

THE THOMAS COUNTY CAT.

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Wallace is now a city of the third class.

It has been lately decided in Wisconsin that women can vote not only in school but also in municipal matters.

Secretary Lamar has written a letter to Commissioner Sparks, informing that gentleman that certain of his decisions are manifestly incorrect, and not in accordance with Lamar's views, nor with the practice of the department for years, and that he (Sparks) has gone so far out of the record in the performance of his duties that either Commissioner Sparks must retire, or else he (Lamar) would. It is supposed that Lamar will be appointed one of the Supreme Court Justices and that Sparks will be retired. Mr. Muldrow or Mr. Stockslager will probably be advanced to Lamar's position as secretary.

The fate of the seven anarchists was decided last week. On Thursday Lingg, who had succeeded in obtaining some dynamite bombs, deliberately took one into his mouth, set fire to the fuse and exploded it. After suffering great agony for a number of hours, the suicide died. On Friday, Governor Ogelsby commuted the sentence of Fielden and Schwab to imprisonment for life in the state penitentiary. Spies, Fischer, Engel and Parsons were hanged on Friday at 11.54 a. m. All the men died of strangulation. On Sunday the dead anarchists were buried, a large concourse of people attending the funeral. There was but little excitement, and no disorder of any kind in the city.

The campaign was short and vigorous. Not a few hard things were said, on both sides—this seems one of the concomitants of elections. In eager strife to win, and during the excitement incident to political battle, many things are said and done by both parties, that were far better left unsaid and undone. So far as possible, the CAT avoided making a personal issue with anyone in this campaign, but, at the very last, was forced to make counter attack, to defeat the attempted assaults made by the Democrat and its adherents on various of our candidates. The battle is now over, and victory perches aloft on the republican banner. Now, we are willing to give a truce to political war, and shoulder to shoulder with all our citizens, irrespective of party affiliations, push vigorously on the development and settlement of our county and city. And we feel satisfied that our efforts in this direction will meet the hearty concurrence and support of all our citizens.

Let us reflect a little. It is very natural for one to desire to advance his own private interests, and to strive to do so. If there be any one thing more than another that has caused the prosperity of our city, that thing has been the unanimity with which our citizens have worked together in all matters of public enterprise. In several instances, however, there has been a disposition to divide on public matters, making the dividing line 4th street. Now, we have no desire to criticize or chide in any way, citizens either north or south of that street, any action of either. Nor do we propose to attempt to reflect disparagingly on either. We consider as laudable, the efforts of citizens north and south of 4th street, to secure for their respective sides of the city all the public buildings and all the business they can; but at the same time it seems to us advisable to make a suggestion, that in the settlement of the location of public buildings, citizens throughout our city should be careful that no feeling of factional sentiment should be allowed to intervene, so as to disturb or affect the harmony which has prevailed hitherto. We are one and all interested in the success and prosperity of every part of the city, and should strive to encourage the growth and development of every part. While each must look out as best he may, for his individual welfare, he must not forget that the prosperity of some other in our city he is indirectly and permanently benefited himself.

Hold on to Your Home.

The Phillipsburg Dispatch publishes the following sensible advice to those who have farms in Kansas:

There is a disposition among many of our farmers who find themselves possessed of valuable farms which they entered as government land, to sell out, that they may immediately realize in cash, the money they have made. Generally speaking, we think they are committing a very serious mistake. Upon them, the pioneers of a new country, have fallen the burdens and hardship of developing a barren waste into a rich and productive country, and who shall realize the benefits if not they? The last few years have developed the fact to the satisfaction of every intelligent farmer that as an agricultural and stock raising country, Northwest Kansas is second to none. The land taken and bought by our fathers years ago in Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska at from \$1.25 to \$19.00 per acre is today, one generation after, worth from \$40 to \$100 per acre. History repeats itself, and what happened there will assuredly come to pass here as that day will follow night. Why then not hold on to your farms and realize the increase in value instead of selling it to another to reap the reward of your efforts. Hold on to your Kansas farms, friends, they are better investments than National Bank stock; you are your own cashier—they are insurance policies, providing amply for the welfare and education of your children. Improve your farms and hold on to them, and year by year they will grow dearer to you as homes, and more valuable as property. Railroads will build to you in time, affording you good markets for your produce. Schools and churches and the refining influence of your homes in the east are coming—only wait. Hold on to the home that you have and you will never regret the act.

The present post office building is inadequate to the needs of Colby is evident—as to where the post office building should be located is a matter it seems to us, that ought to be decided by the post master himself, he keeping in view, not the interests of any particular portion of the city, but the interests of the business and resident community as a whole. We need a larger and better arranged post office building than we now have, and it should be located as centrally with reference to the business community as feasible.

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Notice for Publication.

STATE OF KANSAS, ss.

THOMAS COUNTY, ss.

In the Probate Court for said County and State, in the matter of the Estate of Jane E. Jennings—Notice of Final Settlement.

The creditors, heirs, and all others interested in the estate of Jane E. Jennings, deceased, will take notice that I, Ira Jennings, Administrator of said estate, will on the 23 day of January, A. D. 1888, at the next term of said Court, make final settlement, and ask for an order of distribution of said estate.

IRA JENNINGS, Administrator of Jane E. Jennings, deceased.

Alias Notice No. 8134.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kans., Oct. 13, 1887.

Complaint having been entered at this office by J. P. Gordon against Wm. Schuyler for abandoning her homestead entry No. 652, dated Oct. 21st, 1887, upon the NW 1/4 sec 22, town 6 south, range 3 west, in Thomas county, Kans., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; alleging abandonment; that she has changed her residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry; that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said party as required by law; further, that she has shilly failed to ever build a house, or to establish or maintain a residence on said land, or in any manner to improve said tract since date of entry; the same being wholly abandoned at the present time by said defendant.

The said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 15th day of Dec., 1887, at 10 o'clock a. m. to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

FRANK BACON, Register. G Webb Bertram

Notice No. 8683.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kans., Oct. 13, 1887.

Complaint having been entered at this office by William E. Hamilton against Walter Makinson for abandoning his H Entry No 574, dated Sept 24, 1887, upon the NW 1/4 sec 22, town 6 south, range 3 west, in Thomas county Kans., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; alleging abandonment; that he has changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry; that said tract is not settled upon and cultivated by said defendant as required by law; that said defendant failed to build a house or establish a residence thereon at any time since making said entry; that there is no habitable house on said land.

The said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 15th day of Dec., 1887, at 10 o'clock a. m. to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

FRANK BACON, Register. TULLY SCOTT, Receiver.

Notice No. 645.

U. S. Land Office, Oberlin, Kans., Oct. 7, 1887.

Complaint having been entered at this office by John Murphy against E. D. Vallette for abandoning his H Entry No 541, dated Sept 28, November 16, 1887, dated May 16, 1888, upon the northeast quarter sec 5, township 6 south, range 3 west, in Thomas county Kans., with a view to the cancellation of said entry; alleging that E. D. Vallette on the 15th day of Nov., 1887, made fraudulent proof on the aforesaid tract, that said defendant removed from the said premises all his household effects several days prior to his making said proof, and that at the time of making said proof, this defendant did not reside on said land; that this defendant did not establish and maintain a residence on said land six months prior to his offering final proof, and that there is no roof on his house on said claim. The walls are fallen down, and this defendant has failed and neglected to keep up his improvements since offering his said proof.

The said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 15th day of Dec., 1887, at 10 o'clock a. m. to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment.

FRANK BACON, Register. Ray & Getzer

NOTICE—FINAL PROOF, SCHOOL LAND.

Public notice is hereby given that William Rinklin will on the 23rd day of November, 1887, at Colby, Kansas, make proof before M. L. Lacey, Probate Judge of Thomas county, state of Kansas, of his settlement, residence, cultivation and improvement on the southeast quarter of section 21, township 6 south of range 3 west in Thomas county and state of Kansas, the same being land selected by the state of Kansas as school land. He names as witnesses to prove such settlement and improvements: W. Archer, W. Lord, F. Fagan, F. Lord, all residents of Thomas county, Kan. M. L. LACEY, Probate Judge.

NOTICE—FINAL PROOF—SCHOOL LAND.

Public notice is hereby given that Asa M. Smith will, on the 23rd day of November, 1887, at Colby, Kansas, make proof before M. L. Lacey, Probate Judge of Thomas county, Kan., of his settlement, residence, cultivation and improvement on the southeast quarter of section 21, township 6 south of range 3 west, in Thomas county, Kansas, the same being land selected by the state of Kansas as school land. He names as witnesses to prove such settlement and improvement: J. W. Cunly, James C. Fassell, Samuel Fassell and Earl Fell, all residents of Thomas county, Kan. M. L. LACEY, Probate Judge.

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