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CHANUTE, - - KANSAS.

RANSAS ITEMS OF INTERECT.

The county high school proposition was defeated in Pratt county.

Parsons expects to burn natural gas piped from Neodesha by Thanksgiving ed his hat. day.

A man named Vaughn has been arrested and taken to Pawnee for horse Thanksgiving day. stealing.

Hutchinson salt will be produced by

a new method and new machinery hereafter. Two short term prisoners escaped

from the federal prison at Leavenworth last week. Fairview's claim of three churches. good school facilities and no dives or

joints entitles it to a clear bill of health. Coal has been discovered near Cottonwood Falls. It is a twelve-inch vein and is but four feet beneath the

surface.

The Solar Salt works at Solomon have closed for the season. About 500 tons of salt have been made during the past year.

Gas is piped into Ottawa from Allen county, where there are several places where gas escapes from the ground, so they say.

ladies remove their hats during the progress of the entertainments.

silently stole away.

George Case of Jewell county, formcalled on Senator Baker for the pur- posit. pose of demonstrating how nicely he would fit the positton of warden of the | is not a reliable grain producing terrifederal pen.

In the office of the county clerk of Washington county there is a sample of a specie of Mexican corn, raised on ington county, the stalk of which measures 18 feet and 6 inches in heighth, and 5% inches around, containing two well developed ears of corn. It is the tallest corn ever grown can be developed in the dry counties in this county, but Mr. Hoffhine don't with every assurance of success. Althink it can ever be grown successfully here. It is a great curiosity to many Kansans.

very much annoyed for some time past flavor, and will sell beside that made who have been raiding the coops with were made last year in Finney county comparative impunity. A few nights with good gratifying results. Any ago at a German's farm house one of farmer with a field of alfalfa can start the gentry managed to drop his pock- an apiary, and, in addition to supplyetbook. The German picked it up by ing hist family with all the honey it the hen house the next morning and wants, can, in a very few years have a on opening it, found that it contained neat and steady income at a very \$72, but nothing by which the owner expense. The drouth, which unfits could be found, and the pocketbook this section for grain growing two has not yet been called for.

was elected register of deeds of Osborne advantage to it. Bees thrive better was in charge in the early days, was 116 colonies, yielded 12,000 pounds. trouble. the jim jams.

gage cars are needed to carry commer- "business houses that do not advertise." cial men's trunks.

ers has an expert examining the gas "Pioneering in Kansas in the 'Fifties" of locating factories. If is proves in- ic. viting, which it no doubt will, south- An Atchison man who rises the roof from the ground up. boom to stay.

The United Presbyterian church at port, where it will be rebuilt for use by ago. the Methodist church. The United The county attorney of Bourbon organization.

Corn husking is in full blast in southern and central Kansas. Many of the taken for ill health. farmers are apparently surprised at the expected.

Neodesha is having a big fight over the proposition: Shall the town own No man in southern Kansas should the production of honey. Many farmher own gas and waterworks?

John E. Frost, land commissioner of the Santa Fe, has been making an ex- The first sucker in jabs in southern tended investigation of the condition Kansas should be shut off. of wheat in Kansas. He says: "I think Rev. W. A. McRinht, pastor of the There is not a vacant house in either will go into the winter in splendid tor. It is said that he was addicted to use of tobacco will be the next move condition."

Ellis county bonds voted to build a new new court house.

An Atchison girl says that the good | winter. are happy but they are mighty lone-

There is a rumor at Newton that the down. Santa Fe will buy the Arcade hotel

Nutting parties along the Walnut river, in Butler county, are quite numerous.

A falling sign in Hutchinson knocked a commercial traveler out and ruin-

It is proposed to have a grand opening of the Topeka woolen mill on

The water that bubbles up from the big Andrews gas well at Cherryvale is said to cure eczema.

The hay crop of Butler county is so short that the price of dry juiceless grass has doubled up.

A good, well managed creamery is about the most valuable enterprise a Kansas town can have.

The State bank of Walnut was forced to close because of injudicious investments. The depositors will be paid in

A peculiar disease has appeared among hogs along the Ninnescah river, twenty miles west of Wichita, J. Freeland, O. Smith and C. H. Boughman, who live on adjoining ranches, have lost nearly one hundred head each. The disease does not appear to be conular loccality along the river. The The managers of the Beloit lecture animals, when taken sick, become crop coming on. association have requested that the sluggish, but eat heartily of any feed thrown to them. After a day or two A hideous looking man, with a face ently blind. When aroused and driv- tepees out of a big crop of tall weeds masked in white beard, frightened en from their beds they often walk that grew there. some hotel people almost to death at straight against a fence or a tree. Frederick the other evening and then They usually die within a week, and

As is well known, western Kansas tory on account of the frequency of drouths. Consequently the people of them have been experimenting lately offered. with bee culture, and have demonstrated that this is an industry which falfa is a sure and prolific crop throughout western Kansas, and alfalfa is one of the best bee foods for honey producing purposes. The honey made Coffeyville and vicinity have been from this growth is of a fine grade and the opertions of chicken thieves, from the choicest clover. Experiments years out of three, is not harmful to Fred Arnold, of the Alton Empire, bee culture, but, on the contrary, is an

In southern Kansas on many trains | The Florence Bulletin makes the

Dr. Charles Williamson of Washing-A syndicate of eastern manufactur- ton Kan., has written a book entitled

ern Kansas will witness a boom that every time his mother serves him fections of a widow.

Steve Paul is under arrest at Garnett Anthony, a \$3,500 structure, is being charged with murdering his aunt, Mrs. petitioned the city council to pass a torn down and taken 16 miles to Free- Isaac Paul, near that place two weeks curfew ordinance. The matter was

Along the bottoms the corn is reported drew a line right down through the without judgment.

> A prominent Kansas newspaper says. patronize Kansas City in any way, ers are becoming interested in this in-The town is a leech on eastern Kansas, dustry.

Kansas never had as fine a prospect Methodist church at Downs, has dis- place, not an idle man or boy, not s for wheat at this season of the year as appeared, and his friends are deeply tippler and not a dog. The claim is at the present time. The acreage is concerned over the matter. He was a made that there never has been a drop 20 per cent larger than it was last year. preacher of far more than ordinary of intoxicating liquor sold in either or The weather is good for wheat and it ability; in fact, was a true pulpit ora- these towns. A crusade against the

the opium habit.

The poet Riley will do a few turns TALMAGE'S in Kansas with Engene Ware this

Water is so scarce at Ft. Scott that some of the factories may have to shut

Osage City has a curfew ordinance which is not operative between April and October.

A Kansas woman was given three months in jail the other day for thrashher husband.

At a sale of Poland China swine in Washington county, sixty-two head brought \$911.

The hundred guests partook of a Scottish Rite festival at Masonic hall, Topeka, recently. Ellis county will build a new court

house, and the contract calls for the use of native stone.

A Dickinson county man named Brass has just taken unto himself a woman named Tacks.

devil. He says the devil no more exists than does Santa Claus. A Barton county hunter bagged a

A Lawrence man has repudiated the

white quail which has been sent to the State university to be mounted. John Harvey, of the roundhouse force, who has charge of the stationary

engine, at Newton, has worked for the

Santa Fe company a little over nineteen years. Young people of Pretty Prairie have passed through a matrimonial epidemic tagious, but is confined to that partie- and the supply of marriageable folks is exhausted, but there is a fine new

On a certain vacant lot in Leavenworth the school boys are playing Inthew refuse to eat and become appar- dian. They have built a village of

People who imagine the Salvation army people are short on wit should examination of the stomach fails to note the fact that the army in Hutchshow anything that would indicate a inson has again been arrested and erly warden of the penitentiary, has disorder, except a reddish woody de- thrown into jail for violating an ordinance. They thus secure grub and lodging and have the infinite pleasure

The fourth annual exhibit of the Parsons and Southwestern Poultry association will be given in Parsons on this section are much interested in December 7th to 11th inclusive. The finding out to what other uses their officers of the association have issued the farm of W. A. Hoffhine, of Wash- farming lands can be profitably put, a very attractive premium list showin addition to stock raising. Some of ing the regular and special premiums

> The new waterworks commenced last spring at the Haskell institution at Lawrence are now completed, but the supply of water is not all that could be desired. The wells are down to solid rock and it is the intention to pierce the rock later on in the hopes getting a bigger vein.

> Henry Eiche, living mear Sumner, has discovered a good vein of coal on land belonging to John J. Ingalls on Walnut creek, six miles south of the city. The vein crops out of a bank in the Walnut creek bottom and being only a short distance from the railroad station at Dalbey, Mr. Eiche thinks it would pay to work it. The coal has been tested by several farmers in that vicinity and it seems to be of good

The capacity of the Kansas state normal is just now being tested. The county. George Ruede, a former edi- where the winters are dry; wet, cold entrance of a large number of new tor, is now the county superintendent weather is responsible for most of the students at the end of the first half there. H. M. Fletcher, a former own- diseases. The people of western Kan- term makes an unprecedental attender and proprietor of the sheet, was sas and other dry localities will do ance at this time of the year. Very recently appointed to the railway mail well to give apiculture a trial. One few stopped at the close of the first service. Count Fred Hulaniski, who apiary, near Garden City, consisting of half and it is estimated that the net increase will be at least 125. The last year elected probate judge of some Next year the same concern, increased model school is compelled to refuse county out in Colorado. Another edi- to 240 colonies will yield at least 20,- students, so crowded is it, and the tor of the Empire, when last heard of 000 pounds. The best feature about kindergarten, too, is full. The total was handicapped in his efforts to get this industry is that it costs practical- attendance this year will surpass that along in the world by a bad case of ly nothing beyond a little care and of any year since the institution was founded.

In one of the section gangs on the there are as many baggage cars as statement that well-worn checker Southern Kansas railroad not long passenger coaches. The extra bag- board is always to be found in the since the boss discuvered that one stalwart young fellow was the son of a rich railroad president of Georgia. He mentioned it to the young man and the young man quit at once The fields of southern Kansas with a view which will soon be ready for the pub- young man, at the request of his father is learning the railroad business

James Whiteomb Riley, who is in has never before been recorded in the warmed over meals, is beginning to Topeka, says that Eugene Ware is history of the state. And it will be a take pleasure in the warmed over af- gifted in a literary way, but he makes the gift subject to his whims.

> Five hundred citizens of Seneca have worked up by the local W. C. T. U.

The Second Congregational church Presbyterian church has dissolved its county has ordered three jointists tak- at Lawrence is being rebuilt. It was en back to jail from a room in the burned during the Quantrell's raid and court house, to which they had been when it was rebuilt a quantity of the brick damaged in the fire, were used, A Harper county man who wished which has necessitated the repairs way the crop is turning out this year. to vote the straight republican ticket which are now in progress. The church society which owns the building is the to be good and far better than was column of squares; an instance of zea! oldest Freedman church organization in the organization.

Western Kansas is experimenting in

Lost Springs and Ramona, Kan., are striving to make a heaven on earth. by the women of Ramore

SERMON.

COMING LESSONS" LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

From the Following Text; "Go Thou and Preach the Kingdom of God"-Luke; Chapter IX., Verse 60-The Regnant Gospel.



HE Gospel is to be regnant over all hearts, all circles, all governments, and all lands. The kingdom of God spoken of in the text is to be a universal kingdom, and just as wide as that will be the realm sermonic,

'Go thou and preach the kingdom of We hear a great deal in these fays about the coming man, and the coming woman, and the coming time. Some one ought to tell of the coming sermon. It is a simple fact that everybody knows that most of the sermons of today do not reach the world. The vast majority of the people of our great cities never enter church.

The sermon of today carries along with it the deadwood of all ages. Hundreds of years ago it was decided what a sermon ought to be, and it is the attempt of many theological seminaries and doctors of divinity to hew the modern pulpit utterances, into the same old-style proportions. Booksellers will tell you they dispose of a hundred histories, a hundred novels, a hundred poems, to one book of sermons. What is the matter? Some say the age is the worst of all ages. It is better. Some say religion is wearing out, when it is wearing in. Some say there are so many who despise the Christian religion. I answer, there never was an age when there were so many Chrislians, or so many friends of Christianty as this age has-our age; as to others a hundred to one. What is the matter, then? It is simply because our sermon of today is not suited to the age. It is the canal boat in an age of locomotive and electric telegraph. The sermon will have to be shaken out of the old grooves or it will not be heard and it will not be read.

Before the world is converted, the sermon will have to be converted. You might as well go into a modern Sedan or Gettysburg with bows and arrows instead of rifles and bombshells and parks of artillery as to expect to conquer this world for God by the old styles of sermonology. Jonathan Edwards preached the sermons best adapted to the age in which he lived, but if those sermons were preached now they would divide an audience into two classes; those sound asleep and

those wanting to go home. But there is a coming sermon-who will preach it I have no idea; in what part of the earth it will be born I have popular sermon. There are those in no idea; in which denomination of these times who speak of a popular ser-Christians it will be delivered, I can not guess. That coming sermon may | thing wrong about it. As these critics be born in the country meeting house or on the banks of the St. Lawrence, or the Oregon, or the Ohio, or the Tombigbee, or the Alabama. The person who may deliver it may this moment lie in a cradle under the shadow of the Sierra Nevadas, or in a New England farmhouse, or amid the rice fields of Southern savannas. Or this moment there may be some young man in some of our theological seminaries, in the junior, or middle, or senior class, shaping that weapon of power. Or there may be coming some new baptisms of the Holy Ghost on the churches, so that some of us who now stand in the watch towers of Zion, waking to the realization of our present inefficiency. may preach it ourselves. That coming sermon may not be twenty years off. And let us pray God that its arrival may be hastened, while I announce to you what I think will be the chief characteristics of that sermon when it does arrive; and I want to make the remarks appropriate and suggestive to

all classes of Christian workers. First of all, I remark that the coming sermon will be full of a living Christ, in contradistinction to didactic technicalities. A sermon may be full of Christ, though hardly mentioning his name, and a sermon may be empty of Christ while every sentence is repetitious of his titles. The world wants a living Christ, not a Christ standing at the head of a formal system of theology, but a Christ who means pardon and sympathy and condolence and brotherhood and life and heaven. A poor man's Christ. An over-worked man's Christ. An invalid's Christ. A farmer's Christ. A merchant's Christ. An artisan's Christ. An every man's

A symmetrical and finely worded system of theology is well enough for theological classes, but it has no more business in a pulpit than have the technical phrases of an anatomist, or a physician, in the sick room of a patient. The world wants help, immediate and world uplifting, and it will come through a sermon in which Christ shall walk right down into the immortal soul and take everlasting possession of it, filling it as full of light as is the noonday firmament. That sermon of the future will not deal with men in the threadbare illustrations of Jesus Christ. In that coming sermon there will be instances of vicarious sacrifice taken right out of every-day life, for there is not a day somebody is not dying for others. As the physician, saving his diphtheric patient by sacrificing his own life; as the shipcaptain going down with his vessel, while he is getting his passengers into the lifeboat; as the fireman, con-

strong swimmer at Long Branch, or | and heart and sympathy and under the perished trying to rescue the drowning; as the newspaper boy not long ago, supporting his mother for some years, his invalid mother, when offered by a gentleman fifty cents to get some especial paper, and he got it and and was crushed under the wheels of the train, and lay on the grass with only strength enough to say, "Oh, what will become of my poor, sick

mother now?" Vicarious suffering? The world is full of it. An engineer said to me on a locomotive in Dakota: "We men seem to be coming to better appreciation than we used to. Did you see that account the other day of an engineer, who to save his passengers, stuck to his place, and when he was found dead in the locomotive, which was found upside down, he was found still smiling, the hand on the air brake?" And as the engineer said it to me, he put his meaning, and I looked at him and thought, "You would be just as much of a hero in the same crisis."

Paul preached until midnight, and Eutychus got sound asleep, and fell out of a window and broke his neck. Some would say, "Good for him." would rather be sympathetic like Paul, and resuscitate him. That accident is often quoted now in religious circles as a warning against somnolence in church. It is just as much a warning to ministers against prolixity. Eutychus was wrong in his somnolence, but Paul made a mistake when he kept on until midnight. He ought to have stopped at 11 o'clock and there would have been no accident. If Paul might have gone on until too great length, let all those of us who are now preaching the gospel remember that there is a limit to religious discourse, or ought to be, and that in our time we have no apostolic power or miracles. Napoleon, in an address of seven minutes, thrilled his army and thrilled Europe. Christ's sermon on the mount the model sermon-was less than eighteen minutes long at ordinary mode of delivery. It is not electricity scattered all over the sky that strikes, but electricity gathered into a thunderbolt and hurled; and it is not religious truths scattered over, spread out over a vast reach of time, but religious truth projected in compact form that flashes light upon the soul and rives its indifference.

When the coming sermon arrives in this land and in the Christian church -the sermon which is to arouse the world and startle the nations and usher in the kingdom-it will be a brief sermon. Hear it, all theological students, all ye just entering upon religious work, all ye men and women who in Sabbath schools and other departments are toiling for Christ and the salvation of immortals. Brevity! Brevity!

But I remark also that the coming sermon of which I speak will be a mon as though there must be someare dull themselves, the world gets the impression that a sermon is good in proportion as it is stupid. Christ was the most popular preacher the world ever saw, and, considering the small number of the world's population, had the largest audiences ever gathered. He never preached anywhere without making a great sensation. People rushed out in the wilderness to hear him, reckless of their physical necessities. So great was their anxiety to hear Christ, that, taking no food with them, they would have fainted and starved had not Christ performed a miracle and fed them. Why did so many people take the truth at Christ's hands? Because they all understood it. He illustrated his subject by a hen and her chickens, by a bushel measure, by a handful of salt, by a bird's flight and by a lily's aroma. All the people knew what he meant, and they flocked to him. And when the coming sermon of the Christian church appears, it will not be Princetonian, not Rochesterian, not Andoverian, not Middletonian, but Olivetic-plain, practical, unique, earnest, comprehensive of all the woes, wants, sins, sorrows and necessities of an auditory.

We hear a great deal of discussion now all over the land about why people do not go to church. Some say it is because Christianity is dying out, and because people do not believe in the truth of God's word, and all that. They are false reasons. The reason is because our sermons are not interesting and practical, and sympathetic and helpful. Some one might as well tell the whole truth on this subject, and so I will tell it. The sermon of the future—the Gospel sermon to come forth and shake the nations, and lift people out of darkness-will be a popular sermon just for the simple reason that !t will meet the woes and the wants and mummies, sitting around to frown upon the fresh young pulpits of America, to try to awe them down, to cry out, "Tut, tut, tut! sensational!" They stand today, preaching in churches that hold a thousand people and there if they cannot have the world saved in but the old way of making ministers of the Gospel is better. A collegiate education and an apprenticeship under the care and home attention of some earnest, aged Christian minister, the young man getting the patriarch's spirit and assisting him in his religious service. Young lawyers study with old lawyers, young physicians study with old physicians, and I besuming in the burning building, while lieve it would be a great help if every he is taking a child out of a fourth- young man studying for the Gospel story window; as last summer the ministry could put himself in the home

Cape May, or Lake George, himself benediction and perpetual presence of

a Christian minister. That sermon of the future will be an every-day sermon, going right down into every man's life, and it will teach him to vote, how to bargain, how to plough, how to do any work he is callrushed up in his anxiety to deliver it. ed to, how to wield trowel and pen and pencil and yardstick and plane. And it will teach women how to preside over their households, and how to educate their children, and how to imitate Miriam and Esther and Vashti. and Eunice, the mother of Timothy; and Mary, the mother of Christ; and those women who on Northern and Southern battlefields were mistaken by the wounded for angels of mercy fresh from the throne of God, Do you exhort in prayer-meeting?

Be short and be spirited. Do you teach

in Bible class? Though you have to

study every night, be interesting. Do you accost people on the subject of religion in their homes or in public hand on the air brake to illustrate his places? Study adroitness and use common sense. The most graceful, the most beautiful thing on earth in the religion of Jesus Christ, and if you awkwardly present it, it is defamation. We must do our work rapidly and we must do it effectively. Soon our time for work will be gone. A dying Christian took out his watch and gave it to a friend and said: "Take that watch, I have no more use for it: time is ended for me; eternity begins." O my friends, when our watch has ticked away for us for the last moment, and our clock has struck for us the last hour, may it be found we did our work well, that we did it in the very best way; and whether we preached the Gospel in pulpits, or taught Sabbath classes, or administered to the sick as physicians, or bargained as merchants, or pleaded the law as attorneys, or were busy as artisans, or as husbandmen, or as mechanics, or were like Martha called to give a meal to a hungry Christ, or like Hannah to make a coat for a prophet, or like Deborah to rouse the courage of some timid Barak in the Lord's conflict, we did our work in such a way that it will stand the test of the judgment. And in the long procession of the redeemed that march round the throne, may it be found there are many there brought to God through our instrumentality and in whose rescue we are exultant. But, O you unsaved! wait not for that coming sermon. It may come after your obsequies. It may come after the stonecutter has chiseled our name on the slab fifty years before. Do not wait for a great steamer of the Cunard or White Star line to take you off the wreck, but hail the first craft with however low a mast, and however small a bulk, and however poor a rudder, and however weak a captain. Better a disabled schooner that comes up in time than a full-rigged brig that comes up after you have sunken. Instead of waiting for that coming sermon-it may be twenty, fifty years off -take this plain invitation of a man who, to have given you spiritual eyesight, would be glad to be called the spittle by the hand of Christ put on the eyes of a blind man, and who would consider the highest compliment of this service, if at the close five hundred men should start from these doors saying, "Whether he be a sinner or no. I know not. This one thing I know, whereas I was blind, now I see." Swifter than shadows over the plain, quicker than birds in their autumnal flight, hastier than eagles to their prey, hie you to a sympathetic Christ. The orchestras of heaven have already strung their instruments to celebrate your rescue. And many were the voices around the

throne; Rejoice, for the Lord brings back his

PICTURED FOSTCARDS.

They Are Slowly Coming Into Use in England.

Illustrated postcards are slowly creeping into use in this country, but enterprise and art have an opportunity here of increasing and meeting a demand in this direction, says the London Telegraph. Postcards with representations of interesting local scenes have long been popular on the continent with residents, and visitors reads ly fall into the fashion. Ornamental postcards and envelopes are constantly used by correspondents, and postcard collecting abroad is quite as common as stamp collecting was in this country some time ago. The cards are fastened in an album, especially made for the purpose, or artistically arranged in groups on walls and tables. Our illustrated postcards will probably be made varied as the tastes grow, and with art and technical schools on every hand there is no reason why they should not lead to the establishment of a new department of industry. There is certainly no more ready or the anxieties of the people. There are pleasing way by which a friend can in all our denominations ecclesiastical give his correspondent an idea of his surroundings. Many of the great publishers are now issuing views of English cathedrals and other places of historic interest and not a few pretty landscapes. Some hotels, too, are using cards with views calculated to inare a hundred persons present, and vite customers. But people in this country generally use the plainest patheir way it seems as if they do not per and postcards. On the continent want it saved at all. I do not know the sales of these interesting little works of art are enormous, and it is stated an attempt to get one better will be made by enterprising manufacturers there who contemplate reproducing works of the old masters in miniature. Firms in London who are connected with German publishers' say they sell a vast number of these ornamental postcards abroad, and that their customers greatly value them.

> Great gifts make unworthy natures bold and finer natures humble.