

OKLAHOMA'S FIRST LYNCHING.

Farmer Hanged by a Posse of Cattle-men as Warning to Others.

Woodward, O. T., May 14.—Mr. J. L. Chandler, a resident of Ioland, Day county, was taken from his home by a posse of cattlemen and hanged. The lynching party was composed of Day county cattlemen.

There has been trouble between the farmers and cattlemen of Day county for some time. During the past few weeks the trouble has been growing graver and many cattle have died of poisoned water.

Mr Chandler was suspected of being one of the party who has been poisoning the water and he was lynched as a warning to others.

Officers are on the trail of the lynching party and they will sooner or later be run to earth and receive the full penalty of the law for their crime.

This is the first lynching that has occurred in Oklahoma since its organization as a territory.

The question originated over the question of free range, the cattlemen being fierce for it and the farmers not wanting it. The land in western Oklahoma is still subject to homestead entry and many a small farmer has had all his crop eaten up by the cattle and has had no course of redress, not having any way of paying the cost of a suit in the courts.

It has retarded the settlement of some of the western counties to a great extent. A poor man who wanted a home in some of those counties has often been told to move on by interested parties who wanted the range, and the cattlemen have been very negligent about trying to protect the farmers' crop by keeping their cattle in hand.

The act of the legislature in 1899 in granting free range west of range 14, also provided that a herd law could be voted upon at election, and in their effort to get these elections the will of the farmers has been thwarted by the cattlemen until the trouble has assumed the proportion of a feud, the farmer being arrayed against the cattlemen, and the end is not yet in sight.

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HAIL STORM IN OKLAHOMA.

Cattle Killed and Wheat Fields Devastated By Pelts of Ice.

El Reno, O. T., May 14.—A strip of country four miles wide and eighteen miles long was devastated by hail within three miles of El Reno last night about 6 o'clock.

Wheat fields, orchards and all growing crops within the storm's path were totally destroyed and much live stock was killed.

The hail stones were unusually large, many going through the roofs of barns and houses. In low places hail drifted to the depth of from fourteen to twenty-four inches. The roar of the storm could be heard two miles away.

The loss is estimated at \$80,000. Part of the wheat was covered by hail insurance. There was considerable rain here, but very little hail.

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1dwlm Ardmore, I. T.

McKinley, the Husband.

"Of all the tributes paid the President of the United States in the course of his tour of the country none has been so eloquent, and none other can be, as that paid him by one woman. That woman is his wife," says the Atlanta Constitution. And it is even so.

At New Orleans she, for the first time, allowed herself to be interviewed. It could hardly be called an interview, however, for it was but the expression of an opinion casually given; but it is doubtful if anything ever said of the president could bring him quite as close to all the people as this from his wife:

"Do you know Major McKinley?" she asked. "Ah, no one can know him, because to appreciate him one must know him as I do. And I am not speaking now of Major McKinley as the president. I am speaking of him as my husband. If any one could know what it is to have a wife sick, complaining, always an invalid for twenty-five years, seldom a day well, and yet never a word of unkindness has ever passed his lips; he is just the same tender, thoughtful, kind gentleman I knew when first he came and sought my hand. "I know him because I am his wife, and it is my proudest pleasure to say this, not because he is the President, but because he is my husband. "I wish that I could have seen him yesterday. I love to see him among the people whom he seeks to serve so faithfully. But I read his speeches this morning. I read all his speeches. I only wish that I could help him as I should. "He is so kind, so good, so patient. He gives me all the time he can; he never forgets me, no matter how busy he is. But I will be glad when he is out of public life; I did not want him to run a second time. I thought he had done enough for the country, and now I know that he has done enough and when his term expires he will come home and we will settle down quietly and he will belong to me."

President McKinley has made for himself quite a reputation for happy little speeches, but he must look to his laurels. This little talk of his wife is well up with the very best things he has said.

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Capital vs. Capital.

London, May 14.—Easy settlement has been allowed the English Northern Pacific shorts at a hundred and forty due. An ultimatum has been delivered to Pierpont Morgan by the Rothschild banking house. They told him if he tried to engineer a financial sensation in London they would smash several of his deals.

The financial giant of the new world saw that it was desirable to avoid a struggle with the financial giants of the old world.

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LEON.

Special Correspondence.

Leon, May 13.—A very heavy rain fell here last night, accompanied with considerable wind and some hail. Some fruit trees and fences were blown down, but no further damage was done that we know of.

Quite a crowd of men, women and children gathered at the Leon cemetery Thursday to fix up the fence, clean off the grounds and plant out shrubbery, and while we were there the remains of Mrs. McFarland, who died in Ardmore, were buried. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. G. Forkner.

Several persons joined the Baptist church, and fifteen were baptized in Red river last Sunday, the converts being the result of Rev. Jones' meeting. Mr. Jones is holding a meeting at Keltner this week, and several conversions are reported so far.

The people of Leon have recently purchased a new organ for the Methodist church here which adds much to the music at the Sunday school.

Mrs. Coleman Hammond is still quite sick, very little hopes are entertained for her recovery. Mrs. Burt Johnson is also quite sick.

Wm. Keltner has moved to Duncan I. T.

J. W. McIntire and wife of Orr visited the family of J. D. Rodgers Sunday.

The boys of Leon have organized themselves into a secret order. They have christened themselves, "Y. A. W." meaning "Young American Wheelers."

Miss Pearl Johnson, who has been sick with rheumatism so long, has recovered and returned to school at Ardmore.

Mrs. Long, who lived near Leon, died and was buried here a few days ago.

In constipation Herbine affords a natural, healthful remedy, acting promptly. A few small doses will usually be found to so regulate the excretory functions that they are able to operate without any aid whatever. Price 50 cts. W. B. Frame, City Drug Store.

MCKINLEY.

Special Correspondence.

McKinley, I. T., May 13.—This place was visited by a water spout Sunday night, which on the bottom lands proved very destructive to crops. It began raining at 10 p. m. and continued until 3:30 a. m. Little Hickory creek was higher by two feet than it has been for 10 years. A great deal of fencing and water gaps are gone, and the farmers are busy today "fixing fences." However the rain was badly needed, but too much fell this time.

Whooping cough is as "thick as hops," all seem to have it, but no serious results.

Several new cases of smallpox reported very near us this week. Rev. Stanford filed his regular appointment here last Saturday and Sunday.

John Rose and family from near Ardmore visited at G. W. Freeman's Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Bryant, mother of Mrs. Freeman, visited her this week.

Will Green of Overbrook was here on business one day this week.

Several successful fishing parties have gone out this week.

Rev. Glenn and Uncle Jack Gallagher of Orinne attended church here last Sunday.

The date of the Sunday school celebration has been changed from the 4th of July to the second day of July.

For whooping cough, asthma, bronchitis, or Consumption, no medicine equals Ballard's Horehound Syrup. Price, 25 and 50 cts. W. B. Frame, City Drug Store.

Sales of Territory Cattle.

Among the sales of Southern cattle at Kansas City last week were:

J. M. Pollard, Ardmore, I. T., 119 steers, 890 pounds, at \$4.15.

L. A. Keys, Nowata, I. T., 24 steers, 922 pounds, at \$4.40.

J. C. Crawford, Poreell, I. T., 26 steers, 1020 pounds, at \$4.50.

Rosenbaum Bros., Chickasha, I. T., 19 steers, 1014 pounds, at \$4.55.

J. R. Todd, Nowata, I. T., 66 steers, 1130 pounds, at \$4.80.

Driggers Bros., Chickasha, I. T., 142 steers, 1060 pounds, at \$4.27 1/2.

J. M. Harris, Chickasha, I. T., 69 steers, 954 pounds, at \$4.70.

T. S. Hutton, Muskogee, I. T., 40 heifers, 419 pounds, at \$4.25.

Alva Roff, Ardmore, I. T., 219 steers, 816 pounds, at \$4.30.

Will Light is now located at Carter's barn, phone 107. 'Bus meets all trains, day and night. When Light gets your call you never get left.

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We Hadn't Lost a Burglar.

"John," she said, suddenly shaking him, "there is a burglar in the house."

"Are you sure?" he asked.

"Positive," she replied. "Don't you hear him?"

He got up and began to dress hastily, but quietly.

"What are you going to do, John?" she inquired.

"I am going to sneak out the back way and get a policeman," he answered.

"But if you go right down stairs now," she said, "you'll find him in the dining room."

"Oh, I'll find him, will I?" he retorted sarcastically. "Well, now you just look me over carefully."

"Yes, John; what of it?"

"Do I look like a man who has lost a burglar anywhere?"

"Not of course not, but—"

"Do I have the reputation of being an impertinent fellow who is always interfering with other people's business? Do I in any way resemble the lost and found department of a daily newspaper?"

"No."

"Then why should I get tangled up with other people's property?"

"You're afraid, John."

"Afraid nothing!" he retorted indignantly. "I am looking at it from an ethical point of view. This burglar undoubtedly has been lost by the police, and if I took charge of him they might think I was trying to steal him and make a lot of trouble for me. Besides, I'm no searching party. You women don't understand the ethics of business at all."—Chicago Post.

Testing the Schoolmaster.

In the town records of the city of Boston there is a curious passage which records how a schoolmaster was examined and what happened. The manner in which he visited of inspection is recorded makes one incline to the view that the unlucky schoolmaster may not have had fair play, although if he was really inefficient he may be said to have been judged by his peers.

In the record for the 22d of May, 1722, it is set forth that:

"Coll. Pen Townsend, Jeremiah Allen Esqr. & John Edwards together with the Select men. Visited the wrighting School at the Southerly End of Boston on Thursday the 24th April 1722 and Examined the Scholars under Mr Ames Angers tuition as to their proficiency in Reading writing Scyphering & the masters ability of teaching & instructing youth his rules & methods therefore And are of Opinion That it will be no Service to the Town to Continue, Mr Anger in that Employ."

Whereupon it was voted that the said Mr. Ames Anger should not continue master of the "Said South school."

It is true that nothing is said of the methods of spelling inculcated at the "wrighting School," and it is also possible that a clerk rather than the committee was responsible for the errors of the record, but there is certainly something absurd in the passage as it stands.

Maddened by Solitude.

The Canadian northwest is a probationary haven for wealthy young Englishmen of nomadic instincts. Numbers of them annually purchase hunting and camping outfits from the Hudson Bay company and strike into the barren lands to prospect for minerals or take up land on the prairies. But most often they return to the civilization of the towns with nothing but hard words for the wilderness.

The construction of the Temiscaming railroad induced the younger son of one wealthy English family to take a trip into that outlandish district. He returned to Ottawa a disappointed man. "It's the most desolate country you can imagine," he said to his friends. "I have been out prospecting sometimes for a whole day without seeing a sign of animal life. Once the only living thing I came across was a drd, and it was so disgusted that it was trying to knock its brains out against a tree."

He had seen a woodpecker.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Old Gooseberry For New Ships.

It may be ungenerous to dispel a popular delusion, but there is no one among the thousands who witness a ship launch who does not believe that the beautifully garlanded bottle of wine broken against the stem of a ship is anything but the choicest brand of champagne drawn from the admiral's cellar. Whenever a ship is launched in a dockyard, the admiralty generously allow 440 as the cost of the jubilation, and included in this sum of 440 is the item of 3 shillings for wine. Hence it follows that not only is the wine not drawn from the admiral's cellar, but it certainly is not champagne of foreign vintage.—English Navy and Military Record.

Understood at Last.

"Hello, Central. Give me one triple nought South."

"What?"

"Don't you catch it? One zero, zero, zero South."

"Wh-a-t?"

"South one double nought, nought."

"Can't you speak plainer?"

"One thousand South—ten hundred South. Get it now?"

"Oh, you mean South one ought, double ought. All right."—Chicago Tribune.

He Was Cautious.

Wederly—The doctor says I must take more exercise. Do you think I ought to begin with dumbbells?

Mrs. Wederly—Suppose for a starter you come out with me this afternoon and wheel the baby carriage.

Wederly—I—er—really, Mary, I couldn't think of it. I don't want to overdo the thing the first day.—Chicago News.

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Speaking of her case, Mrs. Hurd says: "I was troubled for many years with a bad skin disease. My arms and limbs would break out in a mass of sores, discharging yellow matter. My neck began to swell and became very unsightly in appearance. My body was covered with scrofulous eruptions. My eyes were also greatly inflamed and weakened, and they pained me very much. My blood was in a very bad condition and my head ached severely at frequent intervals, and I had no appetite. I had sores also in my ears. I recommended, and doctor after doctor had failed. One of the best physicians in the state told me I must die of scrofulous consumption, as internal abscesses were beginning to form. I at length was told of Dr. Johnston, of Detroit, and his famous Sarsaparilla. I tried a bottle, more as an experiment than anything else, as I had no faith in it, and greatly to my agreeable surprise, I began to grow better. You can be sure I kept on taking it. I took a great many bottles. But I steadily improved until I became entirely well. All the sores healed up, all the bad symptoms disappeared. I gained perfect health, and I have never been troubled with scrofula since. Of course an old lady of 83 years is not a young woman, but I have had remarkably good health since then, and I firmly believe that JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA is the greatest blood purifier and the best medicine in the wide world, both for scrofula and as a spring medicine." This remarkably interesting old lady did not look to be more than sixty, and she repeated several times, "I believe my life was saved by JOHNSTON'S SARSAPARILLA."

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