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AN OPPORTUNE MOMENT.

THE blacksmith who strikes when the iron is hot secures the weld at a single stroke, and after that all he has to do is to form the piece of work to his liking. To this is due doubtless the time-honored adage to strike when the iron is hot. That man who knows when his opportunity in life has arrived, and embraces it, defying all obstacles, is following this rule, and he usually has only to shape his future to suit his own fancy and go ahead with his business as he elects. Not unlike the blacksmith or individual, is the town or community.

To see and embrace the opportunities as they come to a town or community is the highest development of commercial science. Cities are built by men. The question of situation is minor at all times to the question of the class of men who have the destiny of the community in hand. The ground upon which Chicago is built is made, bulged out into the lake, as it were. Chicago had men from the day of its conception who were determined to build a great city. Perhaps it is not possible to build many more Chicagoes in this country; yet it is possible to imitate the example set by Chicago, and to make all that is possible out of the place we have chosen for a home.

If there is ever to be a time when Okolona should take advantage of its opportunities and lay the foundation for its future greatness, industrially and commercially, that time is certainly right now. To let this opportunity pass, may mean everlasting destruction. To improve it will surely solve the problem as to our future.

Within the next six months a new railroad will be built from Okolona west into one of the finest and richest sections of country ever known to man, for its productivity in the way of fine timber. Just such lumber as the demands of the world seeks and must have at any price. Some of this vast product is already finding its way to the markets of Europe, making its start on the long journey by being hauled in wagons to this city a distance of twenty to thirty miles. This vast supply is sufficient to warrant the establishment of various kinds of factories in Okolona, using as raw material these valuable woods.

Oak and walnut, as fine as the world produces, lies at our door. To provide for its utilization is merely to perform the simplest act of duty to ourselves, for it will be used, manufactured into furniture and all manner of things made from wood, and the factories to perform this work might as well be in Okolona as anywhere else. Better for the owners that they should be located here, for it is a well known law of commerce that those factories which are located nearest the raw material used, always yield the largest profits and grow more rapidly into fortunes for all time.

In order to foster enterprises of the kind that will utilize this great source of natural wealth, is not a question of being able to find capital upon which to work in any community now in the South. The only question involved is to secure the friendly and cordial cooperation of men. There is plenty of capital to be secured if the community seeking to make the advancement unites for the purpose and goes to work with a will. The fact is that there is enough surplus capital in Okolona to start the ball to rolling without drawing upon the capital at work in other ways. All we need is to start something, make it a success, as it must become, if kept out of the hands of men who prefer wrecking everything they touch to making it go, and the natural laws of industrial advancement will do the rest.

For manufacturing purposes, the question of freights and taxation can be easily adjusted. The railroad people are always willing to make concessions which will add to the volume of their business, and the state has long since placed itself on record as being willing to exempt from taxation all new manufacturing enterprises for a sufficient number of years to assure their permanent establishment.

The people of Okolona cannot act too promptly in this matter. It is snare up to them, and to delay definite action to start means to delay the advancement of the city's better interests in every way, and it delayed too long may prove disastrous.

GOOD CROPS IN KANSAS.

Kansas is again experiencing a good crop of corn, wheat and oats. Notwithstanding that land values are advancing very rapidly, and are sure to be double their present value in less than two years, we have succeeded in securing the agency for a number of fine farms and ranches in Southern Kansas, the "garden spot of the state," which we will be able to offer very reasonable for a few weeks. Our little booklet, giving full descriptions and particulars, will be mailed free upon application. Address: THE KANSAS REALTY CO., Box 600, Oswego, Kas.

If the baby cries, and its father doesn't look cross at its mother, it usually means nothing but this: that there is company present.



And Local Affairs.

Mr. L. P. Haley is in Houston this week.

Miss Minnie Frazer is visiting relatives in Atlanta.

Mr. Otto Mayer spent a few days in Macon last week.

Mrs. J. R. Coats, of Dublin, is visiting relatives in this city.

Miss Irma Harper has returned from a two weeks trip to Inks.

Judge W. D. Frazer has gone to Asheville, N. C., to spend two weeks.

Mrs. R. A. Murdoch returned home from a visit to relatives in Virginia.

Mrs. N. E. Lavelle, of West Point, visited relatives in this city last week.

Messrs. Hawkins and Dugan, of West Point, visited John Hendrix Sunday.

Mrs. M. K. Thornton has returned from a short visit to relatives in Buena Vista.

Mrs. M. A. Tucker and grandson, Robert Harrell, left last week for Jackson, Tenn.

Miss Frances Abbott has returned from a week's visit to Miss Mary Peel Gunn, at Egypt.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Wicks, who reside five miles east of town, on Wednesday last, a son.

Shake Rag and McCordy played a game of ball, Saturday. Results: Shake Rag 30; McCordy 5.

Miss Carrie Ellis has returned to her home in West Point, after a pleasant visit to Miss Hazel Bramlitt.

There is great rejoicing among the Democrats of Arkansas over their victory in the elections Monday.

Mr. Winnie Martin, who has a position with an electrical firm in Birmingham, is home for a few days.

Mr. Fred G. Millette has returned from Fort Wayne, Ind., much improved in health, and charmed with the place and people.

Mrs. E. M. Hamilton, of Humboldt, Tenn., spent a few days last week most pleasantly in this city with her parents and friends.

Miss Eloise Christian, of Chicago, came up Sunday from West Point, together with Mr. and Mrs. Quinn, and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Bramlitt.

Some day it will occur to men in public life as well as those in the private walks, that truthfulness pays better than falsehood. When, no opinion is as yet offered.

The people of Mississippi never suspected that Douglas, the shoe man, was a Dago until they noticed the similarity of the man's phiz and that of the Governor of this state.

Miss Alice Bacon, of Valden, Miss., who has been visiting with Miss Margaret Walton for two weeks, was called home Friday last by a telegram announcing the illness of her mother.

Miss Bertheloe Scott, who has been one of the most attractive and popular of the summer visitors, will return Friday to Memphis, to the ex-ceeding regret of her many new-made friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fitzgerald came up from Aberdeen last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McDowell. Mrs. Fitzgerald will be in Okolona several weeks. Mr. Fitzgerald has returned home.

Work on the store building of Turner and Carter, which was destroyed by fire some time ago, is progressing nicely, and the building will be ready for the firm to move back into it in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reinheimer and little daughter are the guests of Mrs. Reinheimer's sister, Mrs. J. Rubel. Mr. and Mrs. Reinheimer will make Okolona their future home, occupying the house of Mrs. Jennie Carey.

Just what reason there is to anticipate anything but a good price for cotton this year is beyond comprehension. It is the spinner who may feel nervous at the outlook, and not the farmers. The demand will be heavy, the supply short, and these are the points that control markets, or ought to be.

C. C. Williams, who resides in the Fifth Beat seven miles east of this city, brought to town and left at O. R. King's store Monday, two stalks of corn on which were four well developed ears and three small ones, each. It is of the Poland Chinese variety. Williams says he did not have rain enough on his corn when he needed it to wet his shirt.

The Mobile and Ohio Railroad will inaugurate dining car service between St. Louis and New Orleans and Mobile, Sunday, August 31st. The headquarters of the Superintendent of Dining Cars and the Commission have been located at Jackson, Tennessee. In cost, finish and furnishing, the cars equal any that have yet been built.

Hall & Lyles are the Okolona druggists.

Call on Dean & Cox for molasses barrels.

Go and see Hall & Lyles, the leading druggists, today.

Don't fail to see sample photographs at Hoffman's Photo tent.

Dean & Cox will give highest market price for your chickens and eggs.

Take your prescriptions to Hall & Lyles, Ben Smith fills them correctly too.

Try Dean & Cox for square dealing; they lead in low prices and up to date goods.

Just received a car load of new winter flour at Dean & Cox's. Every barrel guaranteed.

"You're out!" Smoke the De Costa Cigar. It costs a nickel, at Hall & Lyles, the Druggists.

Just received, at Dean & Cox's, a fresh line of cakes for ice cream. Vanilla and lemon flavors.

Leave your laundry work at Hall's drug store and get good work. MYERS HODGES.

I will sell, for next 30 days, several brands of Tobacco, at cost. Come quick. WARD DAWSON.

We have several hundred pounds of Tobacco in unbroken packages which we will sell at cost. DEAN & COX.

Having secured the services of Mr. A. Johnson, a practical watchmaker and jeweler of 40 years experience, we are now prepared to do first class watch work in short order. RUSSELL, The Jeweler.

Go to Dean & Cox and get prices before buying elsewhere. They want your trade and will give you inside prices.

Engraving free. All goods purchased from our store will be engraved free; we also solicit any work you may have in this line. RUSSELL, The Jeweler.

Bring us all your old scrap iron, bones, brass, copper, zinc and rubber and get the spot cash for it while the boom in iron is on. We pay 30 cents per hundred pounds for best at HAWKINS & HODGES' MILL, Okolona, Miss.

I guarantee every box of International Poultry and Stock Powders. It saves feed, and feed costs money now. Let me show you. WARD DAWSON.

Now that Hoffman is in Okolona for a short time everyone wanting up-to-date photographs made will do well to call soon ere it be too late.

I have a five room residence property in Okolona for rent or sale. Three acres of ground attached. MRS. ALICE MCIVER.

ONE FARE RATE. To Birmingham, Ala., and return on account of National Convention, Colored, September 17-24th, 1902.

For above named occasion the Southern Railway will sell round trip tickets to Birmingham, Sept. 15-16-17, from all points in Alabama, and from all other points tickets will be sold Sept. 14-15-16th, limited to return Sept. 27th, 1902.

The Southern Railway offers excellent schedules and first class service for particulars see nearest agent. J. C. Lusk.

F. B. Jones, D. P. A. T. P. A. Birmingham, Ala.

The 20th Century Club was beautifully entertained Friday afternoon by Miss Mattie Lee Buchanan. The amusement of the meeting was an original poem contest, the subject being "Man." The prize, a souvenir of Colorado, was won by the club's guest, Miss Monnie Aycock. Several of the poems were gems of thought and rhyme, and proved how many poets there are in our midst. The hours passed very quickly in the many pleasing ways of entertainment afforded by the fair hostess. Cake and ices were served in a dainty manner. The Twentieth Century Club is much indebted to Miss Buchanan for one of its most delightful meetings.

The mother who would be horrified at the thought of letting her daughter wander away to a strange country without guide or counsel, yet permits her to enter that unknown land of womanhood without counsel or caution. Then, in utter ignorance, the maiden must meet physical problems whose solution will affect her whole future life. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been well named a "God-send to women." It corrects irregularities and imparts such vigorous vitality to the delicate womanly organs, as fits them for their important functions. Many a nervous, hysterical, peevish girl has been changed to a happy young woman after the use of "Favorite Prescription" as has established the sound health of the organs peculiarly feminine.

Every woman should own a copy of the People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, sent free on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to pay expense of mailing only. The same book of 1008 pages in substantial cloth for 31 stamps. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

President Roosevelt has started on his visiting tour of the West and south, and finds himself up against the real thing as he passes along. At every stop he attempts to localize his talks, and this is something any man will find a tough job if he arises to cover much territory. Though Roosevelt has declared that he was not thinking of politics in this journey, his speeches show that he can't hold his work to his declarations, and anybody is a fool to imagine that he is doing all this hard work just for the fun of working and talking to the people. Certainly Roosevelt does not seem to be builded on this sort of a plan.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet at the residence of Mrs. E. P. Hawkins, Friday afternoon Sept. 5th, at 4:30. NANNIE MCIVER CRUNK, Recording Secretary.

"How ungrammatical that owl is," said he as they strolled in the moonlight. "Hear how it says 'to who.'" "It seemed to me," she replied, coyly, "it was saying 'woo!'"

CANCER CURED BY BLOOD BALM. All Skin and Blood Diseases Cured.

Mrs. M. L. Adams, Fredonia, Ala., took Botanic Blood Balm which effectually cured an eating cancer of the nose and face. The sores healed up perfectly. Many doctors had given up her case as hopeless. Hundreds of cases of cancer, eating sores, suppurating swellings, etc., have been cured by Blood Balm. Among others Mrs. R. M. Guernsey, Warrior Stand, Ala. Her nose and lip were raw as beef, with offensive discharge from the eating sore. Doctors advised cutting, but it failed. Blood Balm healed the sore and Mrs. Guernsey is as well as ever. Botanic Blood Balm also cures eczema, itching humors, sores and scales, blood poisons, ulcers, offensive pimples, blood poison, scrofula, carbuncles, ringings and bumps on the skin and all blood troubles. \$1 per large bottle at druggists. Sample of Botanic Blood Balm free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and special medical advice sent in sealed letter. It is certainly worth while investigating such a remarkable remedy, as Blood Balm cures the most awful, worst and most deep-seated blood diseases.

Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss., for Boys and Young Men. Fon. ded 1836. Next session opens September 11th. Thorough and extensive courses of study. Reasonable expenses. Endowment materially enlarged. For catalogue and particulars address: W. T. LOWREY, D. D. President. P. H. EAGER, acting President.

People sometimes pretend to be fooled, to oblige you, but if you try the same story on them the second time they are able to give you a piece of their mind.

The Best Description for Malaria Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No Cure, No Pay. Price, 50c.

Job evidently had no desire for fickle fame. He was in a position to win out as a manufacturer of profane history—but he didn't.

It isn't until after a boy has celebrated his 8th birthday anniversary that he began to notice his father's ignorance.

Rain and sweat have no effect on harness treated with Eureka Harness Oil. It resists the damp, keeps the leather soft and pliable. Stitches do not break. No rough surface to chafe and cut. The harness not only keeps looking like new, but wears twice as long by the use of Eureka Harness Oil.

Sold everywhere in cases—all sizes. Made by Standard Oil Company.

THE VOLCANOES DEADLY WORK From the Fall of Pompeii to the Destruction of St. Pierre, by Prof. Chas. Morris, L. L. D. Most intensely interesting book ever published. Complete, thrilling and accurate account of the greatest disaster that ever befell the human race—greater even than Pompeii. Tells how Martinique, one of the most beautiful islands in the world was suddenly transformed into a veritable hell about 500 pages, profusely illustrated with photographs taken before and after the disaster. Practically only "Martinique" book in the field for every one now insists on having Prof. Morris' book and no other. Best author, largest book, best illustrated, scientifically accurate. Price \$1.50. Agents Wanted. Enormous profits for those who act quickly. Most liberal terms. Outfit 10 cents. Don't lose a minute. Send for outfit IMMEDIATELY and be at work. The chance of a life time for making money. Clark & Co., 222 S. 4th St., Philadelphia, Pa. Mention this paper.

I want to rent my residence property just west of the Baptist Church; also the old Mansion House, just west of it. Mrs. T. J. Buchanan.

Rev. John W. Moseley, of Brandon, delivered two excellent sermons from the Presbyterian pulpit, Sunday, to large and appreciative audiences.

The W. C. T. U. will have a very important meeting Thursday afternoon, at 4:30. All members are urged to be present.

All the boys who attended the encampment have returned home, and report a fine time.

There is not much enjoyment in love during August.

Half-Sick

"I first used Ayer's Sarsaparilla in the fall of 1848. Since then I have taken it every spring as a blood-purifying and nerve-strengthening medicine." S. T. Jones, Wichita, Kans.

If you feel run down, are easily tired, if your nerves are weak and your blood is thin, then begin to take the good old standard family medicine, Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

It's a regular nerve lifter, a perfect blood builder. \$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

Ask your doctor what he thinks of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. He knows all about this grand old family medicine. Follow his advice and you will be satisfied. J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

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Into Eternity.

Were a Large Number of Mississippians in an Excursion train Wreck on the Southern Railway.

While dashing around a curve at 30 miles an hour, at 9 o'clock Monday morning an excursion train on the Southern Railway, en route from Greenville, Miss., to Birmingham, Ala. was wrecked, 21 persons killed and many scores more injured, near Berry, Ala. The dead are:

- H. M. Dudley, trainmaster, Birmingham. Roscoe Shelby, Columbus. Jim Smith, Isola. Lillie Martin and child, Columbus. Charley Carp, Columbus. Esel Patterson, West Point. Nate Green, Columbus. Ed Clark, Columbus. Willie Thompson, Columbus. Eleven unidentified. Those fatally injured were: Emmett Leroy. John McReevey, fireman. Cleburn Johnson. Simin Giton. William Taylor. John Tompson. Ben Long, Columbus. Joe Alexander, Tuscaloosa. George Brantlett, Greenville. P. W. Julian, Fayette. Alfred Matthews. Robert Phillip, Columbus. Lee Wilson, Waverly. Edmond Young, Columbus. Jim Black, West Point. George O'Neil, Greenwood. Mollie King, Mooney. Lula Shaw, Greenwood. Estella Brown, Greenwood. Lee Williams, West Point. Lena McNeil, Columbus. Saulsbury Mason, Phoebe. John Ross, Columbus. Walter Masod and Alfred Richardson, Hudson. Willie Brown, West Point. John Beasley, West Point. Martin Harris, West Point. Dan Hood, West Point. Allen Snow, Eupora. I. C. Chandler, Columbus. Kid Clark, Columbus. Tony Bush, Columbus.

OKOLONA'S NEW RAILROAD.

DEFINITE action was taken by the directors of the railroad company organized to build a line of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad from this city west into Calhoun county, at the meeting of the stockholders, in this city on Wednesday of last week. All the stock of the company was represented either in the person of the holder or by proxy, and a re-organization of the company effected with a new board of directors, after which the new board voted unanimously in favor of the proposition offered by General Counsel E. L. Russell, to issue \$500,000 worth of bonds on the proposed road, from the sale of which, after they were guaranteed by the Mobile & Ohio railroad company, the funds could be raised to build and equip the road from this point into the eastern part of Calhoun county, going via Houston.

With the guarantee of the Mobile & Ohio behind them, there is no doubt of their having ready sale, and within a very few weeks work will be begun on the new line of the road.

Okolona is certainly ready for such a work to begin, because it will open the door of this city to a rich and valuable section of country tributary to us on the west, and which can only be opened in this manner.

Immediately after the meeting last Wednesday, Colonel Russell went to St. Louis where he made an order for the engraving of the bonds voted to be issued, and set the wheels to turning in other preliminaries toward the immediate commencement of work on the new road.

Old age is so terrible an affliction that a great many die of it.

When there is a rain storm, and you want it to quit, how it hangs on!

What has become of the old fashioned horse known as a stump sucker.

Game warden are lately so active that hunters are afraid to tell hunting stories.

The Panama hat is "on the hog" now; it will probably be on the horse next summer.

Be good, but don't be too good, or you will be a white elephant on your friends' hands.

Those Filipinos will probably "throw up the sponge" when they see General Miles' silver bath-tub.

If you are always quarreling with people about what you said on a previous occasion, it is a sign you talk too freely.

Dusty Rhodes—"Geel wouldn't yer like ter be in de Philippines? It's summer all de time dere." Hungry Higgins—"Yeh; but 'ink o' dat water-cure."

NERVES GAVE WAY—PE-RU-NA CURED.



Miss A. Brady, Corresponding Secretary Illinois Woman's Alliance, writes from 272 Indiana avenue, Chicago, Ill. "Last year from continued strain in literary work I became very much exhausted, my nerves seemed to give way, and I had headache, headache and serious indigestion."

"One of my friends suggested that I try Peruna. It certainly acted like magic on my system."

"Within ten days I felt new life and health given me; and by taking an occasional dose off and on when I feel extra tired, I keep my system in perfect order."—MISS A. BRADY.

Mrs. Fanny Klavdatscher, of Summitville, N. Y., writes as follows: "For three months I suffered with pain in the back and in the region of the kidneys, and a dull pressing sensation in the abdomen, and other symptoms of pelvic ostarrh."

"But after taking two bottles of Peruna I am entirely well, better than I ever was."—Mrs. Fanny Klavdatscher.

Send for "Health and Beauty," written especially for women by Dr. S. B. Hartman, President Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

Philosophy is the salve of disappointment.

Man is fearfully and politically made.

A fat man has more trouble than he has sympathizers.

Most women are afraid of a loose dog or a tight man.

This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day.

In trying to get his rights many a man goes at it the wrong way.

Milk of human kindness is usually of a poor quality and little in the can.

The most "unkindest cuts of all"—your picture in a country newspaper.

STOP THE COUGH AND WORK OFF THE GOLD. Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure—no pay. Price 35 cents at Hall's.

Talk is cheap; yet some people will give up a dollar to hear a tiresome lecture.

The Lancaster literary society decided at a recent meeting that seven men out of ten are bores.

Nell—"He said I had such a bird-like appetite." Belle—"Yes; he runs an ostrich farm you know."

You know what you are taking when you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No Cure, No Pay. 50c.

Most country towns have a choice between a creamery and a brass band, and take the band.

If poverty is ever abolished every bachelor will either have to marry or act as his own servant.

Young Plants

Every farmer knows that some plants grow better than others. Soil may be the same and seed may seem the same but some plants are weak and others strong.

And that's the way with children. They are like young plants. Same food, same home, same care but some grow big and strong while others stay small and weak.

Scott's Emulsion offers an easy way out of the difficulty. Child weakness often means starvation, not because of lack of food, but because the food does not feed.

Scott's Emulsion really feeds and gives the child growing strength.

Whatever the cause of weakness and failure to grow—Scott's Emulsion seems to find it and set the matter right.

Send for free sample. Scott & Bowden, Chemists, 20 North St., New York, N. Y., and 250 N. 3rd St., Philadelphia, Pa.

If you know Malaria, you certainly don't like it. If you know Ayer's Malaria and Ague Cure, you certainly do like it.