

In the recent election in this State, sixty seven Democrats and Greenbackers were elected from thirty-one counties. Eleven of those were never known to elect anything but Republicans before.

Senator Beck of Kentucky says: "I served the House Committee on Ways and Means for six years. I saw all the great monopolies and protected interest of the country struggling there to perpetuate their privileges. I have seen the ablest lawyers argue their cases for pay day by day—some for salt, some for iron, some for blankets, some for cotton, and for everything that is protected. But I never saw one human being come here yet to argue for a reduction of taxation in the interest of the producers of this country."

We are in receipt of Brainard's Musical World, containing a remarkably fine and comprehensive array of musical literature, and intelligence from all directions. In its original miscellany it has an unusual interesting paper upon the authorship of the popular ballad "Kathleen Mavourneen;" a biographical sketch of Adolph Neuen-dorf, the New York conductor and manager; a notice of Mapleson's new prima donna, Mlle. Ferni and a humorous sketch showing how the "Slim Teacher managed the school at Cranberry Gutch," besides its column of useful "Educational Hints." The Musical World and the Courant will be sent post-paid one year for \$2.50. Subscriptions received at this office, where sample copies may be seen.

The four hundredth anniversary of the introduction of printing into Leipzig is observed this year. It was Andreas Friesner, a professor of theology, who, in 1481, erected at this famous centre of bookmaking, the first printing press in Europe. Freiser, a year later was made rector of the university; and when he died in 1504, he bequeathed his press to the Pauline Convent on condition that masses should be said for the repose of his soul. He estimated the value of his press at 20 Rhenish florins—Leipzig has now more than eighty places where printing is done, and employs 451 presses run by steam and 971 run by hand, or 1,425 in all. It is estimated that the publishing business of the town supplies work for about 12,000 persons, of whom 5,000 are engaged in the printing offices, 1,000 of them being trained crafts men.

More than five years ago the Courant published the report of the Rice county school bond investigating committee of the Legislature; and at that time the Leader defended S. N. Wood in that matter, or, at least, placed the matter in such a light before its readers as to make them believe that Mr. Wood's record, as far as this transaction was concerned, was as stainless as the snow upon the mountain top; and since then, notwithstanding the fact that the Leader man was in possession of this report and it has been thought, of sound mind and memory, the Leader has supported Mr. Wood and, in a great measure, been the cause of his election to office; but all of a sudden that which was heretofore right and just in the eyes of our neighbor becomes very wrong and sinful, and it now, for the first time, publishes this report. Such enterprise is truly commendable, to say nothing of the soundness with which an idea makes its way through the cranium of our contemporary.

CHRISTMAS EVE, 1886. WOODHULL, KANSAS, Dec. 20, 1871.

To the Editor of the Courant: Here we are again, closing on to Christmas. Those of the old boys that are left among us, I am sure, will never forget Christmas Eve, 1886. There has been a great many changes since then, and yet, to look back, one would say, how quick time flies. You who are seated here then remember what Ebenezer Stott's old

store was. Messrs. Wm. S., or Col. Smith and Sid. A. Breese had embraced and gone into partnership in the mercantile business, and purchased the Stott's building. It stood on the west side of Pine street, between Main and Friend streets, Cottonwood Falls. All of the "boys" of the county insisted that the new firm should give a big ball in the building before opening up their business.

Now, Mr. Editor, in those days, it was with the boys of our county, e pluribus unum; but on that eventful night quite a change took place. About dark, that evening, wagon loads of boys and girls came into town, to attend the grand ball—it could be called such. About 8 o'clock the dance began, and everybody thought it would be a most joyous time; but there was a fellow selling what we now call "cold tea," where Hofman's meat market is located; and said "tea" was rather strong, which made some of the "boys" feel like warriors. One of them, Lew Johnson by name, or "Pennsylvania," as he was generally called by the "boys," made himself very obnoxious. He could not get a lady in the house to dance with him. He became very angry and went to the middle of the floor and said the dance would have to break up, and that he intended to break it up. Bill Smith, that is the Colonel, jumped for the fellow, and some fellow grabbed Smith and said: "Let me at him." By this time a "grand circle" was formed around "Pennsylvania;" but, somehow, he escaped. Lish Mardin wanted satisfaction, and Edward C. Holmes said Lish was a sickly man and he intended to back him. Just then O. C. (Dick) Pratt made his appearance, with a six-shooter and a big cheese knife, and wanted to know who the man was that would undertake to break up the dance. Greenlow Richards was brandishing a revolver over his head. "I am a wolf," said he, "and it's my right to howl;" but he was pitched out at the door, and told to do his howling outside.

Then all the doors were locked and to get outside was impossible, as every avenue of escape was closed. There was a boy in the room, and Ed. C. Holmes said to him: "This is no place for you." The young American said he wanted to see the fun. "It's no fun," said Ed; and he lifted the boy by the coat collar, and for a while he was like Mahomet's coffin, hanging in suspense between heaven and earth; but finally he struck the floor, in a sitting position. The joy afterwards proved to be Joe Ball, who now lives on Diamond creek.

Yes, indeed; it looked desperate, and the lowering clouds began to assume an angry form. All this time every lady was screaming at the top of her voice; which was heart-rending. There was one man who put a stop to the racket; and that was Squire John S. Doolittle. He rushed into the crowd and took hold of one of the "boys" who was flourishing a knife. Somehow the Squire got his hand badly cut. "Now," said he, "consider yourself under arrest." Every fellow hushed, and silence reigned supreme. The first one to speak was a big, square-shouldered fellow named Edward Hays. He said: "Squire, please, (sic) tell me what my (hic) number is." Every man who had paid his admission took a number, and danced only in such sets as his number was called.

Tom Lawless proved to be the only friend the ladies had in the house. He went to Bill Pringle, and, pointing towards the ladies, said: "Bill, let us let them out." "All right," said Bill; and in came the door, and out went the ladies; and, by the way, out went some of the gentlemen.

Everybody went to supper; and after supper returned to the dance; and the light fantastic toe was shook vigorously until daylight.

When Bill Pringle saw that hostilities had ceased and nobody was hurt, he jumped to the middle of the floor and said: "Hurrah!" Nevertheless, His Honor Squire Doolittle fined him \$1.00 for his kindness. The fines were numerous, the next morning, ranging from \$1.00 up to \$20.00; but the boys all chipped up, and things were considered settled. We understand that some fellows

were arrested, that night, and put into an old log warehouse, belonging to Mr. Doolittle, for safe keeping until morning; but there was an old stone chimney in one end of the building, and as quick as they would be arrested they would escape through the chimney; and they kept arresting the same parties all night. Yes, gentle reader, dancing was the only amusement on those times. There were no neck tie festivals, no ice cream suppers, as there are now. Even the style of dress was altogether different from what it is now. All of the braves wore a pair of six shooters, a broad brimmed hat and long hair, and a large red handkerchief tied around their neck; although the shooters were never used by them; it was only the style of the country. But Lew Johnson and the old log building have both passed away. Johnson, we understand, a few years ago was playing seven up with one of the sheriffs in one of the southern counties in this State, and Lew turned the jack from the bottom and killed himself. Joz.

THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS OF KANSAS IN 1881. The Fourth Quarterly Report of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture for 1881, which will be issued during the first week in January, will contain, together with many other matters, a complete statistical exhibit of the agricultural growth of the State during the past year. Many of the statistical tables are now prepared, and the following facts are gathered from them:

The acreage of the corn crop for the year was 4,171,554, the product being 80,760,542 bushels, valued at \$21,705,275. The total is \$122,450,499.95.

The total value of the products of the twenty two field crops raised in 1881, is \$91,910,439.27, or more than 30 per cent greater than in any previous year in the history of the State. The two that contribute the largest share of this immense total are wheat and corn; the former making \$21,705,275.80, and the latter \$44,859,963.29.

In production, average yields were not so large as in 1880, but the increased price of farm products made the product of this year much more valuable.

The yield of wheat (winter and spring) was 20,479,689 bushels; corn, 80,760,542 bushels. Of oats, 9,900,768 bushels raised, and averaged at \$3,855,749.77. Irish potatoes, 1,854,140 bushels, with a value of \$2,710,377.50. The hay crop, consisting of millet, Hungarian timothy, clover and prairie, aggregated 3,092,087 tons, with a value of \$11,894,564.08.

Of the minor crops, the following products and values are given: Rye—986,508 bushels—\$735,554.27; barley, 110,125 bushels—\$87,528.80; buckwheat, 58,621 bushels—\$43,965.75; sweet potatoes, 201,062 bushels—\$293,642.55; sorghum, 3,889,449 gallons—\$1,945,871.35; castor beans, 392,549 bushels—\$407,278.13; cotton, 388,070 pounds—\$38,805.30; flax, 1,184,455 bushels—\$1,357,943.61; hemp, 620,169 pounds—\$44,041.20; tobacco, 797,820 pounds—\$79,781; broom corn, 32,961,150 pounds—\$1,480,115.75; rice corn, 520,544 bushels—\$314,787.12; and pearl millet, 30,176 tons—\$165,863.

The value of property subject to taxation is \$284,688,955.05; being \$307.51 per capita. The increase in the value of live stock over last year is \$9,652,504.50; produce of live stock during the year, \$21,685,888.25; value of honey and wax produced, \$22,210.25; products of orchards and vineyards \$1,582,364.68.

There were eight counties that this year harvested over 600,000 bushels of wheat, and forty-two counties raised over 1,000,000 bushels of corn each.

DISTRICT COURT. S. R. PETERS, JUDGE.

The following cases have been disposed of since our last report: State vs. Charles Boblets, recognition to keep peace; dismissed on payment of costs. State vs. John Conacher, alias C. W. Adams, breaking jail; dismissed. State vs. J. Prince, breaking jail; sentenced to 1 year in the penitentiary, from Dec. 20th, 1881. State vs. C. C. Watson, abortion; continued till next term of court.

State vs. Pete Weiland, F. Oberst, George Hill, and L. W. Clay, violating the prohibitory liquor law; continued.

State vs. Joon Conacher; alia C. W. Adams, burglary; sentenced to six years in the penitentiary.

J. G. Farin vs. H. S. Sock, ejectment and damages, verdict for plaintiff one-half of land and \$50 damages for detention. D. K. Carter, vs. Chase County, petition in error; submitted on briefs.

Aultman, Miller & Co. vs. S. N. Wood; judgment for \$58.20. J. D. Minnick vs. J. S. Suptman, Co. Treas. et al; judgment for plaintiff.

Geo. Balch vs. Chase County, appeal; judgment for \$97.75. W. S. Smith vs. Chase County, appeal; judgment for \$34.50.

Fred Pracht vs. H. Moldenhauer, attachment; judgment for \$145.85. Caroline Schutt vs. H. S. and Ella M. Sook, foreclosure; judgment for plaintiff.

Elizabeth A. Gammell vs. Cyrus Wilson, ejectment; judgment set aside, and new trial granted.

N. Lockerman vs. Chase County, appeal; decision of County Board affirmed, except that the (private) road must be opened as soon as the costs and damages are paid.

Hibern Darlington vs. E. A. and Julia E. Kinney; Sheriff's sale confirmed.

Hannah M. Darlington vs. Chas. and Eliza Darlington; Sheriff's sale confirmed.

Mr. C. S. Cosper, who is teaching school at Bazaar, upon a very rigid and extensive examination, last Saturday, was admitted to practice law in the District Court; and persons present remarked the satisfactory and able manner in which the questions were answered. The following are the names of the gentlemen composing the Examining Committee: F. P. Cochran, T. H. Grisham and T. O. Kelley.

A MUSICAL PRODIGY. Ferry Watson, of Cottonwood Falls, the little seven-year-old daughter of C. C. Watson, Esq., a leading merchant of that place, is a musical wonder. She can hardly talk plain, and does not know one note or key from another; yet she can sit down at an organ and improvise an opera, if you please, and sing it through, supplementing the tune with childish words of her own. She can carry the tune to any piece of music, after hearing it, and join in, with the alto, in pieces she never heard of before. She stands at the organ as one enchanted, and all who have heard her, with one voice, proclaim her a prodigy. Kansas will yet, in her person, be heard from, and that in a few years.—Topeka Commonwealth, December 20, 1881.

THE SUN. NEW YORK, 1882.

THE SUN FOR 1882 will make its thirteenth annual revolution under the present management, shining, as always, for all, big and little, man and woman, contented and unhappy, Republican and Democratic, depraved and virtuous, intelligent and obtuse. THE SUN'S light is for mankind and womankind every day; but its light is for the good, while it pours hot discomfort on the blistering backs of the persistently wicked. THE SUN OF 1882 was a newspaper of a new kind. It discarded many of the forms and phrases of ancient journalism. It undertook to report in a fresh, succinct, un-conventional way all the news of the world, omitting no event of human interest, and commenting upon affairs with the fearlessness of absolute independence. The success of this experiment was the success of THE SUN. It effected a permanent eclipse in the city of American newspapers. Every important journal established in this country in the dozen years past has been modelled after THE SUN. Every important journal already existing has been moulded and bettered by the force of THE SUN'S example. THE SUN OF 1882 will be the same outspoken, truth-telling, and interesting newspaper. By liberal use of the means which an abundant prosperity affords, we shall make it better than ever before. We shall print all the news, putting it into readable shape, and illustrating its importance, not by the traditional yastick, but by its real interest to the people. Distance from Printing House Square is not the first consideration with THE SUN. Whenever anything happens worth reporting we get the particulars, whether it happens in Brooklyn or in Bohemia. In politics we have freedom of opinion; and we abstain to express them in language that can be understood. We say what we think about men and events. That habit is the only secret of THE SUN'S political course. THE WEEKLY SUN gathers into eight pages the best matter of the seven daily issues. An Agricultural Department of unequalled merit, full market reports, and a liberal proportion of literary, scientific, and domestic intelligence complete THE WEEKLY SUN, and make it the best newspaper for the farmer's household that was ever printed. Who does not know and read and like THE SUNDAY SUN, each number of which is a Golconda of interesting literature, with the best poetry of the day, prose every line worth reading, news, and matter enough to fill a good-sized book, and infinitely more varied and entertaining than any book big or little? If our idea of what a newspaper should be pleases you, send for THE SUN. Our terms are as follows: For the daily SUN, a four-page sheet of twenty-eight columns, the price by mail, post paid, 55 cents a month, or \$5.50 a year; or including the Sunday paper, an eight-page sheet of fifty-six columns, the price is 65 cents per month, or \$7.75 a year, postage paid. The Sunday edition of THE SUN is also furnished separately at 31.20 a year, postage paid. The price of THE WEEKLY SUN, eight pages, fifty-six columns, is \$1 a year, postage paid. For cuts of the paper, \$10 we will send an extra copy free. Address: W. E. GLAD, Publisher of THE SUN, New York City.

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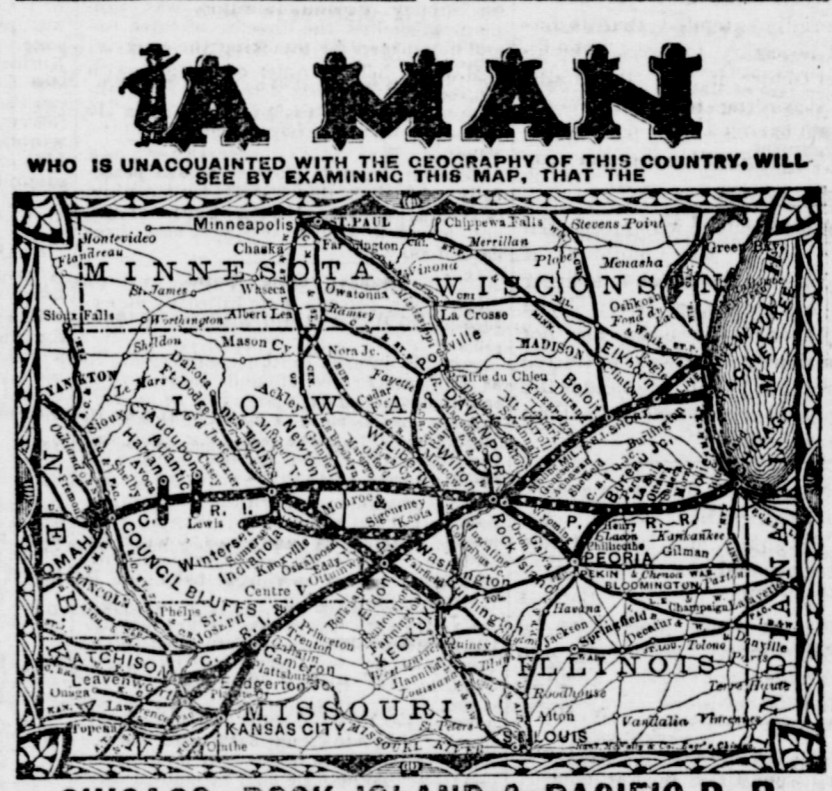
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With specially DISTRICTED MAP OF THE U. S., giving the predictions of the weather in your own section during the year 1882, with full foot-notes explanatory of the weather phenomena, each week, by George R. Cather, of Alabama. This is something never before undertaken by any other meteorologist, and is indispensable to the public. Besides this valuable feature will be found the following ORIGINAL ARTICLES written by the best authors: The Boy-Convict's Story. By Will Carleton, author Tramp's Story, etc. An Amateur Agriculturist. Humorous. By Stanley Huntley, author of the laughable "Spontaneous Papers." On the Business Habits of Many Farmers. By Professor J. F. Stelle. Pear-Tree Blight. By Prof. T. J. Burtill, Ph.D. Showing the true cause and the remedy for this fatal disease. A County Court in Turkey. By Rev. A. N. Andrus, of Mardin, Turkey. The Weather Forecasts. By Prof. George R. Cather. An interesting paper explaining the method of the new system. Second-crop Potatoes for Planting. By I. B. Nail. Tobacco. By Henry Glover. The Law of the Farm. By a Member of the Louisville Bar. Ground Limestone as a Fertilizer. By William Skene. The Apiary. By Dr. A. A. Paragon. Paragonical Things farmers should know. Entirely New and Full Calendar Pages, etc. are arranged for the whole country. All of which are copyrighted and CAN BE FOUND ONLY in the old and popular WESTERN FARMER'S ALMANAC For 1882 (Fifty-fifth Annual Issue).

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The Chase County Courant.

W. E. TIMMONS, - Ed. and Prop.

COTTONWOOD FALLS, KAS., THURSDAY, DEC. 22, 1881.

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

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ADVERTISING RATES.

Table with columns for advertising rates: 1 week, 2 weeks, 3 weeks, 4 weeks, 5 weeks, 6 weeks, 7 weeks, 8 weeks, 9 weeks, 10 weeks, 11 weeks, 12 weeks, 13 weeks, 14 weeks, 15 weeks, 16 weeks, 17 weeks, 18 weeks, 19 weeks, 20 weeks, 21 weeks, 22 weeks, 23 weeks, 24 weeks, 25 weeks, 26 weeks, 27 weeks, 28 weeks, 29 weeks, 30 weeks, 31 weeks, 32 weeks, 33 weeks, 34 weeks, 35 weeks, 36 weeks, 37 weeks, 38 weeks, 39 weeks, 40 weeks, 41 weeks, 42 weeks, 43 weeks, 44 weeks, 45 weeks, 46 weeks, 47 weeks, 48 weeks, 49 weeks, 50 weeks, 51 weeks, 52 weeks.

Local notices, 10 cents a line for the first insertion; and 5 cents a line for each subsequent insertion; double price for black letter.

CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.



TIME TABLE.

Table with columns for time tables: EAST. MAIL, PASSENGER, FRI., SAT., SUNDAY, COTTONWOOD FALLS, KANSAS, Safford, Cedar Pt., etc.

DIRECTORY.

Table listing various officers and professionals: STATE OFFICERS, COUNTY OFFICERS, CITY OFFICERS, CHURCHES, SOCIETIES, etc.

COURANT CLUB LIST.

Table listing club members and their contributions: Kansas City Weekly Times, Topeka Weekly Capital, etc.

STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Persons who contemplate attending the State Teachers' Association held in Topeka, December 27, 28 and 29, 1881, can secure half fare round-trip tickets at all the larger stations on the A. T. & S. F. R.R., on presentation of a certificate of membership in the Association, signed by the Secretary.

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LOCAL SHORT STOPS.

Winter comes on slowly. Court will adjourn, Saturday. To-day is the longest day of the year. The creeks and ponds are alive with wild ducks. Cloudy and cool weather on Monday and Tuesday.

It snowed, Thesday, Tuesday night and yesterday.

School will close, to-morrow, for a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. G. P. Hardesty started to Kansas City, last night.

Mr. J. N. Nye has built a bake oven in connection with his restaurant.

Mr. Frank Doster, of Marion Center, was in attendance at Court, this week.

Mrs. A. J. Crutchfield has returned from her visit at Mr. A. Z. Scribner's.

Mr. F. C. Wekerlin and family left, last Thursday, to visit friends in the East.

Mr. F. L. Gillman went to Kansas city, Tuesday night, on a short business trip.

Christmas service will be held in the Methodist church, on Sunday morning, Dec. 25.

A fine quarry of blue limestone has been discovered about one mile east of Strong City.

Mr. H. S. Foreman started, last Sunday morning, for a visit among his relatives in Ohio.

Mr. Luke Britton and wife, of Diamond creek, started, last Monday, on a visit to friends in Illinois.

Mr. A. Z. Scribner has our thanks for some wild ducks, sausage, spare ribs, back bone, and lard.

Messrs. Wm. Keller and George Babb have gone to Arkansas and the Indian Territory on a deer hunt.

Mr. A. B. Ladd, who has been to Texas and Nebraska since he left here, last fall, returned, Monday night.

Mr. Barney Lanry has received an order for 100 cars of ballast rock, and is putting in additional switches.

Mr. and Mrs. Capt. White, of Bezaar, have gone on a visit to Sedgwick county, to see their daughter.

Mr. Ernest Bauerle, of New Jersey, brother of Mrs. F. Oberst, arrived here, last Sunday, and will, perhaps, remain here.

Mr. W. S. Romigh, after accompanying his cousin, Miss Slaughter, to her home in Johnson county, returned, Tuesday night.

Dr. A. M. Conaway and wife, of Toledo, have gone on a visit to their daughters, at West Lafayette, C. chocketon, Ohio.

Sheriff Johnson started, Tuesday night, with John Conacher and John Prince, to take them to the penitentiary, at Leavenworth.

A Lodge of the Eastern Star degree was instituted in this city, last Saturday night, by Mr. and Mrs. Judge J. J. Buck, of Emporia.

The Germans of this county will have a dance and supper in Strong City, on the night of the 26th instant, to which everybody is invited.

Persons desiring to get up a club for a first-class, city weekly paper should write to the Cincinnati Weekly Times, advertised in another column.

Mr. David Biggam, after remaining at home a short time, has again returned to Argentine, near Kansas City, where he has a large railroad contract.

Although the Christmas tree at the Congregational church, on next Saturday evening, is to be for the children, parties may put presents on it for any one.

The Little Folks' Reader for December, a very good little paper for children, published by D. Lothrop & Co., Boston, Mass., at 75 cents a year, is on our table.

Ye editor's Christmas turkey is now in order; but don't too many peak at once for space in these columns for us to say something more on this subject.

The Rev. J. W. Hancher, of Florence, called at this office, last Monday, and left us the advertisement of White & Hancher, that will be found in another column.

Married, at Cedar Point, by the Rev. J. W. Hancher, on Tuesday, December 13, 1881, Mr. John C. Fisher and Miss Estella Byram, daughter of J. W. Byram, E. q.

Last Saturday afternoon, Freddie, the six-year-old son of Mr. R. Willener, of Strong City, had one of his feet crushed by a freight train. Upon which he was riding.

Service at the Catholic church in Strong City, on Christmas morning, will be as follows: At 5 o'clock, High Mass; at 8 o'clock, Low Mass, and at 10:30, High Mass and sermon.

The Masonic Fraternity of this place will give their tenth annual ball at Music Hall, St. John's Day evening, December 27, 1881. Tickets will be for sale at Ed. Pratt's drug store.

The Rev. T. W. Woodrow, Universalist, will preach in the New Hall in Strong City, at 11 o'clock, a. m., on Christmas day; and at 3, p. m., of the same day, he will preach at Music Hall, in this city.

Next Sunday will be the anniversary of the birth of our Saviour; and, as this is the last time we will have of addressing our readers before that time, we will now wish them, one and all, a merry Christmas.

The ball and supper to be given by the Germans of this county, in Strong City, on the night of the 26th instant, promises to be a grand affair. The Marion Center band, consisting of fourteen members, will furnish the music for the occasion.

Whoever has volume 2 of our "Chitty's Blackstone" will please to return it to this office. It has the name of Wm. Owens written in it. We would also like for ever has volumes 1, 2, 3 and 8 of our "English Literature" to return the same to us.

Elsewhere in this paper will be found the advertisement of the Western Farmers' Almanac. This almanac is worth a hundred fold more than its price, and farmers should read the advertisement and send and get a copy of the almanac for next year.

Don't forget the Masonic Ball to be given on the night of St. John's Day, December 27, 1881. The Committee of Arrangements have secured the services of the Holmes Emporia Quadrille Band for the occasion; and they will spend no trouble or expense to make the affair enjoyable for every one present.

Our type made us say, last week, that Mr. F. P. Cochran made a very able argument for the defense in the Conacher burglary case, tried at the present term of the District Court, and in which the prisoner was found guilty. Mr. Cochran was on the side of the State, and his speech to the jury was very convincing.

I. O. F. - IN MEMORIAM. WHEREAS, Men are being daily removed from this earth, and called into a higher sphere of action, thus reminding us of the uncertainty of life, and giving us the positive assurance of death;

AND WHEREAS The Great and Grand Master of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Universe has deemed it wise and fitting and has called to biseternal rest in the Great Grand Lodge beyond the Skies our esteemed and venerable brother, who for full forty years, or more, stood as one of the great lights of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, James L. Ridgley, Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge:

Resolved, That, in the great age of our deceased brother, we see another exemplification of the providence of God, in preserving so long the life of one who proved himself of the utmost use in his day and generation.

Resolved, That, in accordance with direction of the G. M. of Kansas, this Hall be draped in mourning, and the members wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be furnished the city papers for publication, and a copy

be sent to the family of our deceased brother. C. C. WHITSON, H. N. SIMMONS, A. G. MINER, Committed.

THE CURRENCY QUESTION. Notwithstanding the fact that thousands of our people are worrying themselves almost to death over the vexed question, even to the extent of neglecting their business, their homes and their duties to their families, there are still thousands upon thousands of smart, hard working, intelligent men pouring into the great Arkansas Valley, the Garden of the West, where the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad offers them their choice of 2,500,000 acres of the finest farming land in the world at almost their own prices.

If you do not believe it write to the undersigned, who will tell you where you can get a cheap land exploring ticket, and how, at a moderate expense, you can see for yourself and be convinced.

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MONEY TO LOAN. Having perfected arrangements, I can furnish any amount of money on real estate security, at nine per cent. per annum interest, on five years time. At less rates of interest commissions will be charged.

W. S. ROMIGH, Cottonwood Falls, Dec. 14, 1880.

BUSINESS BRIEVITIES.

Subscribe for the COURANT. Jewelry at Arnold Brandley's. Go to Gid. Findley's for Christmas goods.

A large supply of queensware at J. W. Ferry's. Christmas goods at Dr. W. P. Pugh's drug store.

Good goods and bottom prices at Arnold Brandley's. Cranberry sauce and all kinds of canned fruit at J. W. Ferry's.

Boots, shoes, hats, caps, clothing, glass-ware, crockery, etc., at J. W. Ferry's.

If you want to get everything at way down prices, go to the cash store of L. Martin & Co.

Arnold Brandley, dealer in every thing, watches, clocks, and jewelry of all kinds. Call and see him.

J. W. Ferry, has received his winter stock of goods, which he proposes to sell at bottom prices.

Just received at Campbell & Gillett's a car load of Gliddon's fence wire; also, a car load of Smith wagons.

Dr. W. P. Pugh will continue to do a limited practice; and will be found, at all unemployed times, at his drug store.

If you should need a coffin, remember that J. W. Ferry always keeps on hand a large supply of these very necessary articles.

"The early bird catches the worm;" and that is why the people are rushing to J. W. Ferry's to get some of the bargains to be had at his store.

If you wish to give a Christmas present to any one, remember that Doolittle & Brees have on hand a full line of holiday goods that they are selling at bottom prices.

When looking for Christmas presents, don't fail to examine L. Martin & Co.'s stock. In addition to holiday goods, they also have in stock a full line of general merchandise.

J. W. Ferry, dealer in every thing, dry goods, notions, boots, shoes, hats, caps, clothing, furnishing goods, glass and queen-ware, furniture, church pews, coffins and tomb stones.

At the City Meat Market you can always find Rockwood, ready to exchange the choicest cuts of beef, pork and mutton, for cash. He pays the highest price, in cash, for hides and pelts.

I have two Improved Victor, one Singer, and two American Machines, which I will sell at cost for the next thirty days. Now is your time, if you want a cheap machine, at Hornberger's furniture store.

Four hundred and eighty acres of land 8 miles east and 1 mile south of Matfield Green, in this county, is offered for sale for \$2,000. Apply to John DeWitt, at the Hickley House, Cottonwood Falls, Kansas.

If you want to buy a threshing machine, spring wagon, sewing machine, organ, piano, vapor stove, riding saw, or fanning machine, call at this office and see if you can't make money by getting them of us.

L. Martin & Co. continue to keep a well selected stock of dry goods, groceries, boots, shoes, clothing, hats, caps, etc., which they sell at prices that make it an object to trade with them. Go there and see for yourself.

Farmers and others can always get a good meal at the old Hickley House, kept by S. A. Vail. There is a good feed stable in connection with the hotel; and prompt attention will be paid to horses put in stable for feed.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for a man to purchase food and raiment for himself and family, due regard for the wellbeing of his family would suggest that he buy such goods where he can get them at the very lowest prices; and that place is J. W. Ferry's.

"There is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune." If you would make your fortune, follow the tide of rushing, surging people, all going to the ever-popular dry goods and grocery store of J. W. Ferry, where there are stacks upon stacks of muslins, prints, dress goods; - but let us stop; suffice it to say that he keeps, at all times, a full line of dry goods and groceries; which he sells at bottom prices.

While East, Arnold Brandley purchased a stock for his jewelry store in this city, that surpasses any thing ever before put in by him. In the stock will be found gents' fob chains of the newest designs, for ladies and gentlemen, bracelets, charms, complete sets, lockets, and, in fact everything in the jewelry line, both solid and plated. His stock of gold and silver watches is particularly fine. These goods were purchased expressly for the holiday trade within the last few weeks, consequently they are all new in make and style, and will be sold cheap for cash. Clocks of every make, style and price. Examine his stock before going elsewhere. Robert Upton will have charge of the store and will take pleasure in showing goods.

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

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