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Take Advantage of Our

Special Blanket Sale, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

On TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, we will sell any of our popular priced Canton Flannels at a good reduction, and at

1 O'clock, Tuesday,

we offer the trade another lot of AMERICAN PRINT REMNANTS, at
2 1/2 CENTS A YARD.

Don't Forget the Day.

20 per cent discount on Linen Napkins, Towels and Stamped Linens,

Wednesday.

A "SNAP" in a good Unbleached Linen Crash, at

5 CENTS A YARD.

NO Special Sale Thursday:

Thanksgiving Day.

Friday and Saturday,

November 27th and 28th.

Big Reduction in Dress Goods.

Big Reduction in Cloaks.

Both Days.

Make it a point to attend as many of these

SPECIAL SALES.

as possible. It will pay you.

PRICE, HOGE & CO.

Slandering Kansas.

Kansas deserves better treatment than it is getting at the hands of the prejudiced and ill-informed partisan press simply because the people of that state, in their majesty as sovereigns, saw fit to cast more votes for William J. Bryan than for Major McKinley.

The people of Kansas are as well educated and as well mannered as the same number of people chosen at random in any other state of the union. In fact, it may be asserted as a certainty, without the aid of comparative statistics on the subject, that the citizenship of Kansas is superior in enlightened patriotism, in acquiescence in the decrees of the majority and in moral perception to that of the communities whose newspapers are now heaping abuse and contumely upon the Kansans for voting for Bryan.

The heaven has been at work in Kansas a long while and it has finally driven narrow, bigoted Republicanism out of the state. But aside from whatever political eccentricities may have been developed by the population of the state. Kansas offers a variety of inducements to the homeseeker and the capitalist who is willing to get a reasonable return for his investment without trying to run the politics of the state. Though a Populist legislature and executive have just been elected, the partisan press should be made to know that no farm mortgages will be burnt in Kansas and no railroad tracks torn up. The Kansas Populist may have a varied assortment of political idiosyncrasies and economic vagaries, but they don't take any of the richness out of the Kansas soil or diminish the salubrity of the Kansas climate. Great stretches of Kansas are now green with the growing wheat crop, vast fields are being put in readiness for corn, and the grass will be growing without cultivation when the spring is still lingering in the lap of New England's winter.

Kansas is all right, and some of that eastern capital that has been "tied up in the banks" so long can find profitable employment in the state if the partisan press will quit its taunts and jibes.—St. Louis Republic.

Ripans Tablets assist digestion.

Those Kansas Republicans who are making so much fuss about Bryan not carrying his county should remember that Morrill's majority in Brown is 500 less than two years ago, that Secretary Edwards lost Pawnee county, that Attorney General Dawes lost Clay, that Auditor Cole lost Crawford, that Garver lost Saline, that Dick Blue lost Linn, that Chester I. Long lost Barber, that Jack Harris lost Franklin, that Kirkpatrick lost Wilson, that Ellis lost Mitchell, that Postlewaite lost Jewell, that Ham lost Kooks, that Johnson lost Anderson, that Pollock lost Cowley, and that Eric Cole lost Barton.—Topeka Advocate.

Wellington's Big Trade.

The fierce and unrelenting rivalry existing among Wellington merchants has made this city the best trading point in southern Kansas. Not long since a merchant from a neighboring city said to the editor of the VOICE, "I can go into Wellington stores and buy at least twenty-five leading articles of staple merchandise at as low prices as I pay for them at wholesale." The farmers from all sections of Sumner, as well as from Cowley, Sedgwick and Harper counties, are coming to Wellington to trade. It is no unusual thing to see people from the strip trading here. Whether Wellington merchants are making money or not is a matter about which we are not posted, but it is a fact that they are doing business, and lots of it. The particularly busy dealers are those whose advertisements are to be found in the VOICE.

Notice to Candidates.

The time is nearly out for filing statements of election expenses. They must be filed within 30 days after the election to comply with the law. Candidates who have not complied take notice accordingly.

Notice.

We have the best seed corn ever grown in the west. Write for catalogue. STONER'S NURSERY, Stoner & Bruce, owners, Sedgwick, Kansas.

J. K. Moore left Tuesday for a two weeks visit to relatives in Arkansas.

Mr. Bryan as a Lecturer.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 18.—Election night V. E. McBee of Norfolk, Va., superintendent of the Seaboard Air Line railroad, telegraphed to Mr. Bryan an offer of a very large amount for a series of lectures in case the election should turn against him. No attention was paid to the matter at that time by Mr. Bryan, but after the defeat of the Democratic ticket had been formally acknowledged by the Democratic leaders McBee renewed his offers, negotiations were begun, and the result has been that Mr. Bryan has signed contracts for a series of lectures under the management of Alexander Comstock, who is the representative and associate of Mr. McBee in the enterprise.

The terms of the agreement from a financial standpoint have not been made public, but it is reliably understood that the remuneration which Mr. Bryan is to receive will exceed the salary he would have received as president of the United States in the event of his election to that office.

Arrangements are already under way to have the delivery of Mr. Bryan's first lecture in Atlanta, Ga., made the occasion of a great demonstration.

The lectures will be non-partisan in character and will, for the most part, be upon governmental and social topics, as it is expressly stipulated in the contract that the tour shall have no political aspect or coloring.

The course will be opened at Atlanta, Ga., early in December, and then Mr. Bryan will speak at Jacksonville, Fla., Savannah, Ga., Charleston, S. C., Augusta, Ga., Birmingham, Ala., and New Orleans. Then he will go through Texas and then visit California, Oregon and other western points. In February he will come east.

Palmer Ratifies With Republicans.
Carlinville, Ill., Nov. 16.—Republicans Saturday evening held their ratification. Senator John M. Palmer sound money Democratic candidate for president, was the principal speaker and made the address of the evening.

The whole story of the wonderful cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla is soon told. It makes the blood rich, pure and nourishing. It cures scrofula, catarrh, rheumatism.

HOW BRYAN WAS DEFEATED.

What Chairman Jones Says About It.

Hope, Ark., Nov. 10.—A public reception was tendered Senator James K. Jones at the opera house in this place yesterday afternoon.

The meeting was arranged for the purpose of allowing the Senator's friends and neighbors to show their appreciation of his work in the recent campaign. People came into town from all over Hempstead county to welcome the Senator, and the little opera house was literally packed, many ladies and children being present—all to see Jones.

After a cordial greeting, Senator Jones spoke for an hour or more on the campaign and the obstacles that had to be met. He said that the result was a victory for the Democratic party. He said that while they had lost the election, they had not lost the fight. The cause of silver was stronger to-day than it was when the campaign opened, and victory was assured in 1900. He paid a high tribute to W. J. Bryan, and said he had made one of the most wonderful fights that had ever been made by any leader.

He said that the large number of commercial orders placed previous to election day, and contingent upon McKinley's election, had been made use of in influencing the votes of workmen, and had caused thousands of Bryan men to vote for McKinley, and that Bryan lost the election by the changes made during the last three days of the campaign.

The Senator did not make any effort at a set speech, but talked to his friends in a conversational tone.

His remarks, nevertheless, elicited generous applause. His former friends were out in force, and many Populists and Republicans were in the audience, and joined in to make the welcome a hearty one. Senator Jones will remain in Hope several days before leaving for Washington.

The Postoffice Scramble.

Last week the VOICE stated that several of the Local G. O. P. politicians were willing to "sacrifice" themselves upon the altar of the Wellington postoffice, and noted the following as the applicants to that time:

A. A. Richards	J. M. Thralls
M. H. Kirk	Re. Sam Price
A. B. Cheever	John P. Millard
Chas. E. Bright	John G. Woods
John G. Campbell	"Mike" Magruder
J. C. O. Morse	M. V. B. Holmes
W. J. Newbold	W. R. Spicknall
John I. Edwards	Dr. F. G. Emerson
Col. Jno. T. Showalter	

And since our last issue the following named gentlemen have entered the race for the spoils of office, and are candidates for official preferment to the extent of handling the letters, postal cards and papers at the Wellington end of the line:

F. L. Botkin	E. Tyner
H. A. Loper	R. F. Cann
S. S. Woodcock	Chas. Sadler
R. J. Smith	Saml. Bain
W. S. Varner	

The most hideous and deplorable thought in this connection is that only one of the entire list can be appointed; the others must be disappointed. And then they will all be—either appointed or (dis)appointed. We predict that the wishes of the people of Wellington will hardly be asked for, much less considered, in this matter. It will remain to be seen who Chester will endorse for the place and on this point there is not much latitude for speculation. Wait and see!

Smelters Are Closing.

Argentine, Nov. 18.—The Kansas City Consolidated Smelting and Refining works closed down another blast furnace in the works of Argentine yesterday and laid off 15 men.

This leaves only one of the 14 blast furnaces in operation. The copper department of the plant is also closed down, and about 200 men in this department are laid off. It has been expected for some time that operations would soon be resumed, but the closing of another blast furnace yesterday discouraged the unemployed men.

Workmen Laid off Now.

Detroit, Nov. 18.—Most of the employees of the Michigan Car company stated today that all of the 1,500 men employed at the works six weeks ago have been laid off, the number of workmen having decreased beginning with last week. The men had anticipated plenty of work in the near future. The officers of the company decline to talk about the matter.

Wellington and Arkansas City met on the gridiron at the latter place last Friday, and Wellington went down in defeat. No one was killed.

ENGLE'S CLEARING SALE

OF
**DRESS GOODS,
SILKS, CLOAKS,
MILLINERY,
HOSIERY and
UNDERWEAR,**
COMMENCES

Saturday Nov 21

PRICES CUT

Right and left, regardless of cost, value or profits. Stock must be reduced immediately.

Immense Bargains

in every Department. Have for many years adopted a business rule that we will

Not Carry Over

Any Winter Goods

from one season to the other.

Remember our Motto:
**YOUR MONEY'S WORTH
OR YOUR MONEY BACK.**

JACOB ENGLE.

WELLINGTON, KANSAS.

The Monitor-Press thinks it was a square knock out on the free silver issue and that silver will never come before the people again as an issue. So many Republicans told us that they were for silver only for the tariff, that we doubt the accuracy of our neighbor's conclusions. The truth is that the vast majority of the American people are, as Senator Ingalls proclaimed, for free silver, and they were only carried away in this contest by impulse. The world-wide money stringency growing out of the spread of the gold standard had intensified under a Democratic administration, and the shrewd manipulators of the people's fortunes—the money power—were sharp enough to take advantage of the strength thus afforded the Republican party, and pushing it out on advanced ground, forced it to declare for the gold standard, and by the aid of an unprecedented campaign

fund, fooled enough of the people to carry the day. When prosperity shall have failed to come, as it must, there will be such a landslide in 1900 as this country never saw before.

Myron Waterman, the cartoonist of the "anarchy" forces, got in his work in great shape in last week's Advocate. When Billy Bryan is elected in 1900 we want him to make Myron Waterman secretary of the picture gallery.

It seems to me the men most to be pitied now that the election is over are those Republicans who proclaimed their political independence and declared for free silver early in the campaign, and then weakened when the party buses came around, swinging the party lash over their backs, and bowed their necks to the yoke again. They must wonder at times whether they are men or mice.—Independence Star and Kansan.

Ripans Tablets: pleasant laxative.