

TRYING TO RETRIEVE.

Water Company Concludes to Make a Slight Effort

TO LIVE UP TO ITS CONTRACT.

A New Well Has Been Finished Which it is Claimed Will Increase the Supply.

The Topeka Water company is making a desperate effort to avert the calamity threatened it by the city council and an outraged community—the forfeiture of its charter.

Since it was discovered that the supply of water was of a poor quality and the pressure totally inadequate and that the company is failing to carry out nearly every provision of its contract with the city, the company concluded that something had to be done at once.

An immense well was accordingly started on the sand bar near the headquarters west of the city, and it has just been completed.

The company expects to take 1,000,000 gallons of water from this well daily, and with that taken from the old system of drive wells they think that there will be no difficulty in supplying the city with plenty of water of a good quality.

DEPEW ON NEPHEWS.

The Man Who Killed Himself at Atchison No Relation of His.

Recently a dispatch announced the suicide at Atchison, Kas., of John H. Wild, alleged to be a nephew of Chauncey M. Depew. The suicide, it was said, was the son of Mr. Depew's sister, and was a well known railroad man.

"Dr. Depew pointed out certain inaccuracies contained in the report when questioned about it. In the first place, he said, he has only two sisters, and neither of them is named Wild or has a son named Wild.

"As for nephews," said he, "I have the most amazing lot of 'em that any man was ever afflicted with, if all the reports I get are true. Generally I hear from them from the far west, where they have been stranded and have dropped in at some hotel or railroad office to borrow \$50 on the strength of their uncle's name.

NORTH TOPEKA.

Items of Interest from the North Side of the River.

This is a sort of mean temperature. Ammor Simmons went to Winchester this morning.

Miss Cora Noel of Valencia is visiting friends in the city.

Fred Moris has recently purchased a Hambletonian carriage horse.

The freight traffic on the railroads still keeps up to the high water mark.

The people who talk the loudest are not listened to the most attentively.

Rev. J. W. Roberts, of Oskaloosa, visited J. P. Wilson Friday evening.

J. E. Dolman left today for Chicago to attend court and visit his brother Joe.

James Nunn, formerly proprietor of the post office book store, is in the city.

Miss Fannie E. Cole is in Kansas City visiting her cousin, Mrs. Albert C. Root.

Councilman M. C. Holman was able to be down town for a time this morning.

John E. Dolman is having a neat picket fence built in front of his residence.

Rev. C. F. Holland went to Whiting, Kas., Saturday morning to preach there Sunday.

H. A. Hehard left today for his home in Lincoln, Neb., after a visit with J. C. Cromwell.

A young man, whose head was supposed to be full, has found place for the salt rheum.

Mrs. Dell Small has returned to Wilmington, Ill., after a stay of several weeks here.

Rev. W. L. Byers has removed from the corner of Gordon and Jackson to 815 Jackson street.

A bill collector said he was April footed several times this morning. He collected some bills which he never thought of getting.

A red-headed woman, whose husband drinks "white horse," meets the requirements of the old adage.

The first part of the week F. M. Tuttle will remove from 219 West Gordon street to 319 West Sixth street.

Prospect lodge 107, Degree of Honor will indulge in a social at Fletcher's hall in Shorey Monday night.

A. M. Brackett, the newly appointed Methodist minister at Goffs, Kan., was in the city Saturday visiting friends.

The Good Literature Reading Circle held their usual weekly meeting at Mr. O. D. Skinner's tomorrow evening.

George Boone, of Greenwood county, called on J. C. Cromwell Saturday. He is a descendant of Daniel Boone, the pioneer.

Tom Reage, Topeka representative of the Reid Packing company, recently burned out, was called to Kansas City Saturday morning.

Chas. E. Heartburg, a compositor on the Kansas Farmer, and residing at 1315 North Monroe, has been confined to his bed the past few days.

I meet all competition on flour and groceries for cash. J. H. Heller.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gaige of Moscow, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. S. B. Whitlock of Philadelphia are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Green.

Mrs. J. P. Wilson left for Chicago Friday evening, in response to a telegram announcing the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. L. J. Vincent.

I always keep first class fresh and salt meat. J. H. Heller.

The East Indianola Sunday school will add another to the list of socials for the week by giving one at the East Indianola school house Thursday evening.

The shoe dealers have agreed on early closing. After the first of the month they will shut up shop at 7 p. m. except on Saturdays and the Santa Fe pay days.

Mr. G. S. Maxwell came up from Fort Worth yesterday and today he and Mrs. Maxwell, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. John Lucas, returned to their home in Fort Worth.

All those who contributed toward the building of the Christian church, as well as all others interested, are invited to attend the final meeting of the building committee at the church at 7:30 tomorrow evening.

Rev. Jacob Stitt seems to have awakened quite a religious enthusiasm. More people attended his meetings yesterday than could get inside.

The Mission Sunday school, which started a week ago, also increased its membership from 55 to 84.

The annual congregational meeting of the members of the Second Presbyterian church will occur at the church tomorrow evening at 7:30.

The reports of the treasurers of the church, Sunday school and different societies will be heard and the trustees, elders, deacons and Sunday school officers will be elected for the coming year.

If you want first class groceries call at J. H. Heller's.

Miss Ida Stansfield, one of the teachers of Grant school, gave a reception at her home on Harrison street Friday evening in honor of Mr. W. E. Higgins of Kansas City, formerly principal of Grant school.

The pupils of the school whose ideas Mr. Higgins used to instruct to shoot spent a pleasant evening with their former teacher.

Lieutenant Burdge of the Salvation army will make his "farewells" at the army hall Tuesday evening and will leave to work for the cause in other fields after six months of practice on North Topeka people.

There will be a supper afterwards. It will be a sort of graduation exercise, with Lieutenant Burdge as the graduate.

At the Baptist church Sunday evening Rev. W. R. Hutchinson began a series of sermons entitled "Half Hours with the Bible," which will be devoted to the proofs from external sources of the genuineness of the Bible and also the consideration of Bible difficulties.

The subject for last evening was "Does Man Need a Revelation from God?"

Subjects as follows: "Have We the True Life of Christ?" "Why should We Accept the Old Testament?" "Can Bible Difficulties be Explained?" "What will You do With Your Bible?"

Officer Carlsson was called to Curtis street the other evening about 4 o'clock to preserve the peace between a man giving his name as G. W. Vandevor and his niece, whom he wished to take driving, whether she wanted to go or not.

She objected seriously to taking a short spin in his nice buggy and he grasped her by the arm and argued the case. The officer arrested him, drove him to the station in his own carriage where he put up \$5 which he forfeited next morning, and drove back again, all in about fifteen minutes.

Nothing has been settled in regard to the disposition of the U. P. hotel. Mr. P. O. Perkins of Omaha, the traveling auditor of the U. P. hotel department, has been here the past few days checking up and settling up with Col. Carter's management.

He expects the manager of the hotel department, Mr. J. E. Markel, here about the middle of next week and then a decision will be reached. Mr. Markel has spoken some of taking the hotel and running it in connection with the other houses of the system.

Several parties have also offered to lease it. The guests were wondering where today's breakfast would come from as Col. Carter's lease expired then, but the colonel will run the hotel until his fate has been decided.

There is a bare possibility that the colonel will continue the management. The system has closed its hotels at Abilene and other points and there may be a chance of the one here being closed as the traffic carry dining cars, which do away with a great deal of the demand for hotel accommodations.

WOMEN'S CLUBS TO MEET.

Kansas Republican Association Assembles Same Day as Republican League.

Mrs. Minnie D. Morgan of Cottonwood Falls, president of the Kansas Woman's Republican association, has issued the following address to the Woman's Republican clubs of the state:

"The third annual meeting of our association will be held in Topeka, Thursday morning, April 25, 1895, at 10 o'clock, and it is especially necessary that we have a full, strong representation of loyal Republican women.

We have had a grand Republican success and the good help given by our Woman's clubs has been recognized by the party all over the state.

Let us, in this, our annual meeting, bring together our experiences and our plans. By contact with each other we gain in experience and methods. The coming year will bring much work, and women, as well as men, must be in line for 1896, for that will be a crucial year. Don't fail to have a full delegation.

The Topeka club, who have loyally taken care of the local arrangements, will, through their committee, meet the delegates at Lincoln Post hall on the afternoon before the convention and, if desired, assign them to homes, where a night's lodging and breakfast will be furnished for 50 cents.

On the morning of convention the same committee will be found at the convention hall."

Carpets washed at TOPEKA STEAM LAUNDRY.

THEIR LOVE FOR HIM.

Germans Always Show Affection for Bismarck on His Birthday.

APRIL 1, 1895, HIS 80TH ANNIVERSARY

Preparations Begun Months Ago to Make It Exceed All Earlier Celebrations—His Retirement—His Visitors.

As was in 1815, on April 1, that Otto von Bismarck's baby eyes first looked out upon the world, as it was then to be seen at Schoenhansen, the ancestral home of the family. That was four score years ago, years that have been among the most important in the world's history, years in which, as if to mock at the fate that brought him into the world on April Fool's day, he was destined to write his name among the most powerful half dozen in the world; to form a great nation out of a multi-



A LATE PICTURE OF BISMARCK.

itude of semibarbaric states; to make over the map of Europe, and make it "to stay"—at least while his own life should last.

It is small wonder, when this is remembered, that the Germans, who are more loyal to the Iron Chancellor than to any other living man—as a man—should begin preparations weeks before hand to celebrate his eightieth birthday as no man's natal day was ever observed before.

Some notion of the preparations entered into as long ago as the 1st of March may be gathered from the fact that his physician, Dr. Schwemmering, then declared the festivities must be spread over a week or ten days, lest by reason of the prince's advanced age and accompanying feebleness he should not be able to survive the excitement.

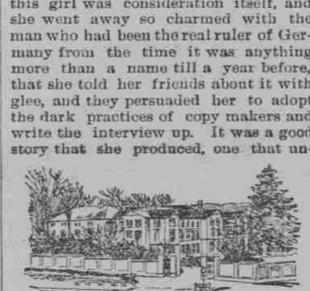
It is not likely that during the years yet happily remaining to Bismarck he will ever forget this year's wave of affectionate remembrance by his countrymen, nor indeed that any one present at the celebration will, either.

For years it has been the custom to celebrate Bismarck's birthday more heartily, though not perhaps so magnificently, even since his retirement from power, than the emperor's. For years, too, his abiding place, whether at the capital of the empire he created or at one of his three homes, has been the objective point of a steady string of visitors, and the prince himself has not been looking forward to the celebration of this year with any but the pleasantest anticipations.

In spite of his often told of brusquerie, Otto von Bismarck has always been a most charming host, and it is not recorded that he ever treated a guest, no matter how trivial the object of his visit, with anything but the most considerate courtesy.

Very many who have made pilgrimages to his residences have been actuated by curiosity only, while very many others have gone to see him solely that they might produce copy for the newspapers or the periodicals.

Once a young American girl called upon him, as she naively explained, simply to see how he would treat a young woman from the new world. His reception of this girl was consideration itself, and she went away so charmed with the man who had been the real ruler of Germany from the time it was anything more than a name till a year before, that she told her friends about it with glee, and they persuaded her to adopt the dark practices of copy makers and write the interview up. It was a good story that she produced, one that un-



FRIEDRICHSRUH, HIS HOME IN RETIREMENT.

doubtedly gave passing interest in the printed page to thousands of readers, but I have always been sorry she did it and have often wondered if her success with that production added one mors to the list of permanent scribbles in the world.

Since his retirement Bismarck has lived most of the time at Friedrichsrueh. This one of Bismarck's residences is directly on the line of railroad between Berlin and Hamburg, only eight miles away from the old free city. It was originally a crown palace belonging to the king of Denmark before the duchy of Lauenburg was wrested from the Danes, in 1824, and incorporated with the Prussian province of Schleswig-Holstein, and the king of Denmark still numbers among his titles that of the Duke of Lauenburg. Friedrichsrueh was given to Bismarck by Emperor William in 1871 after the conclusion of the Franco-Prussian war.

It was a part of one of the emperor's three most valuable gifts to his powerful servant, but only a part, for the fine old estate was accompanied by 1,000,000 thalers. With another of these gifts, voted to him at the close of the Bohemian campaign, Bismarck purchased the estate at Varzin, so well known as one of his homes, and the third and most important was received on his seventieth birthday, and

consisted of a portfolio containing the title deed to the estate of Schoenhansen, which had been bought for 1,500,000 marks from the man who, half a century before, in times of financial depression, had purchased the estate from Bismarck's father.

This gift from the emperor is spoken of as the most important of all, in spite of the fact that it was not the most valuable. But Bismarck, notwithstanding his warlike and businesslike qualities, is and ever has been a man of sentiment, and the Schoenhansen estate, his ancestral home, is easily first in his affections of all his possessions.

Bismarck's expenses have been much smaller since his retirement than they were during his official career. They are still considerable, however, one of the important items in his yearly outgo being the amounts expended for the maintenance of his many guests. Here are some figures made a year or two ago, showing approximately what his various properties yield:

Sale of timber from Friedrichsrueh.....\$30,000

Agricultural produce from Friedrichsrueh..... 5,000

Agricultural produce from Varzin..... 7,500

Agricultural produce from Schoenhansen..... 5,000

From his manufactories, distilleries, etc. 50,000

Total.....\$57,500

This income may have suffered some reduction during the last few years and perhaps cannot be regarded as net, above the expenses of running and maintaining the various estates. Besides it is understood that there are mortgages aggregating a good many thousands upon the various places. Still there is no doubt that the ex-chancellor is very comfortably "fixed" for the rest of his life.

Bismarck's declining years are being passed in an atmosphere of the greatest tranquility, a tranquility that affords a most striking contrast to the years of storm and stress that made up his youth, his early manhood and his middle life and extended well into the period of age. He has ever been a man of strangely contradictory qualities. He conceived and largely planned the conduct of some of the most important, most sanguinary wars in the world's history, yet his ultimate object was always profound peace.

In person he is large and massive, and so far as his official acts were concerned was always as imperturbable as if he had been carved out of granite, yet his nerves were as high strung as those of a delicate, sickly woman, and there have been times when it has been absolutely necessary for every one abiding in the house with him to maintain the most perfect silence. A ruler over men, a being perfectly capable of mastering the most turbulent human combina-



BISMARCK'S STUDY.

tions, he has always been a great lover of God's four footed creatures. His fondness for his dogs has ever been one of his most conspicuous personal characteristics, and he has often said he could trust these dumb companions far more implicitly than he could any human friend, while for the grim man whose genius united the German empire four footed creatures have always fully reciprocated the regard bestowed upon them.

It has often been said of Bismarck that he was loved by the women as much as he was feared by the men, yet domesticity has always been one of his chief virtues. The affection subsisting between himself and his wife was a really touching thing to see, and his grief when she died not long ago was profound. The story of his tempestuous courtship has often been told and has probably never been duplicated. In his youth he was an extremely wild fellow.

He was a duelist, a hard drinker, a fantastic practical joker, and he had no rivals in these directions in all Germany. Indeed his days as a student were days rendered burdensome to the tutors and the professors of the university he attended.

For some time even after he left school his career was lively and picturesque, but finally having met the charming Fraulein Pottkammer, he started out, as he told one of his friends, on a chase for a wife. The young lady's family did not fancy the erratic, hard drinking young fellow and let no opportunity pass for acquainting him with their sentiments. This, however, did not abash him in the least. When he was quite ready to claim her, he did so by putting his arm about her in the presence of her father and mother and an assemblage of relatives and announcing his intention of marrying her. There was a bit of a storm, but it soon blew over, and the young girl's parents never had occasion to regret the winning of their daughter by Otto von Bismarck.

The only time in all his life that anything in the least approached a scandal was breathed about him came when he allowed himself to be photographed many years ago in company with Lucca, then one of the most famous singers in the world.

Between Bismarck and the caustic there was nothing but a casual acquaintance. The singer realized, however, that to be photographed upon the same card with the most powerful man of Europe would advertise her better than anything else that could be devised. She had the temerity to ask his consent, and he had the good nature to acquiesce. The result was all Lucca could have desired in the way of an advertisement, but it brought to Bismarck a kind and degree of notoriety that he had not anticipated and led to his being very carefully never again to be entangled in a similar way.

M. I. DEXTER.

A Great Consignment!

We have just received a large consignment of Clothing from a New York House, consisting of cheap, medium and high grade goods, made up in latest, best and most attractive styles—fit like made to order—the workmanship is equal to that of any TAILOR-MADE garment and far superior to that of many so-called.

The prices we are making on this stock (quality and make-up considered) are the lowest ever made in this city. You should see this stock and note the prices, for you will find it much to your advantage.

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Advertisement for AURORA Havana Cigar, sold by all dealers. GEO. BURGHART, maker, 801 Kansas avenue.

CUBAN SYMPATHY.

It Exists in Large Quantities in the Republic of Mexico.

PROGRESO, Yucatan, April 1.—A fishing bark, just in off the Gulf of Mexico, reports having encountered two unknown boats heavily armed with cannon and apparently well equipped with all the munitions of war. When hailed the boats made no reply, and the Mexico fishermen, being afraid to make any further advances, made their escape from the locality as fast as possible.

It is thought the ships have some bearing on the Cuban revolution, although it is reported that there are pirates manned by renegade Cuban coasting about the waters of the gulf and along the coast of South America. There have been numbers of strangers seen within the past few days at Progreso, Campecha, Merida and other points

in Yucatan, whose business is unknown and who are evidently Cubans. It is alleged they are insurgents, and are in Mexico for the purpose of gaining recruits for the rebel cause on that insurgent island. Cuba has many sympathizers in Mexico in the attempt to throw off the Spanish rule.

Rock Island Excursion. On April 2 the Great Rock Island route will sell round trip tickets to Texas at one fare plus \$2. Tickets good for twenty days and for stopover south of Kansas line. See any Rock Island ticket agent.

Notice. The regular annual meeting of the members of the Shawnee county Building and Loan association, will be held on Monday evening, April 8th, 1895, at the office of secretary, room 16, Columbian building.