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Rail Road Time Cards

A., T. & S. F.

On and after January 9th, 1887, trains leave Great Bend as follows, viz:

GOING EAST.

No. 4, Atlantic express	4.59 a. m.
No. 8, Eastern Express	5.03 p. m.
No. 6, New York Express	6.33 a. m.
No. 42, way freight	1.57 p. m.
No. 44, " "	3.00 p. m.

GOING WEST.

No. 3, California and New Mexico Ex	10.10 p. m
No. 7, Colorado and Utah Express	11.04 a. m
No. 5, Denver Express	10.00 p. m
No. 41, way freight	10.14 a. m

GREAT BEND WAY FREIGHT.

Arrives from east	12.15 p. m.
Departs for east	2.30 p. m.

C., K. & W.

LEAVES.

Express	11:10 a. m.
Freight	5:00 a. m.

ARRIVES.

Express	4:40 p. m.
Freight	10:00 p. m.

All trains daily except Sunday.

W. TORREY, Agent.

Mo. Pacific.

ARRIVES

St Louis Express	12:45 a m
Colorado Express	7:20 a m

DEPARTS

St Louis Express	5:30 a m
Colorado Express	10:50 p m

All trains daily.

E. W. WAYNANT, Agent.

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Collections Promptly Attented To.

Office over Moss' Grocery Store,

GREAT BEND, - - KAS.

PHYSICIANS.

F. LIGHTFOOT,

Physician & Surgeon,

Headquarters at Allen's Drug Store.

A. Y. McCormick, M. D. V. L. Chester, M. D.

McCORMICK & CHESTER,

Physicians and Surgeons.

Office over Dodge's Hardware store, northwest cor. La Fayette Park.

GREAT BEND, - - KANSAS.

Shaw & Ayres

PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

HEADQUARTERS AT

Wilson & Shaw's Drug Store.

DR. W. H. WHITE,

Homœpathic Physician.

Office in the Willner Block, opposite the Postoffice. Night calls promptly attended to, lamp burning at office door all night.

GREAT BEND, - - KAS.

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS.

Typer House,

Terms reasonable. Good sample room for commercial men.

East Side Square,

GREAT BEND, - - KANSAS

Valley House,

N. R. HOLMES, Prop.

Near depot. Best accommodations in the city. Transient $1.50 per day; by week $4. A good feed stable in connection.

FRENCH

Restaurant,

JOE TROILLET, Proprietor.

Meals at all hours. Fine French candies, fresh fruits and cigars.

ONE THING we've got, if we want it, and that is free water with which to sprinkle the streets of the city.

C. J. JONES, of Garden City, has sold his herd of buffalo to a New York man for $2,500, and they will probably hereafter adorn some of the eastern zoological gardens.

JUDGE STRANG, of Larned, is getting into trouble over his meddling in the Rush county seat fight. Will "joining the church" assist him any in this affair? is a question asked by some of the inquisitive ones.

"JIM, THE PENMAN," of Maine, has cultivated a fine "Italian hand," but some of his constituents seem to read "between the lines." He will never have an opportunity of sending specimens of his penmanship from the White House, however.

EVERY citizen of this county should make it a point, when writing to friends in the east, north or south, to tell them of the splendid wheat prospects for Barton county, and of the fact that Barton county raised more wheat the last year than any other county in the state.

ITS A dry day if some one don't get wet when our fire boys manipulate the hose. While the farce of "making a test" was being gone through with Saturday, one man got angry because he took an involuntary bath, and threatened to cut the hose. But the only cutting he did was to cut and run when the boys got a focus on him.

THE Supreme court, on the 24th, decided that the records of Rush county should be transferred to Rush Center, and Saturday, March 3d, is designated the day such removal shall be made. The La Crosse people should take the common sense view of the matter and not try and dodge the law any longer. Peace in their county will bring prosperity to all.

THE report that McPherson has some four teen cases of small pox is pretty well authenticated. We do not publish this fact to do an injury to McPherson, but to warn our people who may have business there. It is understood that all possible precautious have been taken by the authorities of that town to prevent the spread of the disease.

IT IS the every day occuring facts that go to show to the outside world what Kansas is and will be. It requires no long winded editorials in our daily and weekly press to state to the people who have an anxious eye up on us that Kansas is first in wheat, first in corn, first in climate, first in fruits and vegitables, first in all that goes to make a successful and prosperous state.

THE REPORT that the extension of the Mo. P. would be built from Great Bend to Hudson is entirely erroneous. Mo. P. officials stated to our reporter in Great Bend this week that the extension would come to Seward. With this road connecting us with Great Bend and the line extension continued from Hoisington to Hays City we can compete with any point in the county. —Seward *Independent*.

WE notice that papers from points where the the salvation army operated, have ideas like the one below, and they remind us of the reports concerning the outcome of the "revival orgies" among the negroes of the south: "Three infants with no papas are reported in this vicinity within a few days past. A good authority makes the temptations surrounding the salvation army camp responsible for their existence."—Ex.

WE CAREFULLY scanned the columns of the Claflin *Gazette* this week in search of some items which would be of interest; but, whether from the deplorable fact that "Buckskin's wife" had spread her yellow covered "tale" all over the editorial page, or from our neglecting to have a magnifying glass with us, we could not say, at any rate we failed to find anything that we deemed would interest our northern readers and they will have to do without the "Claflin Clips" this week.

A MISSOURI girl contributes the following to leap year poetry. "How loose round my waist were the clothes of my childhood, as my doubled up corset reminds me with pain; the slips that I wore when I used to chop stove wood, had more real enjoyment than bustle or train. The bustle, I know, is a thing highly treasured, by ladies built on the mocking bird style. But give me the garment with looseness unmeasured, the Mother Hubbard which weak men revile; the dear Mother Hubbard, the loose Mother Hubbard, the honored old Hubbard, which beats all the style."—*Ex.*

THUS far this spring we have had no unhealthy boom in real estate. What we mean by an unhealthy boom is the rushing in of property owners and placing their lands in the hands of real estate owners, calling around every day and raising the price on them just as soon as the movement in transfers begins to be a bit lively. Of course we are here to make money and we have the country that will make us money, but we can better afford to be satisfied with reasonable profits on our investments than to attempt to rush sales or values simply because the demand begins to be greater. If our land owners keep these facts in mind and be a little broader in their views they cannot but see the truthfulness of our statements.

IN ORDER that Kansas has all her resources fully developed, in order that we know—if such a knowledge is possible—the full value of this glorious state, it is necessary that a geological survey be made of the country, and we are glad to note that already the matter is being agitated. From the Manhattan *Industrialist* we clip the following:

"Prof. Robt. Hay, Assistant Geologist of the Kansas Board of Agriculture, says: 'The matter will be urged upon the next legislature, and we believe they will recognize the importance of the measure. There is certainly great need of a geological survey in this state. The little that is known of our mineral resources and the strata of the earth is in private hands. A survey would probably result in the discovery of coal mines which are unknown and would give us the depths at which we may expect to find coal, salt, and other minerals. As it is now, prospectors dig for coal; sometimes they are successful, and often they are not successful; their prospecting however is of very little benefit to the State."

In conversation with our friend Mr. Stoke, of the Barton County DEMOCRAT, we were led in the course of remarks to inquire how it was that the democracy of Barton county were of late coming to the front and getting in so many county officers. The answer came that there had been a vast inerease in the population of Barton composed principally of young men who are as a rule, democrats. The same explanation comes from Sedgwick and Reno counties, where more overwhelming majorities are reported. Of course we do not expect to make any very great inroads among the old men, who are living over again, their lives of twenty-five years ago, but it's they oung men are getting in their work for democracy. Samuel J. Tilden once said that in moving together old men would grunt while young men would lift. While the fossils argue that the tax of war times is what we need in the times of peace, the strong arm of democracy is trying to lift the vehicle out of the mire of high tariff in which it has been plowing for a quarter of a century.—Sterling *Times*.

Friday's Suicide.

Saturday the intelligence reached this city that a young woman had committed suicide at the home of Stephen Brown, 13 miles north of this city. From Coroner S. J. Shaw we get the following facts:

Carrie Chapin, the victim of an untimely death, came to Barton county about one and a half years ago, from vicinity of Fond du Lac, Wis., and made her home with her aunt, Mrs. John W. Smith. She was a young woman some nineteen years old, prepossessing in appearance, was liked and respected by all who knew her and had made many friends in the neighbor hood. She was at the time of her death engaged to be married to a young farmer neighbor, and apparently had nothing but some unhappy experience in connection with the home of her adoption to cause her to take the fatal step she has.

Friday afternoon she left the home of Mr. Smith and going to Brown's about sundown was immediately seized with deathly agony and died in a few moments. She had around her neck a small ribbon to which was attached a small vial half full of arsenic.

Dr. Shaw reached the place about 10 a. m., Saturday and immediately empaneled a jury composed of John Wilkins, John Howard, Nelson Compton, Chas. Watson, and Orvir Baldwin. The jury carefully examined all the circumstances in the case and gave it as their verdict that the woman came to her death by arsenic poisoning, the drug having been administered by her own hand.

It came out during the inquest that the woman had told some of the neighbors she "had rather be dead than live the way she was doing."

Relatives in Wisconsin telegraphed to have the remains shipped back there for burial.

WATER WORKS N. G.

At 11 o'clock on Monday a test of the water works was made, which, to the disinterested eye, did not show the waterworks to be possessed of ability to do very efficient work in case of a good sized fire. Three streams were thrown at the same time, from different hydrants, and guesses as to the highest point reached by any of them vary from 35 to 55 feet. Surveyor C. Q. Newcomb took bearings from a given point to the different streams, and his report is that the highest point reached was 77.8 feet. His measurements of the three streams are: On Peters near the square, 77.8 feet; on Holland near Lakin, 74.9 feet; at the farthest one east, 71.1 feet, these measurments being of the very highest point reached by the spray. The effective stream would reach to within from 10 to 15 ft. of these measurements. We have got to have something better than that, gentlemen, for protection against fire. Try again.

Following is the ordinance prepared and passed by the city council, but which Mayor Buckland has not yet signed:

An Ordinance, to provide for a system of Water Works for the city of Great Bend, State of Kansas, for the extinguishment of fires, sanitary and other purposes. Granting to J. A. Jones, his associates, successors and assigns, the right to construct said Water Works. And contracting with J. A. Jones, his associates, successors and assigns, for fire hydrants, until said city of Great Bend shall purchase said works, and giving to said city an option to purchase said works.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Councilmen of the city of Great Bend, State of Kansas:

SECTION 1—That there is hereby given and granted to J. A. Jones, of Wichita, Kansas, his associates, successors, or assigns, the right and privilege for the term of twenty-one years, from the adoption of this ordinance, of supplying the city of Great Bend, and the inhabitants thereof, water, for domestic, sanitary and other uses, and for the extinguishment of fires.

SEC. 2—The said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors or assigns, is hereby authorized to establish, construct, operate, and maintain, said works in said city; receive, take, and store, conduct and distribute water through the said city, to construct and extend aqueducts, mains and pipes, through all the streets, lanes, alleys and public grounds of said city, as the same exists, or may hereafter be extended.

SEC. 3—The general plan of the work, shall be as follows, two pumps of one million U. S. gallons capacity each, every twenty-four hours, said pumps to be independent each of the other, so that they can be used seperately; an engine house to be built either of brick or stone; two boilers, each to be independent of the other; and a stand pipe, not less than twelve feet in diameter, and to be not less than one hundred and fifty feet higher than the intersection of Main street and Broadway, in said city; the supply of water to be obtained, by driving into the ground, to a distance of not less than sixty feet, a sufficient number of drive well points and gas pipe, and from a well which shall be maintained, not less than twenty-seven feet in depth, and of not less than sixteen feet in diameter, with a flow of water sufficient to supply said pumping machinery, as herein before provided for. There shall be laid not less than four and one-half miles of cast iron pipe, said pipe to vary in size, from four to ten inches inside diameter, all pipes to be laid not less than thirty inches below the surface of the ground; said works shall be capable of discharging four one inch streams, from any four hydrants, through two hundred feet of two and and one-half inch rubber hose, and one inch nozzle, to a hight of eighty feet, any where the city council may elect to make the test, and upon this test being made, and upon compliance with the other provisions of this ordinance, the city shall be obligated to pay hydrant rental, as hereinafter provided for; and such tests may also be made at any time, or times in the future, on resolution of the city council, and in case of a failure of said works to fill such tests, then shall the liability of said city to pay hydrant rental, cease, until such time as said works shall fill such test, as aforesaid.

Provided however, that in any case any portion of the mains in any part of said city, or any hydrants, becoming frozen, bursted, or otherwise out of proper condition, and in case of written notice to the superintendant, or other person in charge of said water works, of any such defect, signed by the Mayor, or any officer of said city, having been given, then and in that case, if said defects hall not be remedied within forty-eight hours after the reciept of such notice, the liability of said city shall cease, as to all rental, from the time of giving such notice, until such time as such mains or hydrants shall have been put in perfect condition.

And in case of damage to any citizen or citizens by reason of such mains or hydrants being out of condition, and in case said company shall not forthwith proceed, from the time of the reciept of the aforesaid notice, to remedy any such defect or defects, then said company shall be liable for any such damage. And the amount of such damage having been ascertained, the city council shall retain the amount thereof out of the annual rental due said water works company.

SEC. 4—In consideration of the benefits that will accrue to the city of Great Bend and its inhabitants the said city hereby agrees to rent, and does rent, fifty double discharge, anti-freezing hydrants of four inches inside measurement, at an annual rental of $2,500. Payable semi-annually on the first day of July and the first day of January, at the fiscal agency of the State of Kansas, in the city of New York. And said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors, or assign, in consideration of the above named benefit, shall furnish free of charge, water for fire purposes, for practice of fire company, for flushing city gutters and sewers, and for use in all public schools, and all other public buildings, and shall also furnish and maintain in each ward, at some place designated by the city council, a public drinking fountain for man and beast, from which no water shall be taken in vessels.

And the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors or assign shall permit said city to obtain through one or more cranes, erected at the city's expense, no charge to be made by the company for tapping for said crane, such water as shall be deemed necessary for sprinkling of Main street from A. T. & S. F. R. R. depot, to Broadway, in said city; from Williams on Broadway east to Peter avenue; thence, on Peter avenue south to Lakin avenue thence, on Lakin west to Williams avenue north to Broadway, and from Main street, west on Forest avenu e to Williams avenue; said water for the above purposes to be free to the city.

SEC. 5—In the event that the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors and assigns, shall issue bonds upon the works, rights and privileges belonging to him, or them, then and in that event, the Mayor and the city clerk, shall endorse upon said bonds at the request of the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors or assigns, that said J. A. Jones, his associates or assigns, have in all respects, complied with all obligations, if such be the case; that the city, by proper authorities will cause to be paid at the fiscal agency of the state of Kansas, in the city of New York, the hydrant rental as the same becomes due.

SEC. 6—The city shall have the right to purchase the works, rights and privilege, at the expiration of ten years, at the appraised valuation; and in case of failure to purchase at the expiration of ten years, then may the city purchase the same at the expiration of each five years thereafter. Such purchase to be made at an appraised valuation of the same, to be made by three disinterested experts, the city to choose one the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors, or assigns to choose a second, and these two to choose the third. And such appraisers shall be duly sworn, and shall make their appraisment upon actual view of the property, and shall make their valuation upon its value at such time. The city may then purchase and pay for such property at such valuation, at any time within six months after such valuation shall be made, and on failure to so purchase the property, shall pay all expenses of the appraisment; in case of purchase the city shall assume and perform all unfinished contracts, and in case of no hydrant rental, being in existence at the time of purchase, the number of hydrants shall be taken into consideration at the rates established by this ordinance; the valuation and appraisment provided for in this section shall be made by said three appraisers, or a majority of them.

SEC. 7—All hydrants erected in excess of the first fifty, and under one hundred, shall be at an annual rental, of fifty dollars each; all hydrants rented by the city, in excess of one hundred, shall be at an annual rental of forty dollars each, payable the same as the first fifty, and shall be for the unexpired term of this franchise; and said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors, or assigns, shall locate all hydrants at such places as shall be designated by the city council, and when ordered, and only when ordered by the city council.

SEC. 8—Said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors, or assigns, shall extend the mains to any part of the city, upon resolution of the city council, provided there shall not be less than one hundred dollars revenue, including hydrant rental, per annum, for every seven hundred feet of such extension; no mains thus extended shall be less than four inches inside diameter.

SECTION 9.—Said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors or assigns, may charge and collect a tariff of prices not in excess of the following schedule of maximum rates per annum, to-wit:

Bakery, each oven, $8 to $40.
Bar-room, $10 to $30.
Banks, $8.
Barber shop, first chair, $5,
Barber shops, each additional chair, $2.50.
Bath, private, $2.50.
Bath, hotel, or boarding house, $8.
Bath public, $10 to $30.
Brewery special.
Billiard saloon, each table $2.
Boarding house, per room, $1.
Book bindery, not less than $8.
Brick work, per 1,000, laid 10 cents.
Brick yard, each gauge or table, per season, $20.
Churches free.
Candle factories, special.
Candy manufacturers, $8, to $40.
Cigar manufacturers, per hand, $1.50.
Fire protection, special to individuals.
City officers, free.
Cows, each $1;50.
Distilleries, special.
Drug stores, $8.
Drying and scouring, $15 to $30.
Forge, first fire, $4.
Forge, each additional fire, $2.
Forge, no licenses for less than $5
Halls and theaters, $10 to $50
Horse, $1.50.
Hotels, special.
Ice-cream saloons, $8 to $30.
Laundry, $15 to $100.
Locomotive, each engine out, per day, $75.
Locomotive, switch engine, $1.50,
Office or sleeping room, $2,
Packing house, special,
Photograph gallery, $10 to $30,
Plastering, per square yard, one half cent,
Printing office, special,
Residence occupied by one family, one to six rooms, private $6,
Residence, each additional room, fifty cents.
Residence, no connection less than $6,
Saloons, $10 to $30,
Schools, free,
Schools fire protection, special,
Sprinkling private garden, special, No license to exceed $20,
Sprinkling public gardens, special,
Sprinkling carts, special.
Stables, livery, board or sale, including carriage washing, per stall $2
Steam boiler, per horse power, 10 hours per day, $4
Stone work, per perch, 5 cents.
Stores, $3 to $40.
Two public drinking and watering fountains, to be erected by the city, free.
Water closets, each seat, $8.
Meter rates, 10,000 gallons or over, per 100 gallons, two cents.
Others special.
Motors special.
Factories not enumerated special.
To tapping mains and running of service pipe from the main to the curb $10, all material.

SEC. 10—All streets, lanes, and alleys shall be left in as good condition, as when found, and all trenches are to be filled up when completed, and without unnecessary delay.

SEC. 11—The mains and hydrants herein specified, shall be located at such places as the city council may designate. In the event the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors, or assigns, shall suffer a suspension of the supply of water exceeding ten days, then in that case, the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors, or assigns, shall forfeit all franchises, unless such suspension, be caused by the act of God.

SEC. 12—This ordinance shall be a contract between the city of Great Bend, and the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors or assigns, provided the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors or assigns, file an acceptance of its provisions with the city clerk, within ten days, after the passage and publication of this ordinance.

SEC. 13.—If for any reason the stand pipe should become inoperative, then constant pressure shall be kept up from the pumps until the stand-pipe shall again be in use.

SEC. 14—The city council pass such ordinances, as may be necessary for the protection of said works, and for the protection of the city, in connection therewith.

SEC. 15.—All ordinances or parts of ordinances, coming in conflict with the provisions in this ordinance, or any part of it, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 16.—This ordinance shall take effect, and be in force, from and after its publication in the DAILY GRAPHIC and the Great Bend *Register* and the filing of an acceptance of its terms and conditions in writing, with the city clerk, by the said J. A. Jones, his associates, successors or assigns.

A "Rustler."

A good story, which would be worth full one hundred cents on a dollar in a political campaign, is being told concerning two citizens of this county. During the campaign last fall one of the candidates in the field received a communication reading something like this: "Meet me at" (naming a certain retired spot on the prairie, not necessarily a "shady *glenn*") "with $100 in your pocket, and I can get you thirteen votes," to which was signed "A Rustler." It is indeed a pity that the story did not get out during the campaign.