

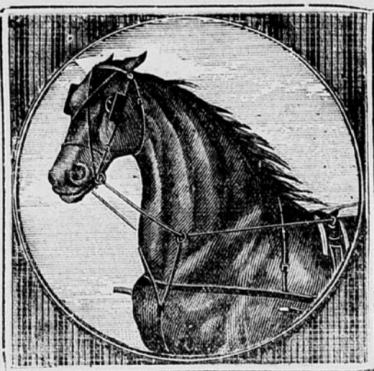
# Another Big Horse Sale Soon

## Friday, Feb. 6, '06

Our last sale was a great success and horses sold higher than ever before. Many horses are already entered, so get yours listed early. We can sell all kinds. Good ones are in great demand.

### LEON HORSE CO.

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## DID YOU GET IT?

Your wife told you to bring home a dollar bottle of

### Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin



If you forgot it, you would better tie a string on your finger to-morrow morning and every time you look at it you will think of the medicine that cures Constipation, Sick Headache, Indigestion, and every form of Stomach Trouble.

F. T. Hull, of Noblesville, Ind., writes: "I feel it my duty to give you a voluntary testimonial for Syrup Pepsin. My wife has been troubled with Chronic Constipation in a most severe stage. We have tried all remedies we could hear of, together with prescriptions from local physicians, and until we finally got hold of your remedy, found no relief; but after taking your remedy for a few days only, we have results that are simply marvelous. I send you this entirely unsolicited, and will surely speak a good word for your remedy wherever and whenever I can."

Your druggist has it or will get it for you. 50c and \$1.00 sizes. Your Money Back If It Don't Benefit You. PEPSIN SYRUP CO., Monticello, Ill. For sale by L. P. Van Werden.

## Bile Poison

has a very bad effect on your system. It disorders your stomach and digestive apparatus, taints your blood and causes constipation, with all its fearful ills.

### Theford's Black-Draught

is a bland tonic, liver regulator, and blood purifier. It gets rid of the poisons caused by over-supply of bile, and quickly cures bilious headaches, dizziness, loss of appetite, nausea, indigestion, constipation, malaria, chills and fever, jaundice, nervousness, irritability, melancholia, and all sickness due to disordered liver. It is not a cathartic, but a gentle, herbal, liver medicine, which eases without irritating.

Price 25c at all Druggists.

## Repair Shop!

I have opened a repair shop in the building formerly occupied by Conroy & Son's grocery, first door north of Biggs' store, and will

Repair Organs and Sewing Machines Clean and Repair Furniture Good work at reasonable prices. Bring in anything you have needing repairs.

O. P. BARNETT

### Oklahoma Letter.

Hitchcock, Okla., Jan. 14, 1906. EDITOR REPORTER: As it seems as if people back in Decatur county are slow about writing, I will drop a few lines to your most welcome paper. We now have a rural mail route and get some five or six papers on Saturday and when I come in my wife always says, "Did you get THE REPORTER?" If I say "yes," she says "let me have it, you can look at some of the other papers." And if I say I did not get it she says "just the way, the very one we wanted has been delayed, and we will have to wait until Monday." We have nice pleasant weather, the ground is not frozen any. It freezes ice about half an inch thick at night, and thaws in the day time. The first snow of the season fell on the 10th, about two inches, but went off the same day. We have had a nice fall to plow and put in wheat. I have 85 acres that covers the ground and looks fine. Oklahoma has the best prospects for wheat since we have lived here, three years. My horses and cattle run on my wheat and I don't have to feed any. We were back in old Decatur last fall to see our children and old friends, and went to the New Salem church. When I looked around and saw the vacant seats of our brothers and sister in Christ it made my heart ache. They were gone to their reward. We spent some three weeks in Decatur county and then went to South Dakota to see Milo and his family. They have a nice claim adjoining the town of Carlock. It is a fine rich prairie country. One man threshed 1,056 bushels of oats from ten acres. But I must return to Oklahoma and give you a short history of our county seat, Watanga, which is situated on a nice prairie. When we came here three years ago last September it was a small village of about 800 people. It is now a fine little city over 2,000. Go there when you may the sound of the hammer is heard on the fine new houses they are building. It has two railroads, the Rock Island and the Choctaw, two depots, a fine flouring mill, three grain elevators, two cotton gins, ice plant, large gyp plant and another being built, a fine system of water works with a tower 80 feet high to supply the town, four nice churches, a fine large brick school house, two banks, a big new three story brick hotel built last fall, the sidewalks are being laid of hard brick and cement, there being a twelve foot walk around the square and to the Rock Island depot. I see our old friend Jeff Art every two or three weeks. He has a large livery barn and is doing well. We haven't much of a court house yet, but will vote in the spring for bonds to build a fine new one and I hope we will not come out on the proposition like they did in Decatur county last fall. When I heard of the failure to get a new court house when I was there last fall I advised my boys and all with whom I talked to vote for the tax. There are many who have lived there for the last forty or fifty years and the Lord has been good to them, like your humble servant, and lengthened their thread of life to three score years and ten, and if they ever expect to see a new court house in Leon they have got to get a hustle on themselves and that quick. A father could not give his child a better present than to put fifty dollars in a new court house. I fear that I am wearying the patience of the editor, and in conclusion would say to all old friends if you have got a good home and are contented stick to it. If you are a renter wake up and get out of there. Go to the fine prairies of South Dakota or come to Oklahoma. This is a farming country, mild and healthy climate. We have a variety of crops wheat, oats, corn and cotton. We had a profitable crop of cotton this year. One farmer rented out forty acres to a man and furnished the team to farm with. He planted it all in cotton, and the owner who got half the crop received

\$100 for the rent of the land. Can you find 40 acres in Iowa that will bring that rent? I never saw it. With best of love to all old friends, I remain your true friend, C. W. MOORE, Sr.

### Contracted Chronic Diarrhoea While in the Philippines.

"While with the U. S. Army in the Philippines, I contracted chronic diarrhoea. I suffered severely from this terrible disease for over three years and tried the prescriptions of numerous physicians, but found nothing that did me any good until I tried Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, two small bottles of which entirely cured me and I have since had no return of the disease."—HERMAN SRBIN, Union Ave., Pueblo, Colorado. For sale by L. P. Van Werden Leon, W. S. Bear Decatur City, Iowa.

### Woolley's Method of Breeding Corn

Over in the section where the advanced students work, presided over by a very earnest young professor M. L. Bowman, there is deliberate and thoughtful work being done, in competing studies of character corn and in working along corn breeding lines. There the writer met Mr. Fred Woolley and heard of his very suggestive work in breeding corn. Mr. Woolley does not think that one can safely take a large ear of corn and surely predict that it will give a large yield. Therefore he has begun testing ears to see what the potencies within them are. He takes from a promising ear two rows of grains and plants them in comparison with other ears of like selection. The ear itself is carefully numbered and preserved. Thus, from 50 ears he will plant 50 rows and observe the result. He has found wonderful variation in yield from these ears. One gave 45 bushels and another not looking as well gave 110 bushels, with the same care. Then he discards all the ears that give unpromising yield and plants together only the three or four choicest ears. Thus there is eliminated the influence of undesirable pollen from poor ears. This thought is a good one. It is curious that it has not been presented before.—Breeder's Gazette.

### Cured His Mother of Rheumatism.

"My mother has been a sufferer for many years from rheumatism," says W. H. Howard of Husband, Pennsylvania. At times she was unable to move at all, while at all times walking was painful. I presented her with a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and after a few applications she decided it was the most wonderful pain reliever she had ever tried, in fact she is never without it now and is at all times able to walk. An occasional application of Pain Balm keep away the pain that she was formerly troubled with. For sale by L. P. Van Werden, Leon, W. S. Bear, Decatur City, Iowa.

### King-Parsons.

A wedding that created a great deal of pleasurable interest occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Parsons in High Point township, last Wednesday evening, Jan. 10, 1906, when their daughter Miss Oma, was married to Mr. H. Mac King. A large number of friends and relatives were present to participate in the joy and pleasure of the occasion. The bride has lived all her life at High Point and is very highly esteemed by all as a noble Christian girl. Mr. King is the son of Mr. Elias King, of Allerton. He has always made his home at High Point, and is highly respected as a very worthy young man, Rev. Joe Goodsell, of Garden Grove, performed the ceremony. The Express unites with their many friends in extending congratulations.—Garden Grove Express.

"It was almost a miracle. Burdock Blood Bitters cured me of a terrible breaking out all over the body. I am very grateful." Miss Julia Filbridge West Cornwall, Conn.

### A STUDENT WAS EXPELLED.

#### Difficulty Arises in Country School Over Expulsion of a Student.

Trouble is brewing in district No. 6 in Athens township as the result of the expulsion of Joe Beck. Arthur Beck has been teaching the school and he felt called upon to expel the student for smoking and otherwise disobeying the rules of the school. The next day after the boy was expelled he returned to resume his studies, but the teacher would not permit him to become a student without a pledge that he would not violate the rules. He would not give the pledge that the teacher requested, and still he insisted on his rights as a student of the school. The teacher thereupon sent for the constable and had the boy arrested. He was taken before a justice of the peace in Kellerton and was fined ten dollars and costs. At this juncture the boy's father, W. W. Beck, took part in the proceedings and made some remarks against the teacher. Mr. Beck was arrested for breaking the peace, it being alleged that he went to the schoolhouse in rather an unhappy frame of mind and drove away the teacher and the other two members of the board. The school is badly demoralized and it may take some time to restore peace and quiet.—Mt. Ayr Record.

### Half The World Wonders

how the other half lives. Those who use Bucklen's Arnica Salve never wonder if it will cure cuts, wounds, sores and all skin eruptions; they know it will. Mrs. Grant Shy, 1130 E. Reynolds St., Springfield, Ill., says: "I regard it one of the absolute necessities of housekeeping." Guaranteed by L. P. Van Werden druggist. 25.

This is the truth, s'elp us! During the trial of Charles Martin before the insane commissioners at Leon, last Friday, members of the board of supervisors, Charlie Barr and Billy Edmonson were among others present. Ab Martin a brother of Charlie, finally took the witness stand and during his examination his indignation was thoroughly aroused he and explosively cried, "Why don't you try some of these big guns who are crazy. There's them board of supervisors went to work an tore out a good bridge at Davis City an' put in another one not a whit better. Try 'em, I say; they're crazy as bed-bugs!" This may not have made Messrs. Barr and Edmonson the least bit nervous and it was, no doubt, but a coincidence that the Board adjourned shortly afterwards and shooed for home and out of sight of lunacy.—Davis City Lariat.

Fatal Kidney and bladder troubles can always be prevented by the use of Foley's Kidney Cure. L. P. Van Werden

Jeff West has an unusually odd and pretty pet which he is now showing to visitors to his barber shop. It is a young white weasel which he captured in the vacant space just outside the window of his shop last Tuesday morning, it evidently getting there by crawling through a small hole in the brick wall. Efforts have been made to bait the mother to see if she is white also, but she seems to wise.—Corydon Democrat.

"Neglected colds make fat graveyard." Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup helps men and women to a happy vigorous old age.

Sheriff Tom Wallace had official business here Monday. Tom is such a big-hearted duck his political failings are obscured and down this way those who are sure the war is over had a little rather vote for Tom Wallace than any Republican who isn't big enough to admit that about all there is to politics nowadays is the office.—Davis City Lariat.

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