

DR. S. A. ROE.

OCULIST and AURIST.

will be in BUTLER, Dec. 25, 26, 27, and 28, 1901 at Dr. Christy's office where he will be prepared to Treat Diseases of the Eye and to Scientifically Fit Glasses.

I sell the cheapest good land on earth. Wheat and alfalfa land a specialty. Write for prices and terms and cheap transportation.

E. B. ATKINSON, Grainfield, Kan.

AGENTS WANTED:—We want a few more men in this part of Missouri. P. O. Box 4946 Boulder, Col. The Retail Credit and Collection Association.

Prof. A. L. Ives, principal of the Adrian schools, which position he has held for a number of terms, orders THE TIMES to his address.

Our highly esteemed farmer friend E. P. Mosier, of Mound township, renews for his paper and had a copy sent to his daughter, Mrs. Mary Finley, at Elk City, Idaho.

Judge Brown's mule, aged 44 years looking a few months, froze to death the other night at the Buchanan county poor farm. The mule was a native of Platt county, and served as a pack mule during the war. Fifteen years ago he was pensioned and put on pasture at the poor farm.

At the meeting of the stockholders of the Rich Hill fair association, held at the city hall Friday, the following directory was elected for the year 1902: August Elgert, S. T. Broadus, W. W. Ferguson, H. Loeb, Jno. Klumpp, E. E. Williamson, W. H. Cotten, J. T. Weathers, W. T. Jackson, Homer Spencer, Dan Crabb, O. T. Holland and A. B. Holloway.—R. H. Review.

Missouri Probate Judges will meet in St. Louis January 2nd, 3rd and 4th for the purpose of effecting an organization. Probate matters will be discussed with a view to laying the laws regulating the administration of estates revised and bettered. One matter to be brought up for discussion is a proposed change of the law which allows two years for administration on estates. It is proposed to shorten this to one year.—Ex.

Prof. Ben. E. Parker complimented us pleasantly on Saturday. He is a student at Warrensburg Normal and has been chosen by his literary society to contest for the honor of representing the Mo. Normal in the annual debate with its Kansas rival. Prof. Parker taught a number of terms in this county with splendid success. He and his wife, formerly Miss Mattie Cuzick, are thoroughly preparing themselves to continue teaching as their life work. They have the best wishes of a large number of friends and acquaintances for abundant success.

Miss Cora Betz, who has held a position as teacher in our public schools for several years, handed in her resignation to the board. She will be married shortly to Mr. William Rogers, of Jefferson City. The groom is a son of Judge Rogers, of Pleasant Gap township, and is a most excellent young man. He now holds a position as guard at the penitentiary. The bride is one of Butler's brightest young ladies. The wedding was quite a surprise to the many friends of the couple, as it had been kept a profound secret. The TIMES extends congratulations and best wishes.

Confesses He is a Fugitive.

Nevada, Mo., Dec. 20.—After a running fight Sheriff Harkreader, City Marshal Moore and Policeman Sheppard captured Cash Graves, alias William Evans, who is a fugitive from the State of Kentucky.

Some twenty years ago Graves killed a man named Moore at Richmond, Ky., and was sentenced to the penitentiary for twenty years, but after serving fifteen years, he, with other prisoners, broke out of the State prison. Graves then was followed by officers and detectives, whom he held at bay several times, and with whom he had many running fights and narrow escapes.

Some three years ago he came to Vernon county and rented a farm near this city. The officers learned that Evans was an assumed name, and that Graves was wanted in Kentucky and was a fugitive from justice. A brace of revolvers and a shotgun were found in his room after he was captured.

At the jail today he confessed and told of his life in Kentucky, and stated he would go back without requisition papers.

WE WISH YOU ALL A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR. MCKIBBENS.

Met a Terrible Death.

Mrs. Ellen Shatt was accidentally burned to death at her home in Nevada, Mo., Monday morning, while preparing the noon day meal. No one was in the house at the time of the accident, and it is not known just how the accident occurred. The Post says: "Mrs. Shatt was rather portly and owing to an illness of several months standing, had but little use of herself. She was subject to dizzy spells and for that reason was seldom left alone. The hired girl had gone home to spend Christmas, and in preparing the noon meal it is supposed Mrs. Shatt in a dizzy spell fell upon the range stove and her clothing took fire."

Mrs. Norris, a neighbor, saw smoke coming from the room and ran over and was horrified to find Mrs. Shatt, lying on the floor dead with every stitch of her clothing, even to her shoes, burned from her body. She threw a quilt over the blistered and blackened body and then summoned aid. The deceased was about 58 years of age, the widow of Jacob Shatt, and was a most estimable lady.

Lodge Elections.

Rates Lodge No. 180 I. O. O. F. elected the following officers for the ensuing term:

N. G., C. W. Smiser; V. G., C. M. Cameron; Sec'y, W. E. Arnold; Treas., G. W. Newberry.

On Jan. 6, 1902, the Odd Fellows and their families will have an old-fashioned basket supper and reunion to celebrate the 34th year of the lodge at this place at same time. It has not been decided yet whether there will be public installation or not.

The annual election of officers Butler Lodge 254 A. F. & A. M. resulted: Dr. H. M. Cannon, Worshipful Master; A. B. Ludwick, Senior Warden; Prof. J. M. Taylor, Junior Warden; W. F. Hemstreet, Treasurer, and J. Y. Whitsett, Secretary.

At the regular Assembly of Gouley Commandery No. 30, K. T. held at its Asylum on last Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

E. C., E. D. Kipp; Gen'l M., John Deerwester; Capt. Gen'l, I. N. Mains; Prelate, De. C. Mize; S. W., R. Talbott; J. W., Ed. Clark; Treas., J. M. Catterlin; Recorder, W. W. Ross; Sword B., W. G. Shafer; Warden, O. D. Austin; Capt. Guard, B. F. Rosemond; 1st Guard, A. L. McAnally; 2nd Guard, W. P. Abell; 3rd Guard, A. L. Fox.

There will be a special assembly of the Commandery on Christmas, Dec. 25th, at their Asylum at 10:30 o'clock a. m. to properly observe the day. BY ORDER E. C.

My Practice.

No drugs or poisons deadly. With their disastrous medley into your stomach should be poured: But by manipulation deft, Not an ache or pain is left And your former vigor is restored. HARRIET FREDERICK, Osteopathist. Office over Postoffice.

My Motto.

I give such values as have no strife With nature or the laws of life; With blood my hands I never stain, Nor poison men to ease their pain. HARRIET FREDERICK, Osteopathist. Office over Postoffice.

An Attempt to Ship Quails.

The Rockville Star says: The trial of L. H. Boots, a druggist at Taborville, who was arrested and placed under a \$300 bond at this place, through the complaint of G. A. Miller, State deputy game and fish warden, on a charge of attempting to ship quails to a St. Louis market, was set for Jan. 3, 1902, before Justice of Peace J. T. Cofer.

Prosecuting attorney M. S. Horn intends to show that Boots violated the state game law by attempting to ship quail, which is punishable by a fine not less than \$25 and not more than \$100. Both Boots and his attorney, M. S. Davis, refuse to say just what the defence will be, but public opinion is that he will try to show that the defendant had nothing to do with the offence.—Rich Hill Review.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

How To Find Out. Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and \$1. sizes. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper.

GARTRELL SENTENCED.

Date of Execution, Thursday, Feb'y 13th, 1902.

Judge Graves pronounced sentence of death on Dr. J. L. Gartrell, for the murder of D. B. Donegan, on last Saturday, fixing the date of execution for Thursday, February 13th, 1902.

The motion for new trial was based principally on the grounds of applause by the audience at the close of the prosecutor's address, when he denounced Gartrell and demanded his conviction, although a number of other reasons were assigned why a new trial should be granted. In overruling the motion Judge Graves recalled that at the time of applause the court had rebuked the rioters, and ordered the sheriff to lock the doors and arrest and bring in who had engaged in the demonstration before him. That by such prompt action the court endeavored as far as possible to overcome any influence such applause might have on the jury. If that were grounds for a new trial, the same kind of a demonstration could be arranged for in every desperate criminal case and the ends of justice be thereby perverted.

Gartrell was then ordered to stand up and Judge Graves asked him if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed.

The prisoner's voice was clear and firm, through his eyes were moist and he exhibited more feeling than he had heretofore shown, when he said:

"In the first place, if your honor please, I am not guilty. In the second place I feel that I was unprepared to go into this trial at the time, more so, I apprehend, that your honor had any idea of. And that is about all that I propose to say in reference to the matter."

Court: "My judgment is, Dr. Gartrell, that your trial has been a fair one, that the verdict has been rendered by a representative jury of Bates county. I, therefore, under the directions of the statute, fix your punishment at the death penalty, and it is the judgment and sentence of the court that you be by the sheriff of Bates county, Missouri, taken to the county jail of Bates county, Missouri, at Butler, Missouri, and there confined in said jail until Thursday, the 13th day of February, 1902; that on said 13th day of February, 1902, that you be by the sheriff of Bates county, Missouri, taken to a place in said jail or to some place adjoining or adjacent thereto, prepared as directed by the law, and between the hours of five o'clock in the forenoon and three o'clock in the afternoon of said February 13th, 1902, that you be by said sheriff, hanged by the neck until dead."

Virginia Items.

We heard it and jotted it down, What happened in and out of town. J. W. McFadden and Dr. Lamb filled their ice houses last week.

Mrs. Cap. Nickels, who has been confined to her bed for over three weeks, sat up a short time Saturday. Mike Maloney's health is not any better. The severe cold weather has been hard on him. The little girl they had taken to raise is getting weaker.

L. H. Dudley lost a hat between Amorett and Butler the 19th. Finder please leave word at Virginia.

John Cumifort lost a good horse last week.

Miss Florence Lyle, of Superior, Neb., is visiting old friends during the holidays. She is attending school at Warrensburg and came home with Miss Annie Baird, who is attending school at the same place.

Prof. Parker and wife, of Warrensburg, attended Sunday-school at Virginia last Sunday. Mrs. Parker and sister, Miss Meda, will remain with their parents until after the holidays then return to Warrensburg.

Supper at the Christian Church Tuesday night, Dec. 31st. All are invited. Plenty of good oysters and other eatables. Turkey chicken watch meeting from 11 o'clock till New Year comes in. Everybody that wants to watch 2 by 2 till morning, can do so.

Prof. Ed. Thornbrough will attend the State school at Kansas City three days this week.

Guy Park will spend this week at home.

The wedding this week is much talked about; the one on the other side of the creek may not materialize at present. Can tell more about it next week.

Sis. Browning's little son, Ora, was accidentally shot in the hip with a

A BIG BARGAIN WHILE THEY LAST. Geiseke Boots \$1.50 to \$2.

This is a bargain and all we ask you to do is to come and see us before buying. We cannot carry our stock of Boots and shoes on account of want of room and must get them out. Yes, we got here on time and are now ready to wait on our many friends and customers. Our splendid stock of

Groceries and Queensware

is not surpassed in Butler, and we invite you to come and see us in our new quarters on the west side of the square.

Don't forget our stock of Boots and Shoes at 50 PER CENT UNDER COST OF RAW MATERIAL. We are closing them out.

NORFLEET & REAM.

target rifle by his cousin Sunday. The boys had just purchased the rifles and were out hunting rabbits. Fortunate the ball passed downward when it struck hip bone, which probably saved the little fellow's life.

Grandma Durst has been on the sick list for the past week. The band supper last Wednesday night was a part freeze out, very cold. Only one of the Amorett band was present and took in \$18.00; expenses \$15.00 and had a good time.

Since the rural mail passes Judge Wolf's house, he comes to Virginia with his silver mounted rifle.

Willie Ruble is home from Baldwin, Kan., spending the week with his parents.

Foils a Deadly Attack. "My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her," writes M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind., "but was completely cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache. 25c at H. L. Tucker's drug store.

Passaic Breezes. J. N. Sharp was in and told us some good ones. He is a No. 1. Henry Jenkins, collector, will be here the last two days of the year to receive your taxes.

Uncle Dick Wilcox has the blues since his return from Chicago, at least, to us, he looks like we feel. P. & Z. are shipping rabbits by the hundreds.

Johnny Krinn made 13 cents a day hunting last week, that is, sold that much game and wore out a \$1.25 pair of overshoes.

Herman Hamburg sold a turkey that weighed 31 pounds.

Christopher sold a number of turkeys to P. & Z.

Geo. McCandless and wife spent a day with his wife's people. He reports his brother Sam as convalescent.

J. D. Tathwell sold quite a bunch of hogs to Carl Decker and has bought another lot to feed.

Our smith is shoeing horses this cold, rough weather.

L. S. Paddock, was out talking hogs to Uncle Dick.

Geo Church and Jake Baum went out a day to try their luck hunting.

Ruttles returned from Oklahoma Wednesday. He reports it as cold there as here, and business dull, towns very quiet.

Carl Decker bought a load of mules while in Kansas City last week and shipped them to Texas.

We met a number of old friends in Butler Friday and Saturday, who were laying in Xmas goods for their children and best girl.

Mrs. Castor, at this writing is tussling with the pleurisy.

Oscar Yates' two little children burned their hands against a stove. Ira Hardin has a job on the local freight from Nevada to Kansas City.

We see our normal students are home for the holidays.

A letter from Ballard tells us of the serious illness of an old neighbor, G. Y. Hendricks.

W. D. Howard was up from Ballard a day last week.

Alonzo Lockard is home from Liberty for the holidays.

The railroad company will put in new and heavier steel instead of another siding here.

Oscar Yates hauled a fine load of kaffir-corn and fodder.

We see Elmer Huff, of Culver, is convalescent, hence hunting and sport will be his during the holidays.

Miss Lois is one of the numerous

salesladies at the New York Racket.

Harry Robinson was here Saturday to see his brother Cal and family.

R. M. Wilcox shipped two loads of hogs Monday. He has some bought for the spring market.

Frank Lee has a job in the Virginia carriage shops and ere long will move his family to that place. May success be his.

Thos. Zimmer of the firm of P. & Z. says it is only rabbit sick.

Anyone hunting a quiet little village for a home will do well to try Passaic. Her people are quiet, honorable and all that it takes to make good neighbors.

Geo. Gastin and sister visited their sister, Mrs. Claybourn Stuckey, and in Butler to see Xmas.

Our teacher dismissed school for a week then to business again.

Mrs. Reedy is quite sick with a complication of diseases.

John Reedy and Miss McClure were married at the residence of the bride's parents, four miles southwest of here, last Wednesday evening, Rev. Scott officiating. All join in well wishes.

The R. F. D. boxes are well distributed out west.

Our friends on Knabs creek will please bring us wood. "Pat"

Having moved my office from the west side of the square to office of Scott & Porch, west room of Bates County Bank, I am still able to write reliable insurance on farm or city property at reasonable rates. J. S. PIERCE.

Cheap Lands.

Are you interested in Cheap Land? I can furnish you good smooth wheat land at \$3 to \$5 per acre, \$5 to \$7.50 with some improvements.

Alfalfa land \$5 to \$7.50 per acre. \$10 buys good improved alfalfa land.

Grazing land \$1.50 to \$3 per acre. Can give part time on most of it if preferred. Have a few pieces to sell on time with small cash payment.

These lands are located in the sheet-water country of Northwest Kansas, which is a very healthy country.

Good Ranch, consisting of 640 acres deeded, balance leased and inclosed with 12 miles of wire fence, 320 acres Alfalfa land, 70 acres seed, 10 acres timber, 3 wells, wind mill and tanks. Orchard coming into bearing. 65 acres of wheat looks well; running water across entire section; good buildings. \$10 per acre takes the deeded land. Part cash, balance on easy terms.

E. B. ATKINSON, Grainfield, Kan.

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GENERAL NOTICE.

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I will adopt the Cash System,

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I will reduce the price of my goods to such a low margin that it will pay you to

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