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"That Man Above is Wealthy. Who Knows How to Use His Money."

ORPHAN ASYLUM IS NOW IN ASHES.

It Burned Tuesday Morning. -- No Casualties.

The Cherokee orphan asylum at Salina was destroyed by fire Tuesday morning. Only meagre details of the disaster have been received, except that there were no casualties. There were in attendance, including officials and teachers, 176.

About \$40,000 insurance was carried on the building, the premium upon which was paid until June, 1904. The orphan fund held by the United States government and paying 5 per cent. interest is \$57,024.46, and the annual interest is \$21,013.89.

The Cherokee orphan asylum was established in 1872 by act of the National council and the buildings and lands were purchased from Lewis Ross for \$28,000. The treaty reserves 120 acres of land for the asylum and an effort is being made to make the reservation 640 acres.

The institution was in a prosperous condition under the supervision of E. C. Alberty and has the joint attention of the Cherokee Board of Education and the United States supervisor of Cherokee schools.

Free! Free!

We want all the people of Vinita to get us at Burns' and try the coffee that is best by test, C. G. Gregg's and, of St. Louis. An expert demonstrator will be there to explain how it is made. Don't fail to see them free days only. 35 41

A Policeman's Testimony.
J. N. Patterson, night policeman of Salina, Ia., writes, "Last winter I had a cold on my lungs and tried at least half dozen advertised cough medicines but had treatment from two physicians without getting any benefit. A friend recommended Foley's Honey and Tar and two thirds of a bottle cured me. I consider it the greatest cough and lung medicine in the world." Sold by People's Drug Store. dw

Special Land Buyer's Excursions.
Will run to the new lands of Greer county, Oklahoma, and other sections of the great Southwest in November and December, via the Frisco system. Are you looking for rich and fertile mining lands in the Southwest, which you can buy for from one-fourth to one-tenth the cost of the lands of the West and North? They produce as much acre for acre. Here is a chance to better your condition and add a great amount to your pocket book. For full particulars and special rail rates apply at once to B. S. Brown, Secretary Frisco System Immigration Bureau, St. Louis, Mo.

Anxious Moments.
One of the most anxious hours of a mother's life are those when the little ones of the household have the coughs. There is no other medicine so effective as this terrible malady as Foley's Honey and Tar. It is a household favorite for cold and lung troubles, and as it contains no opiates or other poisons, it can be safely given. Sold by People's Drug Store. dw

Now is the time to buy a good Mouse trap. Lee Barrett is selling them at cost. Call and see them before buying for they save once. Bait is up-to-date and the price is low. Now for a bargain. M

W. A. Herren of Finch, Ark., writes to report that Foley's Kidney Cures cured a terrible case of kidney bladder trouble that two doctors had given up." Sold by People's drug store. dw

SURPLUS LANDS OF CHEROKEES

Figures Submitted by "Too-qua-stee" Regarding Same.

Editor Chieftain:—I have read with some interest the article of J. C. Starr, Esq., upon the "surplus" question as published in the Daily Chieftain of the 12th inst. I am not intending to take any issue with him whatever; but desire simply to lay before the public a few figures of my own, hoping that they may have the effect to throw a little additional light upon the same subject of which he treats. The original figures upon which the calculations embraced in the tabulation given below, were but a short time ago given to the public under the official signature of Mr. Taus Bixby, chairman of the Dawes commission, and are therefore unquestionably correct and reliable.

It will be seen by these figures that the whole number of acres of allotable lands appraised to the Cherokees by the government, was 5,019,539.52; that the total value of these lands, according to the appraisement, was \$17,025,426.55; and that the average value of these lands per acre, was \$3.39.

Now assuming the number of Cherokees to be 40,000; each individual would be entitled, upon an equal division of the money, to \$425.63. But the cash value of an allotment was fixed by the honorable Dawes commission, at \$325.63; thus docking the rightful share of every Indian in the nation to the amount of \$100.03. Now this \$100.03 multiplied by 40,000, the number of Cherokees, will show the cash value of that indefinite body of land which we speak of as the "surplus;" that is to say \$4,001,200—a pretty deep "rake-off," don't you think, merely as a preliminary step to a final allotment.

But how many acres of real estate do these \$4,001,200 represent? We have already seen above that, according to the appraisement, the average value of this land per acre was \$3.39. If, then, we divide this \$4,001,200 by \$3.39, it will show us the exact number of acres that have been so strangely hid away in that unaccountable "surplus," to-wit 1,180,295.28 acres. Here, you see, is the "rake-off" in tangible soil.

Under such treatment as this at the hands of the government, is it any wonder at all that we see such a mortal scuffling among these Indians for home room upon their own native soil?

But the question is now being agitated among our tribal statesmen, including notably our new chief, as to what disposition we should make of this 1,180,295.28 acres of "surplus." Some of them, mainly those who are of a speculative turn of mind, tell us that it ought to be sold; and, in order to encourage such a scheme, they tell us very complacently that these surplus lands are of a cheap grade—50 cent land generally; and some of them seem to talk as if they might be willing, rather than lose a deal, to let this magnificent piece of property slip at some price even less than 50 cents. Let us suppose we sell them, at 50 cents per

acre, and see what the figures have to say about it. At 50 cents per acre, 1,180,295.28 acres would come to just \$590,147.64. Now, if we subtract this sum from \$4,001,200, the appraised value of this land, it will give us what might well be called the grand donation on part of the Cherokees to some very friendly syndicate, namely, \$3,408,052.36. But look at these figures.

Class	Acres	Price	Total
1	11,546.51	\$6.50	\$75,052.33
2	1,623.36	6.50	10,551.84
3a	748,896.59	6.50	4,867,827.84
3b	231,996.73	6.00	1,391,980.38
4a	213,992.87	4.00	855,971.48
4b	209,397.08	4.00	837,588.32
5a	624,942.27	4.00	2,499,769.08
5b	414,899.33	3.00	1,244,697.99
6a	5,672.75	3.00	17,018.25
7a	7,709.34	3.00	23,128.02
7b	614,302.08	2.00	1,228,604.16
8a	15,450.27	2.50	38,625.68
8b	108,394.27	1.50	162,591.40
9a	13,061.27	1.50	19,591.90
9b	41,142.81	1.00	41,142.81
10a	230,311.43	.50	115,155.71
10b	469,340.87	.50	234,670.43
Totals	5,019,539.52 acres		\$17,025,426.55

After all, however, it will not make much difference, as far as the Cherokees are concerned, whatever may be done with these surplus lands. They can never be made to be of any important use to these Indians. The scheme of complication has gone too far to admit of any remedy. After Sam Patch had made his fatal leap from the brow of Niagara falls, it was too late for him to cry out for help; there was no chance for him; he just had to go on down to destruction. The proper time for saving these so-called surplus lands to the benefit of the Cherokees, was at the time when that absurd and unjust plan of allotment was being concocted. That whole thing was leprous at its very birth. The grafting scheme is but the legitimate offspring of such a parent. It has finally become so morally monstrous in its practical effects, as to disturb the mental comfort of the whole interior department of the government, and its own authors are now made to stand aghast in the presence of its appalling hideousness. Too qua stee.

Not a Sick Day Since.

"I was taken severely sick with kidney trouble. I tried all sorts of medicine I saw an ad. of your Electric Bitters cures, none of which relieved me. One and determined to try that. After taking a few doses I felt relieved, and soon thereafter was entirely cured, and have not seen a sick day since. Neighbors of mine have been cured of rheumatism, neuralgia, liver and kidney troubles and general debility." This is what B. F. Bass of Fremont, N. C., writes. Only 50c at People's drug store. dw

SUICIDE MADE EASY.

Dependent Norwegian Took His Own Life by Simple Method of Refusing to Breathe.

That it is possible to commit suicide by simply holding one's breath has been clearly proved by a dependent Norwegian, who recently killed himself in this very unusual manner. When he determined to die he closed his mouth and nostrils and by mere force of will prevented his lungs from doing their proper work.

This case is the more remarkable, says the New York Herald, as there has long been a popular notion that no human being could by mere will power stop the action of the lungs for more than one or two minutes. For this reason it has attracted much attention, and a French writer, commenting on it, says:

"To persons of good taste who are weary of life this method of committing suicide will certainly commend itself, one reason being because the body is not disfigured thereby, and another because the act can be committed in any place and at any time. It is true that sensitive or nervous persons will never be able to kill themselves in this manner, for simple as it seems, the act of retaining one's breath until death comes can only be performed by one who is either unusually phlegmatic or endowed with a very strong will."

A Runaway Bicycle

Terminated with an ugly cut on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. It developed a stubborn sleek unyielding to doctors and remedies for four years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured. It is just as good for burns, scalds, skin eruptions and piles. 50c at People's drug store. dw

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