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 GREAT BEND, KANSAS.  
 City and County.

One of Ed. Tyler's little girls is quite sick to-day.

We are glad to note J. J. Winterburg is out on the streets again.

Frank Baker and wife, of Ellinwood, were in the city Tuesday, shopping.

Mrs. M. H. Meeker, of Homestead, has been quite sick for a few days, but is better now.

Justice blanks of all kinds for sale at this office, also township vouchers; blanks deeds, mortgages, notes, etc.

Neighbors, if your heart inclines you to visit the sick, you ought to go. If you are a christian, you must do so.

Stock men should brace up and look pleasant, because the grass will soon begin to grow, and the winter feeding will be over.

It is claimed out west that the back-bone of winter has been broken. The accident was caused by the fall of a sunbeam.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

The hens are aware of the opening of spring. As a consequence, eggs are ten cents per dozen to-day.

The fine weather of the last few days has brought in lots of farmers to get repairing, for spring work.

Kelley Bros. are making preparations to commence brick making on an extensive scale, at their yards near Walnut Creek.

The young man who tries hardest to make the business of his employer succeed, is the man who will succeed best when he gets into business for himself.

Sou Lung, the Jap., stands at the Farmers' & Merchants' Bank corner to direct you to the Wall Paper Store for the finest and largest selection of Wall Paper.

Mr. Robert Doran, a raiser of fine imported stock at Chase, Rice county, is in the city. He has some of his stock at Chappell's barn, where it can be seen by our people who admire good stock.

DIED—In Homestead township, on the 16th inst., of congestion of the lungs, Katharine, aged 14 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hartman Steffer. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of all.

The K. of P. boys say that Bro. Chapman tried to play the "one armed fiddler" on the collection steward Sunday morning. For reasons best known to themselves, the boys say, the scheme would not work.

Bear in mind this fact: If you ever had any inclination to buy real estate as a matter of speculation, in Barton county, now is the time to do it. "Procrastination is the thief of time," and he's an old thief who is bound to get left in the long run.

Jake Diehl, of Union township, has been in the city several days, serving as a juror and a story teller.

The members of Pap Thomas Post, G. A. R., will bear in mind that there will be a meeting of that order next Saturday night.

The force of men on the Great Bend extension of the Mo. Pacific will soon be increased. The pay-car will be here on the 25th, and those employed at present will feel thankful.

Thos. Dent, of Clarence, was a caller at this office Tuesday. His report is that in ten years experience in this county wheat now looks better than he ever saw it before at this time of year.

The case of Campbell vs. Hughes was decided Tuesday in favor of the defendant. This case has been in the courts some time and was the outgrowth of a prairie fire which occurred in this county two years ago.

The spring boom has bought a new bonnet, put on red stockings, and with a smile two hundred miles wide is coming to Wilson at the rate of a mile a minute and has a rain cloud for a parasol with corn in her hands and Kansas wheat in her eyes.—Wilson Hawk-eye.

Merchants, tell your traveling men friends of the grand opening of the Morrison to take place on the 15th of March, and have them make arrangements to be around in this neck of the woods about that time. They will receive such entertainment as is not often found in this western country.

The Mo. Pacific railroad company have built a solid roadway with stone and cinders, two rods wide, from the depot nearly to Main, on Cabot street. When the city finish their part of the road and put up a sluiceway or bridge over the ditch, it will be a good roadway to the depot.

The south side lyceum met Tuesday night in the Chappel school house. Several young ladies and their gentlemen went over to participate in the debate: "Old Bachelors vs. Old Maids," or something of that sort. Mr. Goodheart made a very impressive speech. All who attended had a very pleasant time.

The Farmers' Institute, which was to have met at Ellinwood on Saturday last, did not meet on account of the steady rain which poured down in torrents all day and kept men indoors. It has been decided, however, to hold a meeting on Saturday, March 3d, at Roetzel's hall, Ellinwood, at which time it will be of interest to all farmers who can be present.

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**SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.**

—Prof. Trowbridge and Hutchins, of Harvard College, report that their extensive and careful researches tend to disprove the view that oxygen exists in any part of the sun.

—High scientific attainments seem to be favorable to longevity. The average age of the fourteen members of the Royal Society of London who have died during the past year was no less than seventy-five.—N. Y. Ledger.

—Chicago has over 700 shoe factories, employing 13,000 people. It is only of late, however, that the Chicago girls' shoes have been made at home—since some of the factories have enlarged.—Detroit Free Press.

—A company has been formed in Buenos Ayres for working the petroleum deposit recently discovered near the city of Mendoza. The Argentine Republic has hitherto obtained the bulk of its petroleum from the United States.—Public Opinion.

—In the wood-working and lumber industries of Memphis, Tenn., about 750 men are employed, and these are paid in wages from \$325,000 to \$350,000. The value of the business done by Memphis concerns each year now is over \$3,000,000. The business and the industries are constantly growing. The mills in that city are now running night and day, and most of them employ two sets of men. The wood-working business will likely increase twenty-five per cent. within the next twelve months.

—The woody melon-shaped fruit of the sand-box tree of the West Indies is made into a neat box by sawing off the top and scooping out the seeds and is used in Barbadoes for holding sand. When, however, the fruit is allowed to ripen on the tree, it bursts explosively, scattering the seeds over the ground. An experimenting naturalist recently sought to preserve a specimen of the fruit by drying carefully, but it exploded with such violence as to destroy the box containing it.—Arkansas Traveller.

—During the past few years Japanese manufacturing industries have made very considerable progress, and full advantage has been taken of the limited liability principle. Foreign residents in Japan looked upon the movement with some amount of suspicion, thinking it might be wanting in stability. Recent returns, however, have shown that substantial profits have been earned. In a miscellaneous list of thirty-four companies the dividends vary from four to twenty-six per cent. for the half year.

—Mr. C. V. Boys, whose extraordinary success in producing extremely minute threads of mineral substances was recorded some time since, has contributed a paper on the subject to the Journal of the Physical Society of London. The mineral fibers which he has produced are described as being far finer and more perfect than those made of spun glass. Light arrows of straw were attached to beads of melted mineral and then shot out of a powerful cross-bow. Threads of rock crystal obtained in this way were less than the one hundred thousandth part of an inch in diameter. Threads of this substance are as strong as steel and possess enormous elasticity. They are useful in many kinds of delicate scientific apparatus.—N. Y. Ledger.

—Dr. Dubois has investigated the light-emitting organs of the *cucuyo*, or *Pyrophorus noctilucus*. They are three in number—two prothoracic and one ventral. The prothoracic plates give a good illumination in front, laterally and above, and serve when the insect walks in the dark; when it flies or swims its fine abdominal lantern is unmasked, throwing downward an intense light with much greater range. The insect seems to be guided by its own light. If the prothoracic apparatus is quenched on one side with a little black wax the *cucuyo* walks in a curve, turning toward the side of the light. If both sides are quenched it walks hesitatingly and irregularly, feeling the ground with its antennae, and soon stops.—Public Opinion.

**FUNERAL EXPENSES.**

A Clerical Society for the Promotion of Burial Reform.

The Episcopal clergymen of New York, under the advice of Bishop Potter, have organized an association for the promotion of burial reform. The first purpose is to do away with the extravagance of funeral expenditures. Most burials are unnecessarily expensive, by reason of costly burial caskets, and numerous carriages and people go to an expenditure which their means do not justify. Besides, there are sanitary considerations, such as are leading to the growth of the cremation sentiment. One of the aims of the new association will be to abolish the use of close coffins and metallic burial cases, and the substitution of wicker-basket or paper-mache coverings, so that "dust to dust" will have a literal and wholesome meaning.

Bishop Potter made the following remarks after the various points had been discussed at the first meeting: "I am in entire sympathy with this movement, and it will receive my hearty and active co-operation. I trust the organization will be so formed as to include representatives of all religious denominations, to the end that its work may be made as effective and far-reaching as possible. It will be necessary to bear in mind that at every step the organization will be fought by powerful combinations of tradesmen, whose incomes this movement will tend to diminish, and whose hostility, therefore, may be confidently predicted. It is my belief that the methods of interment at present in vogue are vicious, and that the highest type of Christian burial will only be attained when the administration of cemeteries is placed entirely in the hands of the church."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

**An Alarm Clock Under The Sofa.**

A mother on Madison avenue lately requested her daughter, who is just approaching womanhood, to give her a hint that she must not sit up later than 10 o'clock. This the girl was reluctant to do, but her little brother threatened that unless she did he would open the parlor door and announce the maternal edict. The sister supposed that she had put a quietus upon her brother by reminding him of his playing hokey and forging his mother's name to excuse him from school to go skating, not forgetting to mention the little riding whip his mama kept in her room. All this, however, was not enough to keep the youth from getting even with Sis's beau for not giving him anything Christmas. The other evening he got an alarm clock with a bell as loud as the gong on the Brooklyn bridge bob, and placed it under the sofa where his sister and her betrothed were to do their spooning. The hands were pointed at 10. The unsuspecting girl heard the tick, but took it to be her lover's Waterbury. He was just tickling her ear with a yarn about a horse his papa was going to buy when the gong sounded. There was a pause—and then, as though understanding the meaning, he grabbed his hat and never stopped running until he struck the door stoop, when he flew. The boy had iced the steps. The little brother now takes a cushion to school with him.—Albany Journal.

**Led Astray.**

Fernando, Nassau Co., Fla., March 29th, 1888.

"I have used Dr. Simmons Liver Regulator and always found it would do what is claimed for it. The last bottle and two packages did me no good and worse than nothing. I see it is not put up by J. H. Zeilin & Co., and not genuine, and a waste of money to buy it. I would be glad to get the pure and genuine. Send me some from honest hands (with red Z. and Zeilin & Co.'s signature on the wrapper) The fictitious stuff sold will injure some one badly.

Good, Nebraska White Oats, at Culver's Elevator. 37tf

**NOTICES FOR PUBLICATION.**

Land Office at Larned, Kansas, }  
 Jan. 21, 1888. }

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the District Court of Barton county, Kansas, at Great Bend, Kansas, on March 28th, 1888. Frank Hayne, Declaratory Statement No. 7506, for the south-west quarter of section 14, township 16, south, range 14, west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Richard D. Keith, Willie Hollers, Frank Millard, Robert F. Lawson, of Millard, Barton county, Kansas. W. R. BROWNLEE, Register.

Land Office at Larned, Kansas, }  
 January 12, 1888. }

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the judge or in his absence the clerk of the district court of Barton county, Kansas, at Great Bend, Kansas, on Saturday, March 17, 1888. Viz: John Sharp, H. E. No. 7,459 for the north of 1/2 of the northeast 1/4 sec. 21, township 16, range 14, west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: John Reiman, John Dressler, William Bryant and George Miller, all of Dubuque P. O., Barton county, Kansas.

Land Office at Larned, Kansas, }  
 February 11, 1888. }

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the District Court of Barton county, at Great Bend, Kansas, on April 6th, 1888, viz: Hartman Steffen, declaratory statement No. 7498 for the west 1/2 of south-west 1/4 of section 20, township 17 south, range 13 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: El Stephens, August Shryver, S. P. Beebe and Wm. Betz, all of Hoisington postoffice, Kansas. W. R. BROWNLEE, Register. 47-32

LAND OFFICE AT LARNED, KAN. }  
 February 16, 1888. }

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before The Probate Judge of Barton county, Kansas, at Great Bend, Kansas, on April 17th, 1888, viz: Richard L. Davis, Homestead Entry 9470, for the south half of southeast quarter section 20, township 23, range 12 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: C. J. Carlson, Joseph Polkman, J. Cochran, Jacob Boland, all of Ellinwood postoffice, Barton county, Kansas. W. R. BROWNLEE, Register. 47-32

LAND OFFICE AT LARNED, KAN. }  
 Feb. 10th, 1888. }

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before The Probate Judge of Barton county, Kansas, at Great Bend, Kansas, on April 17th, 1888, viz: Charles J. Carlson, Homestead Entry No. 6828, for the west half of northwest quarter section 34, township 20, range 12 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Richard L. Davis, Joseph Polkman, J. Cochran, Jacob Boland, all of Ellinwood postoffice, Barton county, Kansas. W. R. BROWNLEE, Register. 47-32

**Sheriff's Sale Under Execution.**

State of Kansas, }  
 Barton County, } ss.

John Dodds vs. Aaron Garverick.  
 By virtue of an Execution to me directed and delivered, issued out of the 30th Judicial District Court of the State of Kansas, sitting in and for Barton county, in said State, I will, on 31st March, A. D. 1888, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the Court House door in Great Bend, in the County and State aforesaid, offer at public sale, and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest of the above named defendant in and to the following described property to-wit: Lot one (1) and two (2) in block seven, (7) and lot (12) twelve in block (12), in the First Addition to Block City, Barton county, Kansas. Said property levied on and to be sold as the property of the above named defendant. F. D. WIZANS, Sheriff. Sheriff's office, Feb. 22nd, 1888. 4715  
 J. W. CLARK, Att'y for Plaintiff.

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