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ARDMORE, I. T., TUESDAY, D. C. 26.

## FULL JURISDICTION.

In commenting upon the action of the bar meeting recently held in this city for the purpose of formulating a bill to be presented to congress giving the courts of the Indian Territory exclusive jurisdiction the Duncan Banner has this to say:

It was fortunate for us that we were represented at the meeting of that body held at Ardmore.

It would seem that the greed of Ardmore had been overmatched by the monumental gall of Purcell an agreement had been reached, to favor a bill locating a court at each of these places, ignoring the claims of the Rock Island country. It was a great grief to Ardmore no doubt to concede this much. This was the situation when our delegation came upon the scene with its report.

The Banner goes further in its unjust comments and intimates that in case the Rock Island is not provided for that the bill will receive no support from that section of the country.

The above reminds us of a little incident in the long ago. We once knew a Methodist preacher, a very worthy man, and one of his sons who was married and considered settled, although a little rolicky visited his father-in-law in a neighboring town. After supper he started out to take in the town and brought up at a ten pin alley where he was rolling balls and having a high old time. Presently he noticed that the boy who set up the pins, like himself was the son of a Methodist preacher. He quit in disgust, went to his father-in-laws, and told them where he had been and what he had been doing and that upon discovering the son of a Methodist preacher there that he had then quit in disgust. He was a-ked if his father was not a Methodist preacher. That fact had not dawned upon him before. He wilted. The Duncan Banner rails at the selfishness of Ardmore, and at the same time says that unless the Rock Island is given a slice of the chicken pie the interest of the people of the Indian Territory may go to the low wows. Of course there is no selfishness about the Duncan Banner. It only wants a branch of the court on the Rock Island and if it can not get that it is perfectly willing for the people of the Indian Territory to still be dragged to Paris and Ft. Smith. It is very patriotic indeed. It seems to forget that although the Rock Island should not be so fortunate as to get a branch of the court that the increase of the jurisdiction of the commissioners court would enable the people along the Rock Island to settle three-fourths of their litigation at home and not be dragged to Ardmore on petty cases as they are now. It seems to us that this is the quintessence of selfishness. It is narrow minded and unless the people discard all such feeling they can have little hope of help from congress.

The ARDMOREITE is for Ardmore first, last and all of the time, but it can say that the Ardmore delegation was not unanimous in the effort to shut out the Rock Island. A goodly portion if not half of the delegation stood by the Rock Island from start to finish.

We want complete jurisdiction for the territorial court and judges enough to transact the business, without reference to where the courts are located.

Expense is a great bug bear to

congressmen seeking re-election and if we ask for too many places of holding court we may lose the whole thing. Let us all discard selfishness and make a long pull a strong pull and a pull all together for complete jurisdiction and we will get it. Let us not accuse each other of selfishness for we might all be "sons of Methodist preachers." Harmony is the keynote to success.

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Mr. George A. Kidd, who for several months past has been in the employ of W. F. Whittington, and who a few weeks since, was taken in a serious condition of health to his home at Bells, Tex., died last Sunday morning.

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The Ardmoreite extends its sympathies to the afflicted family in this their sad hour of trouble.

The cake walk to be given at the residence of Dr. Wolverton to-night promises to be a most unique and enjoyable affair. The Ardmoreite trusts it will be well attended, bespeaking for all a pleasant evening, and their aid in a worthy cause.

## OUR CHRISTMAS.

Yesterday was Christmas. The day was quietly observed in Ardmore. There were no disturbances, aside from those committed by the small boy and the fire-cracker.

There were no disturbing drunks, on the contrary most every one was distressingly sober.

The various churches gave Christmas tree entertainments last night, more complete details of which appear elsewhere. The various hotels and boarding houses gave elaborate dinners which were enjoyed to the fullest extent by their guests. Taken all together it was one of the quietest, and at the same time, most highly respected Christmas ever witnessed in Ardmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Jones were made happy yesterday by the advent into their family of a double amount of Christmas joy. They are twin-girls, weighing nine pounds each. The attending physician acted the part of Santa Claus.

## A CUTTING AFFRAY.

Yesterday afternoon, at the negro dive across the gulch, in the east part of town, two negroes, John Crawford and John Blue, became engaged in a difficulty, in which the latter received three ugly wounds from a knife in the hands of the former.

It appears that Blue was on the retreat when the cuts were inflicted, as they are all in the back and in close proximity to each other. One of the wounds is very dangerous and probably fatal.

Crawford left immediately, and up to this time has not been apprehended. He is supposed to have made for Texas.

The Jones string band was out last night serenading. Mr. Jones was ably assisted by a number of vocalists who contributed largely to the pleasantry of the occasion. That pathetic piece, "We Wont Go Home Till Morning," was the principal rendition, and we presume they carried out the sentiment of the song to the fullest extent.

A woman was robbed at the F. A. and I. T. wagon yard Saturday night of all the money she possessed. The amount could not be learned. The city made up sufficient money to send her to her destination. There is no clue to the robbers.

The City boarding house served an elegant Christmas dinner yesterday, which was greatly enjoyed by the boarders and invited guests.

## EXECUTORS NOTICE.

Having been appointed executor of the estate of Fayette Wikins, deceased, all parties interested therein are hereby notified that I will be at the Texas Billiard Hall on the first day of January, 1894, at which time a settlement of all the affairs of the estate will be made. Any parties having claims against estate or owing anything thereto, are requested to be on hand on that day.

J. R. Young, Executor. 211 W.

The stores, with but few exceptions, closed their doors yesterday and gave their employes a full holiday. This was a most commendable act on the part of our business men. Clerks as a rule are faithful workers and are accorded very little time to themselves. Christmas comes but once a year, and aside from the sanctity of the occasion, should afford a day of rest to all classes and conditions in life.

Mrs. Minnie Smith, of Gainesville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Paterson.

Dr. Hardy went to Berwyn on the morning train.

## THE WRONG PLACE.

A Couple Who Were Married When They Had no Need to Be So.

A good story is being told of a Pennsylvania preacher. One Sunday afternoon a couple called at the parsonage and in broken English inquired, if the "preacher man" lived there. And, on being invited in they commenced preparing their toilet. Of course it was supposed they had come to be married and every assistance was given by the preacher and good wife in getting ready for the ceremony. The bridal veil and wreath were carefully adjusted by the lady, and the gentleman carefully combed his hair. Then their hands were joined and the solemn words were spoken which bind humans together in wedlock.

The ceremony over, of course it was supposed the newly-married couple would be in haste to depart. But it was not so with them, and by their actions they betrayed that they expected something else before leaving. Finally the reverend gentleman remarked, "Well, now you are married," and the answer came, "Oh, yes, we bin married last February, and now want unner bigture taken." A feather would have knocked down the preacher upon the revelation. It was the "picture man" they were looking for, and not the "preacher man." However, there can now be no mistake about their being married, and that the knot is tied good and tight.

## IN FOLLY'S WAKE.

"I never see Goldby with your sister any more." "No, they meet very seldom now." "Have they quarreled?" "No; they're married."

Mistress—So you are going to leave my service? Now, what motive impels you to go away? Servant—It's no motive, madame; it's a soldier.

Doctor—I would advise you to take a walk every morning before breakfast. Sappy—But, doctor, I—ah, never get up until after breakfast, y'know.

He—I dreamed last night that I died and went to heaven. She—How could you tell that it was heaven? He—There wasn't a soul there that I had ever known.

"Why did you leave your last place? Were you dissatisfied?" Bridget—I was, ma'am; the mistress would insist on givin' me wages, whin it's salary I was wantin'.

Mrs. Jones—Ethel, you might tell me who the young man is that called last evening. Ethel, just seventeen—Certain'y, mamma, if you're curious about it; that's the young man I'm engaged to.

## THE "EAR OF DIONYSIUS."

A cunningly constructed prison cavern, consisting of a large chamber connected with one of smaller dimensions, situated near Syracuse, Italy, has gone into legendary history with the title of the "Ear of Dionysius." The smaller chamber was unknown to the prisoners kept in this underground dungeon, and the tyrant by whose name it was known had a habit of secreting himself there to listen to the conversation of the convicts, who were mostly political offenders. An ingenious device constructed at the smaller end of the larger chamber transmitted the sounds through the partition, thus enabling the suspicious ruler to hear even the whispered conversations of his suspects.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION

### OF THE CITY NATIONAL BANK,

At Ardmore, in the Indian Territory, at the Close of Business, December 19, 1893.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$ 43,884 00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	41,310 00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500 00
Premiums on U. S. bonds	1,400 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	8,000 00
Due from national banks (not Reserve Agents)	4,743 47
Due from state banks and bankers	17 25
Due from approved Reserve Agents	15,183 62
Checks and other cash items	282 30
Notes of other national banks	1,848 00
Fractional paper, currency, notes and coin	88 81
Specie	88,404 50
Legal tender notes	5,800 00
Due from U. S. treasurer, other than 5 per cent redemption fund	562 30
Total	\$143,347 85

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$50,000 00
Surplus fund	30,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,037 06
National bank notes outstanding	11,250 00
Due to other national banks	3,628 71
Individual deposits subject to check	71,683 58
Cashier's checks outstanding	50 00
Total	\$143,547 35

Indian Territory, County of Pickett, ss: I, George R. Edwards, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of December, 1893. N. H. McCoy, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: A. J. WOLVERTON, J. A. BLYERS, C. A. SANDWY, Directors.

## MIXED MATTERS.

The star sapphire shows in its depths a white star with five rays. In Australia many horseshoes are now made of cowhide instead of iron. A corner lot in San Francisco, once exchanged for a suit of clothes, is now considered worth \$1,000,000.

Medieval doctors considered chips from the gallows on which somebody had been hanged a good remedy for ague.

Over twenty-six per cent of the reading men in every country are short-sighted or otherwise of defective vision.

"Izal" is the name of a new non-poisonous disinfectant which has been successfully used for dressing wounds, bruises, etc., in England.

The school board of Auburn, Maine, has decided that it takes six children to make a school, and they intend closing up all schools having less than that number.

Young women of Germany have a superstition that if they bury a drop of their blood under a rose bush it will ever after insure the expectant mother a pair of rosy cheeks.

Several prominent London physicians have testified that wood pavements are responsible for a new form of sore throat that has attacked a large number of people in that city.

A colossal marble statue of Apollo was unearthed recently at Delphi, Greece. The statue, which is believed to be of the old school, is excellently preserved, and is said to bear a strong resemblance to the Apollo of Tenos, in the museum at Munich.

An old program of the Harvard commencement exercises for 1801 records that on that occasion there were orations in Latin, Greek and Hebrew, English poems, forensic disputations, colloquial discussions, and dialogues on questions of the day, besides a number of English orations.

The people down in East Dixfield, Me., find that there is such a thing as too good roads. All the owners of trotters in the vicinity of the town, having discovered the excellence of the highways, use them as speeding grounds and make travel on them dangerous for foot passengers and drivers of every-day horses.

## ITEMS AND IDEAS.

Iron steamships were first built in Great Britain in 1813.

The fattest man ever known was Daniel Lambert, who weighed 739 pounds.

The air pump, of which science has made so successful a use, was invented in 1654.

The national cemeteries of Tennessee contain the graves of 57,179 Union soldiers.

The total loss incurred through the Panama canal swindles is estimated at \$200,000,000.

The first illustrated bible ever published was the Nuremberg bible printed in 1470.

Gutta serena was introduced into Europe from Malaga in 1852. The annual consumption now is 4,000,000 pounds.

The state of New York leads every state, save California, in the production of grapes. About 40,000 acres in that state is planted in grapes.

A Smith college senior failed to secure a diploma because she had a number of outstanding unpaid bills in the college town. One of these amounted to \$200 and was for ice cream sodas.

Of fifteen physicians recently examined in Baltimore by the state board of medical examiners in which is vested the authority to grant licenses to practice, Miss Ida Pollock took the highest rank, making an average of 93%.

Sir George Humphrey, who has investigated the life history of centenarians in England with the view of ascertaining the causes and circumstances of longevity, has reported that centenarians are almost invariably lean people of spare habits, and small eaters and drinkers. He further adds that abstemiousness from alcohol is found to be the general rule.

Osman Pasha, native administrator of the Egyptian state—that is, secretary of agriculture—was one of the distinguished visitors to the Columbian exposition. His especial purpose in visiting America is to study the cotton plantations and such other forms of agriculture as may be most useful to his people.

Victor Herbert, the composer and violinist, is the new leader of Gilmore's band. Mr. Reeves, who has been leader since shortly after F. S. Gilmore's death, will return to Providence and resume the control of the band which so long bore his name. Herbert is a lineal descendant of the Irish novelist, Samuel Lover.

The most active member of the Beecher family now living is Rev. Thomas K. Beecher, pastor of the Park church in Elmira. He is a tall, broad-shouldered man, 69 years old, with a plentiful brown beard, now tinged with white, and is fond of billiards, bowling and tricycling. He has been settled over the Elmira church since 1854.

Sculptor Franklin Simmons' model of General Logan has been approved by the Logan monument commission at the war department, in Washington, and by Mrs. Logan. The monument, which is to adorn the city of Washington, is of an equestrian figure, mounted on an ornate pedestal, on one side of which in full relief is a scene from the career of Logan when he is taking the oath as a United States senator, and on the other side a similar panel representing one of the councils of war.

Merry Christmas to all.

# W. F. Whittington

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