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### COMING LOCAL EVENTS.

Regular conclave of Mt. Olivet Commandery Knights Templar tonight. Visitors welcome. A. J. Applegate.

The Austhesian club of the West Side will meet in their hall at the Palace block tomorrow evening at 4 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Central Christian church will give a luncheon at the residence of Mrs. Mills, No. 1203 N. Market street, this afternoon from 3:00 to 6:00 p. m.

The Ladies' Aid society of St. Paul's M. E. church will give a supper at the residence of Mrs. Ed. Goldberg, No. 1131 N. Market St., Friday, September 21, from 5:30 to 8:00 p. m. All invited.

### CITY IN BRIEF.

Born to F. C. Wood, a boy.

The stock of A. Katz is advertised for sale on October 1.

Sheriff Woodcock of Sumner county was in the city yesterday.

George Spicer city marshal of Caldwell, was in Wichita yesterday.

Sheriff Woodcock of Sumner county was a visitor at the courthouse yesterday.

Mr. S. G. Shelton county clerk of Kiowa county, spent yesterday in the city on business.

Hon. Jesse Harper spoke last night to a good audience considering the inclemency of the evening.

Dr. St. John received the sad news last night announcing the death of his mother at Waterloo, Iowa.

James Quick and wife of Bourbon county, are visiting in the city, the guests of Councilman Hill.

A deed for $30,000 was filed in the register of deeds' office yesterday. The purchase was made by the Western Investment company.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stewart of Wellington, were in the city yesterday. John, as usual, was loaded down with a bundle of bonds and mortgages.

Miss Maggie Knorr left last evening for Terre Haute, Ind., where she will attend school the coming season. She was accompanied as far as St. Louis by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Black.

Judgment was rendered in the United States court yesterday in favor of the government against W. D. Healey for default in a hay contract he had made to supply the post at Fort Supply.

The following shippers had stock on the market yesterday: J. T. Pike, Haven, cattle; Miller & Smith, Pratt, cattle and hogs; Dan Winn, Udall, hogs; J. E. Cooly, Derby, hogs; Bosley & Alexander, Haven, cattle.

J. W. Hawn, formerly in the grain business in this city, was attending to business at the court house yesterday. Mr. Hawn is representing the grain firm of Kirkpatrick & Temple, of Kansas City, in Kansas this year.

The San Juan horticulturists have asked Secretary Irwin of the fair association to reserve a large space for their display at the coming fair. They stated that they would make a display of at least 5,000 plates of fruit.

At the band concert at Fairmount to be given tonight, ice cream will not be served as was announced but instead fresh cider and doughnuts, cakes and sandwiches. The street car company will furnish extra cars for the occasion.

J. H. Sempter while hauling fodder at his farm south of the city, fell from the load and sustained severe though not serious injuries. He was brought to the residence of Chief of Police Cone where Dr. Allen was called to dress his wounds. At 10 p. m. he was resting easy and his recovery was looked for in a few day.

### CONCERT AT FAIRMOUNT.

Preparations are being made to entertain a great many people at the open air concert by Fehlhusen's Cornet band this evening at Fairmount, at the extreme end of the electric line. Charming music will be rendered by the band, ice cream and other delicacies will be served by the ladies and everybody is invited. Ample provision has been made by the street car company. Leave corner Main and Douglas at 7 o'clock. Following is the program:

Washington Post March (by request).
.....Sousa
Overture—"Prince and Peasant".....Ferrazzi
Overture—"Enchantress".....Dalbey
Phantasies Waltzes.....Healey
The Corcoran Cadets' March.....Sousa
Grand selection from Millocher's opera
.....Bowman
Golden Shower Waltzes.....Waldtenfald
Selection—"The Criterion".....Aller
March—"World's Jubilee".....Maywood


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# HARVEY IS SINKING

## REPORT OF AN ALARMING CAVEIN NEAR CITY OF NEWTON.

### Acres of Land Said to Have Sunk Several Feet Spreading Consternation Among the People — Report Heard in Kansas City, Omaha and Chicago, Too—Wires Would Not Work and Therefore no Details.

There was a startling report born on the wings of the electric messenger last night.

It was to the effect that several acres of land, near Newton had sunk several feet. The wires were worked to Newton at once to ascertain the facts, but it was impossible to reach that city for some cause, presumably the destruction of the wires by the electric storm.

The Main wire of the EAGLE worked to Kansas City, Omaha and Chicago, and upon inquiry at these places the report had reached there and the offices of these cities were as keen to get a wire to Newton as the EAGLE was.

The Associated Press office at Kansas City had heard the report that an immense body of land near Newton had caved in towards the center of the earth and that great consternation prevailed among the people. Omaha and Chicago had heard similar reports.

An effort was made at 9 o'clock to get the Newton central office over the 'phone but that was impossible also at that hour and nothing could be heard over the wire but the terrible noise of a great electrical storm.

The Santa Fe depot, and, in fact, every avenue of information, was tried but to no purpose. The people around there heard the report but no details whatever. It was ascertained from a reliable source that a small area of land sunk slightly a few days ago and it was thought that this was a supplementary cave-in of greater proportions and magnitude.

### COOPER'S EXPERIENCE.

He Made an Exciting Trip to Alaska and is Mighty Well Pleased.

S. W. Cooper has returned from his exciting and interesting trip to Alaska.

Mr. Cooper tells the story of his trip with all the romance of a novel. He is an eloquent discriptive talker and a natural born traveler, for he sees everything.

Mr. Cooper has traveled over Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and Mexico, and his trip this year was to Alaska. He felt highly relieved to be away from the atmosphere of mortgages and foreclosures where the stand-offs of local delinquents didn't bother him. He forgot all about business for four or five weeks and only thought of nature and all the pleasures its study and contemplation afforded.

When Mr. Cooper sailed from Victoria in the good ship Queen all was pleasure and hope of unbounded enjoyment in that part of America which is so un-American—Alaska. At midnight as the steamer which was gracefully plowing the waves and gently rocking a hundred Americans to sleep, it came to a dead stop with a whirr as if the axes of the world broke and Cosmos came to a full stop. In a moment the entire steamer gave up its sleepers, and, as the graphic Mr. Cooper expresses it, the occupants poured out of their state rooms in rags and jags. The night was dark on deck, and men in their mad rush about to ascertain where they were at, came broadsides against each other with a force that added to the excitement.

The steamer had struck a rock, and its steel bottom was slashing against it before the waves like a mighty battering ram. Every stroke put a hole in the bottom of the ship, and the situation at that hour will not fade from the memory of Mr. Cooper if he lives to be as old as the Pyramids. The atmosphere of his mortgage office would be to him at that time as sweet as the essence of an oriental palace, and he would give all his vast earthly possessions for a feather bed in Wichita.

And still the ship hit and hit the mighty rock with its ponderous and powerful blows, only to add to its own destruction. The life boats were lowered, and the weary and terrified wanderers from the United States sought shelter on the very rock that caused them exposure, and were glad of it. That which threatened to accomplish their destruction was the anchor of their safety. It was but a lonely rock on the middle of a desert of water away and far away from home and friends, but as they watched the stream struggling between the fluid force behind it and the solid force in front of it they very soon cultivated a fondness for it and all sang out in joyful harmony: Rock of ages, we cling to thee. Dawn came, the shore was in sight and safety was assured, for they had a little steam yacht that could sail merrily to land with installments of twenty-five every few minutes.

The water filled the first compartment of the bottom of the ship. It soon entered the next compartment, which was the cold storage. Pretty soon all the ice was melted and the chickens and other delicate meats became so spoiled that they had to be thrown into the waves as a sweet menu for the sharks. The Indians who came from the shore in the morning, however, contended with the sharks for the spoils of the wreck and succeeded to a fair division. The consequence was that Mr. Cooper and others volunteered to supply the table of the steamer with the meat of the wild cattle of Alaska, and right glad were the excursionists to get it.

For ninety hours the steamer struggled on the rock. All the coal had to be heaved into the stern to lift the weight from the front end, and finally, that weight not being sufficient, all the passengers beaded the rear end and in this way the boat was released from the rock and taken to the shore. For four days more machinists worked repairing it and at the end of nearly nine days it was launched again and those who were brave enough continued their journey.

Sitka was reached and there Mr. Cooper grasped the hand of a Wichita man—Professor U. P. Snell. The professor, like all Wichita men, had a stout heart and was enjoying life among the strange people.

Sitka is the capital of Alaska. It has a population of about 1,800 people, principally Indians and half-breed Russians. The Roman and Greek Catholics have strong churches there and the natives are of a very religious disposition. They are not so ordinary as the Indians of the United States. The houses are huts and the streets are as crooked and shapeless as the letter Z. It is, however, considered the social center of Alaska. The Indians of that territory live altogether in villages and are not of a roaming nature like the United States tribes.

After spending a short time at Sitka the party steamed north to the Muir glacier, one of the most remarkable and wonderful sights in the world. A wall of ice 300 feet high rises perpendicularly from the water and extends landwards forty miles and two or three miles along the coast. It is of fantastic shape and at a distance looks like a crystal city of towers and minerets. Every once and awhile a block of this drops into the ocean like a palace falling in an earthquake. It tumbles into the water with a sound and a shock which are heard and felt two miles away and throws a stream of water 200 feet in the air. It then floats off like an enchanted palace rocking on the waves. Mr. Cooper says it is worth braving the danger of a hundred shipwrecks to see.

### SHAW'S ORCHESTRA DINED.

Notwithstanding the threatening weather last evening the citizens of Riverside addition were treated to the sweet strains of music as given forth by Shaw's orchestra. W. E. Stanley president of the Y. M. C. A., as a token of the esteem he felt for the service of the orchestra in lending their aid to make a success of the various entertainments given by the association during the past year, gave the members an oyster supper at his residence. Of course the boys took their instruments with them and treated their host and his neighbors to some beautiful selections. The occasion was an enjoyable one and all present declared that a more pleasant evening they could not remember than the reception given by President Stanley. Many members of the orchestra were accompanied by their wives and sweethearts.

### BEAUTIFUL STORM.

Electric King Had a High old Time Last Night.

The "owl" and the man who went to "lodge" last night enjoyed the pleasures of the grand spectacular effects of earth's mighty company.

The electric king had a fete night and he danced and gamboled and waltzed over the face of heaven for three hours.

It was the prettiest electrical display of the season. The clouds hung thick, and fierce over the earth with pretty rifts here and there in splendid arrangement, allowing the resplendence of the electric king to shine through, and light up the earth with moments of resplendent glory.

This great event was heralded from Newton about 9 o'clock. The telephone wire was opened and the music of the elements transmitted to the sanctum of the EAGLE. It could have been heard plainly as it leaped upon the strings of wire and the contending roars blended in a harmony that was both sweet and terrific. It sounded sometimes as if a storm of grape shot was continually falling upon a forest and wrenching the branches from the parent trunk. It had a wierd and again a pathetic sound, as if the king had been serenading his lady love in some higher orb of the universe with music from the depths of a love sick heart. Again it would burst forth with a mighty blast as if bidding defiance to some rival element.

The flies were sensative to the approach of the storm. They became restless and colonized in more secure quarters, and the blue little fairy of light that followed the trolley was a sure harbinger of its approach. It soon came upon Wichita, and then as if desiring not to have its beauties monopolized by any favored community of admirers, it pushed on south to give a complimentary exhibition before the fair God of Oklahoma.

It did no damage so far as heard from. It was not in the humor to do damage, for, as stated, it appeared to be a fete of the electric king's. A fine rain accompanied it, which flooded the streets and blessed the soil of the husbandman.

### DEATH OF MRS. OSCAR SMITH.

Yesterday Mrs. Oscar Smith passed away, at her home, after a long illness.

Elia May Skinner Smith, wife of Oscar Smith, sister of L. D. Skinner and daughter of Anson and Lydia J. Skinner, was born in Van Buren county, Iowa, January 21, 1865. She united with the Presbyterian church when a child and lived a consistent Christian until her death. At the age of 18 she moved to Wichita with her parents and grew from childhood surrounded by those who mourn her demise at this time. February 15, 1888, she was united in marriage to Oscar Z. Smith.

Her remains will be laid in Oak Hill cemetery by the side of her father, Anson Skinner, who departed this life August 20, 1884, being ten years and one month to the day of her death.

Funeral services will be held at the family residence, 635 North Topeka avenue, and will be conducted by Dr. David Winters of the First Presbyterian church, on Saturday at 2 p. m.

Her life was worth the living. By her surpassing beauty of character, by attributes which were unselfish and womanly, by a loving and lovable personality, she ennobled herself and all those with whom she associated. Every word in her life was touched with the magic of a true woman's love, and every act with the tender witchery of a true woman's gentleness.

As a wife, she has been the idol of her husband. In his heart she has treasured a devotion to every quality of wifely virtue, and hived there, forever, the honeyed love of a personality, whose purity and gentleness cannot fade, but live on, ennobling and enriching, when she who gave it is long gone; when the sound of her voice is a dream-echo in memory, and the flush of her cheek but a vision for the freshness of springtime to conjure.

Her love, her goodness, her gentleness are not gone. These were her qualities. These are her qualities. She shall live again. When spring comes again with its skies of crystalline splendor, those eyes shall flash with the old time light. When the night wind purrs its secrets to the red rose, where it droops on the trellis, her soft, sweet voice shall whisper to the heavy soul. When the robin and the thrush sing in chorus to the morning sun the song that she sang when her life was young and her heart was light, will break forth again and lull the complaining heart.

Her personality will live. It was too strong, too pure, too sacred to die. Its life is eternal; its influence everlasting.

"Can she be dead
Whose spiritual influence is upon her kind?
She lives in glory; and her speaking dust
Has more of life than half its breathing moulds."

### TRIBUTE TO HIS MEMORY.

Fraternal Marks of Respect Shown to the Late Francis R. Stover.

At the last meeting of Wichita lodge No. 99, A. F. and A. M., a committee consisting of L. G. Whittier, J. M. Chain and A. J. Applegate drew up the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, The Grand Master of the universe has, in His infinite wisdom, seen fit to remove from his labors in this terrestrial lodge to eternal refreshment in the grand lodge above, our dearly beloved brother, Francis W. Stover; and

"Whereas, That while we most humbly submit to the divine mandate of Him who doeth all things well, we wish to express our fraternal esteem toward our departed brother, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That in the death of Brother Stover our lodge has lost a worthy and zealous member, his family an affectionate and devoted husband and father, and the community an honest and upright citizen, and be it further

"Resolved, That in token of esteem for our late brother we wear the usual badge, that our lodge room, jewels and working tools be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days; that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to his family; that they be spread upon the records of the lodge, and a copy be furnished the daily papers for publication."

### WOULD-BE PROPHET.

He Was Adjudged Insane and Will Be Taken to the Asylum.

A man dressed in an old blanket, with holes cut for his arms, strapped on with a grass band, delivered a lecture at the Sedgwick building Wednesday evening. He claimed that he was the true and only prophet of God. That the Lord spoke to him through visions and he was instructed to proclaim his authority to the world. He could quote the Bible from one end to the other, and was well versed in all classes of literature. It was evident from his choice language that he had been a student as well as a great reader. He claimed that the spirit of Elijah had taken possession of his body and he could but obey the orders thus received; that pride and the love of gain had driven the true worshippers of the living God away from the teachings of the Savior. It took but a casual glance to know that the man was as wild as a hare.

He was taken in custody by Sheriff Royse and brought before a jury in the probate court, where the charge of insanity was sustained. Yesterday the superintendent of the insane asylum at Osawatomie informed the probate judge that Sedgwick county had a vacancy, and the late "prophet of God" will be taken there in a few days.

### HAS A MERRY-GO-ROUND.

The east part of Douglas avenue is afflicted with a man who wants 10-cent chicken legs for a nickel because he is an alleged detective. He throws back his coat whenever he wants anything, displays a star, and wants the earth on the strength. He has a very fast merry-go-round in his head.

# WICKED WORK DONE

## GIRL DESERTED BY HER BETRAYER AMONG STRANGE PEOPLE.

### Medicine Given With Criminal Intent Causes Her to Become a Raving Maniac—Albert Strauss of Arkansas City, Named as the Man in the Case—Doctor, Sheriff and Patient Tell Their Story of the Affair.

"I am dying!" "I have been poisoned!" "They have killed me!" Were cries that aroused the lodgers at 122 South Lawrence avenue yesterday morning.

The utterances were made by a young woman who was brought to the boarding house of Mrs. Litchfield in a hack at a late hour. James Rose, a witness attending the circuit court, was alarmed at the outcry and informed Sheriff Royse, who immediately began an investigation of the matter.

The sheriff found a young woman, giving her name as Ella Turner, in an excited state of mind bordering on lunacy. She was brought to the house in a hack from Howard's barn, and accompanied by a young man named Albert Strauss, of Arkansas City, who is a clerk in a wholesale house of that place. The young woman, it was learned was a daughter of J. W. Turner, who resides four miles south of Arkansas City, near the Chilocco Indian school. The patient became violently worse and Dr. St. John was called, who gave her a sedative and advised her removal to the Wichita hospital.

She grew perfectly insane during the day and in her wild ravings tore her clothing and kept the attendents busy, with Dr. Hoffman, in preventing her from committing suicide.

Dr. Hoffman stated when asked as to the case as follows: "During the evening a young man, who spoke with a foreign accent, came and asked permission to take a young lady, who was in the hack, to the hospital. I asked him where she was from to which he replied, 'From near Arkansas City.' I informed him that the county commissioners had instructed me to admit no persons from the adjacent counties to the hospital, as they (the commissioners) were growing tired of taking care of the unfortunate of other counties. That Cowley county was able to take care of her own sick but that as an act of humanity he might take the girl there, but he must take her away on the first train. The next I heard of the parties they were at the boarding house on South Lawrence, and this morning on my visit to the hospital I found the girl a raving maniac. The young man had left the city. I laid the matter before the county commissioners who instructed Sheriff Royse to telephone to the sheriff of Cowley county to come and get her. I am satisfied she is suffering from something more serious than an operation for abortion. The young man said that the girl had been paralyzed a few years since, but had partially recovered. She had several bottles of medicine with her but the name of the physician had been removed and I could only tell that the medicine had been purchased at Arkansas City."

Sheriff Royse said: "I was called to the house during the night by a witness who was attending court. I was satisfied something was wrong and I gathered up several clews which bore evidence of the crime of abortion having been committed. At times the girl would have lucid intervals and talk perfectly rational, while soon after she would begin frothing at the mouth and rave like a maniac. Her clothes she tore in shreds, while the manner of rolling her eyes and throwing her arms indicated she was suffering intensely. I called Dr. Hoffman and he gave her a hypodermic injection. During her lucid moments she said: 'I have been intimately acquainted with young Strauss for eight months, and a short time ago it was deemed by both of us that it was necessary that I take some medicine. Dr. Baker of Arkansas City prescribed for me and I began taking his medicine. I now know that they poisoned me and I will die. I was brought here to be gotten out of the way. I am anxious to go home. I live near the Indian school south of Arkansas City in the strip.'

Sheriff Royse continued: "It has become the fashion for adjoining places to turn off their unfortunate upon Wichita to be taken care of. I immediately telephone the sheriff of Cowley county to come and get the girl. Also to come to my office and I would give him all the information in my possession. He stated that he or his deputy would be here on the first train and take the girl home. I will say that the case is one of the saddest which has come under my observation, and I hope I will never be called to witness such suffering again as the young girl is passing through as the results of man's perfidy. Of course it can not be said whether the names brought in the case by the girl are reliable or not, as it may have been but the imaginations of a disordered mind."

The girl that was seen at the Wichita hospital is apparently about 19 years of age. She is prepossessing in appearance, and a sadder sight could not be seen than to witness this young girl in her wild moments. She would tear her clothing in shreds, pull out her hair by the handful and throw herself in terrible agony.

The sheriff of Cowley county arrived on the train last night and will take the girl to Winfield this morning. She was resting easy at 11 o'clock when seen by Sheriff Royse and the sheriff from Winfield.

### OLD SOLDIER DEAD.

John W. Neal died at his late residence, No. 726 Chicago avenue, Thursday, at 3 p. m. The funeral will be held Saturday at 10 a. m., at the residence. The body will be shipped to Brouson, Bourbon county, for interment. John W. Neal was a surgeon in the army and was a member of Company A, Eighty-fifth Illinois Infantry. He was wounded at Perryville, Ky., and has been an invalid for several years. He was a member of the A. O. U. W. lodge of Fort Scott, in good standing, and the family request the old soldiers and United Workmen to be present at the funeral.

### WANTS A DIVORCE.

Ella M. Stark filed her petition in the district court yesterday praying for a decree of divorce from her husband, James M. Stark. She says she was married to the defendant Dec. 26, 1887; that for several years he has been guilty of general cussedness, and final abandoned the complainant March 9, 1890; that one child was born to them, named Cora Stark. For all the alleged wrongs she not only asks absolute divorce, but that she be restored to her maiden name, Ella May Day, and that the child's name be also changed to Cora Day.

### FOUND GUILTY.

J. F. Hinton, who was arrested some time since on the charge of counterfeiting, by Sheriff Royse, was adjudged guilty by the jury yesterday in the United States court. The case of Frank Hunker, who was jointly charged with Hinton, will have his trial today.

### MUSIC AND DRAMA.

OSCAR WILDE'S PLAY.

Now we are to have "Lady Windermere's Fan" at the Crawford Grand Sept. 27 and 28. All those dear Philistines who have known nothing of Oscar Wilde, save the fact that he once thought a politic to be the greatest fool in the world; will open their tired eyes and murmur softly: "Dear me; really I had no idea that he was so clever!" While those who long ago discovered that Oscar Wilde was one of the cleverest men of this end of the century, will have an opportunity of seeing for themselves one of those dramatic quips of his of which so much has been written. Mr. Wilde discovered long ago that cleverness in itself was not enough; it had to be supplemented by something else if the public was to be caught in one's lifetime at least, and so he played the fool. All England and America knew him to be an easthetic, willowy, dreamy enthusiast about lilies, sunflowers and other drawing room furnishings. Once established in the public eye, Mr. Wilde began to display his real talents. He wrote verse that was distinctly memorable, and every one acknowledged that he is a brilliant man.

### HOTEL SOJOURNERS.

Hotel Carey—E. Henderson, Kansas City; J. T. Wright, St. Louis; E. C. Whittmore, Kansas City; C. C. Culp, Salina; T. E. Vincent, Topeka; Chas. E. Patten, Texas; J. W. Shartel, Guthrie; F. E. Hipple, Hutchinson; H. Hess, Mobile, Ala.; J. H. Snow, Topeka; Chas. J. Smith, Topeka; John P. Morton, Kansas City; John A. Winn, Harry Jacoby, New York; L. B. Carson, St. Louis; Henry Harshin, Kansas City; Ed. Wiley, Quincy, Ill.; E. R. Merrian, Topeka; Chas. Adow, New York; C. W. Lyons, C. G. Adams, Atchison; L. R. Haren, Oklahoma; Wm. Wondelick, Topeka; C. Wood Davis and wife, Kansas; Gus Hart, Cincinnati; E. F. Puree, Louisiana; H. T. Floyd, Ottawa; J. B. Gugler, Independence; Wm. Hawkins, Kansas City; E. S. Russell, St. Louis; Richard Harris, Alfred Harris, Turly; C. C. Van Dewater, Kingman; W. F. Jounson, Chicago; G. P. Veiman, Whitewater; S. R. Numan, Lefton, Pa.; J. M. Workman, Woodward, O. T.; C. G. Easley, Hutchinson; Henry Jackson, H. P. Gatt, Kansas City; W. L. Martin, Winfield; W. W. C. Parks, Kansas City; H. A. Hodgins, Topeka; John A. Wom, Hudson, Wis.; A. P. Boodley, Ashland; G. P. Kelley, Kanapolis, Kan.; E. S. Cronk, St. Louis; A. Gillett, C. W. Denten, B. Sniply, S. S. Sevat, George H. Barre, Kansas City; Hugo Roth, Milwaukee; H. S. Dykes, Topeka; W. J. Kendrick, New York; Grant Humphrey, Oklahoma; J. M. Stewart, Indian Ty.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

(Furnished by The Wichita Abstract and Land Company.)

The records in the register of deeds office show the following transfers:

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| J W Walters tax d lot 13 Main st Greiffensteins add | 675 |
| se ¼ sec 1-28-1e | 42 |
| Old Settlers association d lot 41 Indiana ave Mathewsons 3rd add | 175 |
| A H Jackman qcd lots 2 to 8 Chicago ave Shumans add | 25 |
| Clark Kinkaid tax d lots 9 and 10 Lawrence ave lots 31 and 22 and res B Topeka ave Southern add | 28 |
| A M Kinkaid tax d beg on sec line 1750 ft e of sw cor sec 20-27-1e thence n 205 ft to Arkansas river down river to s line of said sec thence w to beg | 346 |
| R Duncan qcd lots 2 to 34 and 40 to 54 Wichita st in Duncans supl | 5 |
| D D Gill wd und ht in lot 78 Douglas ave | 1146 |
| Western Investment Co lots 118 and 120 Douglas ave, also tract beg 175 ft e of Monument on Market st on n side Douglas ave w 3 ft 1½ inches n 130 ft e 3 ft 1½ inches s 130 ft to beg | 30000 |
| E Stearns td lots 1 and 3 Topeka ave Ford's add | 16 |
| Lot 5 Topeka ave Ford's add | 8 |
| Citizens' bank and J L Dyer td n hf of w hf of nw qr of sw qr sec 28 27 1e | 833 |
| Citizens' bank td lots 136 and 138 Chicago ave W Wichita | 46 |
| Lots 89 Chisholm st tract 58⅝ ft by 140 ft beg ne cor lot 20 Fitch ave Mead's add | 231 |
| T G Fitch lots 44 and 46 blk 18 J Q Davidson 2nd lots 21 to 26 consec blk 25 J O Davidson 2nd t d | 14 |
| Burton Car Land Co tract 120x300 ft blk 16 Burton Car lot 31 block 8 Burton Car lots 1 and 2 block 10 Burton Car lot 21 blk 11 Burton Car tax d | 9 |
| Riverside Land Co lots 38 to 47 Carter ave Riverside ave lots 189 to 195 Riverside ave Riverside add lots 65 and 67 Spaulding ave Riverside add lots 90 to 96 Faulkner ave Riverside add lots 42 to 52 Litchfield ave Riverside add lots 58 to 64 Litchfield ave Riverside ave lots 2 to 20 Litchfield ave Riverside add lots 73 to 87 Litchfield ave Riverside add lots 193 to 199 Perry ave Riverside add tax d | 212 |
| Amount of mortgages released | 2433 |

### "WHAT QUEER THINGS WE ARE!"

Interesting Results of Self-Examination by the Man With the Top Coat.

Two men were riding down town one morning recently in an elevated train. The man with the silk hat on made a discovery, and he questioned his friend thus:

"Are you right-handed?"

"Yes," said the man in the top coat.

"Right-legged, also?"

"Right-legged, no."

"Sure?"

"Why, of course I'm sure. I have more power and accuracy and dexterity in my right arm and right hand than in my left arm and hand. But as for my legs, I can and do use one the same as the other."

"How about your ears?"

"Same as legs."

"Eyes?"

"Each equal to the other in all respects."

"Sides to your jaws?"

"Why are you asking me such questions? If there's a joke in prospect, let's have the laugh now."

"No joke. All sincerity. Wanted to know how well you knew yourself. See you're pretty slightly acquainted. Just watch yourself for a few days. The proper study for mankind is—goodby, here's my station. You'll be the most surprised man"—"Step lively, please," called the guard—"in the world." And the inquisitor just managed to get out upon the station platform as the iron gates banged behind him.

"You're right," said the man with the top coat, a couple of mornings later.

"Told you"—

"Dead right. I've kept tab on myself. Noticed when I used the telephone I always put the receiver to my right ear. Tried my left ear and got all mixed up. Found I always put my left foot first into an elevator, and always took the first step with it when I went up or down stairs. Started to go down some steps with my right foot leading, and nearly had a tumble. Then I'm right jawed. I always chew my food on the right side of my mouth. Never thought of it before, but taings do not taste as good on the left side. They do not taste so much, either. Queer, isn't it, how the sense of taste will become more highly developed in one part of the mouth than in another by use and force of habit? I'm left-eyed. You know. I'm interested in botany, and use a microscope a great deal. Well, I invariable look through the instrument with my left eye. For ordinary purposes my right eye seems to be as keen as the left one, but I found that it was not at all satisfactory when I applied it to the microscope. I am right-handed, left-eyed, right-jawed, left-legged and right-eared. I suppose I'm right or left a good many more things, but I haven't had time to discover them yet."

"What queer things we are!" said the man with the silk hat.—N. Y. Tribune.

### GASCONS AND GASCONADES

How the Inhabitants of Old Gascony Gave Two New Words.

In days gone by there lay in the southwestern portion of France the province of Gascony. This has now been divided into four sections, which are known as the departments of Landes Gers, Ariege and the Upper Pyrenees, containing, it is estimated, no less than one million inhabitants. A great peculiarity of these natives is their frequently manifested tendency to boast, and so strongly developed has the quality of the blusterer been in them from time immemorial that both our own and the French language have been enriched by words derived from the name of the province. Thus a Gascon is set down in the dictionaries as a "boaster or a braggart; a vainglorious person," and a gasconade in English, or a gasconnade in French, is the name given to all boastful, vaunting talk. For instance, the dictionary of the French academy, to illustrate the meaning of gasconnade, gives an example: "Il dit qu'il se battrait contre dix hommes; c'est une gasconnade"—i. e., "He says he would fight ten men; 'tis a gasconade."

Of course, however, the fame of gasconades does not depend entirely on mere flat boasting like this, but on the intermixture of wit and piquancy with the most prodigious self-exaltation. The following are some examples we have met with.

A Gascon preacher stopped short in the pulpit. It was in vain that he scratched his head; nothing would come out. "My friends," said he, as he walked quietly down the pulpit stairs, "my friends, I pity you, for you have lost a fine discourse."

A young Gascon arrived at Paris for the first time. It was in summer, and he went to see the Tuileries immediately on his arrival. When he saw the gallery of the Louvre, "Upon me honor," said he, "I like it vastly. Methinks I see the back of my father's stables."

A Gascon officer hearing some one celebrating the exploits of a prince who, in an assault upon a town had killed six men with his own hand: "Bah!" said he, "I would have you to know that the very mattresses I sleep upon are stuffed from nothing else but the whiggers of those whom I have sent to slumber in the other world."

A Gascon, in proof of his nobility, asserted that in his father's castle they used no other firewood but the batons of the different marshals of France of his family.


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