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Thanking the public for their confidence and liberal patronage during the past fifteen years, we solicit a continuance of the same promising honest and conservative management, with strict attention always to the wants of our customers.
J. R. JENKINS, Cashier. Wm. E. WALTON, President.

Hume Items.

U S Tegarden returned from a visit to Independence, Tuesday.
Mr Herndon, of Braymer, Mo., visited his uncle, Dr E F Herndon, this week.
Mrs Frank Messinger of Baldwin, Kan., is visiting J J Messingers.
E M Dickinson returned Tuesday from a protracted visit in Kansas City.
Mr Anusmus of Drexel, was prospecting in our town Tuesday, with the view of opening another barber shop.
Rev Potter preached his last sermon in the M E church of this place in this conference year on last Sunday. Bro Potter has a host of friends here and all hope the conference will see fit to return him to this charge.
Walter Harkins has sold his barber shop and moved to Panama.
Several of our citizens have been subpoenaed in the celebrated McCombs-Foster trial which comes off the 11th inst.
We understand George Whiting will soon move to his farm in south-west Kansas.
Ducks are coming in rapidly and several of our nimrods bagged a few during the past week.
The P & G railroad has advertised a change of time in their train service to take effect the 10th inst. There will be a morning and evening passenger and the two midday trains.
John Strait has purchased the blacksmith shop from George Whiting and will continue the business. John is a good workman and deserves to succeed. We understand Cal Biser will assist him.
Notices have been posted announcing a republican township convention to be held at this place Saturday March 13, for the purpose of nominating a township ticket.
W B Wayts is erecting a new residence on his farm south of town.
David Reed, who for the past four years has been living in Nevada, moved back to his farm south of town last week.
Mr Biggs, father of our townsman J C Biggs, has moved into Mrs Zeigler's property.
Miss Myrtle and Master Robbie, daughter and son of R B White are on the sick list this week.
E E Cannon, who is less dangerous than his name implies, has rented his farm west of town and will cast his lot among us. We extend to him a hearty welcome.
Mrs T U Crail and family left Saturday to join her husband who, we understand, is merchandising in Severy, Kansas.
All democrats are well pleased with the township ticket, though it is rumored that the rum element will fight a part of it.
The chicken pie social at Buckles' hall, given by the ladies of the M E church Friday night was well attended and heartily enjoyed by all. They never fail to please with their suppers, both in the novelty of arrangements and in the culinary art.
Mr Smith, our new night operator, has taken the place of John Mitchell who, it is said, was discharged at the instigation of a man who was displeased with his testimony before the late grand jury. A petition ask-

ing for his re-instatement has been signed by thirty-five out of the business men firms in town. We hope the officials of the road will have him re-instated at once.

Mrs Nantz left Saturday for an extended visit with relatives in Indiana. Messrs C H Senior, G E Titsworth and J D Ricks, attended to business in Butler Saturday.

Chris North has sold his dray business to Aaron Hefley who recently came here from Iowa. Mr Hefley is a young man of good habits and sound business principles and deserves a good share of the public patronage.
I. T. MIZKER.

Virginia Items.

Kind friends if you wish the Virginia news another year, do for Aaron what he does for you, tell him all the news you hear.
The Times goes to friends in other states that set up 'till eleven,
To read what happens you and what other folks do in 1897.

Prof T A Kennett of Amoret, was in our city Wednesday of last week hunting democrats; a gentleman gave him the names of the delegates to the county convention. Mr Kennett is a fine looking man, and no doubt would have made an excellent school commissioner if he had been chosen by the convention.

Gordon Wallace and wife visited Mrs W's parents, Mr and Mrs John Durrett at Lee Summit last week.
Mrs Isaac Park and daughter, Miss Edith, were the guests of H H Flesher and family at Butler two days last week.

Frank McElroy has purchased a fine buggy horse.

D C Wolfe is an expert paper hanger, a good farmer and a natural born free silver talker, and if one of the township offices don't look him square in the eyes and say, thou art the man, we will think some other populist has played hokeyy.

The republican flag waved in the breeze and rain at Virginia Thursday the 4th.

Emanuel Nestlerode's hogs are dying with the cholera. 61 head have died.

Mrs C H Morrison recently returned home from Illinois after a long and pleasant visit with relatives and friends.

W C Carpenter visited his brother at Independence last week. He brought his brother's Jersey cow and an old pony home with him. The pony is 27 years old; his brother drove the pony when he preached at Virginia.

S T Holloway has moved to near Adrian.
Geo Thompson had Aaron make a new top box for his wagon Friday of last week.

Dave Bean has moved to the Dave Pearce farm east of Mount Carmel.
Wm Iodham and son, Henry, are on the sick list, with the grip.

H C Wilson informs us that Mrs Wilson, who has been sick for some time, is improving nicely.
I I Browning, who was quite sick with pneumonia, is able to be up again.

Aron Park was at Clinton on business last week.
S M Coulter has moved to the Dave Bean farm which he recently purchased.

Bert Fairchilds has built a new house.
Miss Tillie Woody has the whooping cough.

Misses Dora and Mamie Neel have the grip.
Amos Bright has moved to his farm south of the river.

Grandma Roback is quite sick. They have sent for her daughter, Barbara, who lives in Kansas.
Thos Broadhurst of Kansas City bought Geo Ruble's cattle Wednesday of last week.

Mrs Judy and son have moved in the house with Sam Dobbins.
Wonder why Will Durst is watched so close of late.

Geo Zinn re-roofed and put a new floor in his house last week.
Geo Poulman moved to what is known as the Elliott farm north of Virginia. He bought the farm last fall of Mendal Shaffer.

Wm Voght sold 1,100 bushels of corn last week.
Charley Hensley lost a new stay chain to a wagon between Virginia and Aaron last week. If anyone found it he will be very glad if they will return it.

Geo Jenkins is cutting down the big hedge on the south and west side of his blue grass pasture.
James Keaton of Elkhardt township was at Virginia Saturday hunting the democratic candidates for justice of the peace of Charlotte township.

Otis Radford of east of Butler, was in our city Wednesday of last week.

The young ladies who attended Misses Blanch and Verna Cook's quilting Wednesday of last week report a good time and think they were lucky not to break more than four needles.

Last Sabbath Mrs W W Park went to carry her little daughter, Elsie, across a mud hole and lost her balance and fell; they were not hurt but covered with mud.

The commission firm at Virginia invoiced Saturday. At present Cole Hensley, president of the firm, has taken in Aaron for the time being, as Mr Cowan, one of the members is out for office on the democratic ticket. Mr Hensley has faith that Aaron will always be found in his beloved party though it be small.

Elder Blake preached at the Christian church Sabbath at 11 a. m. and at Miami Center at night.
Milton Flesher of Butler, and — passed through Virginia Sabbath afternoon.

Saturday the 13th, will be pops convention at Virginia. Aaron has promised to write up the proceedings of the convention. We expect it will be long and harmonious. It will be the coming together of the outside of the road fellows. The middle-of-the-road fellows say it is better traveling in the middle of the road, as there is a solid track; some think it the sure path that leadeth to office.
Mrs A W Simpson is on the sick list.

Mrs W T Cowan was on the sick list Sabbath.
John Foster has rented the J W Park farm of the Seuly agent.

Pleasant Hill is on the sick list.
Washington Park sold his fat cattle to Cole Hensley Monday.
Frank Porter is on the sick list with grip and neuralgia.
Mrs Jap Pierce is having a new porch built to her house.

Albert Pilgrim is fixing up the lot fences on his father's farm at Virginia, where he will move in a short time.

Some are talking about the post-office changing hands. Aaron is sure it will not be done, talk is cheap. If it is changed it will be done by parties outside of this township.

John Will Watkins, who has been visiting his brothers, Frank and Ben, has returned to his home in Ills.
AARON.

SNOW BLOCKADE IN NORTHWEST.

Railroad Traffic Almost Suspended in Minnesota and the Dakotas.

St. Paul, Minn., March 7.—The states of Minnesota, North and South Dakotas are in a nervous condition over the prospects of the next few days. It has snowed every day this month, to-day's storm being the greatest in weeks. The snow fell furiously from 10 o'clock this morning until nightfall, when it became almost a drizzle of rain. There are literally mountains of snow all over this section. In every dooryard of St. Paul there is from 2 to 5 feet of snow. Railroad trains are in a hopeless tangle, being tied up in every direction, and many of the small branch lines are wholly abandoned.

To night's reports from South Dakota say that that state is wholly at the mercy of the elements. The Legislature at Pierre, which adjourned sine die on Friday night, is tied up as tightly as if under a siege. Not a train is running into or out of Pierre. There is almost the same state of things at Aberdeen, Blunt, Gettysburg, Milbank and Chamberlain. General Superintendent Russell Harding, of the Great Northern, came in last night from a trip to the Pacific. Speaking of the snow to-day, he said:

"In all my life career I never saw anything like it. A conservative estimate would place the snow in North Dakota at 3 feet on the plains. It is probably nearer 4 feet on a level, and the snow isn't all down yet, as telegrams this afternoon indicate that another storm is on."

This is the situation all over this country, and the people are beginning to realize that if the snow should go off with a rush or accompanied with a downpour of rain, as is likely at this season of the year, the biggest flood would result ever known in the Northwest. It would cause incalculable damage along the Mississippi and tributary streams, and overflow the Red River Valley to such an extent that it would prevent the seeding of thousands of acres.

Out of His Troubles.

Carthage, Mo., March 8.—John Peacock, who lived ten miles north-east of here, shot himself in the head in his granary at midnight last night. Then he fired the granary. The fire was extinguished last night, but the body was not found until this morning. He was despondent over the foreclosure of a mortgage on his farm.

Roht. Watson, a well known farmer and stockman, of Freeman, Cass county, made two attempts at suicide at Harrisonville Friday, the last being a complete success. In the afternoon he swallowed a dose of poison, but prompt medical aid relieved him of the deadly dose. It was then thought by those having him in charge that this experience would be sufficient warning to him, and he was not watched very closely. He disappeared from the streets and no more was heard of him until Saturday morning, when his dead body was found lying by the side of the railroad track in the Missouri Pacific yards. The desperate man had deliberately laid down with his neck across the rail and the wheels of a passing train had severed the head from the body, and it had rolled into a cavity between the ties. The body lay stretched out full length beside the rails, showing Watson had deliberately placed his neck across the rail and awaited the result. Four trains had passed by during the night and it was not known which one killed him.

Excuse Me, I Mean the Bottom

Has Dropped Out of Prices

DROPPED DEAD.

ON GROCERIES.

Must Do Business. Will Do Business!

PRICES TALK—THINK OF IT!

12 lb finest granulated sugar \$ 50
1 lb Battle Ax tobacco 20
1 can Greenwich lye 07
3 cans California peaches 25
4 lb evaporated peaches 25
1 pail jelly (best grade) 35
1 pail syrup (best grade) 33
1 package coffee, any kind, 14
Morning Glory coffee reduced from 30c to 24c per pound; everybody knows this famous brand.
Java Blend coffee per lb 17
Original African Java coffee reduced from 30c to 24c per pound.

Come Quick and Get It.

Best Gunpowder tea reduced from 50c to 28c per pound.
50c Imperial tea now 27
Will have in a few days the finest uncolored Japan tea for 29c that ever struck Butler; you are now paying 75c for the same tea, not less than 50c at any store

1 lb Star tobacco 40
8 bars silk soap 15
Pure cider vinegar, per gal 15
Lilly gloss starch per lb 05
Lamp chimney, each 05
13 lb hand picked navy beans 25
13 lb rolled oat meal 25
1 lb can Womack brand baking powder 10
2 3-lb cans apricots 25
Golden drip syrup per gal 24
4 lb best crisp crackers 25
Corn meal per sack 10
Wire nails per lb 02 1/2
Rope any size per lb 07

Talk about other merchants knocking me out on prices, they can not cutter. Yes, and by the way, they are not paying you enough for your Butter, Eggs, Chickens, etc. I AM paying 5c for chickens, 10c to 12c for butter. SEE ME before you sell your produce.

Dry salt meat 4 1/2c per pound; 10 bars Ark soap 25c; stoneware 7c per gal; FLOUR, the staff of life, 5c less on sack than any other merchant in Butler. Worlds of new Northern Garden Seeds, warranted, 5c papers for 3c each; 1 oz more bulk seed than any other one for 5c.

Thousands are flocking to my store, be patient when you come, we will wait on you as soon as possible.

Just received a nice lot of Early Ohio and Early Rose seed potatoes, direct from Red River, Minnesota, which I will sell as low as the lowest. See me before you buy if you want pure seed, I have surely got them.

WANTED—Ten thousand dozen eggs and fifty thousand pounds of chickens, so bring them quick; prices subject to change without notice.

Yours Truly
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Respectfully,
E. D. KIPP, CASHIER.

INSURGENTS NEAR HAVANA.

City in a State of Siege From the Land Side.

New York, March 8.—The Sun this morning has the cablegram from Havana:

Arroyo Apolo, which is near El Cerro, one of the fashionable suburbs of the capital, has been attacked by the insurgents commanded by Romero and Aranguren. In the first engagement there the Spaniards lost 26 soldiers. When the Spaniards retired without reinforcements from the capital the Cubans retired without obtaining the provisions and ammunition stored in Arroyo Apolo. A few hours later the insurgents returned in larger numbers and ransacked the stores and obliged the Spaniards to abandon the place. The end of the engagement was a hand-to-hand fight in which the Cubans charged with machetes, making havoc in the Spanish lines. The noise of the musketry frightened the families living at El Cerro, and many of them fled to the capital. The fight, from the first to the final defeat of the garrison lasted 14 hours.

It is not believed here that Aranguren with his scanty forces and entire lack of artillery, would attempt to take Havana, but his dash and bravery are much feared by the Spaniards, and nobody doubts that if strong Cuban forces should join him he would risk an attack even on the capital itself.

As it is now, Aranguren has checked the Spanish column marching out of Havana and has put the city in a state of siege from the land side. Some times meat is so scarce that there is not enough for the restaurants and on some days neither milk nor vegetables can be obtained at any price.

At Manacas, Province of Santa Clara, the Spanish forces were defeated by the insurgent leader, Alberto Rodriguez. In the thick of the engagement many Spanish soldiers deserted to the insurgents.

This news has made Weyler very angry and by his orders several officers of the Pizarro battalion will soon be court martialed for cowardice. Such cases are not infrequent.

MAIL CLERK CREMATED.

Landslide Causes a Passenger Wreck on the Missouri Pacific.

Bonnets Mill, Mo., March 5.—Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 4, which left Kansas City at 1:30 p. m. ran into a landslide about one and one half miles west of Stauberst this evening, telescoping the engine, tender and mail car. It set fire to the mail car, which in turn set fire to the baggage car, and both were completely consumed.

Mail Clerk W. A. Rosenberger, of Bloomington, Ill., was caught in the mail car and was burned to death. The fire burned so rapidly that assistance was impossible.

Conductor D. L. Parker, of St. Louis, assisted by the male passengers, uncoupled the coaches from the baggage car and pushed them back out of danger.

Engineer F. Mauber of St. Louis,

was quite severely injured about the head, back, ribs and legs. Fireman Ed Lusman of St. Louis, was caught under the coal of the engine tender and was badly scalded from the waist down. He will probably recover.

The slide happened in a cut on a curve, making it impossible for the engineer to see it in time to avoid the accident. None of the passengers were hurt.

THE EXTRA SESSION CALLED.

President McKinley Issues a Very Brief Proclamation.

Washington, D. C., March 6.—Late this afternoon President McKinley issued the following proclamation, calling the Fifty fifth congress in extra session March 15.

"By the president of the United States of America—A proclamation: Whereas, public interests require that the congress of the United States should be convened in extra session at 12 o'clock on the 15th day of March, 1897, to receive such communication as may be made by the executive

Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, president of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim and declare that an extraordinary occasion requires the congress of United States to convene in extra session at the capitol in the city of Washington, on the 15th day of March, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, of which all persons who shall at that time be entitled to act as members thereof are hereby required to take notice.

Given under my hand and the seal of the United States, at Washington the sixth day of March in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven, and of the independence of the United States, one hundred and twenty-first.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.
By the President, John Sherman, Secretary of State."

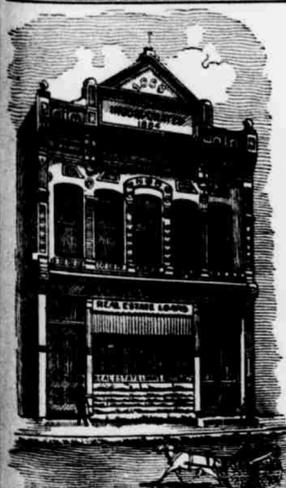
BUTLER, MO., MARCH, 6TH, 1897.
W. O. RIDDLE, GEN. AGENT.
Of the South-Western Mut. Life Ass'n, Marshalltown, Ia.

Dear Sir: I have this day received of you a draft for \$5,000, in payment of policy No. 1842 on the life of the late Jno. M. Hoagland. I desire to state that I qualified as administrator on March the 4th and you adjusted the claim on that day. Such promptness of you and your association, only continues the confidence the people have in the South-Western Mut. Life. I am yours truly,
J. C. CLARK,
Administrator of Jno. M. Hoagland's estate.

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