the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., with a trust fund of \$2,000, the interest of which will be given to the member of the graduating class presenting the most acceptable thesis on an original engineering design or investigation.

A new rule at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute obliges each member of the three upper classes to prepare a thesis during the summer to be presented at the opening of the fall term. They must not be less than 1,200, 1,500 or 1,800 words in length, depending upon the class and must embrace the results of a personal investigation.

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The settlement of the neighborhood was by the Scotch-Irish, and in 1700 the first pastor, Rev. John Bryce, was ordained. Rev. Dr. J. McClusky was for some years its pastor. In 1854 Rev. Dr. W. H. Lester became pastor and has remained so ever since. Under his care the church has largely increased in its membership, which is now about three hundred.

"I've struck a tender chord at last," said the tramp, as he hung on a pile of cotton-wool.—N. Y. Herald.

A BOOK TO BUY.—Webster's International Dictionary. This new book is the authentic "Unabridged" thoroughly revised and enlarged under the supervision of Noah Porter, D. D., LL. D., of Yale University.

What sweetness and brilliancy are to the flower, what freshness and clearness are to water, what melody and harmony are to sound, such is purity to the heart.—Baudry.

Settling a Doubt.

Miss Summit (facetiously)—I am not going to meddle with your affairs, Mr. Dashaway, but as I was driving by a well known pawnbroker's yesterday I saw a certain gentleman who I must confess bore a strong resemblance to you.

Dashaway—Indeed. Did you see his face?

Miss Summit—I am afraid that I did. Dashaway—Then it couldn't have been I. I had my back turned.—Munsey's Weekly.

THE SPIRIT OF THE TIMES, of New York, says:—"An extraordinary advance in the use of cocoa seems to have taken place of late years in England. In the House of Commons this last session the Right Hon. G. J. Goschen, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, called attention to it as a cause for much of the falling off of the use of coffee.

He attributed it in a measure to the position of a cocoa bean, when the doctrine of 'Grateful and Comforting' had taken. In accord with this suggestion it may be interesting to follow the course cocoa has taken in England since 1832, when the first which had been standing at 6d. per lb., with an importation of under half a million pounds, was reduced to 2d. per lb. and not long after we find the superior doctrine of medicine introduced into the kingdom, and that the use of cocoa was specially advocated by physicians adopting that mode of practice.

Soon after we find the first homoeopathic chemist established in England (the firm of James Epps & Co.) produced a special preparation, which only needed boiling water or milk to be at once ready for use, and the superior character of this production has, no doubt, done much of the work for the Exchequer, said, to bring about (backed as it is by a further reduction of the duty to 1d. per lb.) the advance made."

"I'm a stranger about these parts," exclaimed the new barber, who was undecided as to which side he should combat the customer's hair.—Yonkers Statesman.

Overcoming Prejudice. Prejudice is a sad trait of human nature. A person whose mind is bent on bias does himself great injustice. Said a sick man, whose face seemed to die from the effects of blood poisoning: "I can't help my prejudice; I have tried a half a dozen remedies, and they did me no good. I believe all blood purifiers are humbugs."

"Do you believe all physicians are humbugs, too?" asked the writer. "Yes, for I have tried three different doctors, and only grew worse under their treatment. I tried to get up my mind, but my case is incurable and death inevitable."

However, the writer, who was a friend of the suffering individual, at last succeeded in overcoming his prejudice and persuaded him to give Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla a trial. He commenced its use with no faith at all, but good effects soon followed, and its continuance brought complete relief. Reader, go to it and do likewise.—Independence Press.

Sponges are not to go on the free list. It is impossible to conceive of such a thing as a sponge who is not on the free list, however.—Boston Transcript.

A man who has practiced medicine for 40 years ought to know just from sugar; read what he says:

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ALL cases of weak or lame back, backache, rheumatism, will find relief by wearing one of Carter's Smart Weed and Belladonna Backache Plasters. Price 25 cents. Try them.

THE miller finds life to be one continual grind.—St. Joseph News.

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THE APOSTLE OF BOODLE

Harrison's Epistle to Congress Proves Him to Be Such.

Warfare Robbery, Steamship Subsidies, Reciprocity Humbug and Federal Control of Elections Upheld by the President.

Monopoly Upheld Officially.

All those enlightened Republicans who have hoped against hope that a way out of the monopoly camp would be found for their party...

The message is an intensely partisan production, bearing evidence of hasty preparation and of the use of such excuses and subterfuges as came first to hand in a disorderly scramble...

In a word, then, the Republican policy, as outlined by the President who hopes to succeed himself, comprehends these three points: 1. Unlimited monopoly tariff taxes...

Dubious as the last ditch attitude of their leaders must appear to honorable Republicans, Democrats will accept the situation cheerfully and proceed to arrange their forces for the final struggle in 1892...

A Collection of Platiitudes.

In the collection of weak platiitudes which constitute President Harrison's annual message to Congress...

It was hoped by many moderate and progressive Republicans that President Harrison would at least take some cognizance of the recent popular rebellion against high taxation...

How has the President met these expectations? By a sorry display of tenacity to the very principles which the American people, including hundreds of thousands of progressive Republicans...

It is now more clear than ever that Secretary Blaine's policy of reciprocity, however reluctantly adopted, is relied upon by the Bourbon Republicans to lessen the nausousness of the McKinley law in actual operation...

President Harrison reserves the discredited and utterly obnoxious Federal-elections bill for the climax of his message. In his adherence to the policy which materially helped to create the recent political Waterloo...

tion has widened the gulf between moderate rational Republicanism and that portion of his party which still believes that the "bloody shirt" will never fall as a talisman power.

Mr. Harrison's utterances on other National topics are characterized by conservatism and trite moralizing. He handles several minor topics with wisdom and moderation...

Small Effort of a Small Man.

But why do we characterize Benjamin Harrison as a Bourbon? Because of his declarations regarding the election law, which the Senate did not pass...

The McKinley tariff bill, which the President approved and which he continues to advocate, had a well-defined purpose regarding nine-tenths of the schedules...

The message is important only in so far as it indicates that there will be no repeal, and no modification except for the correction of errors...

Benny is Too Old to Learn.

There is nothing in President Harrison's message to indicate that its author has been impressed with the lesson of last month's elections...

This spoke the American people, almost without regard for party, on November 4. They spoke in vain to President Harrison. Within a month from that day he addresses Congress with what amounts to a special plea in defense of the very measures repudiated by the people...

It is difficult to conceive what motives could have prompted the utterance of such a message at such a time. President Harrison has offered to his fellow partisans in the Fifty-first Congress the choice between his own expressed will and the expressed will of the people...

FIERCE FACTIONS.

A Split in the Irish Parliamentary Party—Excitement Throughout Ireland.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—When the Irish conference resumed proceedings Saturday Mr. Redmond arose and sent to the secretary for reading a letter from Mr. Gladstone...

A fierce debate followed. Finally Mr. Sexton gave as the ultimatum of the Nationalist majority that if Mr. Parnell did not retire the majority would form a new party.

A new sensation was created by a letter from Archbishop Walsh demanding in the strongest terms the removal of Mr. Parnell from the leadership.

Mr. Abraham moved that Mr. Parnell at once vacate the chairmanship. Mr. Justin McCarthy handed a written copy of the resolution to Mr. Parnell, who tore it to pieces.

The majority at once held a meeting and by a unanimous vote elected Mr. Justin McCarthy chairman.

A letter from the archbishops and bishops was read in all the Catholic Churches in Ireland after the celebration of the mass yesterday. At St. Columba's Cathedral, Queenstown, after the latter had been read, Rev. Father Eisk addressed the congregation...

IRELAND ABLAZE.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Ireland was ablaze with excitement yesterday, public meetings being held and the split in the party being the universal topic of conversation.

In Cork City—Mr. Parnell's electoral—the National Leaguers unanimously condemned Parnell and approved the action of Mr. Healy...

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

New York Bankers in Conference With the President on Financial Matters.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The Sun observes that "some of the visitors at Washington have returned. Among them were Cornelius Bliss and Joseph Seligman."

"From the friends of Messrs. Bliss and Seligman, with whom these gentlemen talked, it was learned that the President invited them to the White House in order to get their views on the money and commercial situation."

"The President and Messrs. Bliss and Seligman talked especially about the policy of making free deposits of Government funds with the National banks."

Caused by a Disappearance.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—The directors of the Chicago Safe & Lock Company, of which B. H. Campbell was president and financial backer, has decided to close up the business by placing it in the hands of an assignee...

MIZNER'S MISTAKE.

The Error the Minister Committed in Surrendering Barrundia to the Guatemalan Officers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The President has sent to the Senate the nomination of Ronaldo Pacheco, of California, to be Minister to Central America.

The President also transmitted to the House of Representatives the correspondence growing out of the killing of General Barrundia by Guatemalan officers on board the Pacific steamer Acapulco in the port of San Jose.

Under date of September 23, in a letter from Minister Mizner to Mr. Blaine, which was received October 9, in which the Minister justified his course which led up to the killing of Barrundia...

The correspondence closed with a letter from Secretary Blaine to Mr. Mizner, dated November 18, in which he reviewed the case at length in all its bearings and said that "the more the question is examined in the light of important facts...

The Secretary contended that the claim that the Government of Guatemala had the right to arrest Barrundia under its contract with the Pacific Mail Steamship Company was untenable and attacked each of the specified remarks of Guatemala...

PENSION SHARKS.

How They Fatten at the Expense of the Old Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Secretary Noble has been paying considerable attention lately to the subject of attorney's fees in pension cases...

In speaking of the question of attorney fees, Secretary Noble expressed himself with some warmth. "Think of it," said he, "the Pension Bureau is now issuing between 14,000 and 15,000 certificates a week..."

"I look over the lists of attorneys," continued the Secretary, "and I find that very many of them are men who upon their knowledge of the law could not build up even a petty practice before a county justice of the peace..."

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Rosebud Indians Weakened.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—General Schofield has received a telegram from General Brooke saying that forty lodges of Indians had left Rosebud agency since the removal of the camp on White river to the edge of the Bad Lands...

THE TREASURY.

Annual Report of Secretary Windom—Estimate for Penalties—The Surplus and Revenue—Silver Purchases and Other Matters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The annual report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the state of the finances for the year 1890 has been made to Congress...

In estimating the revenue for the next fiscal year the loss from articles transferred to the free list is placed at \$9,000,000, but the increasing demands of the people must swell the volume of imports in other commodities...

The estimate of \$185,938,885, made by the Interior Department, for the year 1891, is based upon the fact that over 200,000 of the claimants for pensions under old laws have availed themselves of the right to file their claims under the act of June 27, 1890...

THE SURPLUS.

The total apparent surplus on September 10, when the money stringency terminated, was \$99,502,202.68. Of this amount \$24,216,949.91 was on deposit in the bank, and present in circulation among the people, and \$21,708,878.77 was fractional silver which had been in the Treasury for several years...

INTERNAL REVENUE.

The report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, showing in detail the operations of this bureau, is transmitted herewith. The following summary will disclose at a glance the satisfactory conditions of that branch of the public service...

SILVER PURCHASES.

Under the operations of the silver bullion law, the amount of silver purchased from August 15, 1890, to December 1, 1890 aggregated \$4,776,392.50, costing \$18,951,075, an average of \$11.128 per fine ounce.

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Our total imports of merchandise from Mexico, Central and South American States, British Honduras and the West Indies, during the fiscal year 1890, amounted to \$11,940,975, or 25.20 per cent. of our total imports of merchandise...

ALIEN CONTRACT LABOR.

With the administration, at New York, of the immigration laws entirely within the control of the department, a more satisfactory and effective enforcement has been possible of the laws against the introduction into the United States of laborers who come under contract...

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

During the past year there were under the control of this department, and receiving the attention of the Supervising Architect—In course of construction, including extensions and repairs specially appropriated for, sixty-nine public buildings...

STOCK ITEMS.

Cracked oats make one of the best rations that can be supplied to young pigs. Give the hogs that are confined closely during the winter a daily feed of clover hay.

In breeding good horses you have the advantage in always having a good market for them.

Fall pigs need a dry, warm shelter if they are kept growing during the winter.

Cattle will have to be taught to eat olicake meal by mixing a small quantity with other ground feed at first.

A horse that seems to work hard in moving is really working hard, and is not as desirable as one that moves easily.

Partially rotten fruit or vegetables are poor food for any class of stock and should not by any means be fed exclusively.

If an animal gets out of condition a little flax seed, boiled in oats and fed two quarts at a feed, will aid materially to get them into good condition.

It is hazardous to feed clover hay or unthreshed millet and Hungarian to horses. The first is apt to affect their "wind" (breathing), the latter two being diuretic.

For work horses at hard, slow labor ear corn may be given, say a dozen ears at a feed, three times a day, but this would not do at all for horses of which quick, fast service is required.

Good horses are always high, and that is more than can be said of any thing else a farmer raises, and now, when agricultural products are depressed, and likely to continue so indefinitely, growing more and better horses presents a field for profit.

Missouri is destined to become the home of thoroughbred horses. We have the soil necessary to produce the best horses, and in addition the people are taking great interest in the matter.

The task of putting the poultry house into good order for winter should be attended to now. The sooner it is done the better.

FARM NOTES.

Good care should be given the hens now as at this time and through the winter is the best time to realize a good profit from selling eggs.

Wood ashes and poultry manure are both good fertilizers for all kinds of small fruits, and can be applied in the spring to good advantage, working well into the soil.

A yard or lawn always looks barren without some flowering shrubs and ornamental shade trees, and especially so in winter. A few shrubs and evergreens will relieve this appearance.

After the orchard gets well established it rarely pays to continue to crop it. The trees need all of the available plant food, in order to make a good growth and yield a crop of fruit.

The present is a very good time to top-dress your meadows. In fact, stable manure does the most good when hauled on the land as soon as it has accumulated enough for a load for your team.

It is not a good plan with fruits of any kind to apply coarse, fresh manure too close around the stem of the tree or plant. Generally the best plan of manuring is to scatter it broadcast and work well into the soil.

If strawberries are well mulched in the fall it will be a good plan to go over the rows and open the mulch down to the crown of the plants at least. A better plan especially if the ground is packed hard, is to remove the mulch, thoroughly stir the soil and then put the mulch back until after the plants have fruited.

Small fruits are all benefited by mulching, but this should not be made to take the place of cultivation. During the spring especially thorough cultivation should be given, and then in summer the mulch should be applied to protect from drought. In the fall the ground should be worked into a good tilth before the winter mulch is applied.

Speed the plow until frost or snow puts a stop to your labor. Even the land you propose to cultivate in corn next year is the better for being plowed deep in the autumn. It should not be laid back in the spring, because then all foul seeds would germinate and grow; but it should be fitted for the planting with a cultivator and the harrow. After planting use a brush harrow which will level off all inequalities and greatly facilitate after cultivation.

Notes.

For strawberries and currants it is hard to get the soil too rich if proper care is taken to work the manure or fertilizer well in. Raspberries, gooseberries and blackberries do not need so much manuring, and if the soil is too rich will make too rank a growth of canes, and in consequence will fail to bear fruit.

The amount of dead capital invested in idle horses is an immense sum. How much are you adding to it? After it gets well seeded blue grass makes one of the best, if not the best, pasture grass.