

Writing from Dodge City, the Kansas City Journal's correspondent says: At this season of the year, when the "sportsman" takes his annual hunt, he is interested to know what locality offers the best inducement, not only in regard to the character and quantity of game, but where his bodily wants can best be ministered to when off the hunt. That the line of the A. T. & S. F. railroad is a field "fruitful" in its game resources, is an acknowledged fact. Perhaps at no previous time since the completion of that road has the Arkansas valley so literally swarmed with the fowls so much sought after by the Nimrods of modern times. I am almost inclined to accept the oft-doubted story of the immense covies of quails that once upon a time covered the earth, so plentiful were they, when the fact of their presence in this valley in countless numbers is affirmed by many men whose veracity on any other question would not be doubted. But the field is not limited to such small game as quails, for wild geese and ducks are equally plentiful. That these latter do not fly too high is evidenced by their lifeless forms at every town along the line of the road. The points most frequented, and where I think the best sport is to be found, is from Sterling west, the next stopping places being Great Bend, Larned and Dodge City.

The financial article of the Boston Transcript Saturday states that it has authority for saying that at a meeting of the railroad presidents in New York, including Vanderbilt, and Coolidge of the A. T. & S. F., and John M. Forbes of the C. B. & Q. road an alliance was consummated of the interests of the New York Central, Lake Shore, Atlantic and Pacific railroads. The roads first mentioned forming a community of interest in opposition to the Gould road, and accomplishing one of the most gigantic combinations ever attempted. This statement is not authoritative, but the Transcript considers its information most reliable.

About 11 o'clock last Friday night the round house at Newton suddenly burst into flames and was entirely destroyed, together with the store house and two engines, the loss amounting to about \$40,000. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is thought that the flames originated in the round house office. The oil and other inflammable matter about the round house caused the fire to be an especially brilliant one and it was a grand sight until the frame building fell to the ground. A fireman was badly burned in his efforts to extinguish the flames and prevent their spreading.

There was a gathering in Wichita Saturday of all parties interested in Payne's Oklahoma colony. It was arranged that they would move in a body from Kansas and Arkansas on the 6th of December, the day Congress meets. They have drawn up a letter addressed to the President and Congress asking that the army be prevented from interfering with them. A committee, consisting of Hon. J. M. Steele, of Wichita, Geo. M. Jackson, of St. Louis, Dr. Robert Wilson, of Texas, was appointed to go to Washington and present the address.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Indians residing in Topeka, was held Saturday evening. Arrangements were made for a grand reunion to be held in that city December 23d. Excursionists will arrive on the 2nd from Indiana and all parts of this State. Among other prominent speakers expected are Hon. John P. Usher and Judge Geo. W. McCrary.

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