

Rogers & Thompson, Monroe City, Mo.

We can supply you with just what you want in Christmas goods.

Largest Stocks in Town

and much the lowest prices.
We want to thank all our friends for their generous trade with us and to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

FOR HORSEMEN

Especially Those Interested in Saddle or Speed Horses.

Races, yes, such races from start to finish, from first day to the last four days of such racing has never been seen in St. Louis, Sedalia or elsewhere in the state and here is the proof of the statement.

Prof. Wm. M. Ridge, of Shelbina, for years a tutor in the New York Riding School, for years a lover of fast horses and for years has watched the best horses on earth on the best tracks that man could make said:

"Lexington, Ky., never put up such a four day's race." "I've seen them all you know." "It was a race from the first to the last. Races that would warm the hearts of Englishmen. Races such as even Rome never dreamed of."

"What did I mean by your opportunity?"

"Why this."

I stood at the entrance to your fair grounds and looked at it, and thought, "Great Jupiter" if that in its natural beauty, location, railroad facilities could not be turned into a horsemen's paradise, then I know of no place in America that could."

"Heavens, look at that lovely slope, the shade, the lake, the artesian water." "Boy do you know what you folks are missing? I'll tell you." This fair and races through the horsemen will make you known from San Francisco to New York, from Montreal, Canada, to New Orleans, and your location is ideal, half way between everywhere."

"Now just inside those gates erect your pavillion and establish a world-wide horse sale, and when I say that I mean it."

"The only question is, will Monroe go after it? If she does, it is hers."

We respectfully refer Prof. Ridge, thoughts gained from years and a world-wide experience to the fair association for thought and we freely, frankly ask "Why not?" Why not let Prof. Ridge show the way and now that we see it grasp our opportunity.

The above is as clipped from the Monroe City DEMOCRAT of Aug. 20, 1908 which shows the paper is not a laggard in anything that is of present or future interest of or for the welfare of any class of citizens or business.

And that is the why, this paper last week advocated holding the Directors Meeting of the American Saddle Horse Breeders Association in Monroe City.

The only question is: Will the Saddle Horse Men of Missouri get behind it?

OUR GREETING

to you is in the real Christmas spirit. Come and make this studio a resting place in your shopping tours. Gratify your artistic sense by looking at our collection of

PHOTOGRAPHS

They will probably suggest to you the desirability of having some of yourself as remembrances to your friends. If so we will guarantee you the very best attention and the very promptest service. Come in the morning.

Belle Johnson



Schraffts Candies.—L. M. Wood.

Sorrell-Robinson.

Lysander Robinson and Miss Velma Sorrell, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sorrell of near Hunnewell were married Thursday by Rev. J. O. Whitworth. The Democrat joins their many friends in wishing them a long happy prosperous voyage down the stream of life.

Jim's Baby Show.

J. J. Dimmitt was to have had a rousing baby show at his jewelry store Saturday, but Jack Frost called it off.

You see there was only three young mothers Mrs. J. S. Harris Mrs. Maurice Hickman and Mrs. V. Sharp who had the hardihood to bring their babes out in the cold. So the show was declared off and yet the disappointment was not so keen for Mr. Dimmitt gave each of the little ones, Masters Earl Harris and Reginald Sharp and Miss Jewell Hickman a pretty baby ring.

Palmer's Perfumes.—L. M. Wood.

Monroe City Mo

Dear Santa Claus Dec 18 1909

I am a little girl 5 years old I dont go to school I live in the country I come to Monroe to see my Granma an Granpa Every week I want you to bring me a doll and a gocart Some candy nuts and oranges and dont forget little Sister Lillie and bring something nice good by

Your little friend

Gladys Watson

Government ownership is apt to mean the rule of the bureaucrat. This will not always be so, but it will be until we evolve a race of business men, and make graft a disgrace. So says Elbert Hubbard.

Schraffts Candies.—L. M. Wood.

Big Meeting Farmers' Club.

The "Farmers' Club" that was recently organized in Ralls county, held a rousing and enthusiastic meeting last night in the Mills Creek school house. The school house was literally packed, every seat being occupied and standing room being at a premium. The principal speakers were Hon. W. B. Fahy, representative of Ralls county, and the Hon. W. F. Rhodes, of Monroe county, and these excellent speakers entertained the farmers for about two hours. This was the third meeting held by the club since organization a few weeks ago and quite a number of new members were received. The farmers have organized for mutual protection and their meetings are very interesting. After the speaking last night an oyster supper was served and it was free to all.—Hannibal Journal.

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Mrs. A. M. Patterson left Tuesday for Pittsburg, Pa., where she will spend the winter with a daughter.

W. C. Motley has been a business visitor in Shelbina.

Mrs. Rose McAllister and daughter, Miss Mae, were shoppers in Quincy, Saturday.

Masters Russell and H. B. Mudd Jr., went to Hannibal Thursday to visit friends.

H. C. Null of Inola, formerly Katy agent in Monroe, was with former friends Thursday.

Will O'Daniel was with friends in St. Louis yesterday.

Mrs. Jefferson Taylor of Ely, was with Monroe friends Tuesday.

Marion McFarland of Rensselaer, has been with the homefolks.

Mrs. Ira Bond of Ely, has been with Monroe friends.

Mrs. John Smith has been visiting relatives in Ely.

The ice men began filling their houses Monday with 8 inch ice

Mrs. Vincent Huebsch was with Hunnewell friends Tuesday.

Wedded at Midnight in Republic Office.

A marriage performed amid the rattle of typewriters, the click of telegraph instruments and the steady grind of linotype machines in The Republic office early yesterday brought to a successful termination the courtship of Miss Elsie Barton and Harry Wright, of Shelbina, Mo.

The Reverend Jacob E. Meeker, of the Compton Heights Congregational church, performed the ceremony.

There was a copy boy for the ringbearer. The telephone operator acted as bridesmaid and the staff photographer took the wedding picture. A "devil" from the composing room conducted the couple to the corner where the ceremony took place. Printers, pressmen, reporters, editors, messengers and the miscellaneous human equipment of a newspaper office, made up the guests.

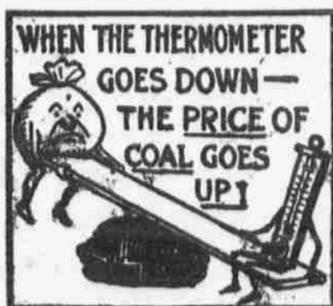
Even the charivari was arranged. All the pieces of metal in the composing room were employed and furnished the noisiest noise imaginable.

"Oh, I'm so glad we are married at last," said the bride with a sigh of relief. "I was just afraid that something might happen any minute to stop us. My folks have objected to our marriage on account of my age, but I am old enough to know that I love Harry, and that's enough. Isn't it, dear?"—Republic.

James Divan and wife of Colorado Springs, have arrived to visit their parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. K. Meadown.

Hannibal Blaze.

Hannibal, Dec. 16.—Fire which is supposed to have originated from a defective flue almost completely destroyed the wholesale house of the Goddard Grocery Company at 116 North Third street. The fire broke out at about nine o'clock this morning and the entire fire fighting force of the city did not have the flames under complete subjection until afternoon. The total loss will exceed \$25,000 in which there is understood to be an insurance of \$20,000. The store is a branch of the St. Louis house and is under the management of D. H. Hafner.



See Saw Up and Down

The time to buy coal is when the price is down. You cannot make a better investment than to place your order for coal now. The difference in the price, to say nothing about the service, will pay you.

A Handsome Profit

on the money invested. We have just received a fresh supply of that famous Sootless Coal. You will certainly need it. Better buy now.

Mrs. A. H. Green.

Herb Hume, of Wichita, Kan., is visiting his parents, Judge and Mrs. N. L. Hume.

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Mrs. E. J. McMullen and children, Harold and Miss Mildred, of Hunnewell, have been the guests of Mrs. C. Davis and family.

Louis Lear left Tuesday for Pueblo, Colo., to visit his mother who is there for the benefit of her health.

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Miss Nettie Durst of Ely, has been the guest of Monroe friends.

Miss Laura McClure of Hunnewell, has been the guest of her friend, Miss Elizabeth Boulware.

Mrs. Al Vaughn and Miss Pearl Landrum of Hunnewell, have been with Monroe friends.

Misses Lilly and Emma Calvert have returned from LaGrange college for the holidays.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—"I wish they hadn't brought any more children to our house. We've got ten already and I have enough to do taking care of the house without any more babies," said Rosie Goldfein yesterday when she had been informed that her mother had given birth to triplets.

Dr. T. C. Proctor left Tuesday for Cuba where he will spend the winter in the interest of his health.

Xmas Post Cards.—L. M. Wood.

The Presbyterian ladies have shipped two large packages of clothing and other things to the Cherry mine sufferers.