

Hard Times.

That times are hard and money close, no one will deny; different theories as to their cause only is a mooted question. Let the cause be what it may, the result is the same. Men who are out of debt and have money ahead can get along about as usual, but the man who is in debt and the one who depends on his daily labor for a living is the one in the most straitened circumstances. Men who have money are slow to let it loose; few investments and no improvements are being made, yet people want to live as they did ten years ago, when money was easier to get; here is where they miss it. Every man who depends on his daily labor for a living should be up with the lark and try to earn his wages, if he earns a little more it is better than being out of a job and getting nothing.

Men who have fixing up about the house or barn to do complain that it is difficult to get trustworthy help and some claim that they have work undone that they would like to do, from the fact that it is so difficult to get the average laborers to do work as it should be done. People have listened to political speeches till many have come to the conclusion that this country is all wrong and hope for the legislature or congress to help them and in the general discontent they go at a job of work as if it was beneath the dignity of an american citizen to perform manual labor. work is slighted and the man who pays for it is dissatisfied and refuses to improve his place because he cannot get it done to suit him, thus keeping many a dollar hoarded that would otherwise be in circulation and the poor man's family be better fed and clothed thereby.

Laborers must get out of the idea that the legislature can do them any material good. There is plenty of work to do and plenty of money to pay for it if the monied men could be induced to branch out and invest their money in property and improve what they have. If you get a job to do, don't be in too big a hurry to get it done and get the pay, but do it well and deserve another; if the same man don't need you, he will recommend you to some one else. Don't be afraid to work at any kind of honorable employment just as your parents before you did. They were not disgraced by trying to please their employers, neither will you be and if you work for a dollar a day don't spend two dollars and agree to pay it out of your wages; you can't do it and the merchants soon brand you N. G. and then when a run of bad luck overtakes you, your family is liable to suffer because you have no credit. If you work for low wages, don't try to ape your more successful neighbor and have everything in your house he has in his, "even if you do have to owe for it." In short, live within your income and get up and hustle and make the income as large as possible. Don't get it into your head that the merchant or banker has so much easier time than you have; your work ends at sun down and his never; while you are sleeping he is worrying about some bill that is due and must be met and perhaps if you would pay him your little mite and a score of other fellows do the same he could meet it and save his credit. In short, try and get better satisfied with your lot and get up and hustle. Suppose the legislature passes the maximum freight bill, you have nothing to ship; suppose they cut the legal rate of printing in two, you have nothing to print; suppose they reduce railroad fare to two cents per mile, you have no place to go; suppose they create a dozen new and useless boards of inquiry, they will arrange to get all the places and you are not competent to fill the place anyway; in short the fellow who has been gullied into waiting for the government to give him a place, will get left. Make up your mind right now that the government never intended to support you and your family, but must receive some support from you and for this has agreed to protect you, as an American citizen anywhere on earth. Then off with your coat and go to work; politicians are the only fellows who get anything out of politics and ninety-two-twentieths of them come out poorer than when they went in.

Qualifications of Officers.
Some member of the legislature has introduced a bill setting out some qualifications to which a person must attain in order to become county superintendent. Let him include the probate judge. A county superintendent should be a graduate of some college and a probate judge should be either a graduate of some law school or be regularly admitted to the bar to practice law. Many important legal questions come up in probate court and a probate judge as well as district judge should at least have some legal knowledge.

While Altgeld is charging that the great increase in the number of bal-

lots cast in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio is proof that the republicans carried those states by fraud, he is saying nothing about the singular fact that, despite the intense interest in the election everywhere in the country, there was an actual falling off in the number of votes cast in the south. There is just as much ground for charging that the south was carried for Bryan through the suppression of the sound money vote as there is for the charge that northern states were carried for McKinley by padding poll lists and stuffing ballot boxes. In truth, there is no substantial basis for either charge. In the south a great host of democrats refrained from voting because they could not vote for Bryan and free silver and would not vote for McKinley and protection. In the north many hundred thousand citizens who never before cast a ballot went to the polls to vote. It is impossible to say how many of these votes were for McKinley and how many for Bryan, but it is very certain that a great number of such votes were cast, and there is not the slightest tangible evidence to show that the great increase in the votes was the result of fraud. Altgeld doesn't pretend to cite any such evidence. He merely generalizes in the style of a petty demagogue.—K. C. Star.

D. O. McCray, a correspondent of the Leavenworth Times has been denied the privileges of the floor of the senate on account of having, it is alleged, "written libelous newspaper stories" regarding the appointment, by Lieut. Governor Harvey, of the committee on education. The articles referred to intimated that the three populist members of the senate educational committee had been "fixed" in the interests of the book trusts and that no legislation apposed said trusts would be taken up by the senate. All right, brethren we shall take you at your word, but after all the promises you have made along this line, if you don't enact some kind of a law that will tend to cheapen text books, your constituents are liable to believe Mr. McCray was correct in his allegations.

The members of the G. I. A. planned and executed a pleasant surprise on Mrs. Maude Browning yesterday. Three o'clock luncheon was served. Those present were: Mesdames John Blake, Ed Wall, J. T. Hanna, Robert Stewart, W. L. Stewart, P. Ash, Matt Browning, Jas. Jones, B. Baker, Lem Barrett, J. H. Coas, Geo. Coleman, Al Beardsley, W. L. Morehart, P. Ryan, W. D. Frisby, Jas. Lynch, W. Wilson, H. O. Arnold, Ed Portsmouth, Geo. Northup and Geo. Scott.

Mrs. R. Maude Rogers entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Reading Club at her home in the second ward Tuesday night. An interesting program was rendered. The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. F. Cates, F. M. Daudy, I. C. Mann, J. C. Penny, E. B. Park, and N. W. Henry; Misses Olive Cone, Anna Wilder, Eliza Royster, Ninon Bartl, Mabel Henry, Mellor and Welch; Mesdames Hattie M. Sheppard, J. A. Hodges, S. G. Issett, M. T. Jones, J. Harper; Messrs. H. Carr, Win Johnston, Charlie and Harry Wilson, Dr. Barker, M. D. Henry and Ed Royster.

N. P. Weisberg of Cottage Grove township died last evening at 5 o'clock. Mr. Weisberg was one of the best known men in this part of the state. He was one of the first settlers, and was highly respected. He landed in this country from Sweden, destitute of means, but he soon was comfortably fixed and long before his death was recognized as one of the wealthiest farmers in the county. He was known far and near for his good qualities of hand and heart and many a poor struggling man has received an unknown "lift" from him. The funeral services will be held at the house today, but we don't know the hour, and the interment will be in the Swede Baptist cemetery.

I have a few choice farms in Arkansas clear and with small incumbrances on them, I wish to trade for Kansas lands. 1-22 tf
D. E. MCCLELLAND.

Just received a fresh supply of coffees, teas and spices, at the K. C. Cash Grocery. 1-15 tf
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Sheriff's Sale.
In the District Court of Neosho County, Kansas:
James M. French, Plaintiff, vs. W. W. Work, Henrietta Work, Thomas Martin, G. W. Lindsay and John McClosky, Defendants.
By virtue of an order of sale to me directed and delivered, issued out of the Seventh Judicial District Court of the State of Kansas, sitting in and for Neosho County, in said State, I will, on the 15th day of February, A. D. 1897, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the court house door in Erie, in the County and State aforesaid, offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, the following described real property situated in Neosho County, Kansas, to-wit:
The north half of the southeast quarter of section fourteen (14), township twenty-nine (29) south, range eighteen (18) east, and the west half of the southeast quarter of section one (1), in township thirty (30) south, range seventeen (17), east of the 6th P. M.
Said property to be sold as commanded by the said order of sale and in pursuance of the judgment in the above entitled cause.
Given under my hand this 15th day of January, 1897.
C. F. PRANGE,
Sheriff of Neosho County, Kansas.
WM. R. HAZEN & S. C. BROWN,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

PROFESSIONAL.

- HUGH P. FARRELLY,**
LAWYER,
1st door west of P. O. up-stairs, Chanute, Kans.
- C. A. COX,**
LAWYER,
Geist Block, Chanute, Kansas.
- S. C. BROWN,**
LAWYER,
1st door west of P. O. up-stairs, Chanute, Kans.
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SWEDISH PHYSICIAN,
Calls night and day promptly attended.
Office over Boschert & Williams' drug store.
- J. H. LIGHT,**
PHYSICIAN & SURGEON,
Office over Sewell's drug store.
- GEO. H. BROWN, M. D.**
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Economy Paint Shop.
West side R. R. Track.

Official statement of the financial condition of the
CHANUTE STATE BANK,
at Chanute, Kansas, at the close of business on the 19th day of December, 1896.

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and discounts on personal and collateral security.....\$14,145.83	Capital stock paid in.....\$ 5,000.00
Overdrafts.....916.94	Interest.....1,342.29
Furniture and fixtures.....630.32	Exchange.....227.68
Expense account.....1,174.56	Individual deposits.....21,792.26
Cash and sight exchange.....15,791.58	Time certificates.....2,367.00
Total.....\$30,659.23	Total.....\$30,659.23

State of Kansas, County of Neosho, ss:
I, G. N. Lindsay, cashier of said bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that said bank has no liabilities of any character whatsoever not set forth in said statement.

G. N. LINDSAY, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24th day of December, 1896.
B. F. SHINN, Notary Public.
(SEAL) Commission expires on the 20th day of May, 1899.

Attest—
J. H. LIGHT,
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G. W. WILLIAMS, } Directors.
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