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We have in our store now one car load of fine northern early Ohio potatoes. These potatoes are fine quality and pure seed; get your potatoes now for winter use and spring planting. We are selling this car of potatoes at thirty cents per bushel in five, ten or twenty bushel lots. The same grade of potatoes usually sell in spring of the year from \$1 to \$1.50 per bushel.

We also have on hand two car loads of flour. One car from north, the Minneapolis hard wheat, and our other car of soft winter wheat from Cherokee, Kansas. We bought this flour before flour advanced and can sell from thirty to forty cents cheaper on the hundred than any other store in Butler. We also have on hand Power Bros. flour, Queen of Butler and the Royal, and will sell in five hundred pound lots at the same price that it will cost you at the mill.

We have just received a fine line of Christmas goods, decorated queens ware of the latest pattern; decorated lamps that we are selling from 30c complete up as high as \$5. If you want a fancy lamp, we have them, and if you want a cheap one, we have them. We bought our lamps this year—we have not had them on hands for two or three years like most of the stores have, and they bought them when they cost three times what they do now. We carry all kinds of Christmas presents, fancy mugs, fancy cups and saucers, fruit dishes, glass sets, knives and forks, water sets, children's cups and saucers and a heavy line of plain and decorated queensware.

We receive to-day 5 bbl. of fine, pure sugar candy from St. Louis, with no coloring in it, that we had ordered special for our Christmas trade. The candy we are selling at 6c per pound is fine, come in and look at it.

We take all kinds of produce in exchange for all kinds of Christmas goods. We paid the most of last week 18c per dozen for eggs; do not sell your eggs and chickens until you get our prices. We get prices every morning from Kansas City and Chicago, and will give you the highest prices every day in the week for game, turkeys, chickens, ducks, geese, apples, butter and eggs.

SUGAR.	
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21lb best granulated sugar	\$1 00
10 1/2 lb best granulated sugar	50
22lb light brown sugar	1 00
FLOUR.	
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50lb sack Nevada flour	\$.95
50lb sack hard wheat, standard grade flour	1 15
50lb sack high grade flour	1 20
MEAT.	
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1lb dry salt meat	04
1lb breakfast bacon	07
1lb California hams	07
Country lard in 50lb cans per pound	07
COFFEE.	
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Arbuckles coffee, per pound	20
Lion coffee per pound	20
XXXX coffee, per pound	20
Spoon coffee, per pound	20

Pure celebrated 25c Mocha and Java is our leader. This coffee will equal any 30 cent coffee that is on the market; it is very strong and fine flavor, come and try it, and do not forget that we are selling the finest potatoes on the market at thirty cents per bushel.

FISK BROS. & CO.

HAND OF DEATH

Invited and Came to Lillian Calhoun Turner.

Kansas City, Mo. Dec 19.—Mrs. Lillian Calhoun Turner, daughter of a Dallas, Texas, divine, who took a dose of arsenic Thursday because her husband, with whom she had eloped, ill treated her, died at the City Hospital at an early hour this morning from the effects of the poison. The following is Mrs. Turner's last letter to her husband:

Bob—Last night you said you liked Mr. Burke better than I, so go to him I beg you, and he will tell you I am innocent of any wrong you accuse me of. Let him clear my good name in your eyes. You can believe him, for he speaks the truth. You may never see me again on this earth, but I wish you all the happiness in this world, and may you reach the other.

You very well know the pain I am in, and will suffer both physically and mentally, and remember at all times when you are going through life that you have wrecked a young life and sent a young girl to hell. Remember too, that I was cast out alone, without one penny to eat on without a friend to turn to, and what looms up before me is—poverty, shame and disgrace. But I have looked at them all, and rather than that I prefer death. When this reaches you I will be dead. Go to Mrs. Simmons, 312 East Twelfth street, and get my trunk, send it to my mother, and say to her that I was driven by you to my death. Since I have been your wife I have been true and loyal. Not an untrue thought has entered my head. You have been my life, my all. At all times and in all my troubles I have clung to you always. I have suffered poverty with you, and in return I get my heart crushed and my life forever ruined. Send my clothes to my mother. God bless the little angel, and tell little sister to take warning from me. May God bless and protect the hand that was raised to strike a young life out of existence. Good by forever, and may prosperity and happiness ever betide you is the last long wish of Lillian P. S.—For Brother Kelly's birth day, he had his arm cut off; for mine, death.

END OF A HUTCHINSON FEUD.

Reo County Farmer Commits Murder in Settling old Scores.

Hutchinson, Kan., Dec. 21.—A neighborhood quarrel in Ninnescah township in this county, resulted in the probable death of a highly respected citizen yesterday. John Guy and a farmer named Burch and his two sons had an old feud and yesterday the Burch men stopped Guy as he was passing their farm, and wanted to "fight it out." Guy went to the house of Frank Tucker, a farmer, and asked him to go back with him and see that there was fair play in the settlement of the trouble. Tucker consented, and a fight ensued between Guy and one of the Burch boys. The old man Burch attempted to help his son in the attack and Tucker prevented him. While he was thus engaged the younger Burch stepped behind Tucker and fired a revolver at him, the ball passing through Tucker's body and lodging in his right lung. Tucker is dying and the murderer has not yet been placed under arrest, although officers have been in pursuit of him all day. Threats of lynching are indulged in by the excited neighbors.

Says Bryan Contract's Sold.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec 17.—Alexander Comstock, manager of the Mc Bee Bryan lecture combination said to-day that the contract with Mr. Bryan for fifty lectures at \$1,000 a night had been sold by Mr. McBee at an advance of \$25,000. Mr. McBee refused to either confirm or deny the story. The purchasers are said to be an Atlanta syndicate.

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They Will "Hang Together."

Frankfort, Ky., Dec 21.—Sheriff Plummer of Newport has been in consultation to-day with Governor Bradley. The latter indicated that he would fix the same day for the execution of both Jackson and Walling. The final mandates of the court have not yet reached the Governor, but he is already receiving letters by hundreds, pleading for mercy for Pearl Bryan's murderers.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 21.—Thomas Carmichael, 34 years of age, committed suicide here Sunday. He went to the hay loft in his stable, laid down and sent a bullet through his head. He was a clerk in the Lehman Higginson wholesale grocery house, and became despondent by reason of injuries received recently. He leaves a wife and two children. This makes thirteen suicides committed here during the past year, and all of them save one were committed on Sunday.

Bride Surprised.

Cincinnati, O., Dec 18.—A startling experience is related by Emma Howard in a petition for divorce about to be filed here. She is a comely white woman, 22 years old, pleasing of face and form. Her maiden name was Emma Cuff, and she worked as a domestic in some very fashionable and respectable West End families. By accident she met Charles Howard, a negro porter in a saloon, a diminutive man, and as repulsive looking as she is delicate and polished. The girl by some unaccountable freak fell in love with Howard. It was a case "of beauty and the beast." They were married last Thanksgiving but next day she left him.

The strangest part of the story is to be told. She had made a startling discovery. The husband whom she had wedded proved to be a woman. She is the fourth woman so deceived by Howard, two of whom were white. His efforts to induce her to return availed nothing and she now applies for a separation.

Frightful Murder.

Chillicothe, Ohio, Dec. 18.—At Bethel, in this county, two married women, named Moon and Shell, got into a quarrel over a trivial matter yesterday, which resulted in the Shell woman throwing a bucket of strong lye water into the face of Mrs. Moon and her infant daughter. Both had their eyes burned out, and their heads and faces were also terribly burned. The baby died in a short time, and the mother cannot recover. Mrs. Shell escaped.

Holiday Excursions.

On account of the Christmas and New Year's holidays the Mo. Pac. Ry. Co. will sell round trip tickets to all local points within two hundred miles distance at rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale Dec. 24th, 25th, and 31st, 1896 and January 1st, 1897 and will be limited for return until Jan. 4th, 1897.

Home seekers, round trip tickets will be placed on sale to various points in the northwest, west and southwest, on the following dates, Jan. 5th, and 19th. Feb'y 2nd and 16th, March 2nd and 16th, April 6th and 20th, and May 4th and 18th, 1897. For rates limit of tickets &c., apply to W. C. Burrows, Ticket Ag't, Butler, Mo.

Austin Items.

Grandpa Shields is very low at this writing. There is a protracted meeting going on at the M E church this week. Mrs Robert Woods is some better. There are lots of mover wagons on the road this winter? wonder where they all go.

The tax collector is on the road for this year. The Baptist people are going to have a Christmas tree Friday.

Mr Chris Koeper, a conductor on the Missouri Pacific railroad, died at Kansas City Friday, and was buried by the masses, of which order he was a member. He carried a life insurance of \$5,000.

Joe Searight shipped two car loads of hogs to Kansas City this week. Mr Rigen will start north in a few days with a load of hickory nuts.

Jack Taley of Archie, working on the section here, had his hand badly mashed the other day.

Mrs Level was out for the first time since she was hurt. Wm Silvers is moving his saw mill north of Austin.

Mr Moshier of Passaic, is holding a protracted meeting at Calman this week. The Odd Fellows celebrated their 36th anniversary Saturday evening with and oyster supper.

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Round Prairie Items.

Miss Dixie Ooley made a trip to Harwood and surrounding community the first of the week.

Mrs Hall and son, Elma, were in Schell City Saturday. Miss Olive McGee, of Rockville, will spend Christmas in Kansas City.

Mrs Terry was in Vernon county the first of the week. Some of our young folks attended lyceum at Elm Grove school house and report a fine time.

Mrs Health, who has been suffering with pneumonia is some better at this writing. Prof Tally, who is teaching a very successful term of school here, will give a week's vacation and spend Christmas at his home in Henry Co.

Frank Neelan and Miss Minnie Shay were united in marriage Dec 15, 1896. Miss Jessie McDavitt was on the sick list last week.

The supper which was to have been given at Mr Stephenson's has been changed to the church Dec 30. Oyster and peaches will be served at the dish, the proceeds to be used to get new stoves.

Quite a number of our farmers have butchered their meat. Misses Hattie and Metta Nichols gave a "popcorn social" at their residence Friday evening. The young folks enjoyed the affair, pronouncing the Misses Nichols the best of entertainers.

CLIMAX.

Virginia Items.

In writing news for the TIMES this year.

It will be things we see and hear, and if we get them wrong or mixed friends forgive us for this is '96.

Revs Galbreath of the M E church and Blair of the Cumberland church have been holding a meeting at Mt. Carmel for the past two weeks. 14 have been added to the church.

The only thing keeping our town from sending a company of men to Cuba is, they all want to be captain.

Diek Craig of Tula, I T is visiting relatives here for a few days.

Several of the young Americans got on their fighting harness last week at school east and north of Virginia; some received slight flesh wounds, but not of a serious nature.

Amos Lockridge's little girl has been on the sick list for several days. It is not a very good place for peddlers round Virginia unless they have themselves; there was one taken last week before an officer.

The Virginia literary was not very well attended last Friday night. At a late hour President Morrison took the gavel and called the house to order, and by the way the gavel sounded it was an easy matter to tell that the president was quite nervous. Every eye seemed to be fixed on the president, but when the secretary read the program for the evening it was learned that the president was to tell the future of populism. After a moment of silence some one said the future of populism was democrat victory; as soon as order was restored the president asked if there was any unfinished business before the society a young man with a mustache arose and said, Mr President there is an important question staring the members of this society in the face and the same question stared the voters in the face last fall, that finance question. Master Walton Morrison declaimed a piece entitled, "The Village Blacksmith." Prof Harper made a short talk on the beauties of sugar; select reading by Wm Cuzick.

Charley and Joe Huck of Osawatomie, Kan., are visiting old friends here for a few days; they are on their way to Rich Hill.

Fery Name of Orchard, Kan., took dinner in our town Saturday.

Mike Orear and his father have rented the Washington Park farm and moved there last week.

The singing schools at Miami and Virginia are well attended.

The dance at Mr Stuekey's Friday night was well attended.

Dr Christy of Butler, was called Tuesday of last week to see Altou Park's little boy, who had a sore throat.

The Endeavor was well attended Sabbath night. Next Sabbath night is the time to elect officers for the next three months.

The spelling school at Hotwater last Friday night was a success; Misses Clara Dugart and Gertie Manger were the champion spellers.

Uncle John Bassett and wife visited their son Hiram at Foster last week.

Wm Cuzick is on the sick list Saturday and Sunday.



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FARM LOANS.

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Shered Cope and wife visited relatives at New Home Sunday.

The ladies that were at Aunt Lucy Maloney's quilting last Wednesday report a splendid time especially those that took their knitting. Those present were Medames Thompson, Denning, Jenkins, McFadden, Lamb, Cowan, Bard, Carpenter, Linton, Whinnery, Berry, Gordon, Cuzick, Flemming and Miss Ida Cowan.

Miss Minnie Herrell is spending a week in Butler.

Carrol Mann of Butler, spent Saturday and Sunday with Lee Browning.

Aunt Bettie Dudley is visiting her son, Bob, at Joplin and will stop at Eldorado to see her sister, Mrs Hutelinson.

Mrs Jasper Pierce went to Amsterdam Sunday afternoon to take the train for Kansas City, where she will visit relatives during holidays.

Charley says he likes to make drives to Amsterdam Sunday afternoon.

Aaron stayed all night with Jefferson Park; he is failing very fast. He has been sick a long time, his limbs and body have commenced swelling again, and he cannot lie in his bed—has to sit up; he has spells that he can hardly get his breath. His physical strength is failing fast, but his mind is active and he loves to talk.

Some of our young people have been attending the literary at Concord they report it a good one; it meets every Wednesday night.

Miss Mary Ourouke is on the sick list.

Mrs F M Nash, who has been sick for some time, died Sunday. She will be buried near St. Joseph, Mo.

A short time ago we received a letter from Dr J J Mitchell formerly of Virginia; we were glad to learn that the doctor had found a place that suited him. He was born in Logan county, Ohio, 1845, served in the army of the Potomac in 1865. At the close of the war he moved to Concord, Muskingdom county, where he received a limited college course at the Muskingdom college, in 1876 after the death of his father and mother and an only brother, and following the advice of Greeley, he came west and located in Bates county, Mo. Soon after he came west he contracted the granulated sore eyes which caused him much suffering for about fifteen years; with all drawbacks he continued to teach school in Bates, Cass county, and Johnson county, Kansas. In that way he earned enough to get his medical education. In 1883 he located in Vinton, practiced there 'till 1887, when he located in Virginia and practiced here until the summer of '96. In 1889 he married Miss Effie Orear, daughter of W D Orear. During the nine years of his practice he bought a good farm, adjoining the town, which he now owns. He made a success financially and a large practice. We believe we are safe in saying he has less marks in the grave yard than any one that practiced the same length of time.

The Dr was a liberal supporter of the church and Sabbath school and all charitable objects. We hope he will meet with like success in his new home. The doctor has over 100 head of fine hogs on his farm being fed by B F Jenkins, which will soon be ready for market.

According to the ember days or what the Dutch say about them, we will have but little northwest or east wind for the next two months. Last Wednesday, Friday and Saturday were ember days.

The Virginia school closes Wednesday of this week till Monday of next week.

AARON.

Hundreds Agree to go to War.

Guthrie, Ok., Dec 20.—Five hundred Cuban sympathizers met last night at the United States District court room, in this city, and held a wildly enthusiastic meeting. Resolutions were passed scoring Spain and Weyler, and asking the President to take such action as would accord with the feelings of the American people, and that the United States extend a protectorate over the island. The resolutions were sent to Delegate Flynn and the Cuban junta. Four hundred patriots, including the Oklahoma branch of Coxey's Oklahoma army, under General Trumbley, signed the rolls, vol- anteering to go to Cuba if favorable action was taken by this country.