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THE DRY GOODS
AND
GROCERY MAN
OF OBERLIN,

will save you money if you will call on him when in need of any goods. I will save parties that live in Thomas, Sherman and South Rawlins counties big money on a bill from \$10 to \$50. Call and see me when in Oberlin.
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THE CAT.

What is all over the prairies? The settlers, of course.
R. Masters and family, of Nebraska, are among the new comers.
The two Johns, Walker and Cuffer, are going to start a livery stable in Colby.
D. C. Jardine, from Ill., brother of A. B.'s, is here visiting. Think he will stay with us.
O. H. Stratton is located at Colby. He is a first-class carpenter and is prepared to make contracts. See him at the town site.
D. W. Wollen, G. G. Wollen, James Hughs, Wm. Stevens and M. Hammond, are among the new comers. They are men of energy and push and are bound to succeed.
The bung hole to the heavenly water tank must have been knocked out by the way the water has been falling the past week. The ground is thoroughly soaked and the lagoons are immense lakes.
We again call attention to the fact that contest notices must be accompanied by the cash, or they will not be inserted. We were verily enough to publish seven or eight without the cash, and now we are just reckless enough to publish the amounts and the names of the attorneys who are jingling our money in their jeans. Last call.
The Colby Town Company has contracted for four thousand extra copies of the CAT, containing the plan of organization of the Company, together with a write up of Thomas county. It will be an interesting edition, valuable to advertisers, and we are prepared to admit a few more advertisements at reasonable rates. The edition will be ready soon.

Otterbourne.

Miss Annie Colby, who has been teaching here this winter, has returned to her home. **Annie, we miss you very much.**
Everybody is rejoicing over the nice rain we had on Wednesday.
W. P. Taggart has been very sick but at last accounts he was some better.
Mrs. Swazy, a friend of Miss M. A. Hays, is visiting with her, while her husband is out hunting wild horses.
Mr. Copeland and Paine are enjoying these bright days hunting ducks and fishing.
Dr. Taylor has located near Otterbourne.
Mr. Dutil is building a house on his claim.
Mr. Masters and family are camped at Otterbourne.

Quickville.

A fine shower wet down the prairie this afternoon.
Several new settlers have moved in this vicinity the past two weeks, among whom we note Frank Ladd and O. Bailey, from Friend, Neb., Darius Roll and his brother, from Ohio.
G. W. Overhafer, E. L. Sturgeon and Ole Benson are already on their claims with their families, while six other families from Nebraska, who have claims in this vicinity, are on the road.

E. Whitcomb, editor and publisher of the Friend Telegraph, Neb., with B. W. Fletey and E. R. Haas, employed by the B. & M. R. R., visited with this week and **wag so much pleased with the country, that they all took claims.**
R. T. Hemming, postmaster at this place, reports that about twenty-five families are now receiving mail through his office, which is located on section 11, town 6, range 35.

Monument Scrapings.

Is there to be a daily mail from Monument to Colby?
Messrs. J. O. Brinkerhoff and W. J. Converse, Supts. U. P. R. R. were here to-day, and located a spur just west of the station. It has been rumored that some enterprising men of Thomas county are going to build a store, hotel, livery stable, lumber and coal yard here. We hope there is something in it.
The B. R. carpenters are here building a gravel walk and are going to do some fencing around the station, repair tank and section house before leaving.
There is considerable freight and express at the depot for parties in Thomas county, and I heard the agent say he wished the owners would come after it and make room for more.
The pay car went through this a. m., and made all the B. R. boys happy.
Some of the enterprising citizens of this township have sent in a petition requesting that a school house be built here. It is a long felt want and we hope the proper authorities will give it their immediate attention. There are at least twenty-five children of lawful school age here and it is a shame that they be deprived of an education.
A six inch snow fell in Colorado last night. The rainfall Sunday evening was four-fifths of an inch.
Heavy rain last night. The indicator was full, which showed over two inches fall. Can't tell how much more fell.

YOUNG WILLEY.

Young Willey is a light Chestnut, 5 years old the 15th day of May, 1885, stands 15 1/2 hands high, weighs 1250 pounds, stock Hambletonian Morgan, will stand at my stable at Streator, 5 1/2 miles northwest of Letitia P. O., and 2 miles southeast of the town of Colby, Thomas county. Will serve names for fifteen dollars to insure. Money due when mare proves to be with foal. For the season, ten dollars. Single leap, five dollars, to be paid at time of service. Care taken to prevent accidents but no responsibility assumed.
PANEL C, JARDINE.

School Land Sale.

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Kenneth, Kansas, April 10th, 1885.
I will offer for public sale at my office on
WEDNESDAY, THE 27TH DAY OF MAY, 1885,
between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 3 o'clock p. m., the following described school lands, situated in

SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS:

TRACT.	Section	Range	Town	Approximate Value per acre.	Value of Improvements.
ne qr of ne qr	16	7	34	\$3.00	
nw qr of ne qr	16	7	34		
se qr of ne qr	16	7	34		
sw qr of ne qr	16	7	34		
ne qr of nw qr	16	7	34		
nw qr of nw qr	16	7	34		
se qr of nw qr	16	7	34		
sw qr of nw qr	16	7	34		
ne qr of se qr	16	7	34		
nw qr of se qr	16	7	34		
se qr of se qr	16	7	34		
sw qr of se qr	16	7	34		
ne qr of sw qr	16	7	34		
nw qr of sw qr	16	7	34		
se qr of sw qr	16	7	34		
sw qr of sw qr	16	7	34		

TERMS OF SALE:
One-tenth of the purchase price must be cash in hand and the balance secured by bond approved by the county clerk.
Given under my hand this 10th day of April, 1885.
G. M. BROOKS,
Treasurer of Sheridan County.

Notice No. 3375.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kan., April 15, 1885.
Complaint having been entered at this office by S. A. McCuan against Sheldon Daniels for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 674, dated March 29, 1883, upon the ne qr section 24, township 9 south, range 34 west, in Thomas county, Kansas, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that Sheldon Daniels failed to plant to timber, seeds or cuttings any part of said land during the third or fourth years after entry or since or cause it to be done; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the third day of June, 1885, at ten o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.
C. E. CHANDLER, Receiver.

NOTICE NO. 3306.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kan., April 15, 1885.
Complaint having been entered at this office by W. G. Porter against G. G. Sooy for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 674, dated March 29, 1883, upon the ne qr section 24, township 9 south, range 34 west, in Thomas county, Kansas, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that G. G. Sooy has failed to break five acres of said land for trees, seeds or cuttings any time since making said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 25th day of May, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.
A. L. PATCHIN, Register.

NOTICE NO. 3261.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kan., April 15, 1885.
Complaint having been entered at this office by J. E. Vertrees against D. H. Vertrees for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 554, dated June 23, 1879, upon the ne qr section 21, township 8 south, range 34 west, in Thomas county, Kansas, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that D. H. Vertrees has failed to break five acres of said land for trees, seeds or cuttings any time since making said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 15th day of May, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.
A. L. PATCHIN, Register.

NOTICE NO. 3260.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kan., April 15, 1885.
Complaint having been entered at this office by J. E. Vertrees against D. H. Vertrees for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 613, dated Oct. 23, 1879, upon the ne qr section 21, township 8 south, range 34 west, in Thomas county, Kansas, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that D. H. Vertrees has failed to break five acres of said land for trees, seeds or cuttings any time since making said entry; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 15th day of May, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.
A. L. PATCHIN, Register.

HARNESS GOODS.

E. D. Babcock, of Oberlin, Kansas, will sell you harness, saddles, whips, etc., and warrant everything as represented. 514

SCHOOL LAND SALE.

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Kenneth, Kansas, April 10th, 1885.
I will offer for public sale at my office on
TUESDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF MAY, 1885,
between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 3 o'clock p. m., the following described school lands, situated in

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TRACT.	Section	Range	Town	Approximate Value per acre.	Value of Improvements.
ne qr of ne qr	16	7	34	\$3.00	
nw qr of ne qr	16	7	34		
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Given under my hand this 10th day of April, 1885.
G. M. BROOKS,
Treasurer Sheridan County.

SCHOOL LAND SALE.

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Kenneth, Kan., April 10th, 1885.
I will offer for public sale at my office on
TUESDAY, THE 23 DAY OF JUNE, 1885,
between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 3 o'clock p. m., the following described school lands, situated in

SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS:

TRACT.	Section	Range	Town	Approximate Value per acre.	Value of Improvements.
ne qr of ne qr	16	8	34	\$3.00	
nw qr of ne qr	16	8	34		
se qr of ne qr	16	8	34		
sw qr of ne qr	16	8	34		
ne qr of nw qr	16	8	34		
nw qr of nw qr	16	8	34		
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Treas. Sheridan County.

NOTICE NO. 3123.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kan., March 16th, 1885.
Complaint having been entered at this office by Elias M. Adamson against Peter Hull for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 774, dated April 2, 1881, upon the ne qr section 33, township 9 south, range 33 west, in Thomas county, Kansas, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that Peter Hull has failed to plant to trees, tree seeds or cuttings 5 acres of said tract during the 2d and 3d years since making said entry and has failed to cultivate said land as required by law; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 15th day of May, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.
C. E. CHANDLER, Receiver.
Donovan, Carpenter & Bailey, 519

SCHOOL LAND SALE.

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Kenneth, Kansas, April 10th, 1885.
I will offer for public sale at my office on
SATURDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF MAY, 1885,
between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 3 o'clock p. m., the following described school lands, situated in

SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS:

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ne qr of ne qr	16	8	33	\$3.00	
nw qr of ne qr	16	8	33		
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Treas. Sheridan County.

NOTICE NO. 3239.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kan., Feb 30, 1885.
Complaint having been entered at this office by E. F. Stone against R. M. Gray for failure to comply with law as to timber culture entry No. 743, dated Sept. 25, 1880, upon the ne qr section 2, township 9 south, range 34 w. in Thomas county, Kansas, with a view to the cancellation of said entry; contestant alleging that R. M. Gray has failed to plant to timber, seeds or cuttings any part of said land during the third or fourth years after entry or since or cause it to be done; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the third day of June, 1885, at ten o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure.
A. L. PATCHIN, Register.
Keys & Emahizer, attorneys.

FRANK SMITH

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OBERLIN, KANSAS.

Colby Town Site Co.

Notice is hereby given that books are open for receiving subscription to the capital stock of the Colby Town Site Company, the capital stock being ten thousand dollars, said books being at the office of the THOMAS COUNTY CAT, at Colby, Thomas county, Kansas, and will be kept open until the whole amount of the capital stock is subscribed.
This 15th day of April, 1885.
D. M. DUNS,
S. C. MULLS,
E. W. MILLER,
M. DONELAN,
J. E. MCGONIGAL,
D. D. HOAG,
WINFIELD FREEMAN
Directors.

YOUNG FRENCH.

Young French is a beautiful dark iron gray 6 years old the 16th of July, 1885, 16 hands high, weighs 1500 pounds, stock French Norman and Red Jacket. Young French will stand at my stable 4 1/2 miles southwest of Letitia P. O. and 5 miles southeast of Streator P. O., on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week, and Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week at the stables of Eddy & Co., at the town of Colby, Thomas county, will serve mares at five dollars to insure. Care will be taken to prevent accidents, but will not be responsible should any occur. If mare bred is sold, traded or removed from the neighborhood before she is known to be with foal, the money will be due and payable. The season commences April 10th and ends July 31st, 1885. Would invite inspection by lovers of good horses.
apost NATHAN BYARS.

J. S. Turner, Kenneth.

J. S. Turner, Kenneth, sells all kinds of staple and fancy groceries.

SALT.—Just received a car load of salt which will be sold cheap for cash at Joseph Corette's, Grinnell.

Full stock of lumber always on hand, nails, hardware, etc., and will not be undersold at Joseph Corette's, Grinnell.

For anything in dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, notions, groceries, queensware, or hardware, go to J. S. Turner, Kenneth.

LUMBER.
Lath, shingles, doors and windows, at Joseph Corette's, Grinnell, Kansas. Cheap for cash.

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A. L. PATCHIN, Register.
Keys & Emahizer, attorneys.

AW, LOAN & LAND OFFICE OF
Donovan, Carpenter & Bailey,
OBERLIN, KANSAS.
If you have a farm to sell, or wish to buy land of any description, call on or correspond with us. Choice tracts of school land for sale on easy terms. Deeded land \$2.75 to \$3.00 per acre. All business connected with the U. S. Land Office promptly attended to. Descriptive circular sent free.



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LAND OFFICE OF

WILSON & TACHA

GEORGE F. GIBBS, Locust St.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THOMAS CO.

MAIL EXPRESS

I have now put on a double rig on the route between
OBERLIN & COLBY.
And am prepared to carry passengers and express packages at reasonable rates. Hack leaves Oberlin Tuesday and Friday mornings, and Colby Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.
P. T. TURNER, Prop.