


Diphtheria has disappeared.
 Miss Mary Bundy is well again.
 Trego County Alliance meets to-day.
 Mrs. John H. March has the scarlet fever.
 The Hays City Republican is three years old.
 Buy your good, old-fashioned hominy at Bestor's.
 Geo. Young, of Gibson, was in town briefly last Saturday.
 J. J. Kerans, of Downer, made us a friendly call last Saturday.
 Judge Osborn and Ed. Bea went to Gove City, Monday, to hold court.
 Prof. Thomas Fouts, of Collyer, was in the county capital last Saturday.
 School has been somewhat interfered with this week on account of sickness.
 A ladies literary society, Wa-Keeney will soon be the "Bostin" of the West.
 We met J. W. Reynolds last Saturday, the first time since he came home from Colorado.
 There seems to be a revival in the I. O. O. F. lodge at this place. One or more initiations every night.
 Mrs. E. A. Carmichael and her mother, Mrs. Grill, are both sick with the prevailing throat disease.
 Plant nothing but Landreth's garden seeds. Always fresh and reliable. C. C. BESTOR, Sole Agent.
 A talk with a number of our farmers last Saturday reveals the fact that winter wheat is looking splendid.
 Geo. W. Cross, our very efficient register of deeds, has been in Topeka this week learning to be a statesman.
 The Ellis Review thinks there are some young men in that town that would be benefitted by a dose of strap oil.
 The Dighton Journal has commenced upon its sixth year. It is a good paper and we wish for its continued success.
 A. S. Marshall, of the Salina, has traded for a Missouri farm but does not give possession here until next September.
 Hon. W. F. King was in Wa-Keeney last Saturday. He thinks there will not be any very radical legislation this session.
 Episcopal service at the court house, Sunday, February 15th by Rev. T. W. Cowgill, morning and evening, at the usual hours.
 Prof Hudson Harlan, of Ogallah, author of those irrigation articles which have attracted so much attention, was in the hub last Saturday.
 William Hoobler, W. B. Cypher and A. S. Peacock, all of Wilcox, and a trio of the best men in Trego county, were in Wa-Keeney last Saturday.
 W. A. Eppler, of Adair, is the champion rabbit hunter of this section. He informed us on Thursday he had taken over 100 scalps so far.—Ellis Review
 Last Sunday was the nearest approach to winter we have had this season. The mercury hovered very closely to zero all day and the wind was almost a hurricane.
 Hon. W. F. King and Hon. I. L. McGarrick both say that Ben. C. Rich, as chief clerk of the house, is adding additional lustre to the already enviable fame of Trego County.
 We have been requested to announce that the ladies of Wa-Keeney will meet at the residence of Mrs. F. S. Diebold next Thursday evening, February 19th for the purpose of organizing a literary society.
 The Dighton Journal says that every detail for the flour mill has been completed and that it is a sure go. The Lane County Herald places a rooster at the top of its columns in commemoration of the event.
 Mrs. M. Alsop called one day this week. In conversation with her she stated that she had met John Barrett and family, when in Washington a few weeks since, and that they were doing well and liked their new home.
 We call the attention of our local chess players to a communication from the Hays City Chess Club. They will govern themselves accordingly. We have just received a letter of N. A. Voss, of Hays City in which he says that "they will be very glad to meet the" invincibles "from Wa-Keeney as they are always anxious to learn something" We are still banking on Judge Harlan and G. M. Ufford.
 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baker entertained about forty of their friends last Tuesday evening, February 10th, 1891, the same being the 47th anniversary of Mr. Baker's birthday, although this fact was not generally known. The universal expression of all present was: "A glorious time." The efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Baker to provide a pleasant entertainment were successful to the highest degree and thoroughly appreciated. We hope George will live at least 47 years longer and that we may be permitted to assist in celebrating each recurring anniversary with the same delightful company.

Valentine day.
 An epidemic of scarlet fever prevails.
 Mrs. Geo. I. Verbeck has an attack of malarial fever.
 H. K. Walker is visiting relatives in Rock Island, Illinois.
 J. L. Morton's little child is quite sick with scarlet fever.
 Dr. F. H. Conger came in from Kansas City yesterday morning.
 Dr. A. B. Jones was called to Collyer, professionally, the first of the week.
 More sickness just at present than we ever knew of in Wa-Keeney before.
 Miss Fannie Priestly has been confined to her bed with pleurisy for a couple of weeks.
 County Clerk Hoar went to Topeka Monday on most important business connected with Trego County.
 Those whom we spoke of last week as having scarlet fever are all getting along nicely. The disease does not seem to be of the malignant type.
 F. S. Swiggett has removed to Collyer. He will be in Wa-Keeney every Monday with a complete line of samples for those who may want tailoring done.
 Cashier R. C. Wilson, of the First National Bank, was absent from his accustomed place behind the counter several days this week, on account of sickness in the family.
 T. A. Miller, of Edmond, Kansas, died February 5, 1891. Mr. Miller was the father of Mrs. Ed. Welch, the junior publisher of the World. Mrs. Welch attended the funeral.
 Mrs. Benedict desires to sell her entire stock of Millinery. Any person wanting to engage in a good paying business will do well to call on her. Will explain reason for selling.
 In the case, State of Kansas vs. C. S. Evans, in the Gove county district court this week a nolle was entered by the county attorney. Evans is the man who has been boarding at Sheriff Courtney's hostelry for several weeks.
 The prospects for a full wheat crop is certainly flattering at this time. We are credibly informed that a number of our farmers are unable to procure wheat for spring sowing. Cannot some arrangement be made so that all who wish may have seed? They are not asking for charity and expect to pay it back.
 Judge Osborn was naturalizing a squad of Swedes and Germans at Gove City this week when he ran up to a dutchman, who, in reply to an interrogatory, said that he had lived in Missouri for 24 years. Judge couldn't let that statement pass without saying to the applicant, with a merry twinkle: "You stood it there longer than I could." The laugh went round and the dutchman remarked: "Vell perhaps it vas shust as well for Missouri dot you leef when you did. Yaw. Yaw. Chorus by the audience.
 We were in Gove City one day this week. Gove City is not a city at all, paradoxical as this statement may appear, but is a thriving little village, and has the prestige of being the County seat of Gove County. Court was in session. Judge Osborn was presiding and was despatching business at the rate of about a case a minute. Ed. Bea, the stenographer, was drawing his salary right along but we didn't see that he had special duties to perform. Curmuse used to pay his way by enlightening the ordinary people on political ethics etc., Bea doesn't do this and some have the impression that he is stuck up. Business seemed about as dull as in our court. The members of the Gove County bar, Jones, McMath and Todd are all good attorneys and mighty clever fellows. Of course we met O. B. Jones and J. F. Jones, editors of the Gove County Gazette. O. B. Jones is also the efficient district clerk. The boys are getting up a good paper, and we are pleased to be able to say so for we think they deserve it. We called at the store of our old Missouri friend, Dr. J. M. Davis but he was sick at home and we did not get to see him. Joe Poffenberger was getting his vacation at the hotel. He is just as jolly as ever and while he didn't say so in words we are certain that he would like to be back in Wa-Keeney. Gove City seems to be holding its own as well as other towns in the neighborhood.
 Poor Proof Reading.
 Last week an item appeared in the World which only proves the necessity of extreme care in proof reading: Of course *quarantining* and not *guaranteeing* was meant. Here is the item alluded to: "Wa-Keeney has a board of health composed of Geo. Baker, F. S. Diebold and Dr. A. B. Jones, and in view of prevalence of diphtheria and other contagious diseases, they purpose "guaranteeing" every case."
 Grand Wolf Hunt.
 Ellis, Adair, Ogallah and the citizens of Trego and Ellis Counties generally will indulge in a grand wolf hunt next Wednesday, February 18th, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. The central point or where the hunt will close is at Henry Cater's in Ogallah township. Everybody is invited to participate.
 They Will Do It.
 Ed. Welch, one of the proprietors of the Wa-Keeney World, was married last week to Miss Dollie Miller, of Edmond. This is the first intimation we have had that any Norton county girls would marry an editor. If there are any more so careless about their demenor they may negotiate with two thirds of the Norton editors.—Norton Champion.

We Have Not Been Called.
 The Wa-Keeney World propounds this question: Not a criminal case on our docket and not a jury trial this term. Where is the county in Kansas that can beat this? *Ellis Review*.
 A New Barbed Wire Fence, Probably.
 The Republican will, if all signs do not fail, shortly have some good news for our readers. Matters are being considered that if brought to a focus will materially change the aspect of things in this locality. Watch out!—*Russell Springs Republican*.
 Latest from Topeka.
 The house committee on railroads have introduced a bill favoring a reduction of one-half cent in passenger rates. The two year redemption mortgage law is recommended by the house for passage. Also the bill abolishing waiver of appraisal. W. H. McBride is confirmed by the senate as Web. Wilder's successor. Enemies of prohibition receive but little comfort either in the senate or house.
 Check and Mate!
 Those in favor of organizing a chess association for Western Kansas say from the Colorado line to Salina will please communicate. Our idea is to form local chess clubs. After these are fairly started the neighboring clubs can get together to teach and beat each other, and finally we can agree on some central place for the purpose of organizing, getting personally acquainted, play chess and have lots of fun. HAYS CITY CHESS CLUB.
 Cupids Capers.
 We learn from what seems indisputable authority that Otis B. Kessler, of Collyer, was married last week to Miss Elnora McKnight, of Clay Center, formerly of Wa-Keeney. The World desires to extend congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Kessler. We have known Mr. Kessler for several years and esteem him highly. He is a good business man and success surely awaits him. The bride is well known here and is a most estimable young lady.
 Business Men's Literary.
 The Business Men's Literary Society was held last Wednesday evening at the office of the district clerk. Pierce Metz was chairman. The question for discussion was: "Resolved that capital punishment should be abolished." The affirmative was maintained by John A. Nelson and W. H. Dann and the negative by Pierce Metz and C. E. Cosby. The judges were Schuyler Opp, W. E. Saum and F. S. Diebold, and their decision was in favor of the negative.
 A motion was introduced by N. W. Shuler changing the time for which the president of the society should be elected. Motion will be acted upon in two weeks under the rules.
 The Prohibitory law of Kansas will be discussed week after next.
 District Alliance.
 The sixth congressional district alliance met at Stockton, Kansas Feb. 7th, 1891. The following officers were elected: J. W. Sampson, of Osborne, president; J. J. Griebel, of Rooks, vice president; W. M. Smith, of Lincoln, sec'y; A. S. Cook, of Mitchell, treas.; R. Mitchell, of Lincoln, chaplain; A. McCarthy, of Wallace, Steward; Eleven counties were represented as follows: Mitchell, Osborne, Lincoln, Sheridan, Ellis, Graham, Wallace, Rooks, Trego, Phillips and Russell. Nothing new in the resolutions adopted except that the right of franchise is demanded for the women of our state, and the proper officers are requested to enforce the laws. A resolution declaring in favor of retaining our two forestries was also adopted. A resolution endorsing the action of the three F. M. B. A. members of the Illinois legislature in refusing to cast their vote for U. S. Senator with either of the old parties was tabled.
 Hill City was selected as the place of the next meeting.
 E. D. Wheeler represented Trego County and was appointed chairman of the committee on constitution and by-laws.
 Sometimes a Barrel Stave Beats Moral Suasion.
 We remember an old fable in the back part of Webster's old spelling book about a boy who was caught in an old man's apple tree. The old man told him to come down but the young saucer boy plainly said he would not. The old man then began pelting the boy with turf which only made him laugh. Well, said the old man, if gentle words and kind treatment will not bring you down then I must try something else, and began pelting the lad with stones, which soon caused him to climb down and beg the old man's pardon. We were reminded of this old story last week. A certain petite school ma'am who teaches within a few miles of Wa-Keeney and who is amiability personified, had a most incorrigible pupil, a young man almost grown, who refused to ponder over his books as all good pupils should do and although the teacher had treated him most kindly, and had smiled upon him with her most saccharine smile he would defiantly respond by saying "I don't have to." He was absolutely obdurate and unyielding, and after entirely exhausting her stock of patience, she thought of the old man and the bad boy in the apple tree and went for him with barrel staves. After several staves were broken over the y. m. he fled and has not been heard of since in the neighborhood of that school house. The moral of all this seems to be: Moral suasion is good, but sometimes a barrel stave is better.

Four of a Kind.
 Last week the Graham county commissioners were placed under arrest for misdemeanor in office, the county attorney proceeding on his own information. They were charged with allowing several claims that were not verified, as provided by statute. It seems to be a mere technical offense or omission on the part of the commissioners as no charge is made that the bills allowed were not just, nor that they were for more than the legal price for such services. In short the county attorney, at the expense of the county wanted to even up with the Commissioners because they had reduced his salary. The Commissioners did a very foolish thing when they adjusted the salary of the county attorney as they did in Graham county. If they knew anything about public business they knew that it was not in the line of economy; but that is no justification for the reckless manner in which the county attorney squanders the money of the county in retaliation for a real or fancied grievance. The people foot these bills and in the long run they will discover that the Commissioners made a mistake which is costing them dearly. There is a difference between a prosecution and a persecution which ought to be made clear to the county attorney of Graham County.
 Its "Agin the Constitution."
 The year of 1890 will go down to posterity as the most remarkable one in the history of Kansas both for its political upheaval and general failure of crops. Trego County has suffered with the rest but her farmers being a provident class have saved enough out of the abundance of other years to partially tide them over the hard times that follow in the wake of such failures. Go into any homesteader's house and see the quarters of beef, sides of fresh pork and smoked hams hanging from the rafters, furnishing silent evidence that the Tregonian raises his own meat and has plenty to eat if he does have to file his teeth occasionally to get away with the one year old heifer he he butchered in the fall. Then when the hardy settler pauses to fill his pipe with the fragrant weed engages him in conversation and he will tell you he's well fixed and the only thing that troubles him is where to get enough seed to sow the coming spring. Ask him if he don't think the County ought to furnish it and take the notes of the farmers as security? and he will wax eloquent explaining the advantage such a scheme possesses and invariably end with a sigh but "It's agin the constitution."
 When the present indications are so promising for a crop it seems a pity that our farmers should not have sufficient seed to sow, and while it is not constitutional to take the County funds for the purpose of buying seed grain yet, I think some scheme can be devised to evade the law if a committee get together and discuss the matter thoroughly. At Russell the County Commissioners have hired the farmers to get out rock and pile them at the depot to be sold as opportunity offers. Not constitutional, but it is done, although I suppose any person who wishes could enjoin such a proceeding. The probability is Russell wouldn't be a healthy place for him to live in if he did.
 Let the Alliance appoint a committee to confer with our business men and carry out some scheme whereby such of our farmers as need seed can get it by giving security, and a low rate of interest.
 Trego County needs no outside help but some of her farmers must have seed in order to raise a crop, and if they do not obtain it, will be compelled to answer next fall, when told the flour barrel is empty "Its agin the constitution" Maria; but it can't be helped. MORSEBACE.
 Letter List.
 For the week ending Feb. 7th. 1891.
 Stewart, Will. M.
 A. J. HARLAN, Postmaster.
 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
 Land Office at Wa-Keeney, Kansas, No. 6233
 February 7, 1891.
 Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver of the U. S. Land Office at Wa-Keeney, Kansas, on March 21, 1891, viz: Charles E. Dazey Homestead Application No. 6099, for the southwest quarter of section 28, township 10, south, range 22, west of the 6th P. M.
 He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of, said land, viz: Geo. W. McVey, Horatio Burns, David E. Sellers, James Faulkner, all of Wa-Keeney, Trego county, Kansas. LEE MONROE, Register.
 SHERIFF'S SALE.
 On Saturday the 25th day of February, 1891, at 1 o'clock P. M., at A. P. Lawrence's Livery Stable in Wa-Keeney, in Trego county, State of Kansas, I will
 SELL AT PUBLIC SALE.
 the following described property, to-wit: One brown mare male, about 12 years old, and one sorrel mare male, about 12 years old, the property of Joseph Grieco and Harriet Grieco, taken on an order of sale issued out of the office of the Clerk of the District Court of Trego county, Kansas, in favor of the Oshers, Maurice & Hazel Land Company. Dated February 12, 1891.
 TREGO COUNTY, Sheriff.
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