

LOCAL NEWS.

TIME TABLE—A. T. & S. F. R. R.	
GOING EAST.	GOING WEST.
Passenger, 12:55 A.M.	Passenger, 3:55 A.M.
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Freight, 7:50 P.M.	Freight, 1:30 P.M.
Freight, 7:50 A.M.	Freight, 1:15 A.M.

G. M. Hoover spent a few days in Topeka on business.

Rev. H. Shipe preaches in the Union church next Sabbath, morning and evening.

Rev. O. W. Wright will preach in the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening.

Judge Fringer took a trip down to Topeka and Kansas City this week on business and recreation.

The Governor has appointed N. B. Klaine and Fred. T. M. Wenie, Notaries Public for Ford county, Kansas.

John Freshour is happy; and this happiness came upon him last Friday morning. It is a boy that calls him papa.

The Dodge Township election is in doubt yet. The returns are not all in. Some of the polls are reported missing.

Ample preparations are being made for the Firemen's Ball which is to take place on the night of the 22d inst. The affair will be the grandest of the season.

The long cold winter will bring some benefit to farmers, inasmuch as the larvae of cotton worms, the eggs of the grasshopper and other pests of the agriculturist will be destroyed.

J. E. Evans, brother of R. W. Evans, spent a couple of days in the city, on his way from St. Elmo, Colo., to his home near Galena, Ill. He has been in Colorado about a year.

The second coming of Christ is the subject of discourse by Rev. Gilchrist in the Union church every night this week. The Saviour can't come too soon. He is badly needed in Dodge just now.

Word comes from various sections of injury to the growing winter wheat from the long protracted cold. In regions where the ground has been covered with snow the wheat will probably turn out all right.

The cattle men south of Dodge will hold a meeting about the first of March, on the Beaver, at the crossing of the Jones and Pimmoer trail, for the purpose of making spring arrangements. Due notice will be given.

James O'Neill wants Senator Bruce to be placed in Garfield's Cabinet, and calls upon us to start the boom. We believe the colored friends of Mr. Bruce have presented the claims of the colored statesman. It is now Garfield's say.

Wednesday was ground-hog day, and the barrowing quadruped could have got a partial shadow of himself provided he stuck his head out of the ground. Owing to the partially cloudy day ground-hog signs are a partial failure. Besides there are no ground hogs in these parts.

A preacher in Rooks county, Kansas, had been for weeks conducting a wonderfully successful revival. "Dear brethren and sisters," he said one day, "this is the last meeting I shall hold. It is impossible to keep up a fervor on corn bread and molasses for myself and an ear of corn a day for my horse. God bless you."

The Union mite society was held at the residence of N. B. Klaine last Friday evening; a large number of persons were present and an enjoyable time was had. There were some pleasant pastimes. The charade (che-raid) was excellent, and exceeded the performance of the "her-line."

The impressive spectacle at the Presbyterian church last Sunday evening was in the person of Harry Gryden, who occupied the front pew, and absorbed the sermon and the music. Gryden's hair stood on its ends when the melodious air of the choir sang out, "Come ye sinner, poor and needy"—and Gryden's heart rose and almost choked the thoughts within him.

BADLY FROZEN.

Some two weeks ago the stage driver and two passengers, on the stage line between Fort Elliott and Tascosa, Texas, were lost in the snow storm. A dispatch from Fort Elliott states that one of the passengers and the stage driver were found forty miles from the road. Both men were badly frozen, their feet and legs being hard up to the knees. The passenger's name is Thomas Wilson. When found they had been without food four days. The other passenger, named Wm. Higgins, of New York, is still missing. The stage line belongs to P. G. Reynolds of this city. Two mules belonging to him, and which were attached to the buckboard, are lost. The buckboards and mail bags were found safe.

THE STOCK YARDS.

The railroad company will shortly change the location of the stock yards at this station, by removing them a short distance down the track. The yards will be greatly enlarged and arranged with the modern improvements and conveniences for handling stock. Large shipments of cattle will be made from this point henceforth, and this improvement is rendered necessary.

The new round house will be erected on the present site of the old round house, and it is not an improbable thing that the depot building will be shifted a little east of its present location. Only if this is done we hope the company will construct a decent apartment for passengers.

A very unfortunate affair occurred in Tin Pot Alley this week. The belligerents had long arms and each endeavored to smash the pug-bat of the other. We regret exceedingly that these things will happen, just as spring blooms into existence. A long pent-up winter has succumbed to the gentle influences of spring, and it must be that the sudden change in the forces causes bad blood. We believe a gentle laxative would be a good thing. It is the bile that needs working out of the system.

Heavy losses of sheep from the cold and snow storms are reported in the Fort Cancho country. In many instances shepherds were forced to abandon their flocks on account of the excessive cold, the result being a general mixture of stock and scattering over the entire country.

Judge Beverley has interesting information concerning the Texas Cattle Drive the coming season, which promises to be as large as the drive of any of the years past. We shall be able to give some facts concerning the drive in another issue.

The Wright House is now under the management of Mr. J. H. Tepler, who assumed the proprietorship this week. Mr. T. is an experienced hotel-keeper, and will no doubt make the Wright House a popular and profitable hotel. We wish him success.

The Grand Central Restaurant is now open for spring and summer, and the proprietor, T. J. Draper, will spare no pains and expense in making the Grand Central the leading restaurant in the west.

The time is at hand for spring advertisements. Those planted early bring good returns. The conditions are excellent for the cultivation of these matters, and we are open for business.

Local items are scarce. There have been events of more than a passing notice, but for the good name of the city we forbear.

Heaviest rain storms in California ever known, rivers over flowed their banks and millions of dollars of property destroyed.

T. B. Stewart and G. S. Winsen, of Speareville, were in the city Thursday, and gave this office a friendly call.

The weather has been delightful the past week. Have "you hern the blue-bird?"

Union Church mite society at the residence of O. Marh, this (Friday) evening.

Dr. T. J. Wright, of Warrensburg, Mo., is in the city, on his way to the Pan Handle.

A mob hung the murderer of Col. Potter, at Albuquerque.

SPEAREVILLE ITEMS.

—Our township election passed off quietly, electing the following named officers: Treasurer, George Hall; Clerk, P. J. Upp; Justice of the Peace, E. D. Swan; Trustee, Peter M. Imel; Road Overseer, W. H. H. Doty; Constables, A. J. Imel and J. W. Keith.

—Wm. Heady was defeated for Justice of the Peace by four votes. Mr. Heady's friends do him great injustice to run him for office against his own wishes and permit him to be defeated.

—The long continued cold winter has at last to all appearance ended, and we can cheerfully part with it, as it has worked a hardship on our stock men and many others poorly prepared to stand the inclemency of the weather. The return of sunshiny days will revive business and arouse us from the stupidity acquired during the cold winter days of idleness, and encourage the hope so fondly cherished in more prosperous times of the past.

FORT DODGE ITEMS.

—Non-commissioned officers gave a hop last Friday evening, with splendid music.

—Co. H, 23d Reg., Capt. R. L. Eskridge, arrived on Friday last. The company came up from Elliott, but were detained a few days below Supply on account of stormy weather. The march from Fort Supply was made in three days. The Captain's family came with him.

DOG-MATICAL.—We understand that an inconvenient number of strange dogs have taken up their abode at Fort Dodge, to the annoyance of the officers and men, and in particular of their cows; frequently amusing themselves by annoying some tame cow until she turns from them, running to get away, when they give chase, driving her on the ice on the river, as if they enjoyed her dilemma which, several times, has ended by her falling.

To put an end to this state of affairs, the Commanding Officer has revived a dog gone law, or order, at that post, whereby every strange dog will be corralled by the Provost Sergeant for twenty-four hours or more, when if the owner cannot be ascertained, off goes his head. The dog's gone!

Several strange dogs are now tied up for misconduct, and repeated inquiries have failed to find the owners. So, good bye dog!

TICE'S FEBRUARY WEATHER.

Prof. Tice's forecasts for February are as follows. From the 21 to the 7th cloudy weather with heavy storms; 10th to 12th, threatening weather with rain or snow; 15th to 18th cloudy with rain or snow; 21st to 24th threatening weather with heavy rain or snow storms; 25th to 28th quite cold if storm have occurred; 26th to 28th threatening weather with rain or snow.

I desire to negotiate with parties that can furnish from one to three thousand sheep on the share, to be held on the best of range in Barbour county. Satisfactory references given. Address, D. DOUGHERTY, Medicine Lodge, Kas.

A. No. 1 Apple Cider at Robbins', only 50 cents per gallon.

Scarcely any disease to which human beings are subject, is so thoroughly discouraging as Fever and Ague. The periodical return of alternate chills, fever and sweating, is terribly depressing. Ayer's Ague Cure is the only remedy known, which is certain to cure permanently, by expelling the malarial poison which produces the disease. It does this surely, and leaves no ill effect upon the system.

Dressed Turkeys, a fine lot, apply at G. S. Emerson's.

WINTER GOODS AT COST.

In order to make room for new goods, Marsh & Son are selling their winter stock of goods at cost; and many other goods at greatly reduced prices. Go and secure bargains while you have a chance.

Prepared Mince Meat and Apple Butter can be had at G. S. Emerson's store.

BUILDING SAND.

I have a fine article of sand, tested by a practical plasterer, which is just the article for plastering and building. It has sharp grains. M. COLLAR.

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INDIAN ATROCITIES IN ARIZONA.

A dispatch from Tucson, dated January 31st says: "reliable information since the 16th is as follows: On the 20th two men were killed on the Upper Chiricahua in a fight with a band of Apaches. The 22d five Mexicans were killed twenty miles Southwest of San Marcial. The 21st a family consisting of a man, wife, child and mother-in-law was massacred at Corrigo, fifteen miles west of San Marcial. On the 23rd a buckboard was taken between Silver City and San Marcial, five miles from Jan Jose, and the driver killed. The Mexican interpreter of Tularose Reservation was found dead. Forty Indians had left the reservation. It is generally believed there are not less than 200 Indians, in bands of from two to thirty, on the war path, and that not less than forty people have been murdered by them during the last fifteen days. The military appear to be doing absolutely nothing. Col. Price, an experienced Indian fighter who was in command of the field force in Southwestern Arizona, and had just organized a campaign, was relieved on the 4th, and Major Riddle put in command. Good service was expected from Price, as he was well acquainted with that section of New Mexico where the Indians are doing their work.

The present winter may have been, until quite recently, the coldest within the memory of the oldest inhabitant in these parts, but that is because the oldest inhabitant can not carry his recollections back to 1784. Intense cold set in as early as the 15th of November, 1783, and continued until the following March. Gayarre, in his History of Louisiana, says:

On the 13th of February, 1784, the whole bed of the river in front of New Orleans was filled up with the fragments of ice, the size of most of which was from 12 to 30 feet with a thickness of 2 or 3. This mass of ice was so compact that it formed a field of 400 yards in width, so that all communication was interrupted for five days between the two banks of the Mississippi.

According to the same authority from which the above extract is given, the 17th and 18th of January, 1768, were the two coldest days known to Louisiana. In front of New Orleans the river was frozen on both sides out to thirty or forty feet from its banks.

The excessive cold of the winter, together with the small amount of moisture with which the ground was supplied before it became frozen, has in many parts of the country caused a water famine. Cisterns and wells have "gone dry," and a great deal of inconvenience has been caused.

An exhibition was given in Jersey City of a new fuel, a combination of petroleum and the exhibition was of such a satisfactory nature that results are promised of an importance not easily exaggerated. Col. Rose, of the Pennsylvania Railroad says that a locomotive can be run from New York to Philadelphia for four instead of twenty-five dollars, as now with coal.

The Commercial says: "To produce combustion nothing more is necessary than by the means of an atomizer to unite the dry steam and crude petroleum, only a common inch pipe being used for the purpose, one for steam and the other for oil, with cocks to regulate the flow. A junction is made within six inches of a perforated brick retort which the nozzle enters, and instantly on a match being applied the whole interior of the furnace, an ordinary reverberatory smelting furnace becomes intensely heated, so much so that all exposed surface may be easily melted. If applied to steam boiler, on locomotive or ship board, it is only necessary to place the retorts made of fire-clay on a grate, the bars thus protecting the boiler plates from injury."