



Great Blizzard NEW YORK, OHIO,

And all Eastern States, has been raging for some days, but

OUR BLIZZARD

Has just commenced, and

WILL LAST FOR 30 DAYS.

I will move my stock of clothing and furnishing goods into the back store room now being completed for me, about the last of January, and in order to reduce my stock before moving,

DOWN, DOWN, DOWN GO PRICES,

20 TO 25 DEGREES,

in order to give all an opportunity to secure

GREAT BARGAINS!

Table with columns: OVERCOATS, BEST ASTRAKHAN COATS AND VESTS, UNDERWEAR, MEN'S AND YOUTHS' OVERCOATS, MEN'S AND YOUTHS' BOOTS. Lists various clothing items and their prices.

Great Reduction!

Men's, Youths' and Children's Suits.

OUR CLOTHING

All Tailor-made, and you can get a better fit than in any place in the West.

Thanking all for the patronage you have given me, and trusting you will call and secure some of the many bargains we are offering you in the next thirty days.

Remember that my goods are all New, Late Styles, and bought cheap, therefore are much lower than anywhere in the West. Goods are marked in plain figures, and the per cent will be deducted on the already low prices we have marked.

Yours, anxious to please,

H. C. SHIMP,

22nd Street, Brady Building,

COLBY, KANSAS.

Official County Directory.

Clerk—James M. Summers. Treasurer—C. M. Hovey. Register of Deeds—James C. Passell. Sheriff—M. W. Williams. Surveyor—T. P. Williams. Coroner—Dr. S. B. Utgen. Com'rs—First Dist.—W. H. Smith. Second—Frank Pingree, Ch'n. Third—W. M. Baldwin. Probate Judge—M. L. Lacey. Superintendent Public Lands—W. W. Walker. Attorney—W. S. Willcoxon. Representative—G. W. Goodson. Clerk District Court—E. J. Paine. District Judge—L. K. Pratt.

City Directory.

Mayor—M. Donelan. Clerk—E. S. Teal. Treasurer—J. E. Meglemre. Marshal—C. M. Stewart. Police Judge—J. B. Irwin. Councilmen—W. W. Walker, Dr. C. E. Corporan, F. H. Smith, E. A. Hall.

North Solomon.

R. S. Brown has fenced 160 acres in pasture, and has bought some 15 head of calves. N. Byers is digging a well for Mr. Ekard. Jean Rohabaugh is happy since the arrival of his second boy. L. Thomas is on the sick list this week. The North Solomon literary draws a full house every Saturday night. We had a very pleasant time at our Christmas tree and presents for all. We feel the need of a larger house for public gatherings. Why don't some one try for a post office at Altair?

An agreeable and complete surprise Friday morning, Dec. 30th, proving the fine lay of the week, and by 10 o'clock, wagons and carts were seen moving in several directions, indicating that the people of North Solomon were still alive; yet, Chas. H. Piaster and Lady were oblivious of, as yet, what all this commotion meant. But they were not kept long in suspense, as by eleven o'clock (as it were by clock work) these several vehicles, representing ten families, and in all 35 persons, came to a halt at the residence of C. H. Piaster. The surprisers consisted of Mr. Jas. Karns and family, J. W. Street and family, R. S. Brown and lady, L. Brown and lady, S. T. Wolf and lady, J. Randall and family, N. Byers and lady, Mr. Harris and lady, Mrs. Lark, and Jean Rohabaugh and family. Some suspicious looking baskets and boxes were seen under seats and covers, and by the time the surprised had attended to the stabling of teams &c., some one had placed turkeys and chickens in the oven, and the contents of the baskets transferred to the table, which made it groan beneath its load of all the delicacies of the land. The afternoon exercises consisted of music, singing and blind fold walking. The day passed off pleasantly to all, yet some uneasiness is felt for J. Randall on account of his delicate appetite, as he has not been seen or heard of since that day. Come again neighbors. CHAS. H. PLASTER.

Wendell Items.

As it has been a long while since we have seen any items from this part of Wendell we thought we would scratch down a few as it might interest some of our eastern friends to know that this part of Thomas county still exists, and as yet no one has left to see his wife's folks that we know of. We would like to know what has become of Old Maid, as we have not heard from him for some time. It is our opinion that he has got married. We think he might take a few moments once in a while and write up a few items. Fly by Day is recovering from a long spell of carelessness. We hope he will be more prompt in the future. Rev. Scott, Baptist Minister from Oberlin, has been holding a protracted meeting at the Summers School House for nearly two weeks. Several united with the church. There will be prayer meeting every Sunday night, and preaching every fourth Sunday and Saturday before at the Summers School House. John Samuelson is digging a well for James Poland. James has been hauling water for nearly three years. We think he will appreciate it very much. Mr. Jones and Swede Charley are helping Mr. Gilmore get up ice. Mr. V. C. Nicol and wife are visiting friends in Missouri. J. M. Summers will move to Colby in the near future. W. H. Summers has planted five acres of walnuts on his father's tree claim, and has been building a house on the claim, but the cold weather has stopped the work until the grand thaw. There has been a great many proved up this fall to get money to keep them and their families through the winter. They are not leaving. We all have faith enough in Thomas county to stay a while longer. We hope for good crops, and plenty of them, this year. FLY BY DAY.

LICENSED TO WED.

The following is a list of licenses issued by M. L. Lacey, Probate Judge of Thomas county, Kan., during the months of November and December, and up to January 24, 1888: Nov. 2, A. Tollman to Sarah A. Starr, age 31 and 27 respectively, both of Thomas Co. Nov. 3, John E. Bott to Elvina Grissam, age 28 and 16 resp, both of Thomas Co. Nov. 5, S. M. Jensen, Rawlins Co, to Emma Miller, Thomas Co., age 31 and 28 resp. Nov. 21, S. C. Passell to Dora McCumber, age 30 and 20 resp, both of Thomas Co. Nov. 24, Chas. W. Clark to Alice M. Hutchinson, age 28 and 18 resp, both of Thomas Co. Nov. 26, Henry Franklin to Laura A. Callahan, age 21 and 21 resp, both of Thomas Co. Dec. 4, Joseph Sigman to Laura Hays, age 20 and 21 resp, both of Thomas Co. Dec. 25, B. Grant Ward to Eva Byous, age 27 and 19 resp, both of Thomas Co. Jan. 1, 1888, Lewis E. Johnson to Alice J. Holt, age 21 and 23 resp, both of Thomas Co.

School books, copy books, slates and pencils and school crayons at 1/2 price.

Written for the Cat.

(The following, written by one of our sentimental friends, of Geneva, Nebr., came too late to appear in our Christmas issue, but we consider it of sufficient merit to print it even at this late date.) Oh, Thomas Cat, you should get fat, so near the holidays; For various meats you have to eat, all cooked in different ways. We think you are a good old cat though you never catch a mouse; You are a welcome visitor when stopping at our house— You tell us of fair Colby's boom; we know it is the truth. And still we say the little town is scarcely in its youth. Oh, yes, we love the Tommy Cat, though coming in such form; He tells us all the news around, of cyclone and of storm. And what he says we know is true—we do not doubt a whit, For 't was not very long ago this tommy had a kit. I show him to my neighbors; they say 'tis very nice, But think a small town can't afford variety of spice. I tell them I have been there, and know what I have seen, And if they'd go to Colby once, they would not call her green; So I will close, but I will say, good bye old Thomas Cat, If you want to hear from me again, just please to pass the hat. EVE PLANNET.

Toys! Toys! Toys!

All Christmas goods at Kansas City prices at A. W. Patchin's.

FINE

Improved Farm

FOR SALE

For sale: my farm, situated three miles north of Colby. A large frame dwelling, two large sod barns, frame tool house, 2 miles of three-wire fence, pasture of 70 acres, 80 acres of farm broken, 20 acres in wheat, and other improvements. This is the best farm in Thomas county. Call on or address, CHARLES VAIL, Colby, Kas.

DR. V. C. EDDY, M. D.

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FOR SALE AT LOW PRICES. I offer for sale at low prices my herd of Angus Cattle, consisting of about 40 head. Some fine young bulls at a bargain if taken soon. Cattle can be seen at my place 10 miles northeast of Colby. E. H. MCWHINNEY.

JOSEPH A. GILL,

Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

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Good rigs and plenty of Stabling and Feed. COLBY, - KANSAS.

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HICKETT & HERBERGER. Fresh and salt meats constantly on hand at lowest prices. Your patronage is solicited. Highest cash prices paid for pork and beef. 22 DOOR SOUTH MORRISON & SONS, COLBY, - KANSAS.

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M. D. LESSENGER,

Attorney and Counselor at Law.

AND NOTARY PUBLIC.

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STANDARD BAKERY

AND CONFECTIONERY. Always on hand a full line of bread, cakes, and pies, of finest quality. Wedding cakes a specialty. C. W. DOUGLASS, Proprietor.

MONEY!

Do you need anything of the kind? If you do and have the collateral, either real or personal you can get it of me. I also buy promissory notes, county warrants, school orders, &c. F. G. LAUBACH.

E. VAN METRE,

ATTORNEY AT LAW.

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FRANK PINGREE, Notary Public, Colby, Kans

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Attorney at Law--

Notary Public. All land business promptly and accurately done and satisfaction guaranteed.

TO THOSE HAVING FARM OR TOWN PROPERTY FOR SALE OR TRADE--

We would respectfully announce to our readiness to handle the same on commission. LIST YOUR PROPERTY WITH US. TO BUYERS.—Call and look over our list of bargains. EASTERN MONEY to loan on farms at current rates. VAN METRE & DALLAM.

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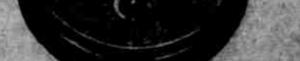
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