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TIME TABLE. Guif, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway. (Southbound) Galveston & Chicago Exp...3:40 a.m. Cleburne & K. C. Exp. .... 4:25 p.m. (Northbound) Galveston & Chicago Exp. .12:35 a.m.

Gleburne & K. C. Exp. . . . . 11:20 a. m. Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf Railway. Arrive at Ardmore ..... 1:45 p. m. Leave Ardmore......2:35 p. m. Local freight carrying passengers also.

No trains on Sundays. W. A. DASHIELL, Ticket Agent

All United States mails close 30 minutes prior to train time.

DAVID REDFIELD, P. M.

Terms of United States Court. At Chickasha—Begins Monday, Sep-tember 29, 1902, and Monday, February 16, 1903, and continues in session two weeks.

At Ryan-Begins Monday, October 1902, and Monday, March 2, 1903, and continues in session ten days. At Purcell-Begins Thursday, October 23, 1902, and Thursday, March 12,

1903, and continues in session ten days. Pauls Valley-Begins Monday, November 3 1902, and Monday, March 23, 1903, and continues in session four

At Ada-Begins Monday, December 1902, and Monday, April 20, 1903, and continues in session one week.

At Tishomingo-Begins Monday, December 8, 1902, and Monday, April 27 1903, and continues in session one

At Ardmore—Begins Monday, De-cember 15, 1902, and Monday ,May 4. 1903, and continues in session eight weeks or longer.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character or reputation of any person which may be printed in the Ardmoreite, or any article based on re-ports that are false will be gladly corrected if brought to the attention of the publisher.

\*\*\*\*\*\* Use the Long-Distance Telephone & and call up PHONE NO. 5, . . If you want the Ardmoreite. . PHONE NO. 5,

\*\*\*\*\* phone, don't call for the fire depart- Ardmore. ment, but tell "Central" where the L. C. SLAUGHTER, Chief.

Ardmore, Wednesday, Dec. 10.

The Post says the attempt to de with the New Orleans mint may prove successful, but the man who attempts to do away with the other kind of mint will be bled in old Kentucky.

There are numbers of people who are evidently stiff confused over the trip by the "Rock Island System," term "single-statebood." Single statehood is used to describe the union of ets will be limited to 30 days from both territories into one state, while date of sale. double statehood means the making of a state from each territory.

Circuit Attorney Folk has secured another conviction in the St. Louis boodle cases. It will not be surprising now if some of those men whose cases remain untried go into court and plead guilty. This action on their part would save both time and expense.

The United States supreme court hands down a decision upholding the suicide statute requiring insurance companies to pay regardless of how the policy holder died. This throws the field open now to all who feel inclined to take advantage of the suicide mania.

Are our people looking about for proper material for school trustees, the election for which occurs Saturday, December 20. One new man will have to be elected anyway, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of H. C. Potterf, who can not longer continue in the work. The time is short now, and a capable man must be secured to fill this very important position.

Senator Beveridge declares the Indian Territory shall have statehood with Oklahoma. Senator Hale says Indian Territory is entitled to and will have statehood with Okiahoma. Senator Quay says he knows all about Indian Territory, and while his hobby is fighting for New Mexico, he declares Indian Territory has no truer friend than he is now, or will be. President Roosevelt says he favors strongly the Beveridge substitute bill-one state of J. A. Leatherwood is selling them at Indian Territory and Oklahoma. That cost, all sounds mighty fine and is what thousands of us want. But will we BANNER get it?

### MR. POTTERF DECLINES.

Hon. H. C. Potterf, who has been a eading spirit in the cause of public schools from their earliest mention in Ardmore and who has been chairman of the board of trustees since the establishment of the schools in our city. has decided to retire from this field of action with the close or his term, Saturday, Dec. 20. Mr. Fotterf informs us that his business as an attorney demands his closest attention. This coupled with a degree of ill health makes it utterly impossible for school board. In retiring Mr. Potterf does so with the kindliest feelings to all, not only the public, but his coinborers, who have shared with him n the exercise of their pleasant duty.

It is indeed to be regretted that the board of trustees will lose such a zealous worker, but the inevitable must be met and it remains the duty of every man to secure the services of some zealous, conservative man as Mr. Potterf's sucessor. The time is brief and careful action is absolutely

It is said to be intensely cold in Austria. If Austria wants to have a hot time she should annex some of the South Pacific Islands.

#### SIDEWALKS.

Buy cut nails at 21/2c per pound from from T. K. Kearney to build 10-tf. your sidewalks.

Woodmen Circle Resolutions.

At a call meeting of Manchester Grove No. 14 of the Woodmen Circle the following resolutions were unani nously adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased the infinite Giver of all good to remove from our midst our beloved sovereign, Cynthia Bumpas, and

Whereas, It is but just that a fitting ecognition of her many virtues should e had, therefore, be it.

Resolved, By Woodmen Circle, Man hester Grove No. 14 that, while we low with humble submission to the will of the Most High, we do not the ess mourn for our slater who has been taken from us.

Resolved, That in the death of Sou reign Bumpas this lodge laments the ous of an active charter member whose every endeavor was exerted for its welfare, a friend and companion who was dear to us all and whose no ble life was a standard for emulation Resolved, That the sympathy of this grove be extended to the sorrowing family, and further

Resolved, That these resolutions of spread upon the minutes of this grove and that a copy of the same be for warded to the family of our deceased If you turn in a fire alarm by tele- sister and to each of the papers of

MRS. WEEKS. MRS. EVETTS, MRS. STURGEON, Committee.

Do not miss the bargains in skirts and shirt walsts at I A Leathers while the sale lasts

Spend Christmas holidays with kinfolks and friends in the old states. Only one fare plus \$2 for the round Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf R. R. Tick-

And a Repulican?

Raymond Herz, chief deputy in the office of United States Marshal A. Houston of Paris, has tendered his resignation and will step down and out. Herz has been connected with the office since the Paris court was established, but some time since Houston appointed as one of his deputies hole. a negro, and as Herz does not enjoy the company and odor of the Senegambian he will go. Another man of some prominence, whose olfactories are probably outlined with steel, is an applicant for the place made vacant by the self-respecting white man .-Gainesville Register.

Anything you want in ladies' and children's underweat at cost.

J. A. LEATHERWOOD.

Local Holiday Excursion Rates. On December 24, 25 and 31 and January 1 the C. O. & G. railway will sell round trip tickets for one fare within 200 miles of selling station. Limited W. A. DASHIELL. January 2.

Closing Out Sale.

Bulard is preparing to retire from ousiness by selling out his stock of china at 40 cents on the dollar. 10-1m

Agent

Chief of Fire Department L. Slaughter has donned a new cap-with a beautiful wreath on it, inside of which is the word "Chief."

If you want anything in the fur line 9-3.

the most healing selve in the world, | obey.-Richmond Times,

ZOLA'S EARLY TRIALS.

Times When the Budding Author Was Plunged In Misery. Young Zola had kicked his heels for

several years in ministerial antercorns. but all to no effect. Gambetta, to prevent Zola perishing of want, gave him the subprefecture of Castle Sarrasin. But for want of money he had to stop on the way, and for so long a time that M. de Freyeinet slipped into the place. Zola during the period dealt with in "La Debacle" was in the south of France. How he then lived I cannot imagine. After things settled down in Paris in 1871 he had fallen into the him longer to accept a position on the blackest misery, and with a beautiful young wife. Her mother was no longer able to share her domicile and board, such as they were, with them. Zola sometimes had to take the wool

out of the mattress of his bed and sell it. He escaped from death by famine owing to a letter of introduction from a doctor who attended his mother to Hachette, the great publisher. The latter employed him at a salary of 60 francs a month to de up books in parcels and address them. But he rather liked Zola and, divining in him first rate stuff, engaged him to write for the papers those puffs known as reclames for books the firm had brought out. Noticing his punctuality and his reserve with other young men, Hachette promoted Zola still higher by making him his private secretary. He was then an uncouth, shy, ill dressed, mannerless, squat little fellow, but he evidently had a tidy wife, who paid great attention to the furbishing up of his clothes and to his shirts. - London Truth.

Ruin in Crossed Legs. "Uncross your legs," said a doctor.

"Oh, no!" said his son. "What's the use of being so polite all the time?" "My boy," the father answered, "It is not on account of a mere rule of etiquette that I tell you to uncross your legs, but it is because leg crossing is

an injurious thing, a thing as baleful to

the health as kissing or as microbes. "When you cross your legs, you fit the knee cap of the upper limb into the eavity under the knee of the lower one. In the cavity that you thus compress there are the two important exterior and interior populical nerves and a number of glands and blood vessels Compression does not not well on these organs. It benumbs them and weakens and emsciates them. You feel the injury in a numbness of the whole leg.

The leg goes to sleep. "Keep on with the habit, and your legs weaken. They become thin; they lose their shapeliness. It is only such men and women and children as never cross their legs who have strong and supple and beautiful limbs."-Philadelphia Record.

His Portrait,

One of the members of a certain suburban photographic society recently de ivered a lecture, illustrated by lantern

Another member, thinking to have a joke at the expense of the lecturer, slipped in among the slides a lantern portrait of himself.

The joke would come in, of course, by the portrait appearing on the screen immediately after the lecturer had announced the appearing of something quite different.

Fate and chance were unluckily against the humorist, for when his portrait was presented the lecturer, without knowing what was on the screen, they will give a grand bazaar. The avely read from his list:

"The next slide, ladies and gentlemen, is the picture of a refractory don-

Minnesota's Nicknames. Minnesota has been designated as the

"North Star State," of which expression two or three explanations have been given-one on account of its geographical position, another that the north star appears in its coat of arms. It has also been called the "Lake State," from the number of small lakes within its limits, and the "Gopher because the early settlers State." found these animals in such abundance that they proved a serious nuisance. Even a careful rider passing over a plain where gophers abounded was in danger of being thrown by his horse accidentally stepping into a gopher

His Exact Age. Asked his age in a court of justice, a

Georgia darky replied: "Well, suh, I ez ole ez de big white oak tree on Marse Tom's plantation." "And how old may that be?" inquired

a lawyer. "Well, suh, of I makes no mistakes, de white oak tree is de same age ez de mill dam, en de mill dam ain't a day older dan de red barn, what come nigh ter bein' burned up w'en de stars felled!" -Atlanta Constitution.

Speeding the Parting.

Mamma-I was surprised and shocked by the coldness with which you greeted Miss Boersum when she called. Ethel-Yes, mamma, but I made up

for it later. Mamma-Did you? Ethel-Yes, indeed. You should have

seen how cordially I bade her "good-by."--Philadelphia Press.

Transmigration, "So dey convicted dat feller dat was

swinging a high society bluff so as to lift jewelry," said Plodding Pete. "Yes," answered Meandering Mike. "He's got his prison clothes on now. Dey've changed him from a social Hon into a zebra."—Washington Star.

The Higher Allegiance to Hymen. A St. Louis man disregarded a summons to serve on a jury because his marriage to a St. Louis woman had been set for the same hour. He 8 A L V E thought he knew which court order to

PRISONERS TO PENITENTIARY

Twenty-two Unfortunates Took Their Leave to Fort Leavenworth.

Today at noon twenty-two prisoners left for Fort Leavenworth, they having been found guilty and senenced by Judge Townsend while holding court at Pauls Valley, Purcell and Ada, Following are their names, charges and sentences;

Frank Heakley, larceny; five years Grant Armstrong, selling liquor, one ear and six months.

R. E. Lanfair,, selling liquor; two

venrs. Charles Crawford, embezzlement,

five years. Jim Smith, selling liquor, one year and a day.

Jim Robinson, larceny; two years S. W. Bundy, false pretense; one ear and a day.

M. S. Wiggington, larceny; one year and a day. Rollo Ellis, larceny; one year and

one day. The above were convicted and sen

enced at Pauls Valley. Charles Harris, Frank Price, Will O'Brien and Tom Brennan were all onvicted and sentenced to five years or breaking and entering the post-

office at Francis. Tom Lee, larceny; one year and one

Sam Driver, larceny; two years. Will Poff, selling liquor; one year and six months.

The first seven above were sent up from Ada. Rufus Hensley, embezzlement; five

John Kyle, larceny; one year and ne day.

Reuben Long, larceny; three years. Barney Blevens, larceny; five years. It at cost. These four were convicted and sen nced at Purceil.

orm school at Booneville, Mo., for two years, was tried and sentenced at Ryan. One name we failed to get.

Big line of skirts, shirt walsts, jackets and wraps at cost at J. A. LEATHERWOOD'S.

Buy now and get a beautiful parlor stove for what you expected to pay for a plain one. Prices cut in two. WILLIAMS, CORHN & CO.

Will Be Punished.

Some of our people may not know that a penalty attaches to any person who will use a mall box post as a hitching-post. Arrests will follow in very case where a violation is incurred and the law is no respecter of persons. All officers in the city have een notified to make arrests in every instance where a violation occurs and the department desires the law to be strictly enforced, which it will be.

Bake No Christmas Cakes.

The Ladies Aid society of the Christian church will provide you with all you want at a reasonable price on December 23. Also on December 18 ace will be announced later,

Webb is making a specialty of cabinet pictures from now until Christmas. Come with your family and have a 7-tf.

The "Rock Island System,"Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf R. R., will make unusually low rates this season for the holidays. A rate of one fare, plus \$2 for the round trip will be in effect from all points to the Southeast, and baking. tickets will be on sale December 13, 17, 21, 22, 23 and 26, good returning 30 days from date of sale.

O. P. Brown was put in jail yesterlay by Deputy Hutchins, charged with forgery

Call and get prices at Bulard's Chnia Hall before you buy. 10-1m

To the Aid Society People.

The ladies who contemplate baking cake for the Ladies' Aid Society of the Chrsitian church can get them at Spiegels'-any kind they want-at a very small cost.

8-14t. J. H. SPIEGEL Our price cutting has created a sen-

sation in stove selling. WILLIAMS, CORHN & CO.

J. Wood Taliaferro,

Funeral Director and Licensed

Embalmer. Office open day and night. First loor east of A. F. Jones' grocery store,

corner Main and C streets Choice Property

# For Sale

Some choice pieces of real estate for sale. Small cash payment, balance on easy te.ms. Also my home in the McLish addition is for sale.

Mrs. M. L. Garrett.

LOCAL MARKETS.

(By Porter Staples.) The following are the prevailing prices paid for produce today: Wheat-No. 2, 70c; No. 3, 65c. Outs-40c to 45c. Hay-\$8,00@10.00.

Corn-50c to 60c. Sweet potatoes-50@65 per bushel. Irish potatoes-85c per bu. Poultry.

((By William Newman.) Ducks-Per dozen \$2.00. Hens-Per dozen \$2.00. Frying chickens-\$1.75 2.50. Eggs-Per dozen 20c. Batter-20 to 25c per pound. Turkeys-Gross 54c. Geese-Full-feathered, per dozen

\$3.50@4.50. Live Stock.

(By Cold Storage Market) Fat cows, gross cwt.....\$2.00@2.10 Fat calves .....\$3.00 to \$5.00 Fat sheep, per head ... \$2.00 to \$3.00 Fat hogs (gross) 100 lbs...\$4.00@4.75

Wood-Per cord, \$2 to \$2.50. Ardmore coal \$3.50 per ton.

Cotton Market. The cotton market opened firm this morning and fluctuated a little during the day, closing steady. Lint cotton sold for 6.50 to 7.50, while seed cotton was worth from 1.50 to 2 cents. Cotton seed is worth from \$10 to \$15 per ton. The receipts were about 75 bales.

When the mother of marriageable laughters regards a man as a good match, its up to her to bring him to the scratch.

If you want to buy a dress of any kind see J. A. Leatherwood and buy

You can buy the new Wheeler & Wil-Ed Adams, forgery; sentenced to reon sewing machines at E. B. Luke's Music Store. Call and examine them.

> The Santa Fe has put electric head lights on all passenger engines and they loom up immensely now.

> > Get Your Trees Now.

Now is the time to plant fruit, shade and ornamental trees. We have them at the nursery, one block south of the oil mill at Ardmore. Come and get them. Telephone 69. 1-12t. McCULLOUGH & TAYLOR.

S. S. Cole for fine photographs. Herert & Lewis building.



## 450 Cases of Fine Fruits. The Biggest

shipment in town. It consists of goose berries, corn, tomatoes, asparagus tips, green gage plums, White Swan stringless beans and a full line of White Swan goods, white cherries, black cherries, wapso hominy and apricots. Everything you need for fancy holiday

Every order delivered promptly.

J. B. SMART.

6 H Grove

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tableta be remedy that cures a cold in one day

An Obstacle to Piety.

A story told by a western congress-

in Iowa. Jim went to a revival meet-

burst of enthusiasm he told his brother

of how much better he felt since his

doubt but what religion's a good thing,

and I'm glad you've got it, Jim, but I

guess you better let me alone just now," he continued reflectively. "You

see, Jim, one of us has got to weigh the

Chase That Frown.

The world is too busy to care for your

Learn to stop croaking. If you can-

not see any good in the world, keep the

bad to yourself. Learn to hide your

pains and aches under pleasant smiles.

the earache, headache or rheumatism.

wool.'

Ills and sorrows.

Nothing easier-you can keep your friends back in the states posted on man is about two brothers, Ed and all Territory affairs by sending them Jim, who dealt in wool at their home the Ardmoreite. You know they will ing (unthinkingly, the congressman says) and "got religion." In his first appreciate it, and it will also save you writing many a letter, besides it is much cheaper. Ever think of that? Suppose you try it a year; it's the paconversion and urged Ed to come into per which reaches the people and they the fold. The latter pendered gravely all want it. Do it now. for a time and then said: "Ain't any

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"Harry Duckwell, aged 25 years, choked to death early yesterday morning at his home, in the presence of his wife and child. He contracted a slight cold a few days ago and paid but lit-tle attention to it. Yesterday morn-Learn to laugh. A good laugh is beting he was seized with a fit of coughter than medicine. Learn how to tell a ing which continued for some time. story. A well told story is as welcome His wife sent for a physician but be as a sunbeam in a sickroom. Learn to fore he could arrive another coughing keep your own troubles to yourself. spell came on and Duckwell died from suffocation.—St. Louis Globe-Demo-erat, Dec. 1, 1901." Ballard's Hore-hound Syrup would have saved him. 25c, 50c and \$1, at W. B. Frame's.

Coughing Spell Caused Death.

The Ardmore Ice Co. sells Ardmore No one cares to hear whether you have coal. 'Phone in your order.

## WANT COLUMN.

Advertisements under this head will be received at the rate of five (5) cents per line. No advertisement received for less than fifteen (15) cents. Special monthly rates furnished on application. The notice may contain any matter of "Lost," "Found," "For Rent," "For Sale," "Stolen," "Strayed," or any purpose without display lines.

## WANTED.

WANTED-Five young men from Ardmore at once to prepare for positfons in the government service. Apply to Inter-State Corres, Inst. Cedar Rapids, Ia. tJan25.

WANTED-A smart youth to sell my Chinese Curios. If he catch much business, he earn many cash. If some American stamps send me for package postage. I send samples free. Zah Sah Moo, Shanghal, Chins.

DISTRICT MANAGER in each district at salary of \$15 per week and expenses, payable weekly, to represent large manufacturing establishment known to every bank in the United States. A man of good habits and energy required. Experience not necessary. Apply, stating age and qualifications, to Manager, Dept. A-4, P. O. box 824, Philadelphia, Pa. 3-W&8-4

WANTED-Position in store as clerk by a lady of experience. Address LADY, care Ardmoreite. 8-6t.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT-Have a nice room convenient to town which I desire to share with some young man. Apply at this office.

Randol building. Apply to W. S. Wolverton. 10-tf. FOR RENT-Furnished or unfurnish ed rooms, sultable for light housekeeping, close in. Apply to W. R.

FOR RENT-Two front office rooms in

FOR RENT-New Singer sewing machines. Also have for sale secondhand sewing machines from \$2 up.

Every machine guaranteed. J. N. MORGAN, At Singer sewing machine office. 19dw1m

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE-Store house and stock of drugs at Robberson, I. T.; will invoice \$900. Will give discount on invoice for cash or part cash and approved security. Satisfactory reasons for selling. Building 20x36 ft. Address No. 1, care Ardmorette. 9-d2,w1

LOST.

LOST-About Nov. 1, a brand new silk umbrella. Finder please leave at Weeks Bros', store, 23-tf.

FOUND.

FOUND-A black overcoat, almost or entirely new. Loser inquire at this

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Ardmoreite Want Ads are Business B ingers