

SHE WINS AGAIN

WICHITA GETS ANOTHER VERY FAVORABLE DECISION ON RATES.

This Time the Board of Railway Commissioners Orders a Re-annulment on the Rates on Lumber From Missouri River Points.

For years the traffic managers of the Kansas railways maintained that the tonnage of Wichita was not discriminated against. This they persisted in doing in spite of a thousand showings to the contrary. In some few articles such as prints, coffee, sugars and softs by the car load...

PROBATE COURT.

Marriage Licenses Had the Honors and Secured Four Licenses and One Certificate.

Marriage licenses were in demand yesterday. Licenses were issued to four different couples by the probate court, and one of the couples were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony.

CITY CHARTERS.

An Attempt Will be Made to Improve them.

City Clerk C. S. Smith of Wichita was in the city yesterday on his way to Kansas City, Kan. He is visiting the cities of the first class in the state of a meeting he hopes to see called within a month or so to be attended by the mayors, city clerks and city attorneys, for the purpose of discussing needed changes in the charters of cities of the first class.

LAND IS MOVING.

The well known Miller stock farm six miles southwest of the city changed hands this week. L. O. Ward of Cambridge county, Illinois is now the owner of this handsome property. It will be subdivided and made to talk for this valley under his ownership.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair. DR. BAKER'S Cream Baking Powder. PURE GRAPE Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

SHOT TO KILL.

Desperate Duel Fought Yesterday at Rush Springs.

Rush Springs, Oklahoma, was yesterday the scene of one of the greatest duels ever fought in that country, with the exception, perhaps, of the Bryant-Short fight in the Cherokee strip two years ago.

M. A. McDonald is what is known as a square man, and one of the wealthiest in his kind. His acres are broad and fertile and many tenants live under him.

Among the number was a man named T. B. Seers, and a difficulty arose between them over the terms of the lease.

McDonald called for a settlement and yesterday Seers came into town armed with a Winchester rifle. McDonald met him and asked him whether he was ready to settle, and Mr. Seers vehemently replied "yes" with a Winchester. Some hot and angry words passed between them and both, simultaneously, flashed their arms and took positions.

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STARTING THE BALL

REVIVAL OF THE MOVEMENT TO BUILD A BIG AUDITORIUM.

Quite an Inducement to Get the Republican Convention to Wichita. Commercial Travelers Interested in the Proposition and Will Back It With Cash.

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EXAMINATION WEEK.

During the week examinations have been conducted daily in the Central school by the Rev. J. H. Thibault.

The examinations have been very satisfactory and nearly all the little folks attending have been made happy by promotions to a higher grade.

The examinations were largely attended by the parents and friends of the pupils and it was practically a continuous holiday among Catholic mothers and fathers.

The young ladies and gentlemen in the academic course did finely and justly caused their parents to be proud of them. The school is self supporting now and is attended by children of all religious denominations.

The attendance now is 216, which is quite a nice haul for the school that started in the basement of the church six years ago when it looked as if it was the merest folly to start such an institution. A new building has been added to the school and still it looks as if more room would be necessary some time in the future.

According to the estimates of the public school board the school costs annually about \$15 and at this rate if the parochial was not in existence the extra annual cost would be \$240.

The Lewis Academy also saves the city fully that same per annum.

WICHITA IN IT AGAIN. B. S. Hoagland, secretary of the Jubilee association of Hutchinson, was in the city yesterday and completed arrangements for a full representation of the musicians of Wichita at the next Kansas musical jubilee to be held at that place in May.

The jubilee will be governed by the following general rules and regulations, to which alterations may be made hereafter: 1. All entries must be made by April 15, 1894.

All contestants must be prepared to perform at evening concerts when called upon by the management. 3. Drills and lectures will be given in the morning, contests in the afternoon and concerts in the evening of each day; judgments will be rendered and prizes awarded on the evening of the 11th.

The successful contestant must show an aggregate of 50 per cent in a possible score of 100 receiving prizes whose aggregate is not less than 75 per cent, shall receive a certificate of their standing from the musical director.

There will be five chorus entries, of fifty or more mixed voices each, for first, second and third prizes, and not less than three entries in each class for all other prizes. The chorus of twenty or more male voices, and the same of female voices, in which there shall be at least two girls.

First, second and third prizes in order of merit. Chorus of fifty or more mixed voices.

PECULIAR COINCIDENCES. A Wellington Man Tells a Strange Story of Popular Superstitions.

"I never pass that house without trembling from head to foot," said a gentleman from Wellington to an EAGLE reporter last night as both of them walked through the city.

"Why, does that coffin in the window frighten you?" "To be frank with you, it does. Besides it recalls to my mind one of the saddest periods in my life," and the gentleman said this with a husky voice, while a tear stood in his eye and a painfully sad expression came over his face.

"The story is not a long one," said he, "and it may interest you."

"Two years ago I left home for a brief visit to a neighboring city to Hutchinson. While there I met a California actor named Brennan and he was the most unpretentious individual ever met. The number thirteen and a black cat had terrors for him that almost drove him crazy. He invited me to his room in the Santa Fe hotel to spend the evening after the play. He called the porter, gave him a letter to stamp and mail and ordered a bottle of beer, and a 10-cent cigar. At the same time he gave me a check to pay the reckoning which amounted in all to 27 cents. The porter returned with the order and laid the change on the table. He drank his beer while I smoked the cigar and he was in the midst of a very amusing story when I noticed that he stopped short and turned deadly pale. I, thinking he was ill, jumped to his assistance, but he waved me away with his hand, turned his eyes towards the ceiling and remained perfectly motionless for fully five minutes. He finally arose, touched the button, the porter came and Brennan told him he could have the 13 cents. The porter put the money in his pocket with a glad giggle and a "thanks boss."

A second afterwards a loud noise was heard on the stairway, Brennan jumped to his feet with a wild "I knew it." The porter had fallen down stairs and broke his arm.

"I knew that 13 cents would cause mischief," said Brennan as we returned to the hotel. "I knew it, I knew it," said he again and again, while a strange expression still covered his features. Ten minutes later a member of Brennan's company knocked at the door and again Brennan turned pale while he half shrieked the words "Come in!"

The visitor announced that the constable had attached the property of the company and that was bursted, Brennan then told me of the many instances in his experience when a black cat and the number 13 wrought evil and while the stories were weird and thrilling I received them with a laugh that made him mad.

"I went to my room at the hotel. It was 12 and that was the fourth night I had slept in it. Four into fifty-two goes thirteen times, thought I, for the first time in my life I felt that I was superstitious. I had just rolled into bed and was thinking of the things I had seen and heard during the evening when a knock came at the door and the night clerk handed me a telegram. It said 'Come home on the first train. Your wife is very low. Answer immediately. 13 collect.' Thirteen collect," thought I, and the cold perspiration stood on my brow. I ran to the depot, took a freight train and arrived in Wichita about 2 o'clock.

I didn't go to bed. I was actually afraid of being assigned to room 13. It was nearly daylight as I was going down the Douglas avenue toward the Rock Island depot, and when passing Gill's undertaking rooms I distinctly heard a rap at the window. I turned my head and my eyes were attracted by a white, fluffy, fringed thing. I have passed the place fifty times since and my experience is precisely the same. I went to the Rock Island depot, laid down a dollar and got a ticket to Wellington and 13 cents in change. Ten hours before I laughed at Brennan but he wouldn't touch his 13 cents in change, but I must confess I left my change where the agent placed it. He called me back for it, but I pretended not to hear him. Arriving at Wellington, I went cross lots to my home, along a narrow path, and to my horror a black cat jumped out of the grass before me, turned his eyes full upon me and vanished. My wife died at 5 o'clock that afternoon."

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PINCHED HER ARM

THAT IS WHAT MRS. POWELL SAYS HER HUSBAND DID TO HER.

With Scratching Her and Other Things She Thinks She Has Just Grounds for a Separation. Three More Candidates for Sweet Single Life.

Yesterday was divorce day in the district court. Four candidates for separation filed their petitions and all of them tell a tale of woe that would cause in any lady to the advocate of the subject "is a marriage a failure?"

The most interesting one of these is the suit brought by Alice L. Powell against Felix E. Powell. Felix means happiness but the marital relations of these two parties seem to be everything else but happy.

They were married at Hutchinson in 1888, and seemed to live comparatively happy till January, 1893 when the Pop administration came into power and turned everything topsy turvy.

At that time without cause or provocation on the part of the plaintiff, who appears to be a dutiful and loving wife, Powell assaulted, beat and crushed said wife.

Various little spots of this nature occurred between them during the succeeding year.

The straw that broke the camel's back occurred during January of this year. Then her lord and master pinched her arm without cause or provocation till it turned black and blue. Just think of a man pinching the arm of his good partner and washed his clothes and gave him medicine and smoothed down his burning head when he had a fever. It is terrible to think of such a thing, much less to feel in this nineteenth century.

This same husband not only did this, but he twisted the very same arm. Then he scratched her arm and blackened it. Pinching and twisting may be a many trait, but scratching—oh, horrors! The idea of a man scratching a woman in this nineteenth century is a terrible thing and demonstrates the degenerating tendency of the times.

Finally as a crowning act of tyranny and injustice he cursed her, swore at her and his very last act, according to her allegations, was to threaten to kill her.

The second applicant for separation was Mary B. She wanted a divorce from Marion H. Her husband, however, was married at Hinsdale, N. Y., seventeen years ago, but notwithstanding all their years together he struck and beat her and also failed to provide for her.

Candidate No. 3 was Mary Briggie who wants to be forever cut loose from George Briggie her husband. They were married in 1860 and after assuming her new relations George turned to drinking and finally deserted and left her alone to make her own living.

Margaret Starks was the last candidate. She wants the nuptial knot untied because S. L. Stark, her husband, deserted her. They were married in Michigan eighteen years ago.

OKLAHOMA AND WICHITA. Judge A. R. Mussler came up from Perry, O. T., yesterday and will be in the city something like a week or more, looking after some legal business. Judge Mussler talks quite enthusiastically of the present and future of Oklahoma, as also of the bright, enterprising city of Perry. In speaking of the Eagle's wide circulation throughout the territory and the interest it has taken in all matters involving the welfare of that people, he remarked that Oklahoma people seemed unanimously kindly inclined to Wichita and her welfare and quite as unanimously convinced that her wholesalers as against the Missouri river towns would hold their own in the trade which they are taking so much pains to build up with the dealers of the towns and cities throughout the territory. There is no denying the fact that the jobbers of Wichita don't propose to be undersold by the wholesalers in any point. While the profits may be less the increased sales will make it up. Besides there will always remain the difference in time and distance in favor of Wichita's houses.

SOUTHWESTERN BUSINESS COLLEGE. NOTES. A call for a stenographer was received from Council Bluffs, Iowa, last Friday. Professor and Mrs. Miller are enjoying a visit with Professor Miller's parents who reside in Wellington, Kan.

Eight new students joined the beginning class of shorthand which was organized on last Tuesday morning. Professor A. G. Moore of Denver, Colo., principal of the Denver Business college, after thoroughly inspecting the business course and methods of instruction, adopted as a text-book for his school, the Eulogic Manual of bookkeeping of which E. H. Fritch is author and publisher.

The cleaning house work of the banks conducted in the actual business department was directed in a perfect manner on Friday afternoon by Charles Martin a graduate of '90, who since completing has been connected with a bank of Belle Plaine.

The debate at the college gymnasium yesterday afternoon, "Resolved that all systems of indirect taxation should be abolished in this country" was decided in favor of the negative. The speakers on the affirmative were Messrs. Johnson, Furnish, Buxter and Johnson. Negative, Messrs. Smith and Stocum.

Professor Miles who was called to Illinois on account of the demise of his father will resume his duties on Wednesday morning.

MR. STANLEY WILL TALK. This afternoon's men's gospel meeting at the Y. M. C. A., 4 to 5 o'clock, will be one of great interest. Arrangements have been perfected to hold a special series of evangelistic meetings for men under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. and under the direction of the well known evangelist, Mr. W. C. Stevenson of Chicago, to commence Sunday, February 13. Mr. Stevenson comes highly endorsed by Major J. W. White and is an evangelist of power. At this afternoon's meeting it is sincerely hoped that there will be a large attendance of Christian men of every denomination and church in the city to plan and pray for these meetings. Mr. Stanley will address the meeting and earnestly desires to see every Christian man in the city who is interested in the salvation of the young men of Wichita present. There will be good music. Every man in the city is invited.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES. Will be held in the several wards of the city on next Thursday, between 4 and 5 o'clock p. m., at the voting places designated in the call published in this issue.

C. J. White returned last night from a trip through the vicinages of Norwich and reports the crop prospects through that section of the country good and the farmers prosperous.

NEW YORK STORE



We have 2000 yds. of Brown, Blue, Black and Navy Blue, Bedford Cords, which we offer for sale on Monday morning at 4 cents per yard. We make this special price to close out these goods.

CASH HENDERSON. 130 and 132 North Main St.

A BIG DROP

Has Taken Place in Prices on Clothing. The indications are that it won't last long. It is the part of good judgment to make the most of it.

See what good things we are offering just now. Some \$22 Suits for \$10. Some \$20 Suits for \$8. Some \$12 Suits for \$5; and lots of others in the same proportion.

\$5.00 Overcoats for \$3. \$8.00 Overcoats for \$5. \$10 Overcoats for \$7. \$12 Overcoats for \$8; and all other Overcoats cut accordingly.

All Winter Underwear Slaughtered in a fearfully. And a Gold Watch with every forty tickets. Drop in and see us and you'll be greeted with a deluge of bargains.

C. M. JONES, 208-210-212 E. Douglas.

BAPTIST CHURCH SACRED PROGRAM.

The following program will be rendered by the Woman's Mission circle