

Daily Eagle

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PERSONAL AND LOCAL ITEMS OF NEWS

Mrs. A. Minick, of Derby, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. A. L. French of Eureka, is visiting friends in the city.

George H. Blackwelder left for a visit to Kansas City last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartwell left for Guadaalupe yesterday morning.

The way the Big river is booming now indicates heavy rains in the northwest.

Miss Carrie Wheeler, of Carlinville, Ill., is visiting her uncle, A. J. Applegate, of this city.

Frank Heinke left for Caldwell yesterday in the interest of the firm of Jones, Toran & Jones.

The Knights of Pythias band came back yesterday from Harper. The boys report a fine time.

A. M. Russell, of this city, is going to Mulvane next Saturday to visit the I. O. O. F. No. 174.

E. C. Cole made the sale of the Anderson place, 40 acres, north of Carey park, yesterday for \$18,000.

R. A. Hall of Rockford township, came to this city yesterday to meet his brother, who came from St. Louis.

Mr. Will Lawrence left last evening in response to a telegram announcing the death of his mother at Council Grove.

The Wichita base ball club will accommodate the Wellington Reds with a game on the Fourth if they will come here.

The farmers say that the last dash of rain knocked the chintz bugs gallop west, and now everything is in fine shape for corn.

H. J. Mueller of Anthony, was in the city yesterday and sold his reserve on North Emporia avenue for twenty-four hundred dollars.

The trade for the lots on Main street opposite the Occidental was closed yesterday and the deed placed on file. \$18,000 is the amount.

The Merriman tract on College Hill will be in the market in a few days. Several parties are waiting to secure lots for building purposes.

George H. Blackwelder told a reporter yesterday that he would soon fill the property opposite the opera house with business buildings.

Announced, that the Masonic fraternity will celebrate St. John's day, June 26th, at Cottonwood Falls, in a grand and appropriate manner.

Mr. Travis Morse will leave today for a visit among friends. He will be gone several days, and his many friends wish him a pleasant trip.

The last of the old frames that occupied the grounds on the southeast corner of Douglas and Fourth avenues were being sawed down Fourth avenue yesterday.

The petitions for calling an election in Eagle township to vote bonds to the Kansas Midland railroad came in yesterday bearing the requisite number of signatures.

Emporia is about to have a Charles Ross sensation. The son of Mr. J. Miller, of that place, mysteriously disappeared some days ago, and no trace of him has yet been found.

Judge W. F. Walker, the pro tem. of the court, had two drunks before him yesterday and one paid the regulation amount, while the other failed to respond with the fifty.

An error occurred in our transfer list yesterday in which G. W. Walter was reported to have sold a number of lots to A. B. Wright. It ought to have been E. E. Ford instead of A. B. Wright.

In Louisville three hundred coopers are hooping it up for increase of wages during the winter. They will have a staving good time if they get it.

Somebody ought to put a head on the perpetrator of that gag, and bung his eye.

The people along East Douglas avenue are allowing the hydrant water to run into the gutters and be dammed by rubbish which, in a few days, if allowed to stand, will rival the famous Topeka avenue ditch in the loudness of its perfume.

Meetings will be held in the Emporia avenue M. E. church every evening this week, and the seats will be arranged in the grove near the church for the dedication services, so that all may have an opportunity to hear the bishop next Sunday.

The H. Carpenter mentioned in these columns as being fined in the police court for being drunk, is not Uncle Horace Carpenter. The fellows who got into the police court hardy ever give their right names. John Doe is the usual cognomen.

Farmer Doolittle says it was Dr. Johnson who was drawing that diagram to represent time and eternity. It wasn't him at all. The farmer thinks if the reporters of this paper would mander around the precincts of truth occasionally it would be as well.

C. F. Montgomery and J. H. Miller, of Princeton, Indiana, are making their second visit to Wichita. Investments made in April have panned out so well that they are satisfied to make a re-investment in the great metropolis. Thus our fame is spreading.

Ed Phillips of Salem township, who was elected a delegate to the state convention last Saturday and who was the higher kicker against the bonds at the recent election, shipped a car load of hogs to Kansas City yesterday. When our roads are good and packing houses will ship to Wichita.

W. Wood Davis returned yesterday from Marion county, where he had been looking after the bond propositions for the Chicago, St. Joseph and Ft. Worth railway. The vote was almost unanimous for the bonds, some townships only voting two and three against. In no case was the opposition more than twenty against.

A conspiracy was entered into by a few parties in Marion county to obtain money by false pretense from Mr. Davis during the canvass in that county for his railway, but it failed, and the conspirators will have to answer to the charge in the courts. They mistook their man when they attempted to put up a job on C. Wood Davis.

The Eagle had a call yesterday from R. W. Ratcliff, cashier of the Exchange bank, Martin's Ferry, Ohio, and E. D. Catell, a capitalist from the same place. The gentlemen are in the city for the purpose of investing and will buy property before leaving. They reported that the fame of Wichita is spread far and wide—anyone outside of Kansas City could tell them something about the wonderful Wichita. It is really remarkable the amount of ignorance displayed by a Kansas City man regarding their rival city in Kansas.

The Forest City Building and Loan association, together with the Wichita Building and Loan association, have furnished the funds for building about 150 houses in this city. The Forest City association started a new series on the first of this month and it now furnishes an excellent opportunity for anyone to join it. Through this association an opportunity is offered for anyone to get a house and pay for it by weekly payments. It is also better than a savings bank for persons who want to lay away a small sum of money every week. At the next Tuesday night's meeting there will be a sale of preference for a loan in each of the four series of this association.

THE RAMBLER

Rooms Over the City, Learning What is Stirring the Public Mind

In Business, Real Estate and Railroads and Matters Projected—What People Talk About—How They Regard Values.

No sooner had I reached the postoffice yesterday, than the people gather for news in the morning than I was besieged by parties inquiring about the big offers on certain property reported in the morning Eagle, and several parties informed me that strangers who are here with a view of locating in several lines of business were saying that there was no use in their trying to invest as business property is held too high. Now, I desire to state for the benefit of strangers that while good business property is held at pretty stiff prices, that which is actually for sale is not, all things considered, unreasonably high. Because real estate agents, who may seek to bring themselves into prominence and advertise themselves by offering several thousand dollars for such property as the county building and Kohls' corner, which are not for sale, the stranger must not assume that these are the ruling prices. Fancy figures may be offered in good faith for choice locations, but as a rule good business property can be had at rates as reasonable here as in any city in the country with such a prospective future as ours. Those who contemplate entering the jobbing or wholesale trade can find suitable locations where property is not unreasonably high. We have some half dozen jobbing houses of various sorts but no regular wholesale center is established and those contemplating entering into the wholesale trade can secure suitable property on Market street, Lawrence, Topeka, Emporia or Fourth avenue and build up a wholesale corner on either, which will be just as suitable for that purpose as Main street or Douglas, and more so. In short, permanent business centers cannot be said to be established here yet, and a combination of strong business men may make some wonderful changes.

Strangers, especially intending engaging in jobbing in this city should first look to the situation of our city with respect to permanent trade, the facilities for reaching the retail trade, and the probable extent of that trade. In order to be equipped for getting at the extent of our wholesale trade, it will be necessary to know something of the extent and resources of the county naturally tributary to Wichita.

Situated as we are, 228 miles from Kansas City, and over 600 miles from St. Louis, in the very heart of the finest agricultural and grazing country in the world, with railroads ramifying into the whole of that vast territory west and south of us, where thousands of settlers are pouring in daily and where young cities spring up like magic whose doors the merchants of Wichita can reach in two or three days' time than can the merchants of any other city, the market for any goods is almost without limit and will grow continually. The extent of our city, although it is of no mean proportions, is not criterion as to the amount of jobbing that might be done here. The extent and resources of the tributary territory is what should be considered in the calculation. With our five railroads already in operation and four more coming, no city that should be taken into account in estimating the trade to be done here. Men of mature judgment and familiar with this great west understand this.

Mr. J. M. O'Neil, a wholesale grocer of Sedalia, Mo., who has been raised in the wholesale trade of the west, was here a day or two and after looking the city over, and visiting other surrounding towns he concluded this was the place for him and he will be here next week to take a residence. Mr. Symms, the big wholesale grocer of Atchison, who was here last week said he had no doubt this would be the commercial center of the state.

I met Messrs. Henry F. Petersen and his brother W. D. Petersen, of Davenport, Iowa, who are guests at the Manhattan and who come to the metropolis of the southwest to see what could be done and learn the prospect for business and investment. These gentlemen are jobbers of dry goods, men of large means and mature judgment who will make a thorough investigation before investing. Mr. A. F. Peterson is vice-president of one of the banks of his city. They express themselves highly pleased with our city and admire the ability and energy of our citizens, but they, like many others, think there is altogether too much real estate boom and that wild prices are being offered for property. I respectfully refer them to the facts set forth in the beginning of my article.

I met one of our leading brickmakers yesterday and a gentleman asked him why he was not making brick. "Why," said he, "I don't pay to use up the land. Land anywhere near Wichita is worth from \$100 to \$1,000 per acre, and at these rates it does not pay to tear up land and sell the brick at \$8 per thousand." So it goes, and if it continues this way we will have to get our brick from Kansas City and other towns where the land is cheap.

I was told that kids now steal horses from people's premises and ride them around town and then turn them loose. This probably explains the loss of so many horses. The police are onto some racket just now, but it is not ripe to give away yet. They were out on the recent last night and the night previous, and there is no telling what the harvest will be.

GOLD WITH SILVER. A short few days ago a gentleman who lives a short distance northeast of town, bought a tent of a fellow for the sum of two dollars. It was night when he paid the money and thought he would give the man two silver dollars, but had some \$20 gold pieces mixed with his silver change, and by mistake handed out two of them. They were accepted and the fellow lighted a match, looked at the money in his hand, the giver could not see, and pronounced it "all O. K." The next morning it was discovered that it was not that way.

This was about 9 o'clock on Saturday evening, the same time that the horse and buggy was stolen from the corner of Lawrence and Douglas avenues, and the same party is suspected of committing the last offense. A combination effort is being made for the party.

ANOTHER HORSE HITCHED WRONG. Yesterday, near noon, a gentleman hitched his horse at the corner of Market and Second streets and repaired to a neighboring house to attend to some business. After returning in a few minutes he found that his horse had left for parts unknown.

A corps of horse men were immediately engaged and galloped in every direction but without being able to find the desirable rider. Package after taking a summer vacation, the horse thieves will happen down there.

"TRUTH STRANGER THAN FICTION."

The heading of this is true events that have transpired in the domestic relations of one family in Wichita which culminated yesterday in the quiet settlement of that which at one time looked like the shedding of human gore which would have ended in the loss of one or more human lives, and which would have created a sensation such as society seldom witnesses. It also proves that the wildest fancies of the novelist is tame compared to it. The story of Enock Arden, which was written to portray one phase of life in fiction, while the following happened in our great city where at least two of the parties are well known, as they have been residents of the city for over a year.

To begin this strange story. In a beautiful valley in the central part of New York state there nestled one of those handsome little hamlets which romantics love to describe, is located one of those academies for the education of the fair maidens of the neighborhood. It was three years ago this month that a young James, who at the commencement of the school, there was one among the number who graduated with the highest honors, who stood highest in intellectual and physical beauty.

Among her most ardent admirers in the audience was one whose front name is Harry, who as a traveling man, after his day's work was done was spending the night in the village, and the evening at the college who upon first sight fell desperately in love with one of the graduates. After an introduction and some weeks had passed he asked her hand in marriage which was given by her, but the parents stood in the way as they positively refused to give their consent which finally ended in elopement and marriage. The union seemed a happy one and for two years they lived as happy as could be when Harry introduced to his wife one with whom he had traveled. He was tall and manly in feature with an eye and tongue and ingratiated himself into the confidence and love of the girl wife. Harry saw the affections of his wife gradually becoming dissipated and demanded an explanation, which at the time was not given.

Still he tried to save his wife and for this purpose left the east, came to Wichita, and as he thought, established his future home where he would be safe in his domestic relations, but he was doomed to disappointment, as a month ago he surmised that his wife had heard from the destroyer of his happiness when he accidentally met him on the street of Wichita and treated him friendly, begging an one asking for his wife which as the sequel will show he did not do.

Sunday night he was caught in company with the wife. The husband on Monday morning informed the deceiver that if he caught him at his home again he would surely commit murder, as he had provided himself with fire arms especially for that purpose. He was seen on the streets all day Monday with a revolver up his coat sleeve, while the man he sought kept himself hidden in the privacy of his room in the hotel.

Now comes the most singular part of this true story. Tuesday night Harry went to the room of the deceiver and asked an interview, which was granted. His first question was, "Do you love my wife?" Answer—"Yes."

"Will you take her, love, cherish and protect her?" Answer—"I will."

"Well, sir," said Harry, "you can have her, she is yours. You shall have her in the morning and my parting blessing is, if you ever mistreat her you shall feel the strong arm of a discarded husband's vengeance. I will pursue you to the end of the earth, but what I will have your life blood. As long as you treat her well you need never stand in fear of me. If at any time you have need of assistance call on me first. You know well enough to know that I am not laboring under any excitement and mean just what I say. As my wife has confessed that she does not love me and that you are the ideal of her heart and loves you to madness, I see I can never command her love again. I believe that before I met you her love was undiminished by mine. Since fate has so willed it as it is and I could not bear to see her unhappy, which I know she would be if I attempted to restrain her. I relinquish all claim and only hope it will be for her happiness, as God knows I would lay down my life for her."

After exchanging the compliments of the evening Harry left to return in the morning at 8 o'clock with his wife, her trunks and satchels. After bidding the happy couple God speed he went about his business. She was accepted at the hotel as Mrs. T. C. Sorrell, while in point of law she was Mrs. Harry Dorsey.

The two remained at the hotel yesterday last night and expect to leave this morning for an eastern tour.

Farmer are nearly all busy with their corn and consequently business with the store keepers is very dull. They manage, however, to vary the monotony of the dullness of trade by a daily discussion of Wichita's coming greatness and the present wonderful boom.

Several leading citizens have recently invested in Wichita property, and some have already made big money by doing so.

The new landlord at the Avondale, Mr. Dunkin, understands his business well, and is keeping a first class house. The traveling public will please take notice of this fact.

The present prospect of a fine corn crop is very encouraging to the farmers, and with four weeks more of suitable weather, King Corn will rule with a golden scepter in the Kingdom of Sedgwick.

PERSONAL.

O. C. Clark, of Anthony, was registered at the Manhattan yesterday.

A. J. Weaver of Kingman was among the guests at the Manhattan yesterday.

Henry F. and W. D. Petersen, of Davenport, Iowa, are guests at the Manhattan.

J. H. Miller and son, and Monte Miller of Princeton, Ind., are stopping at the Manhattan.

Dr. John P. Brady of Louisville, Ky., stopped over at the Manhattan night before last, and left yesterday morning for Lerado, of which town he is the head and front.

Doctors A. W. Heise, J. W. Folk and J. W. Johnson, of Joliet, Ill., who are guests at the Manhattan, are here with a view to purchase Wichita dirt provided things suit them.

DIED.

In this city, Monday night, Miss Sarah Davis, aged 23 years, 10 days. She came from Ohio sixteen years ago. Friends do not weep or mourn, for God has called her home to rest in peace in heaven.

S. B. D.

FAMILY LAW.

Jake Kennedy was brought up before Justice Walker yesterday on a warrant sworn out by his better half, who charges him with cruelty and bad usage generally. The case was continued until this morning and the man let go on his own recognizance, and not long after the report came back that he went home and beat his wife again and skipped out, and it is thought he will not show up again.

INCANDESCENT LIGHTS.

The Schuyler company expects to have the store of Lewis & Co. furnished with incandescent lamps by next Saturday night. They have a strength of sixteen-candle power and the light is said to be soft and mellow and well suited to the eye. It is produced by the electricity being forced through a fine film of carbon, which in furnishing resistance to the current is brought to a white heat. This is placed in a glass globe that is almost a perfect vacuum.

COLORED MASONS.

Night before last the Colored Masons of the Arkansas Valley lodge held their installation of officers and had a nice entertainment at Memorial hall. Following are the officers installed for the ensuing year: J. J. Jennings, W. M.; N. C. Allen, Sr. Warden; Lewis Stewart, Jr. Warden; Lewis Anderson, Treasurer; John Andis, Secretary; John Brice, Sr. Steward; William Bradley, Jr. Steward; William Riga, Jr. Deacon; Julius Gaines, Jr. Deacon; Benjamin Summit, Chaplain; Samuel Sidney, Tyler.

A SMASH UP.

Douglas avenue was the scene of another first-class runaway yesterday. A horse and carriage was hitched at the corner of Market and Douglas. It belonged to Mr. A. T. Heller. The horse became frightened at something and made safe his escape at the expense of the halter. He was cast about for a block and then attempted to turn north on Lawrence avenue. In the attempt the carriage struck an old fashioned road wagon that took in the whole business. The horse found his back near the ground than his feet, and the buggy, a large portion of it was well suited to the purpose of kindling wood. No one was hurt.

Mr. Anderson, of Gypsum township, was in the city yesterday trying to secure a band to lead the delegation of that township in the parade at Derby July third, where they propose to have a regular old fashioned Fourth of July celebration. Mr. Anderson says when Gypsum township turns out to will be a well equipped force. He has the cake. It will be remembered that this township took the premium of \$35 offered for the best delegation in this city three years ago.

As the reporter was going up Main street by the New York store he saw such an immense number of rolls of carpet that he thought that concern had got a contract for carpeting the county. On inquiring of Cash Henderson how it was the scribe was informed that what he saw was only one fourth of the lot that he is receiving. If that is so then he certainly must have the contract for carpeting the county.

Mr. Charles Dyes, of St. Louis, is in the city making his regular business calls. He has been traveling in this state for some months and says he never saw a better prospect for corn anywhere than in Kansas this year. He seems to think that if the crop is as large as it threatens the people will be compelled to rent a large part of the Territory for cribbing purposes.

Yesterday a young negro passed the Tremont hotel wearing a stove pipe hat. When Bob, the tony colored man of that popular resort, said, "hello, there, you nigger, you look a sante pedro game flatted out on an anvil after a hard day's work. You don't quit dat, I give you away every day in the week."

Joking is joking, but to cause a reporter to run the breath out of himself to ascertain the particulars of a runaway, and find on reaching the river that the horse ran into the water to get a drink—the joints all being closed—is provoking. But you needn't mention it to brother Fin.

Still Woodcock of Mulvane was in the city yesterday and said he used to know something about the town, but in the last two years it has grown clear away from him. He now feels like a stranger in a strange land. He must come often.

C. L. Cookson of Kansas City has finished two splendid elevators for John Estey's business houses on Douglas and Emporia avenues. Mr. Estey says they are splendid elevators, and that one man can easily raise 2,000 pounds with them.

The Wichita and Western headquarters will be in the Hartwig block, corner of Fourth and Douglas avenues as soon as that building is finished. Mr. Hill will then have a pleasant set of offices.

Several of the boys drove their speeders over to Davidson & Lee's park last evening and had a fine time competing notes. As generally the case one came out ahead always.

Degree of honor of A. O. U. W., regular meeting tonight. All members are earnestly requested to attend as business of importance must be attended to.

Judge Walker tied the knot of unity for Frank Bosson of Carthage, Mo., and Miss Celia Adams of this city at his office yesterday.

Two pleasure seekers attracted some attention on the corner of Douglas and Emporia avenues yesterday evening talking dummy talk.

Lieutenant Lyeth of the United States navy, is in the city visiting his father-in-law, Mr. McEes, North Topeka avenue. The German Catholics will have a religious procession at St. Marks today, the occasion being the feast of Corpus Christi.

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