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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Washington, Feb. 8—For Kansas: Forecast till 8 p. m. Friday: Fair, preceded by rain or snow in eastern portion today and tonight; cooler Friday evening; northwesterly winds.

Law Hanback will lecture at the Methodist church at Newton "for the small adulesion fee of 15 cents." Hanback seems to be fairly launched in the lecture field.

Fort Scott is vigorously resisting being presented a public library worth $10,000 by Eugene Ware. Fort Scott is too near Missouri. Let Mr. Ware bring his books to Topeka. We'll take them and be thankful for them.

J. K. Cubinson says the indications are that Mayor Barnes of Kansas City, City, Kansas, will withdraw from the fight for the Republican nomination for governor, and that Wyandotte county will be solid for Geo. Martin.

Topeka scraped all her pennies together and succeeded in raising $20,000 to induce an alleged woolen factory to locate there. The chances are ten to one that within a year Topeka will be kicking herself and bringing suit against the man who got the twenty thousand.—Lawrence Journal.

The money isn't paid over yet.

S. M. Scott, possible Populist candidate for congress in the Fourth district, wants prohibition and equal suffrage left out of the state platform. "We want as little in the platform as possible, and that in the point. We want a platform of business, not sentiment; one that can be boiled down into five words: 'More money and less taxes,' and the legend written on a campaign button."

The following information on A. T. & S. F. finances appears in the railroad department of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat: "The Atchison loan in London on the B bonds, the renewal of which has just been authorized by Judge Caldwell, was for $2,000,000 at 6 per cent secured on $5,000,000 B bonds. On December 29 the receivers arrived at an agreement with the syndicate for the renewal of the loan on the following terms: Six per cent interest was to be paid and 30 per cent of the principal was to be paid off in three monthly installments of 10 per cent each, the first on January 25, the second on February 25 and the third on March 25, the rest of the loan being renewed to June 30. Certain interests in Atchison wanted some of the collateral returned in consideration of these payments, but this was not acceded to by the syndicate inasmuch as the loan was not properly secured as it stood. The terms of renewal as finally agreed to and sanctioned by Judge Caldwell are the payment of 6 per cent at once, and installments of 10 per cent on March 1, April 1 and May 1, the loan becoming due again on June 30."

Illinois is the mother of new parties. The Abolitionists and the Republicans really started in Illinois, and the Free Soil and Know Nothing parties had a strong hold there. It is not surprising that the "Poor Man's party" should spring up in that state. Illinois rivals Kansas in novel and sometimes foolish ideas. A man or a state can not progress without doing bad things as well as good things. It was in Illinois, at Nauvoo, that Mormonism took root and it took a long time to root it out. It is in Illinois that Schweinfurth, the Rockford "Christ," maintains his heaven in spite of the high standard of intelligence that prevails in that state. Illinois, too, has a governor who pardons anarchists, and who says there is not a real anarchist in Chicago. On the whole, Illinois furnishes about as many new ideas and about as many cranky ones as Kansas. On second thought the giver of the Chicago newspapers at Kansas ought to be turned against Illinois. The Poor Man's party is a great deal sillier than anything that the Populists have undertaken.

KANSAS PARAGRAPHS.

It is said that three people at Mound City have gone crazy as a result of a bank failure.

A hog trial at Wichita brought the biggest crowd from the country that has been there for months.

Just to make the "Hard Times Ball" seem real, the young men at Independence took their girls in carriages.

The mayor of Emporia has vetoed the cigarette ordinance and the whole affair seems likely to end in smoke.

Valliant it is said once taught French in Atchison, so the butchery of the guillotine was a mere trifle to him.

If the gift of a $10,000 library which can scarcely be forced on Ft. Scott were a train load of beer, it would be accepted with headlong precipitation.

Episcopalians at Hutchinson have been warned by the rector not to keep Lent simply because it is "good form," and fashionable society is terribly affronted.

Eldorado Republican: Most any woman can take three or four pieces of furniture and so arrange them in a room that a man can't get through it without falling.

Two fellows working on the rock pile at Salina sped away "with a low gurgling laugh and a delivery wagon," says the Republican. And the jailer where was he?

Kearney county farmers have sold over $20,000 worth of alfalfa seed this winter, and over $4,000 worth of vegetable seeds, the latter going to a seed house in Michigan.

If Newton young men don't take the girls to Law Hanback's lecture they are too mean for anything, since tickets are selling at fifteen cents apiece, two for a quarter.

The parties to a recent marriage at Fort Scott were 75 and 67 years old. If all marriages were like this one the Malthusian theory would never cause the least uneasiness.

The commissioners of Douglas county have ordered the refunding by the county clerk of 50 per cent of all transfer fees received between January 1, 1891, and December 31, 1893.

The Gazette has started a big scandal in Lawrence by alleging that the swell university students borrow flat irons and ironing boards of their landladies and crease their own trousers.

A Leavenworth woman who married again before she was a widow three months has found too late that men betray, and now mourns her new husband and $600 life insurance money on her former husband, that he took with him.

Leavenworth Times: When Dan Letcher was admitted to the penitentiary yesterday he made the number 865. Of this number there are one Chinaman, eight Indians, thirteen women and forty-three under death sentence.

ODD FELLOWS.

Record of an Ancient English Lodge—Rebekah Degree Notes.

The first authentic record of an Odd Fellow lodge is a recently discovered manuscript in which are recorded the minutes of the meeting of Aristarcus lodge, No. 9 of the O. of O. F.'s at Globe tavern, London, on March 12, 1748. It is quite certain however, that the order was in existence long before that time. According to the minutes of the Aristarcus lodge, the meeting opened with prayer and closed with a benediction by a regularly ordained preacher. Some of the rules governing this lodge are very amusing, the following being mere samples: "No tipstaff, bailiff, marshalman or runner eligible for admission, nor any body servant or laborer, except by dispensation. The proposer or seconder of a person who may be rejected by a majority shall pay a fine of 5s. 6d. for his impertinence."

Sister Irene Marsh, president of the Rebekah state convention of Minnesota, was presented with a magnificent jewel by her sisters in appreciation of her valuable services to that branch of the order.

The Kansas Rebekahian says: "The grandest and noblest order in the world is the Odd Fellows, and in reaching the pinnacle where it stands the Rebekah has proved a faithful ally in all its undertakings, in all its progress and all its glories."

The Rebekah branch keeps up its onward march.

Standfast Rebekah lodge of East Weymouth, Mass., held its annual meeting recently. There were 200 members in attendance.

Minnehaha Rebekah lodge of Minneapolis celebrated its fifteenth anniversary Jan. 3.

Don't encourage the aspirations of those who seek preferment for the furtherance of personal aims without regard to the good of the order.

The design for the veteran jewel to be worn by Odd Fellows 50 years in consecutive membership, has practically been adopted.

The total assets of the Rebekah branch of the order are upward of $600,000.

Wisconsin can beat New York on lady deputies. Out of a total of 100 Rebekah districts, 80 are represented by sisters as lodge deputies.

The Rebekah branch of the order has 18,000 more members than the encampment branch.

The Rebekahs of New Jersey are actively engaged in presiding over the orphanage at Irvington. They have purchased land and paid $3,500 for it.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

The Order Improving In Numbers and Quality—Spear Points.

There has been great improvement in the uniform rank during the past year, and the Knights of Pythias proper have also made tremendous strides. It has been noted that applicants for admission are far superior in every quality that goes to make good citizens than has ever been known in the history of the order. This is meant to be no reflection on the men who laid out the foundation on which the Pythian temple was constructed. It shows that the time has passed when the door of the lodges were open to every passerby who cared to enter, and for the future the man himself will be considered before his application is favorably acted upon.

Will L. Schan, editor of The Knight's Jewel, was elected supreme representative by an overwhelming majority at the last session of the Nebraska grand lodge.

Ohio and Pennsylvania have each four representatives, Indiana three and Illinois is now entitled to the third.

D. D. Burnes' hussars is the only mounted division of the uniform rank in Missouri.

The Ohio Pythian home has been located at Springfield.

West Virginia is making a move toward the erection of a Pythian home.

General W. A. Schmitt of Quincy, Ills., now has the honor of being the longest in the grand lodge. He has been there 20 years.

Rheumatism originates in the morbid condition of the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures rheumatism. Get only Hood's

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Children's Fine Ribbed Fast Black Cotton Hose, worth up to 70c pair, tomorrow for 25c pair.

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Extra finish sheer and pretty qualities. Special values at **10, 15, 20, 25, 28** and **33c per yard.**

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A new and beautiful 36-inch soft fabric, **16c** per yd; **$1.62** for 12 yd. piece.

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LACES. Are showing a great variety, including many entirely new kinds—As the heavy Point de Venise in pretty edges and the stylish insertions which we also show in black. Great assortment of nice Torchons—Medici and Velenciennes at specially low prices.

A beautiful fine printed Dimity; handsome designs, usually sold at 35c yard, for 25c yard.

On Sheetings, Muslins and Housekeeping Goods generally, are showing many excellent bargains. Crochet and Marseilles Quilts, the very best value in the city.

Fine Heavy Crochet Quilts at 75c, 88c, $1.00 and $1.50. All Bargains.

THESE ARE STYLISH.

Ruches and ruffles of silk mousseline for trimming silk gowns.

Jet butterflies of every size and kind for dresses and millinery.

Swiss ribbed underwear daintily trimmed with silk crocheted edges.

Taffeta having broche stripes of a narrow width for informal gowns.

Surah satin evening gowns trimmed with mirror velvet sleeve puffs.

Simple gowns of china silk trimmed with revers and collar of bright colored velvet.

Light moire evening gowns having accessories of plain satin and a trimming of lace.

Large sized Windsor ties to form into a short, wide bow after the style of the Incroyable.

Crepon tea gowns having an accordion plaited front of the same or a contrasting material.

Medium sized grosgrain silks for handsome house dresses, trimmed with white point de venise lace.

White velvet for short Spanish jackets to be trimmed with fur and worn with woolen or silk costumes.

Artificial flowers of undoubted beauty, among which the rose, pansy and lily of the valley are prominent.

Lovely lightweight black silk warp challies and tamise, which are suitable for all the year round house dresses.—Dry Goods Economist.

RAILROAD TIES.

There are 151,669 street cars in operation in the United States.

A new 18 stall roundhouse is being built at the western end of the Wilkesbarre and Eastern, near Laflin, Pa.

Information bureaus are getting to be an absolute necessity in railroad waiting rooms in all large cities. The New York Central is now establishing one in the waiting room of the Utica station.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford's new office building, just opened in New Haven, is one of the most magnificent in this country. It is situated on the corner of Meadow and Water streets and cost $400,000.

The famous Empire State express on the New York Central, which is the fastest train in the world, has broken its own record. On a recent run it covered 148 miles between Albany and Syracuse, in the remarkable time of 151 minutes.

The number of miles first traveled by a trolley car on the average before an accident is encountered has been figured as 11,962; on a horse car, 7,870, in both cases 50 per cent being accidents of a trivial nature, and steam railroads, 6,114 miles.

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PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Iowa's new senator, John H. Gear, is a New Yorker.

Missouri has three living ex-United States senators—Carl Schurz, D. S. Jewitt and John B. Henderson.

Luther R. Marsh, the New York lawyer who was victimized by Mme. Diss Debar, is now living quietly in Middletown.

Charles Lewis Becans, 6 feet 6½ inches, is the tallest soldier in the Belgian army. Because of Becans' size he gets double rations.

Mrs. Joseph K. Emmet, the widow of J. K. Emmet, the actor, was recently married in Albany to William B. Mix, the son of a wealthy business man of the city.

Mr. Adolphus Busch, the St. Louis brewer, recently gave the Sisters of the Good Shepherd, in that city, a fine tract of land on which to build a convent and loaned them $100,000 to begin the building.

One of the wealthiest men in the Argentine Republic is Senor Jose Guazzone, the "wheat king." He owns 63,000 acres of land. He went to Buenos Ayres in 1873, when 20 years old, with only a few dollars in his pocket.

Mr. Caffery of Louisiana is said to be the only member of the United States senate who changes his neckties daily. He wears only blue ties, but in every manner of the lightest shades of that color and never the same shade two days in succession.

Dr. James Martineau, the famous English Unitarian divine, was born in 1805, which makes him four years older than Gladstone and 10 years the senior of Bismarck. Although not doing active ministerial duty, his intellect is unimpaired, and his bodily vigor is remarkable.

Hugh Cameron, a Pennsylvanian who located near Lawrence, Kan., 30 years ago and has lived alone there since in a one story log cabin on his 42 acre farm (excepting the four years he served in the war), is said to be related to the family that has given two members to the United States senate.

Mania of Yale's Alumni.

A Yale college correspondent says that the fad for collecting relics of their student days is fast becoming a mania with the veteran graduates of "old Eli." Until a few years ago it was confined to sawing off branches of trees on the campus or taking a rail from the fences, but now all old doors covered with names are eagerly sought for by graduates.

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A. O. U. W.

Good Reports From the Dakota Jurisdiction—Chips From the Workshop.

Dakota jurisdiction received 1,676 new members in 1893. In this jurisdiction Hecla lodge, No. 82, of Hecla, S. D., has inaugurated open sessions of the lodge once in two weeks, the general public being invited and instructed in the workings of the beneficial features and treated to an entertainment at the same time. The new feature is said to work excellently.

Pennsylvania has added to the expenses of the A. O. U. W. a salary of $100 per month.

Nebraska made only 10 assessments in the last year and starts 1894 with a blank.

The Massachusetts jurisdiction closed the year with 13 assessments.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen lodges, numbering nine in Omaha, are in a very flourishing condition.

There were 262 applications received at the office of the grand recorder of Massachusetts for the two weeks ending Thursday, Jan. 4.

The grand lodge of Quebec and maritime provinces was organized on Jan. 24. The institution took place in the city of Montreal.

National Provident Union.

The time for the payment of the first installment of the special tax levied by the National Provident union congress expired Jan. 1. The amount payable at that time was 50 cents per capita. This tax was cheerfully paid by the majority of the citizens, as it is to be used in promoting the work of increasing the membership of the order. The second installment will fall due July 1, and all citizens bringing in candidates between Jan. 1 and July 1 will be entitled to $2 per candidate, payable on or about Aug. 1.

The National Provident union has paid nearly $1,000,000 to beneficiaries. This order is growing and is doing good work.

Modern Woodmen of America.

There are now 321 camps in Nebraska, thanks to the good work of Deputy Faulkner.

State Deputy Carrothers of Iowa is an enthusiastic worker for the order.

The work which Camp No. 120 of Omaha is doing should prove a stimulus to the other camps, and the enthusiastic aggressiveness of its members is a worthy example for all.

Chosen Friends.

The order is fast growing in public favor.

Every day the order pays out to the widows and orphans the sum of $5,500. For the last year it has added about 1,000 members per month.

Chosen Friends is an insurance society whose business is to watch the interests of the policy holder.

Reduced Rates South.

On Tuesday, Feb. 13th, the Rock Island will sell tickets to all points in Texas at one fare for the round trip. These tickets are good for thirty days with stopover privilege at any point in Oklahoma or Texas on going trip. Remember that the Rock Island has the short line to Ft. Worth, and makes the best time. This offering to its patrons, with close connection at Ft. Worth, the shortest and best route to all points in Texas.

Consumptives obtain relief by using Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. No other cure is so effective.

Tactful.

The pages of amusing literature are stocked with the sayings of honest and untactful people. The following incidents have, moreover, the merit of being strictly true:

A lady who had studied an elementary treatise of astrology one day took it upon her to "cast the horoscope" of a boarding house acquaintance.

"Let me see," she began after taking down the day of the "subject's" birth, "you are in Aries. Aries is intellect. Why, no!" she suddenly exclaimed, looking up, as the full force of the definition struck her, "there must be some mistake. You can't be in Aries!"

Another innocently frank person was admiring the baby grandson of a famous man.

"Now," said she encouragingly to the parents of the child, "this boy will be a genius. It is perfectly safe to expect it, for you know genius always skips one generation."—Youth's Companion.

Sharpening Up.

Northerner—That hog must be bothered with fleas, from the way he scratches himself.

Southerner—Fleas nuthin! That's a razor-back hog, sah, and he's just stroppin himself.—Life.

A Sensitive Point.

The Widow Grangely had an important case in court. She knew that if she should win her condition thereafter would be one of financial ease, and she had accordingly employed the most effective lawyer in the county. When the case came to trial, the shrewd lawyer saw that his road to success lay through the emotions of the jurymen.

"Gentlemen," said he, "look at this poor woman. Is she not enough to excite the pity of any beholder? Decrepitude has not spared her, and age is fast spreading its blight upon her once fair face. She"——

"You stop right where you are!" exclaimed the widow. "I need the money that might come out of this case, but I'll be hanged if you shall stand up there and call me old."

The lawyer hastened to her side and said, "Why, madam, I must talk that way or lose the case."

"I don't care if you do have to talk that way, you shan't. I'd rather lose the whole thing than be called old. I am just as good looking as I ever was, and I want you to understand that *fact*. Decrepit, indeed! I'll bet I could gather you up and throw you over a 10 rail fence right now. If you want to talk about the law there is in the case, go ahead, but if you call me old again we'll fight, that's all."—Arkansaw Traveler.