

Men's Stripe Worsted Suits,

Have been very fashionable this fall. We still have a good number on hand and in order to close them out will offer for a short time

**MEN'S \$18 SUITS AT \$15,
MEN'S \$15 SUITS AT \$12.50,
MEN'S \$12 SUITS AT \$10,
MEN'S \$10 SUITS AT \$8.50.**

At these prices these suits should all be closed out at once—and are big Bargains—don't wait too long.

Have you seen our boys great \$1.50 shoe? Its a jim dandy.



Underwear at McKibbens.

Mrs. Joe McKibben is reported to be quite sick.

Is the smallpox being brought to this county by returning soldiers?

Sheriff Joe T. Smith moved his family into the jail residence Tuesday morning.

The Inbs elevator at Adrian was destroyed by fire Sunday night of last week. The depot narrowly escaped.

Mrs. J. R. Douglass and daughter, Miss Nellie, of Nevada, spent the holidays in this city, visiting relatives and friends.

A family reunion took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Sartin Adrian, Christmas day. Dinner was served and the day was pleasantly spent.

Harry Morgan, son of the late J. H. Morgan, came home to spend the holidays. Harry holds a lucrative position in the stock yards at St. Joseph.

Robt. L. Graves, District Deputy Grand Master of the I. O. O. F. lodge, arrived in town from Ft. Scott, Kansas, Saturday and will spend a week in this district installing officers of the different lodges.

William L. Vandervoort of the Vandervoort & Barney Dry Goods Company, St. Louis, died in New York Monday. He engaged in the Dry goods business in St. Louis in 1860.

County Treasurer-elect W. T. Johnson was in the city Tuesday. He had just recovered from a very severe spell of pneumonia. He will take charge of his office on April 1, 1901.

Thos. J. Wilson, well known to the people of southwest Bates, having lived in Walnut for a number of years, now living at Colby, Kan., was in Butler the last of the week, favored us pleasantly and had his dates set ahead.

Men's duck coats, 65c, American Clothing House.

Our old friend DeWitt McDaniel was in the city Saturday to meet his wife, who had been spending the holidays with her father, Wm. Whitehead's family at Paola, Kan., Mr. McDaniel favored us pleasantly and renewed.

Closing prices on overcoats at the American Clothing House.

We received from the Farmers Bank a draft for \$65 happy days, drawn on the National Bank of Fortune, State of Happiness, through the Bank of Prosperity. We will present the draft, and if we do not realize the full face value it will not be our fault.

Pierce Hackett favored us pleasantly while in the city Friday, and had his dates set ahead another year. Mr. Hackett's health is not robust this winter and he has to take extra good care of himself. He takes cold easily and it is hard for him to get rid of.

Judge C. F. Boxley, probate judge is having an office fitted up in the Opera House, ground floor in southeast corner of building. As soon as the room is made ready for occupancy the probate records will be moved to the new office. It is probable he will not get into his new quarters before the first of next week.

Our highly esteemed lady friend, Mrs. E. Boswell, favored us with a renewal. She was the mother of our late lamented Judge Thomas Boswell, is one of Bates county's oldest and most highly respected citizens. She recently had a sick spell, from which her many friends will be glad to learn she has recovered.

A protracted meeting is in progress at the South Methodist church. The meeting is being conducted by Rev. Cobb, the pastor who is assisted by Rev. Alexander, of Rich Hill. A general invitation is extended the public to attend. The meeting will continue on through the week and perhaps longer.

A very unfortunate and serious accident happened at Nevada, Friday last. While playing with a target rifle, Roy, the little 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gillette, shot and dangerously wounded his little baby sister Hazel. The children were playing in the front room of their home when the gun was discharged and the bullet took effect in the child's head just above the right temple. It is thought the bullet did not enter the brain and that the child will recover.

Rheumatism in all its forms is promptly and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla which neutralizes acidity of the blood.

For Sale.

Several small farms for sale cheap, on small cash payment; long time at low rate of interest on balance.

8-4t E. D. KIPP.

J. F. Doubenmeir, a substantial farmer of this township, gave us a pleasant call and favored us substantially.

Sheriff Joe T. Smith entered upon the discharge of his duties as high sheriff of Bates county Tuesday morning. THE TIMES feels assured in making the prediction that Sheriff Smith will do his duty fearlessly and he will give the democratic party no cause to regret that it selected him to fill this important office.

Our old friend George M. McKissick, living southwest of the city, favored us with a pleasant call and had the dates on his paper set ahead. Uncle George's name was among the first to go on THE TIMES' books when it was started twenty three years ago, and he has been a constant subscriber since. He had THE TIMES sent to his brother-in-law, W. L. Benson, at Donaldson, Ark., and also to his wife's nephew, George W. Benson, at Friendship, Ark. There is no better man in Bates county than Uncle George McKissick, and we appreciate his patronage and friendship.

Robert Davis, a prominent farmer of Hudson and good friend of THE TIMES, complimented us pleasantly and had the dates on his paper set ahead. Mr. Davis lives within a half mile of the Berchering home. He said he frequently passes the house and hears the old lady crying. He was driving cattle close to her place the other day and she was walking around in her yard crying as if her heart would break. He says that time seems to deepen her sorrow. She first spoke of going back to Germany, but now says she expects to die in the home prepared by the combined efforts of her and her husband before he was murdered.

E. C. Mudd retired from the office of sheriff of Bates county on Monday with the consciousness of duty well done. He made a faithful and efficient officer, doing his duty at all times as he saw it. His last official act was reading the death warrant and performing the very disagreeable duty of hanging McGinnis. Rev. Jewell, who administered the spiritual rites to the condemned, paid the sheriff a very high compliment. He said "Sheriff Mudd did everything in his power to assist the ministers in their efforts to induce the condemned man to confess the truth and repent. While firm and unswerving in his line of duty, his big heart swelled with pity, and he displayed a tender and sympathetic nature." Mr. Mudd moved his family to his fine farm in East Boone township. THE TIMES together with his many friends throughout the county wishes him health and prosperity.

We are in receipt of cards announcing the marriage of Stephen Arthur Mudd and Miss Alice Forrestite Moreland, on December 26th, 1900, at Chicago, Illinois. They will be at home to their many friends after January 10th at Drexel, Mo.

Mr. Mudd is a prominent young business man of Drexel, Mo., where he is associated with his brother, W. S. Mudd, in the mercantile business. He was born and raised in Bates county and for a number of years was in business at Burdette. He was with Sam Levy & Co., of this city, for several years.

His bride, an attractive and accomplished young lady of Boston, Mass., a graduate of the conservatory of music, and is a proficient pianist and vocalist and with all a most amiable young lady. Their many friends in the county join THE TIMES in best wishes for their health, happiness and prosperity.

Smallpox is raging in almost every section of the United States. In the city of New York 4,000 cases are reported. In Missouri the secretary of the State Board of Health reports that the disease has appeared in 75 of the 114 counties of the state, and adds that the county courts of the various counties are empowered to establish quarantines in the county wherever smallpox appears, and urges prompt action in the matter. The secretary says, owing to the small appropriation of \$10,000 the state board cannot bear the expenses incurred and the counties where smallpox exists will have to pay the expense of looking after the disease. It is to be hoped Bates county will escape this terrible disease and every precaution should be taken by our people and physicians.

McKIBBENS.

We desire to thank our customers for their liberal patronage during the past year and to wish them a happy and prosperous New Year. We assure you that in trading with us you will have the BEST SERVICE possible, our stock will be larger and more varied than ever before. We will show exclusive styles and confined goods in many lines, and what is most important the PRICES will be at the LOWEST NOTCH for good goods.

Dress Goods,	Topsy Hosiery, Underwear,
Silks, Satins, Velvets,	Glove Fitting Corsets,
Dress Trimmings, Kid Gloves,	Muslin Underwear,
Ginghams, Wash Goods,	Carpets, linoleums, floor oilcloth,
Canton Flannels, Sheetings,	Matting, Rugs, Portiers,
Table Linens, Crashes, Towels,	Lace Curtains, Window Shades,
Quilts, Shirtings, Table Oil Cloth,	Curtain Poles,
Blankets, Cotton Batting,	Mens Shirts, Overalls, sack coats
Cloaks, Capes,	Mens Pants, Hats, Caps,
Misese Reefers, Furs,	Trunks, Valises,
Muffs, Dress Skirts,	Shoes, Boots, Rubber Goods,

McKIBBENS.

Now is Your Time To Buy a Suit at 33 1-3 per cent.

Less than the actual value. We closed out a lot of heavy Cassimere Suits last week which we are offering at prices which will justify you to get a good suit at extraordinary low figures. See what we show you at \$6.50, fine all wool suits worth \$10.

JOE MEYER,

THE CLOTHIER.

Williams Bros. began invoicing their stock of goods the first of the week.

The Butler Cash Department Store and McFarland Bros., have finished invoicing their stocks of goods.

C. H. Rains, a prominent citizen and property owner in this city, made us a pleasant call and renewed his subscription.

Mrs. Joseph Ellington and daughter Miss Morilla, graced our office on Wednesday and had THE TIMES sent to Julia C. Ellington at Pleasant Gap.

Carter Wallace called yesterday. He brought his children to town to take the train. Lawrence and Miss Leda, to go back to school at Warrensburg, and Wallace to return to his work in Kansas City. They had been down to spend the holidays with their parents.

Our young friend John Powell, son of Judge Booker Powell, now a traveling salesman for a St. Louis hardware company, spent last week in the city visiting his parents and many friends. John reports being well pleased with his position and is enjoying good health.

Wesley Denton, who has been spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Denton, returned to Kansas City Sunday, where he holds a lucrative position in a galvanized iron manufacturing establishment. Wesley is a graduate of our public schools, a bright and industrious young man and it is a pleasure to know he is doing well.

The state teachers association in session at Jefferson City last week unanimously elected W. S. Dearmont, of Cape Girardeau, president for the ensuing year and selected Kansas City as the place for holding the next convention.

Tyler-Hoskins.

MARRIED—On Dec. 12th, 1900, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tyler, in Summit township, Miss Alice, to Mr. H. B. Hoskins, of Platte county. Rev. Devinia, of the Cumberland Presbyterian church of Butler, performed the ceremony. Only the relatives and a few special friends were present. Mrs. Tyler gave them an elegant supper. The happy couple went to their home in Platte county.

The groom is a prominent young farmer, of one of the first families of that county, and comes with the highest recommendation. The bride is an amiable young lady, bright and vivacious and has been given social and educational advantages. Her parents are among Bates county's wealthiest and most highly respected citizens. THE TIMES extends hearty congratulations and best wishes.

Every Movement Hurts

When you have rheumatism. Muscles feel stiff and sore and joints are painful. It does not pay to suffer long from this disease when it may be cured so promptly and perfectly by Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine goes right to the spot, neutralizes the acidity of the blood, which causes rheumatism, and puts around to the pain and stiffness.

Billion-dollar fraud by Hood's Pills. 25c.

BUTLER WEEKLY TIMES

LOCAL ITEMS

Times' Telephone No. 37.

Carpets at McKibbens.

Miss Rosie Garner, of Stillwater, Okla., is a new subscriber.

Cut prices on cloaks at McKibbens.

Mulberry, Kan., has thirty-seven cases of small pox.

Topsy hosiery at McKibbens.

Mrs. Frank Warner residing on Ohio street, is reported to be seriously sick.

See the \$2 and \$2.50 shoes at McKibbens.

George Hardin, a prominent farmer northwest of the city, has his name enrolled for 1901.

Sole calf boots cut to \$2. American Clothing House.

Green B. Parker, a prominent and influential farmer, favored us pleasantly and substantially.

See our men's seal grain (water-proof) shoe at \$2.50. American Clothing House.

J. R. Marshall, an old subscriber and good friend of THE TIMES called and had his dates set ahead another year.

Cotton batting, 5c at McKibbens.

W. N. Poreh, formerly of this county, now a prosperous citizen of Weatherford, Okla., favors us with a renewal.

See those men's \$12.50 overcoats we're closing at \$10. American Clothing House.

Prof. Geo. J. Graham of Emis, Texas, sends a remittance and writes that he cannot do without THE TIMES, for which he has our thanks.

The right dress goods at McKibbens.

J. A. Wright, well known to all our old settlers, having been born and raised near Butler, sends us remittance from Chicago where he is now living and doing well.

The 58c table linen at McKibbens is extra good.

Mens hats at McKibbens.

Ice for the first time this winter is thick enough on the ponds for skating purposes.

Mens gloves at McKibbens.

Postmaster A. O. Welton who was taken quite sick Christmas day is up and at his post again.

Children's overcoats at actual cost at American Clothing House.

Mrs. J. Y. Whitsitt returned Monday from a week's visit with relatives at Lathrop, Mo., her childhood home.

The Missouri Home for the feeble minded at Marshall, Mo., will be opened about February 1. Dr. C. C. Sincove, of St. Joseph will be superintendent.

Don't forget our men's great line of \$2.50 Goodyear welt shoes. American Clothing House.

George W. Pharis and James Brown, prominent farmers of Hudson township, favored us pleasantly while in the city on Saturday, the former having his subscription dates set ahead to 1902.

Cut prices on men's underwear. American Clothing House.

H. D. Chambers, a prosperous young farmer and influential democrat of northwest Bates in company with his father J. M. Chambers of Passaic, called on Monday and had his dates set ahead.

Full line of men's pants—including extra longs and extra sizes. American Clothing House.

Our good friend Jasper Bowman, formerly of the Virginia neighborhood, now of Benedict, Kansas, sends remittance for renewal to 1902. His old friends and neighbors will be glad to learn that he is prospering in the Sunflower state.

The 10c crash at McKibbens is a hummer.

Furnace No. 2 of the Cherokee Lanyon Smelter Works, at Nevada, has closed down for an indefinite period, throwing out of employment eighty men. The entire works belonging to the company at Nevada, will close down Jan. 4.

Sole "Smasher" boots cut to \$2.25 at American Clothing House.