

HAPPENINGS IN KANSAS.

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO DWELLERS IN THE SUNFLOWER.

The Week's Review of Personal and General News Condensed to Short Paragraphs for the Convenience of Hurried Readers.

The Turners have a large and growing society at Ft. Scott.

Millard Turner was horribly mangled at Emporia Saturday in a saw mill and had both arms amputated below the elbow and one leg above the knee.

The report of Paymaster Mapes, of Kansas City, Kans., for the year ending March 1, shows the receipts to have been \$47,957.44, which is an increase \$1,661.11 over the previous year.

At a session Saturday afternoon the county commissioners of Bourbon county appropriated \$300 for the establishment of a chinch bug station at Fort Scott this spring, and after considering three applications Robert Bright was employed at a salary of \$150.

A mine report from Galena, for last week says: "There was a total of 1,380,000 pounds of zinc ore sold. The price remained the same as the week prior, \$19 for the top and an average of \$17 per ton. Value \$14,430. There was a total of 350,000 pounds of lead sold at \$16 per thousand. Total value of sales, \$10,030."

The sad iron manufacturing plant of independence, is rapidly approaching completion. The company has ordered new machinery to the amount of \$3,280, and it is expected to arrive by the first of the week, by which time the building will be completed and ready to receive it.

In his irrigation lectures to the Lawrence Y. M. C. A., Judge Emery stated that 10 per cent. of the families of this country live in tenements. There are 30,000 more tenant farmers in Kansas to-day than ten years ago. Only 5 per cent of the population are owners to any considerable extent.

Department Commander Harris received a Cincinnati paper which contains an interview with Governor McKinley in regard to his Western trip, in which the Governor says: "The only trip that I will make this year that I know of at the present will be at Ottawa, Kansas, to participate in a gathering of ex-union veterans."

The next annual session of the democratic editorial fraternity of Kansas will be held at Leavenworth on Saturday, May 11, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. The meeting was called for Saturday, but it had to be postponed on account of the illness of Mrs. Frank T. Lynch, of the Leavenworth Standard.

The Quantrell raid monument committee, at a meeting to make arrangements for the unveiling of the monument at Lawrence on Decoration Day, appointed Paul R. Brooks and Gordon Grosvenor to confer with the members of the G. A. R. to arrange joint commemorative exercises on the day of the unveiling.

Claim has been made against the Western Union Telegraph company at Fort Scott for \$500 damages for the erroneous transmission of a message sent from there March 21. The message, which was in regard to the sale of a valuable piece of property, was sent by Garrison Brothers to C. H. Peterson of Cambridge, Ill., and was as follows: "Can make trade." When received by Peterson it read "Can't make trade," and as a result the sale was lost.

The family of A. D. Whitson, who live near Hackney, were treated to a big surprise by finding a little girl baby snugly tucked in a market basket and placed on their porch. Early in the morning, while the stars were yet shining, a young lady member of the family stepped out onto the porch and discovered the basket, but as a noise, indicating life, came from beneath the basket cover, she was too frightened to examine it, but ran back into the house and raised the alarm.

The Fort Scott public library committee has received a check from Eugene F. Ware, for \$100 to be used in the magazine department. Joseph Hayden, one of the oldest residents of Coffeyville, Kansas, and a leading member of the G. A. R., fell dead in a restaurant there of heart disease Wednesday night.

The executive committee of the Kansas State editorial association held a meeting at Topeka and decided to accept the invitation extended to the Kansas editors to attend the Atlanta exposition next October.

The total expense for the Wichita fire department for the last two years was \$39,000, of which \$31,000 was for salaries.

The latest report of Superintendent Kendrick shows an enrollment in the public schools of Junction city of 1,014.

A special convention of the Episcopal diocese of Kansas has been called to meet in Topeka May 28 to elect a new bishop.

Arbor day was not neglected at the Soldiers' home at Dodge City; 500 fruit trees are there that were not there before.

J. H. Snyder, a farmer living near Hiawatha, took his life Thursday, cutting himself with an ax and shooting himself with a gun.

Mabel Benton, the 16-year-old daughter of C. M. Benton of Effingham, was severely burned Saturday morning while burning some rubbish at her home. Her clothes were burned almost off before she could be rescued.

The people of Ottawa very sensibly destroyed the pest house before anybody else could be taken to it. Civilized people do not want their friends or relatives taken from their homes and put in such a place as the average smallpox hospital.

The removal of the tariff duty on eggs does not seem to have affected the industry in the west very seriously after all. S. R. Hunt, of Peabody, last week shipped a car load of eggs to Boston, right under the noses of the Canadians as it were.

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SUGAR.

What Is Done in the Camp and Where the Syrup Is Handled.

A properly conducted maple-sugar camp in Vermont is well worth seeing. Many improvements have been introduced during the last few years. In the center of the "orchard" or "bush," as it is used to be called, is a commodious and well-equipped sugar-house, in which all the utensils are stored when not in use. The process of sugar-making, as now conducted, is practically as follows: First, two or three men tap the trees. One goes ahead, and with a three-inch bit, makes an incision about an inch deep on the lee side of the tree. A second man inserts a round, double tin spile, or spout, about three inches long in the aperture. The spout not only conducts the sap, but has an arrangement for suspending the bucket beneath it. Lastly, a man hangs the buckets, which are either of wood or tin. Gathering the sap has been much simplified. The old way was to hitch a team of stout horses to a short sled carrying the "holder," a large wooden tub, holding several barrels, in which the sap in the buckets was poured. Now leaders or wooden gutters are all run through the orchard, emptying into a large storage tank at the sugar house. In a brick framework in the sugar-house is set an iron arch with a square iron chimney. For a large orchard of 2,000 trees the arch is about 5x20 feet in area, 2 1/2 feet deep in front, and 10 inches deep in the chimney end. In the arch are set the evaporators, a deep boiling pan in front and four smaller and shallower pans further back. The bottoms of the evaporators are deeply corrugated, nearly doubling the surface exposed to the heat. The boiling is done rapidly, as rapid boiling improves the quality of the sugar. The sap flows from the tank through a hose with a strainer attached into a regulator, which allows only a certain quantity to flow into the evaporator. At a certain point the sap is drawn by a siphon from the large evaporator into one of the small ones, the scum and settling being left behind. In the last pan the liquid is evaporated to the syrup of commerce, weighing eleven pounds to the gallon. The most interesting process is "sugaring off." The syrup is slowly boiled in the large pan until the experienced sugar-maker knows it is "done." The pan is then lifted off, and the mass is turned into tubs, holding from ten to a hundred pounds. If it is to be made into cakes, it is stirred longer, till it becomes dry enough to retain its shape. The whiteness of maple syrup does not determine its price. It is due somewhat to the differences of soil and the amount of rain that has fallen into the sap. Pure maple sugar is a brownish amber in color, with a fine grain. If the grain is not fine, and if there are air holes in it it has probably been adulterated by cane sugar, glucose or clay—by some wicked dealer, says the sugar-maker. The average yield per tree is about two pounds per season, the season lasting from four to six weeks, until frosty nights cease and the buds begin to swell, when the sap tastes strong and ceases to flow.

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Governor Hughes of Arizona, has appointed twelve newspaper men to act as a board of immigration commissioners. The Governor is himself a newspaper man.

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