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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1896.

A BUSINESS LEGISLATOR.

The legislative caucus held at Oklahoma City yesterday should, and doubtless will, be fruitful of good results. It was an innovation in the realm of prospective law making which should develop into a custom to be followed by every new legislative body.

WEST WOULD AID CUBA.

Governors of Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska Express Their Views. New York, Dec. 22.—The New York Journal sent letters to the governors of the various states asking for an expression of their views on the Cuban question and what aid in the way of volunteers their states would give in the event of a war with Spain.

OKLAHOMA CITY TENDERED A CORDIAL WELCOME.

The Town has not a great deal of cotton, but she has a vast fund of sparkling hospitality. COL. DAN STUART has secured Jim Corbett's name to a contract and is now looking for Fitz. Col. Stuart is known as a man who can find a place whenever the pugilists want to fight.

THE STATE OF TENNESSEE HAS FINALLY HANGED A HANGAR.

He was one of the participants in that long-drawn-out and over-advertised feud, and, for a man who was engaged in that kind of business, want to his death in a chicken-hearted manner.

IT IS REPORTED THAT THE POSTMASTER GUTHRIE RECENTLY RETURNED A PAPER TO THE PUBLISHER WITH THE FOLLOWING INSCRIPTION: "FORWARD ANOTHER IN ASBESTOS WRAPPER. THE MAN IS DEAD."

TAX LOWER HOUSE OF THE FORTHCOMING LEGISLATURE WILL CONTAIN AN INTERESTING CHARACTER IN THE PERSON OF HON. J. K. GRAVES.

He is a bluff, hearty old gentleman who came to Oklahoma from Hoosierdom and has studied political economy for many years. Mr. Graves will make his presence felt in the lower house.

HARDESTY HERALD: WALTER E. YOUNGER, OF THE WOODWARD NEWS, HAS REACHED CUBA, AND WE HOPE THE NEWS WILL BE GRATIFIED BY HEARING FAVORABLE REPORTS FROM HIS WORTHY REPRESENTATIVE.

TRAIN ROBBERS IN TEXAS.

A Southern Pacific Express Held Up and Three Money Packages Secured. SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 22.—A west-bound passenger train on the Southern Pacific railroad was held up by three masked men and three money packages stolen from the express car at midnight last night near Comstock.

SHOT IN THE BACK BY A RIVAL.

OSAGE CITY, Kan., Dec. 22.—Frederick Phillips was accompanying a young woman from church last night when Albert Reynolds, who was jealous, shot his rival fatally in the back. Reynolds escaped. It is thought that he had premeditated the crime, as he had drawn from the coal company by which he was employed some money he had on deposit.

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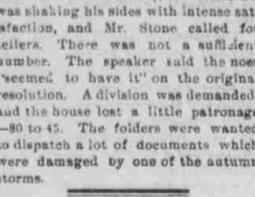
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New York Cuban Meeting.

New York, Dec. 22.—The demonstration in favor of the Cuban insurgents under the auspices of the Society of American Friends of Cuba, last night, was a remarkable one. Four thousand men marched from East Eighty-seventh street to Cooper Union, led by Frank Meyer, a survivor of the Virginia massacre. The parade was divided into ten columns.

Kansas Farmer Murdered.

HUTCHINSON, Kan., Dec. 22.—Frank Tucker, an influential and respected farmer, living in the county south of here, was killed yesterday by a young man named Birch. Birch escaped. Tucker had many friends and there are many threats against the Birch family, which may be put into execution.

The Free Homestead Bill Good Over.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Oklahoma free homestead bill was deferred until after the holidays, and on request of Senator Pettigrew remains the unfinished business of the Senate. There were so many senators who objected to its consideration at this time that Mr. Pettigrew thought it best to carry the bill over.

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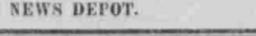
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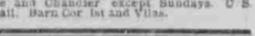
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HOUGHTON'S COLUMN.

CLOTHING SALE, Monday, December 21.

We will commence closing out our entire stock of Clothing. When we advertise to do a thing, our customers know that we will do just what we say we will; so from Monday, Dec. 21 to Jan. 1 we will sell Clothing at actual cost. This will include everything in the Ready-Made Clothing Line, Suits, Coats, Pants, Overcoats, Overalls, Shirts etc. We will also give you very low prices on all goods during this sale. Remember we handle Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Groceries, Hardware, Queensware, Glassware, Tinware, Woodenware, Window Glass, Lamps and Toys.

PRODUCE.

We pay Houghton's scrip for produce and that is the same as getting the cash, for Houghton's scrip will buy anything that is sold in Guthrie as we have made arrangements with dealers in other lines from what we are handling. Blacksmiths, Wagonmakers, Shoemakers, Barbers, Butchers, Tailors, Harnessmakers, Jewelers, Dentists, Doctors, Druggists, Restaurants, Wagon Yards, Lumber Yards, Second Hand Stores, Carpenters, Bricklayers, Stonemasons, Plasterers, Laborers and Tinners to take this scrip when presented, the same as cash. It will also pay for your subscription to this paper. Houghton's scrip will buy any line of goods or pay for almost any kind of labor that is performed in Guthrie.

By the way, what are you paying for the following Goods?

- This is what we are selling them for: 21 lbs. granulated sugar (subject to change) for \$1.00. Arbuckle's coffee, per package, .18. Lion coffee, per package, .18. Breakfast cup coffee, per package, .18. Cracked Java coffee, .12. 40 lbs. beans for, 1.00. 30 lbs. oat flake for, 1.00. 35 lbs. hominy flake for, 1.00. 19 lbs. rice for, 1.00. 20 lbs. peaches (dried) for, 1.00. 21 lbs. prunes (California) for, 1.00. Stove Pipe per joint, .10. 22 lbs. apples (dried) for, 1.00. 19 lbs. raisins for, 1.00. 13 lbs. California figs for, 1.00. 12 lbs. nectarines for, 1.00. Irish potatoes per bushel, .55. Salt per barrel, No. 1, 1.80. 4 lbs. baking powder for, .25. 2 lbs. soda, Arm & Hammer, or CowBrand, .15. 4 lbs. soda, Anvil, .25. 8 lbs. sal. soda for, .25. 7 bars White Russian soap for, .25. 7 bars Clairette soap for, .25. 7 bars Grandmother's soap for, .25. 2 pkgs Lilly Gloss starch for, .15. 2 pkgs corn starch for, .15. 2 No. 2 lamp chimneys for, .15. 1 No. 1 lamp chimney for, .05. Stove Pipe per joint, .10. Elbows, .08. Battle Ax tobacco, .20. Horse Shoe tobacco, per pound, .40. Star tobacco, per pound, .40. Anchor tobacco, .20. Rough and Ready smoking tobacco, .15. Black pepper (whole) per pound, .15. Black pepper (ground) per pound, .20. Allspice (ground) per pound, .20. Allspice (whole) per pound, .15. Mustard, ground, .20. Mustard, whole, .15. Ginger, ground, .20. Cinnamon, ground, .20. 3 quarts Cranberries for, .25. 3 cans tomatoes for, .25. 3 cans corn for, .30. California peaches per can, .15. California egg plums per can, .15. California green gage plums per can, .15. California apricots, .15. Stove Pipe per joint, .10. Corn starch per pkg., .07. Laundry starch per pkg., .07. 3 lbs. home-made apple butter, .25. 4 lbs. so-called apple butter, .25. Buttermilk soap per cake, .05. Rope, 3 inch and larger, per lb., .08. Rope, 7-16 inch and smaller, per lb., .10. Mrs. Potts' Nickel-plated Sad Irons, .50. Bit Braze, .15. Shoemakers' Stand and 3 Lasts, .45. Files, 8 inch, .10. Hill's Hog Ringers, .10. Files, 10 inch, .15. Two Home Staples, for .05. Buggy Stubs, 3/4 inch, per set, 2.00. Two Home Clips, for .05. Buggy Stubs, 1 inch, per set, 2.25. Nails in round lots, .08. Buggy Stubs, 1 1/2 inch, per set, 3.40. Sove Dampers, .10. Buggy Stubs, 1 3/4 inch, per set, 3.65. Manure Forks, 4 tine, .45. Half Saws, .15 and 20.

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