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is what a great many men and women are looking for; help against approaching baldness; help against whitening locks; help to restore the lost gloss to the hair; help against itching, itching, help for the scalp, attacked by dandruff. AYER'S HAIR VIGOR offers just such help. It restores gray or faded hair to its original color, gives it length, thickness and gloss, and removes dandruff.

My hair was rough and broken and began to fall out. I used one bottle of AYER'S HAIR VIGOR both sheared the falling out and rendered my hair smooth, glossy and in splendid condition. I feel like a new man. Mrs. F. L. SMITH, Silver Creek, Miss.

Some years ago my hair began to fall out and I became quite bald. By advice I tried



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and very soon my hair ceased to fall out and new and vigorous growth made its appearance. My hair is now abundant and glossy. W. HOSKINS, Rockville, Wis.

FOUGHT FOR HIS OATMEAL.

Walter E. Graf Thranes His Father for Lack of the Food.

Reed City, Mich., Feb. 7.—Walter E. Graf pleaded guilty to assaulting his father and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$30 or spend 60 days in jail. He chose the latter.

BANDITS AT INDIANAGENCY

Two Men Attempt to Rob Ponca Safe and One is Killed.

Wichita, Feb. 7.—Two robbers planned to break the safe at the Ponca Indian agency, seven miles south of Ponca City, Friday night at 11 o'clock. One of them stood guard on the outside while the other attempted to break into the window.

FOLLOWS THE RED CROSS.

Kansas Man Goes With Miss Clara Barton to Cuba.

Washington, Feb. 7.—K. E. Elwell of Kansas, secretary of the Clara Barton of the Red Cross society, who started for Cuba last night to inaugurate systematic relief for the starving Cubans. He goes as private secretary to Miss Barton and also as a member of the central Cuban relief committee.

GETS A DIVORCE AT 92.

Mr. Caseber Walks Through a Blinding Snow Storm to Attend Trial.

Butler, Ind., Feb. 7.—Andrew Caseber, 92 years old, was granted a divorce yesterday from his wife, Mary Jane Caseber, but a few years younger than himself.

Weekly Bank Statement.

New York, Feb. 7.—The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserves, decrease, \$87,825; loans, increase, \$7,291,100; specie, increase, \$95,400; legal tenders, increase, \$1,012,690; deposits, increase, \$1,313,300; circulation, decrease, \$76,300. The banks now hold \$4,751,625 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent rule.

Revolution in Costa Rica.

Washington, Feb. 7.—A telegram received at the state department today from San Jose, Costa Rica, announces that a revolution was inaugurated there yesterday.

Jerry and Dingley's Hat.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 7.—Jerry Simpson is sending hundreds of his speeches on Mr. Dingley's hat out to Medicine Lodge.

Siloam Lodge's Visit.

The officers and team of Siloam Lodge No. 225, A. F. & A. M., have been invited to exemplify the work in the Master Masons degree before the officers of the grand lodge which convenes in Wichita, February 15.

Home-seekers' Excursions.

Tickets will be sold on the first and third Tuesdays of January, February and March on the Union Pacific to points in Missouri, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Texas, Louisiana, Arizona and New Mexico, where the minimum round trip rate is \$7.00 or over, at one fare for the round trip plus \$2.00.

For exact territory and full information on tickets, call on or address F. A. LEWIS, City Ticket Agent, J. C. FULTON, Depot Agent.

RAILROAD NEWS.

Santa Fe Axle Electric Light Contract Completed.

Finishing Touches Being Put on by the National Co.

IT INCLUDES 53 CARS.

The Union Pacific Reduces Its Force of Shopmen.

Dismisses 250 Employees at Omaha and Other Points.

The contract of the National Car Lighting company, who have the contract to equip 56 cars of the Santa Fe with electric light is nearly completed. The number will run over the figures given in the contract and there will be 53 cars in all fitted with the axle electric light.

There is one more standard mail car 100, chair car 404 and two dining cars will complete the 53. There will be 10 diners, 39 chair cars, 4 composite, 5 coaches, 1 special, 3 mail. The Santa Fe company has an option on 150 more at the same terms as the present contract but it is not likely that the work of fitting another lot will be undertaken soon.

TO REDUCE THE FORCE.

Union Pacific Dismisses 250 Shop Employees.

Omaha, Feb. 7.—An order reducing the shop forces between February 10 and October 10 per cent was issued by the Union Pacific today. Two hundred and seventy-five men are dismissed from the shops at Omaha, Grand Island, Norfolk, Ne, Sidney, Kearney, Lawrence and Ogden. One hundred of these comes from Omaha. The officers of the road decline to say how long the order will be in force. The Omaha shops worked 1,000 men forty hours during the past week.

SUCCEEDS A. P. WILDER.

A. M. Hoener Now Manager of the M. & K. Car Association.

A. M. Hoener, for six years past chief clerk in the office of the Missouri and Kansas Car Service association, has been appointed by the executive committee of the association as temporary manager, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of A. P. Wilder, who was president and manager of the association.

AMONG RAILROAD MEN.

A new time card will be issued on the Missouri and Kansas Car Service February 13. D. H. Dunham, engineer on the Neosho division of the M. & K. T., has the distinction of being the first man in the point of service on the "Katy" system. Dave pulled the throttle on the construction engine when the road was built from Kansas City to Lawrence. A. M. France, night conductor on the K. C. plug between Atchison and Armour, has been transferred to Lawrence, to run on a K. C. plug in the day time.

When a traveling man wants to flag a Central Branch train, an hour or so, and waves it.

If you want to call a waiter on the Central Branch, you ring your coffee cup with your hand. The old Santa Fe bridge across the Cottonwood at Florence has been shipped to Bonner Springs, where it will be used in another bridge.

Several engine crews will be sent from the Needles to work on the Southern Pacific until the Fairview tunnel is completed.

S. S. Jones, who ten years ago occupied a desk in the train dispatcher's office at Topeka, is now maintaining the keys at Yucca. It is estimated that the new Newton water tank will weigh 100 tons. This is nearly double the weight of the heaviest engine that is owned by the Santa Fe.

J. H. Anderson, the brakeman on Conductor Will Sommers' B. & M. mixed train met with a serious accident at Topeka, recently.

While making a coupling his arm was badly mangled and amputation will be necessary. The Rock Island is putting in new track yards with double the capacity of the old ones at Smith Center. C. M. Gevez, the Rock Island agent at Stuttgart, has been transferred to Emporia, Mo.

Two young men placed a threshing machine cylinder and a pair of warehouse scales on the railroad tracks at Portia in Osborne county, for the purpose of seeing how high the cowcatcher on the engine would throw them.

They will take the cure at Lansing. J. H. Ransom has the contract for 65,000 yards of filling and raising on the Grand branch of the Santa Fe along the Neosho river. A change will be made in the tracks at the Emporia junction at the same time that the double track from the stock yards to the junction is laid. The main line which now runs north of the depot will run south of it then turn north on the east side of the building. This will make only one crossing with the M. & K. T. and only one gate will be used.

Conductor Frank Griffin has been promoted from the Strong City train to extra passenger out of Kansas City.

Conductor James G. Griffin, who runs on the Strong City branch and Claude Fiek is on Kugler's run between Emporia and Arkansas City. THAT WAS DIFFERENT. Boys Told the Clerk He Was "Foolish" Until They Heard His Bride's Dower.

A clerk in the office of the auditor of freight receipts of the Santa Fe, who is not yet of age and working on a small salary, was recently married. The bride and groom in the office amused themselves for several days telling the young benighted how foolish he was, until one day they heard that the bride's dower on her marriage day was \$5,000.

There was an instantaneous "revulsion of feeling."

DONAHUE COMES BACK.

Old Santa Fe Conductor Returns to This Road From the Mexican Central.

Robert, or "Bob" Donahue, once a main line Santa Fe conductor, but who has been with the Mexican Central road for two years, has again returned to the Santa Fe, running a train between Arkansas City and Purcell. Two years in Mexico greatly improved his health and appearance, and he is now as young and as much alive as when he went on the road eighteen years ago.

The Cut in Passenger Rates.

St. Louis, Feb. 7.—At a conference held in the office of General Passenger Agent L. W. Waleky, of the Burlington, the representatives of the Missouri, Illinois and the western lines out of St. Louis, agreed to take a hand in the impending rate war threatened on business destined to Colorado points. It was definitely decided that the Burlington, Missouri Pacific, and the Washburn should reduce their passenger rates from St. Louis to common points to \$30.50 to take effect Sunday. The present rate is \$4.50. Other western lines running into Colorado. It is reported, will undoubtedly meet the cut in the near future.

Change of Time on the S. K.

Wellington, Feb. 7.—A new Santa Fe time card went into effect at 12-05 this Sunday morning. Hereafter the Southern Kansas trains to and from the west will make connections with the passenger trains on the main line at 12-45. Other western lines running into Colorado. It is reported, will undoubtedly meet the cut in the near future.

Choctaw-Rock Island Pool.

El Reno, Ok. T., Feb. 7.—It is reported here on what seems to be reliable authority that the Choctaw and Rock Island railway have pooled issues on their proposed extensions west from this city and that neither will build this year.

Brakeman Sues P. & G. for \$20,000.

Carthage, Mo., Feb. 7.—A former brakeman on the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf railway, suing Theodore Hurst, through his attorneys, today entered suit against the road for \$20,000 to compensate for the loss of a leg under one of the trains of the road at Stillwell, I. T., last summer.

Mrs. Lane is Better Today.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The condition of Mrs. Lane, the daughter of ex-Senator Blackburn, is reported to be improved today. She had a good night's rest and is taking nourishment more freely.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS

H. G. Larimer is in Kansas City on business.

W. L. Griffith is seriously ill at his home, 623 Tyler street.

The Stedman club will meet this evening at Hamilton hall.

The "South Before the War" company went to Lawrence Sunday.

The Raleigh Health club will meet at the Y. W. C. A. rooms Tuesday evening.

Judge J. C. Wood gave his lecture on Mexico at Turner hall Sunday evening.

Lincoln Gallely is building an addition to his residence at 90 East Fourth street.

Bishop J. H. Vincent will address the reform school boys the first Sunday in March.

A Topeka loan company has placed \$250,000 in first class loans since the beginning of the new year.

The Topeka board of education will meet this evening in the board rooms in the high school building.

The state house and Santa Fe office flags will hang at half mast until after ex-Governor Osborn's funeral.

Prof. A. W. McClintock of Chicago will deliver lectures on literature at Bethany college the latter part of March.

Miss Caroline Baum, teacher of elocution at Washburn college, gave a pupils' recital at the college Saturday evening.

"Over Valuation of City" is the title of a paper to be read by P. I. Bonebrake before the Commercial club meeting Wednesday night.

Mrs. H. E. Dyer of Grand Rapids, Mich., who represents a wholesale outfit establishment, has ended a visit among Topeka undertakers.

M. P. Hillyer, who lived in Topeka until a few years ago, will return with his family next month. He will engage in business in Topeka.

A large delegation of students will accompany the Washburn orator, W. L. Cunningham, to Lawrence February 23 for the state oratorical contest.

A new switch and sidetrack is being put in at the Topeka railway car barn at Twelfth and Jackson streets, to connect with the new addition being built to the east.

Rev. Dr. Corwin, who preached Sunday evening at the First Congregational church, was pastor for ten years of the church at Honolulu which President Doie attended.

The attorneys for the insurance companies and also for Mrs. Hillman are preparing for the sixth trial of the noted case in the federal court, beginning February 14.

The young men of the W. C. T. S. of Washburn college entertained the young ladies of the Epworth League on Friday evening. A debate was held on the subject, "Resolved, That marriage is a failure." The negative won, of course.

Mr. H. B. Beerbaum, the violinist who was located in Topeka a short time ago, has been engaged by the Salina Military band as their violin soloist at a concert to be given February 12. Mr. Beerbaum has engaged Mr. Bert Lewis as his accompanist.

Clarence Merriam has gone to Chicago. A number of Kansas editors spent the day in Topeka on their way to Kansas City to attend the annual meeting of the State Editorial association, the members of which will go on an excursion to Port Arthur Wednesday.

Rev. M. C. Long, pastor of the Third Presbyterian church for over five years, figures that in that time he has preached 40 sermons, received into the church 25 members, conducted 100 funerals, performed 97 marriage ceremonies, and as a result of the two weeks' special meetings just closed secured 20 new members for the church.

A. B. HULL'S SUCCESS.

A Young Topeka Man Shows Great Ability

As a Man of Affairs and a Promoter.

CLOSES UP THE DEAL

For the Removal of 5,000 Indian Families

To Mexico and the Expenditure of \$3,000,000.

A. B. Hull, who has successfully engineered a mammoth Indian colonization scheme in Mexico left Sunday for the Indian Territory where he will close up the deal. He says that there is no longer any doubt of its success as a large number of Indians have already signed the agreement and the rest will sign at a big convention to be held soon.

Few people appreciate the magnitude of the scheme. It involves an expenditure of \$3,000,000 and the transfer of as many acres of Mexican land and transfers from the protection of the government of the United States 5,000 Indian families.

For four years Mr. Hull has been at work on his mammoth undertaking. He received his first cue through a discovery that a large number of the Choctaw Indians were not satisfied with the situation in the Indian Territory. He first set about finding a location and



A. B. HULL.

finally selected a tract in Mexico along the Rio Grande valley. An American had secured a concession of the land and after much clever maneuvering Mr. Hull finally secured an option. He then laid his plans before the Choctaw Indians and for a time made small headway.

But Mr. Hull is a promoter of no mean ability and he finally succeeded in interesting the Indians. Then he proposed to take a committee of the tribe to the lands. He arranged an excursion to lead to them over the proposed El Dorado. He had a special car and reaching Mexico hired a wagon train and spent two weeks driving over the land. Mr. Hull made a notable success of his trip. When the party returned the committee submitted a flattering report.

The following extract from the report indicates with what favor Mr. Hull's proposition was received and also a part of what is prompting the Indians to withdraw from the guardianship of the government and shift for themselves.

"We, the committee duly authorized to visit and examine the tract of land offered for sale by Messrs. Hull and Hilt, in the Indian Territory, and the land in question and found that Mr. A. B. Hull, one of the agents, upon whom we had relied, had sold the tract of land had not misrepresented the tract in question at all, and in fact, we found the land better adapted to the needs of the Indians than we expected for the reason that we found a larger proportion of said land to be arable than we had been led to expect and further that it is arable is very rich and productive."

"Our conclusions are that the Choctaw people could live easier and happier here than in their present homes and that in this country they would thrive and multiply beyond all past experience. We will dwell on a fact which our observations in this connection, that the children among the Mexicans are numerous and healthy and seem to be no trouble to rear. One man less than 50 years old informed us that he had 13 children and three grand children, and another one, whom we heard of, had 13 children. We would remind the Choctaw people that they are fast disappearing, and that their removal to a more healthy climate as a measure of far sighted policy deserves their most serious consideration."

Mr. Hull said before he left Topeka: "Very few people know what has impelled the Indians to take this step and move to Mexico. The truth is, the Choctaws who are intelligent and active are tired of being wards of the government. Here they feel as if they are not considered anybody. They have no representation in the government and they feel that they are treated like paupers. This last act of congress in striking down the Indian courts has taken away what little independence they felt they had before. In Mexico they are in a country in which the Indians are treated like other people. They have a voice in the government, and are, in fact, in control, for President Diaz is partially an Indian."

"Another thing relates to their health. The Choctaw nation has been at a standstill for years, and they see that in a few years they will be blotted out entirely. The Indian Territory is low and wet, and they are subject to fevers and lung diseases. They prefer to go to a dryer country to save their race. I am now satisfied of the wisdom and success of the transfer and that there will be 5,000 Indian families on the lands within a very few months."

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BREAK THE SOLID SOUTH.

John Temple Graves Says Business is Going to Do It.

Kansas City, Feb. 7.—"It may not come this decade, possibly not in the next, but ultimately the mills that manufacture cotton goods will be located in the south near where the raw product is secured," said John Temple Graves, one of the editors of the Atlantic City constitution, who was at the Midland yesterday.

"It appears to be the decree of the great law of compensation," he continued, "that the south that was wasted by the ravages of the war has toiled and labored and endured all these years. It has been the producer of great quantities of raw goods that have gone to the east for manufacture. The pendulum swung far toward, but now we see it swinging back in the other direction. It means brighter days for our sunny land, better times for our people, more compensation for the toilers and happier days than we have known for years. It is a part of the opening of the wonderful era of development in the south."

"The beginning of the end of the cotton industry in New England has been seen. It will come slowly, because they are a spirited people and will retain all they have, if possible, but the change is demanded and the law of business is inexorable. The east will not be left desolate. The money, energy and thrift of the people there will open up some other line of commerce or enterprise that will quite compensate them for their losses."

Mr. Graves has looked into the future at the possible political changes the era will bring into the south. He figures that with the removal of the mills there—and four have announced they would move during the last month—the workmen in large numbers will emigrate to the south. The east is all for protection, it is so from reasons shared by the life of the business that sustains that portion of the country, and the transfer of the conditions to the south, he figures, will have an immediate political effect.

"With the mills running there and employing labor and stimulating every avenue of trade and enterprise, that section of the south will then be for protection," said Mr. Graves. "I would not be surprised to see states very

UNDER THE DOME

News of the Kansas State Departments.

Supreme Court Hands Down a Number of Opinions

NONE OF GRAVE IMPORT

In State Matters Are in the List.

Dr. McElree Loses His Branch of Promise Contest.

The supreme court handed down a number of opinions late Saturday evening.

No cases of state importance were included in the list. The somewhat noted Wolfersberger-McElree breach of promise case was one of the cases decided, the supreme court affirming the decision of the Harvey county district court, giving Miss Lillian Wolfersberger \$3,000.

Dr. George McElree is a prominent physician of Newton, and before removing to Kansas he became engaged to Miss Lillian Wolfersberger in Philadelphia. The engagement was made in 1891, but after removing to Newton, Dr. McElree forgot his Philadelphia sweetheart and fell in love with a Newton girl, marrying her in January, 1893. The breach of promise suit resulted, and the Harvey county court entered judgment against Dr. McElree. He appealed to the supreme court and Saturday the decision was announced.

The list of the opinions handed down is as follows:

Eve Davis vs. Travelers' Insurance company, error from Bourbon county; reversed.

John W. Farwell company vs. W. C. Lykins, error from Cherokee county; affirmed. Doster, C. J., dissenting; Allen, J., concurring.

W. Matthews vs. Clinton L. Caldwell, assignee, error from Labette county; reversed.

JOHNSTON, J. Wm. H. Brown vs. C. J. & P. Railway company, error from Leavenworth county; affirmed.

E. J. Vickers vs. Board of Commissioners of Cloud county, error from Cloud county; reversed.

Geo. A. McElree vs. Lillian Wolfersberger, error from Harvey county; affirmed.

Ira G. Balcom vs. A. S. Peacock, error from Trego county; affirmed.

THE U. P. RAILWAY COMPANY, et al., vs. Fred Smith, error from Leavenworth county; judgment modified.

JOHNSTON, J. Wm. H. Brown vs. C. J. & P. Railway company, error from Leavenworth county; affirmed.

A. T. & S. F. Railway company vs. Consolidated Cattle company, error from Sumner county; reversed.

Aldeas F. Walker, et al., vs. L. C. Brantner, error from Crawford county; reversed.

PER CURIAM. The Consolidated Chelsea Park Railway company vs. Wyatt, error from Washburn county; reversed.

VINCEN, C. J. Vincent Cattle company, et al., vs. American National bank of Kansas City, error from Reno county; dismissed.

PHOENIX MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY vs. J. Bond, error from Woodson county; dismissed.

S. B. D. County administrator, vs. A. T. & S. F. Railway company, error from Allen county; affirmed.

J. S. Gill vs. H. L. Jones, error from Johnson county; dismissed.

W. L. Dunn vs. Laura L. Dunn, error from Riley county; affirmed.

Cherokee Lumber company vs. F. C. McElroy, error from Montgomery county; affirmed.

Isaiah Driver vs. A. T. & S. F. Railway company, error from Reno county; affirmed.

Jessie Davis vs. James L. Byers, error from Wyandotte county; dismissed.

FRANKLIN, C. J. Frank L. Lynde, et al., vs. M. Krumm, error from Johnson county; affirmed.

S. S. H. Clark, et al., vs. A. N. Scott, error from Marshall county; affirmed.

W. L. Dunn vs. Laura L. Dunn, error from Riley county; affirmed.

Charles Lumber company vs. F. C. McElroy, error from Montgomery county; affirmed.

S. Nation, et al., vs. H. R. Littler, et al., error from Lincoln county; affirmed.

Mary E. Sipple, et al., vs. City of Parsons, error from Labette county; dismissed.

JOHNSTON, J. J. C. Douglass vs. R. W. P. Muse, et al., error from Lincoln county; affirmed.

Laura Sims Thomas vs. Richard Archer, et al., error from Lincoln county; affirmed.

S. S. H. Clark, et al., vs. A. N. Scott, error from Marshall county; affirmed.

MINAL WANTS TO KNOW.

Investigating the Payment of an Insurance Loss.

In carrying out his intention, announced some time ago, of compelling fire insurance companies to pay the face amount of policies in cases where property is totally destroyed by fire, Insurance Commissioner Webb McCall has addressed the following letter to the management of St. Benedict's college at Atchison:

"Dear Sirs: On the 8th day of August, 1896, a policy was issued upon your property by the Western Assurance company, No. 1,095,738, in the sum of \$1,150, and loss occurred on December 26th, 1897. The records of this office show that the company settled the same with you for \$1,000. Will you please inform me what amount of the insurance was on real estate and if it was a total loss.

"Under the laws of this state, known as the 'valued policy' law, insurance companies are required to pay the full amount of the policy on real property, where there is a total loss. Yours truly, 'Superintendent.' W. WEBB McCALL.

CALLS THE GOVERNOR NAMES.

The Hutchinson News Defends the Local Military Company.

The Hutchinson News is very indignant at Governor Leedy's rebuke and reprimand addressed to Captain R. A. Campbell of Co. E, K. N. G., and says: "First—if any charges have been preferred against Company E the authors are now cowardly to admit that they did it. The information comes from one

of the subordinate officials in the state house that Adjutant General Allen is responsible for the charges himself.

"Second—The charge that Company E, or members thereof, took part in a look par in the political parade referred to is a lie. Further, that it has been proven a lie. And still further, that the man who makes it is a liar and a coward, and the adjutant general and the governor are no better if they do not disclose the name of the party who they say makes the charge.

"It should be thoroughly understood that the adjutant general has been repeatedly asked to give the name of the man who brings the accusation and to allow the company or its representative a chance to meet its accuser. General Allen has refused to do so, and in the face of the case, unless he can clear himself, has conducted himself in an unbecomingly, unbecomingly, unbecomingly manner. In justice to Governor Leedy it may be said that he has probably done nothing but follow the course suggested by his subordinates."

HIGH SCHOOL STUDY.

Meeting to Decide Holds a Session in Supt. Stryker's Office.

The committee appointed by the state teachers' association at the last annual meeting to prepare a uniform course of high school studies met in the office of Superintendent Stryker Saturday afternoon and partially outlined the course of study to be followed until early in May when the committee will meet in Lawrence and complete the course.