

RECENT REFLECTIONS.

A handsome new sign has been put up by the Abilene Sign Co. to advertise that institution.

War has been carried into Turkey in Dickinson county, judging from the way poultry is making its appearance in the market this week.

Over one hundred dollars' worth of library books for the high school library are on the way and will soon be in place on the high school shelves.

Judge Peck issued a license to W. T. Reynolds, of Beverly, and Miss Cora E. Allison, of Solomon City, to tread the rose-strewn paths of matrimony.

The Lost Springs Courier has ceased from being troubled by delinquent subscribers. A pathetic note from the postmaster informs us that "the Courier has died."

The REFLECTOR is thinking of putting on a special REFLECTOR train on Ship's railroad to deliver the great moral illuminator and family monitor in advance of all contemporaries.

An exceedingly difficult operation for strangulated hernia was performed successfully upon Dr. Francis, of Chapman, by Drs. King, of Abilene, and Gunn, of Chapman, Saturday. The patient is doing well.

Chrysanthemums are all the rage. Abilene's popular florist, Prof. Bagley, has one of the most magnificent displays in the state, many of the varieties being exceedingly rare. The sight will repay a visit to his greenhouses.

In the examinations of last week of sixteen members of the senior high school class, twelve received standings of 96 and over in geometry, seven being perfect. This speaks well of the work done by the class during the past month.

One and one-third fare for round trip to the Concordia teachers' convention Friday and Saturday is made by all railroads. We understand that the Dickinson delegation will go on the afternoon freight of the Santa Fe Thursday.

A card from Rev Bright who is in Rawlins county says: "The work goes on very well. In most of the counties crops have been good and farmers feel encouraged. In many places cattle and hogs are being fed extensively. Will be home Thanksgiving."

Just as the churches had dismissed yesterday an alarm of fire was sounded and it was found that the house of S. Wright on North Buckeye was in danger. A partition had caught fire and the whole house would have gone had not the fire boys been on hand at short notice and extinguished the flames.

Two soiled doves, Gertie Richmond and Mrs. Davis, who have been conducting a house more attractive than proper in west Abilene, were pulled by the marshal last night. Gertie pleaded guilty and was fined \$50 and costs. Mrs. Davis' husband was fined the same; the woman is too sick to appear.

The county high school board of trustees did nothing yesterday but allow bills, look over the school etc. There are at present 90 pupils enrolled in the high school with an attendance of 85. This exceeds greatly the most sanguine ideas of the friends of the school and proves that it is a huge success.

The Reflector Prizes.

On Saturday we called in Messrs. John B. Baxter, O. W. Kirby and John Hoover to decide which collection of corn, etc., should take the prizes offered by the REFLECTOR some weeks since. The gentlemen had a heavy task, as there were fourteen handsome samples of corn and several of the other grains. After careful consideration, they awarded the corn prize to "No. 7," which our books showed to have been raised by Pearl B. Ross, of Grant township, who receives one year's subscription to the REFLECTOR. Mr. J. F. Murphy, of Rinehart, for best sample of wheat, and Mr. Wm. Ramsey, of Solomon, for largest product from one grain of corn receive the histories promised.

We wish we could have given each competitor, one as all deserved it. The exhibit has been much admired and has attracted the attention of hundreds of visitors to the city. The best of it all is that the samples shown were in no sense freaks. Hundreds and thousands of bushels of the same mammoth grain have been raised in Dickinson this year.

Important Business Change. A large transaction took place last evening, at which M. V. Brillhart purchased the entire hardware stock of Shockey & Snider, together with the good will of the firm. Mr. Brillhart is well and favorably known throughout the county and has hosts of friends. As deputy treasurer and clerk of the district court, he has made an acquaintance second to none. He is one of Abilene's most respected citizens, and will prove a valuable addition to her list of business men. We believe that with his fine business ability he will prove unusually successful.

We regret losing Messrs. Shockey & Snider from the business men, but hope that they will re-enter mercantile life.

The constipated habit is efficiently remedied by Ayer's pills. The best aperient.

Plenty of \$5.00 base burners at Hart's.

Some Good Racing. An informal matinee was held at the fair grounds yesterday afternoon in which a couple of good races were held and the time of one of Dickinson county's favorites was considerably lowered.

The first contest was between Mollie Russell and Don Pulling. The first heat was especially fast and Don made the fine time of 2:30. In the fourth heat he tore his quarter boot off and cut his foot, making him unsteady and the remainder of the race. Don Pulling is one of the most promising flyers in the state and has been developed to his present fast condition by that experienced trainer, A. S. Olney. Next season will see him bring his time down still farther.

A Brakeman Injured. ENTERPRISE, Kas., Nov. 22.—[Special]—An accident occurred here on the Rock Island road last night about 6 o'clock in which a brakeman nearly lost his life. The train was switching cars to a side-track when the man, who was standing on top of a Burton stock car, lost his balance and fell, being bruised badly. He was taken to Herington to be cared for.

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Oak stoves for less than ever at Hart's.

Money to loan on chattel mortgage securities. EMMET B. SEEDS, 9-11 Over Postoffice.

The Needham Meetings. The evangelist, Geo. C. Needham, who expected to commence meetings in Abilene this evening, has been detained at the place where he is now holding meetings, and writes that he can't come until Saturday, November 30, at which time he expects surely to be here. Beginning December 1st, meeting for all—young and old of both sexes—will be held in the Grace Reformed church for perhaps two weeks. It is hoped and expected that all the churches will unite with the Young Men's Christian Association in these meetings.

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A. F. Hart guarantees a better price by 25 per cent. on same kind of stoves than any house in Abilene.

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DECIDED BARGAINS!

Will be given every day all through this week at our store. Our assortment of Fall and Winter Dry goods is the finest in the city, and our prices are the lowest. We sell for cash only, and give better prices to our customers than if we adopted the long time system. We work for the Ready Cash Trade and give the low prices which Ready Cash always demands.

ARE YOU GOING TO BUY A DRESS?

Then you cannot afford to pass us, as we have the finest selection of these goods in the city. The cream of the New York Dress Goods market. Remember, we buy all our Dress Goods and all our Dry Goods in the New York market, the lowest price and the best market in America. You can get New York retail prices at our store, which means a big saving on Abilene retail prices.

Table listing various dress fabrics and prices. Includes items like Henrietta Cloth, Silk and Wool Henrietta Cloth, and Ladies' Under Vests.

A NEW FEATURE!

Advertisement for Perfect-Fitting Basque Patterns. Includes illustrations of a basque and text: 'PATTERNS GIVEN AWAY With Every Dress Purchased.'

These Patterns are made from the FAMOUS BUTTERICK DESIGNS, and are adapted to Cashmeres, Suitings and Dress Goods of All Kinds.

McFADDEN BROTHERS, 210 Cedar St., Center of Block, Opposite Postoffice.

Advertisement for various medicines including Bradfield's Female Regulator, A Good Cough Syrup, and Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup.

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OF ANY KIND,

Should come in and see our stock and get our Greatly Reduced Prices. Entire Shoe Stock Being CLOSED OUT AT COST.

Advertisement for H. C. Shelton, Successor to Hawk & Shelton.

Now Mr. Decker will take Things Easy.

Mr. Decker is a married man and has two children. He resides at 631 5th ave., on the third floor. For six or seven years he has worked for the firm of Wessel, Nickle & Gross of 437 West 45th st. They are manufacturers of piano actions. On Labor Day he invested a dollar in a one-twentieth ticket in the Louisiana State Lottery. The number was 8,174. He read in the papers that ticket No. 8,174 had drawn the capital prize of \$900,000 it made his wife open her eyes. He received a telegram that his dollar investment had yielded \$15,000. He took the ticket to Wells, Fargo & Co. for collection. He received the \$15,000, less the collection charge of \$2.50.—(New York Daily News, Oct. 5.)

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

WANTED—500 hogs from 100 to 250 lbs., will pay liberal prices. See me before selling J. J. COOPER. S. STEELSMITH, M. D., Surgeon, Gynecologist and Oculist.