

BAZOO GOSSIP.

The streets of the city, where paving is in progress are in not the best condition, and many persons, as gleaned by the Gossiper, are disposed to blame affairs to the city administration, saying the work should have been done sooner. To the knowing ones such accusations are very unjust and not upheld by the facts in the case.

At the Union depot yesterday the Gossiper met a gentleman named Harness, who is now in the grain commission business. He said: "I used to hunt in this section of the country before there was a solitary house where Sedalia now stands, and strangely, too, this is my first visit to this now queerly city. I shall stay here for a day or two."

"The fruit crop of Pettis county," said a statistician in that line to the Gossiper, "the past season has been superb and brought many thousands of dollars to the farmers, which has been distributed in every avenue of trade. Every farmer who owns a small tract should pay some attention to fruit. It will pay them liberally, and do away with the necessity of a foreign market."

"The establishment of a kiteshaped track, at Sedalia, as advocated by the BAZOO," said a Sedalia horseman to the Gossiper "is attracting considerable attention, and will most probably result in active measures being taken looking toward its establishment. It will unquestionably be of immense benefit to the city, not only in bringing hundreds of thousands of dollars to the city, but in bringing a decided increase of population."

"Solomon in all his glory," was not more beautifully arrayed than was Judge Halstead yesterday morning. In fact, it was real duds, although it consisted simply of a shirt. By this the Gossiper does not intend to intimate that a shirt constituted the judge's entire wardrobe, but simply the article mentioned was the predominant feature. It was of a brown color of the finest flannel and the judge says reaches way down.

Mr. Henry Wilson of Wichita, Kan., was at the Kaiser yesterday in speaking of Kansas politics, said: "The recent election was a big scoop for the republicans as against the alliance. The latter party, if you may call it so, received the blackest eye ever delivered in a political fight. After defeating Ingalls, a statesman, and electing a stork like Peffer, the revolution was natural. It may be democracy hereafter in the state campaign, but it will never be alliance."

A three-year-old child had wandered away from home in South Sedalia yesterday, and was found by a sympathetic neighbor crying bitterly. "Is the baby lost?" he inquired of the strayed treasure. "No, baby ain't lost—mama is lost." History repeats itself here in the well-known story of the Indian who was found wandering in the dense forest, and on being asked if he was lost, indignantly replied: "No, Indian not lost—wig-wam lost."

"The way to get cheap dry goods," said one who is posted in that line of bargains, in speaking to the Gossiper, "is to watch the papers and when specialties are offered, grasp the opportunity. I know a lady in the city who won't buy only on occasions of this kind, no matter how badly she needs anything at the moment—and her dry goods are purchased much below those who are less attracted to the announcements of advertisers."

"Do you know," said a gentleman from a bordering county in Iowa—to be more explicit, Mr. J. C. Fleming—"that Pettis county has the reputation of having some very fine stock, and that quite a number of buyers have their eyes turned in this direction. That is my business here now, and I have already made several purchases, and expect to make more. Two of my neighbors will be here tomorrow on a similar mission. Pettis county, or in fact any other locality, will lose nothing by the encouragement of the breeding of fine stock."

"You fellows in town," said one of Pettis county's most substantial farmers to the Gossiper, "are blowing about the big improvements in the city, and I don't know that anything is exaggerated—in fact, in looking around it seems wonderful. But jump in a buggy with me and I will show you improvements on the outside that are equally proportionate. The farmers of Pettis county are feeling pretty well in view of the results of the last season, and new houses, additions and barns, dot almost every quarter section." The Gossiper in conjunction with every good citizen is glad to say "amen" to the above statement.

Senator Sam Major, of Howard county, was in the city yesterday evening for a short time, and was cordially greeted by friends in this city.

The senator was not disposed to talk very volubly on politics, but of course couldn't express otherwise than pleasure at the result of the November elections. Asked as to the necessity of an extra session of the legislature, he said: "There is a difference of opinion and very good reasons pro and con are urged. So far as I am concerned, I have not looked fully into the subject and am not prepared to give an opinion, further than that, there should be no mistake made as regards the electoral vote of Missouri."

Said a Boone county gentleman to the Gossiper: "Pettis and Boone counties are about in the same box as regards a jail, the only difference is that your county has taken a needed step in the right direction. At the session of our court last week the grand jury reported as follows, among other things: 'We further find that the jail is old and dilapidated, miserably lighted, and poorly ventilated, the air being very foul and enough to wreck the health of any prisoner confined there any length of time. The cells are entirely too small and we find them crowded. The jail is too small and with poor sanitary arrangements. In conclusion we say the jail is a disgrace to Boone county. We consider it cruel and inhuman to confine prisoners in such a place. We recommend that the circuit court take steps at once for the erection of a new and commodious jail.' Both counties need the buildings badly, and it is to be hoped they will be secured."

The late Bacon Montgomery, who published the first newspaper that Pettis county ever had, was a vigorous and versatile writer, also a good talker with an answer always ready. Bake was a good printer and had tireless energy.

It was way back in the seventies that he first worked on the BAZOO.

And it happened this way: Two or three printers, working with the BAZOO at the time, loaded themselves up with West Main street whiskey and quit work. One boy was only left to get out the paper. Bake was sent for. He readily pulled off his coat and went to work, with other help procured, and the BAZOO appeared as usual and the outside world knew no difference.

Bake worked at the case several months and finally was transferred to the reportorial force. In the latter capacity he always made a full hand—even more. He always worked with an ambition, second to none.

To illustrate his ready methods and ready wit, I will tell a little incident in his experience as a reporter:

Bake, one day, was prowling around the county offices for news of any and every sort. While in the recorder's office, John W. Conner then being county recorder, he found a young man and woman there pleading for a license to marry. The recorder would not grant it, because the young lady was of too tender years to enter such a contract without the consent of parents or guardian.

They were a runaway couple from Saline county and they were determined to marry by some means.

Mr. Conner referred the young man to Bake, it being possible that he might devise some means or way out of their dilemma.

The BAZOO reporter then did all the questioning and found out their names, where they lived and their whole story, of course, Bake, sympathizing with them, giving cruel parents a tongue lashing for interfering in a case of true love, that had taken root beyond all ability to eradicate the same.

Bake did not want them to marry elsewhere than Sedalia, if they wedded at all, at that time. He wanted the item awfully bad.

Finally, as a last resort, the young man said: "I know where we can get married—we'll go to the Indian Territory," and he made a move toward the door with his amiable and innocent sweetheart.

"Hold," said Bake, in a sympathizing tone, "you can not get married in the territory until you have resided there one year, and gained a residence," he continued quite earnestly. This was a poser to the hero and heroine of the elopement. They took it for granted it was so, and after discussing the matter sometime, they concluded to abandon the marrying business for the present.

The next train took the runaway pair back to Saline county. There they laid the whole matter before the girl's parents and they finally consented and they were made one under the roof of home.

Bake did a kindness in disguise and no doubt the couple thanked the BAZOO reporter for his act.

A COLLISION.

The flouring mill delivery wagon yesterday evening attempted to knock the street car off the track with the usual result. The aggressor was badly damaged, and will probably know better in the future.

WILL NOT OBSERVE IT.

Professor Smith was seen by a BAZOO representative yesterday and was informed that "Library Day" would not be observed by the schools. All of these are already supplied with a library from a benefit fund raised annually by a public entertainment.

BROKE AN ARM.

Late Friday evening the little son of John Dehoney slipped and fell on the corner of Ninth and Lamine streets and broke an arm. A physician was sent for and dressed the wound and the little fellow was told that he could be out in a day or two.

TWINS, AND HE IS HAPPY.

Mrs. J. R. Northern living some miles north of town presented her husband with twin girls late last Friday night, and he is among the happiest of mortals, as both mother and children are in the most favorable condition.

CRAWFISH AND TARANTULA.

O. Martin Brooks, a young pharmacist of this city, as a kind of advertisement to rolling pills, has concluded to establish a museum of natural curiosities. So far his collection consists of a Chinese crawfish and a Texas tarantula.

IN THE NICK OF TIME.

Early yesterday morning a railway employe snatched a boy named Eddie Evans from in front of a switch engine near the narrow gauge depot. The boy was looking at a train approaching from an opposite direction, on a parallel track.

THE AMERICAN EAGLE.

A fine specimen of the American eagle was on exhibition on Ohio street yesterday and hundreds of patriotic passers-by stopped to gaze upon the soaring symbol of the land of the free and the home of the brave. It was devouring a huge chunk of beef when last seen.

EXPECTED TO SPEAK.

"How to Grow a Nursery," will be one of the subjects discussed at the meeting of the State Horticultural Society, which meets at Sedalia, December 1, 2 and 3.—Joplin News.

Sam Johns, Rev. C. T. Brady, Sam Rosse, Alderman Lamy and Mint Johns, will all be expected to speak upon the subject.

TO COMPROMISE.

The tax-payers of St. Clair county will hold a delegate convention Dec. 18th to take action with regard to compromising the county indebtedness at 55 cents on the dollar. The debt is a relic of republican misadministration. It is about the easiest way out of the dilemma and will probably be accepted.

NOT STOLEN.

A man giving his name as Hines arrived in the city yesterday morning from Monticau county in search of three horses he claims to have had stolen from him. He had hardly arrived in town before a telegraphic message arrived saying the horses had been found in the neighborhood. It was a case of "lost, not stolen."

NO TURKEY FOR HIM.

Mr. Sanderson who lives in the neighborhood of Stringtown, had two fine turkeys cooped up with the ultimate intention of a Thanksgiving feast—one for his own use and the other intended as a present to a neighbor. Saturday when the good wife went to feed, as usual, the birds had flown—or, more probably had been stolen.

IN THE TOILS.

The Sheriff of Barren county, Kentucky, arrived in the city from Texas on the 6:15 train Friday evening, having in charge a prisoner, whom he had arrested in that state on charge having killed two men. The prisoner remained in the calaboose here until yesterday morning's early train when he was taken eastward to Kentucky where he will be tried.

LAWS RECOMMENDED.

The grand jury at Independence in its report recommended that the legislature enact the following laws: First, a law abolishing fees for all state, county and municipal officers in the state and the payment of reasonable salaries to all officers; second, a law regulating the holding of primary elections under the Australian ballot system; third, a law making it a felony for anyone to ask for a bribe for himself or anyone else.

BEFORE JUSTICE FISHER.

The case of the state against George Hensley, on charge of disturbing the peace of William Ashbrook, came up before Justice Fisher yesterday evening, and the prosecuting attorney dismised the case, on the ground of insufficient evidence.

Jas. Finley was arraigned for selling mules that had been mortgaged, and the case was continued to next Saturday. Finley gave bond in the sum of \$100, with C. P. Shepherd as surety.

UNITED STATES COURT.

Judge John F. Phillips Doses a Female for a Misuse of the Postoffice.

Two Howard County People in a bad box—Moonshining in Camden Gets a Set Back.

Judge Phillips has been holding a term of court at Jefferson City. Before him was Polly B-ye for using the mails to convey obscene matter to her enemies. She pleaded guilty and the judge put a \$100 fine upon her. She will pay up.

J. H. Robertson, a lawyer of Fayette, and R. H. Walden a farmer of Howard county, secured a \$1,400 pension for Pless Patton, a negro, who was a soldier. They secured a pension for another negro soldier and out of the two they retained \$1,400. This is more than the law allows.

Robertson pleaded guilty, while Walden stood trial before a jury and was convicted.

Judge Phillips deferred sentence upon the two defendants until the second Monday in January, when a special term will be held for that purpose.

The court intimated that the amount of money they refunded to the Colored Veterans would have some bearing upon their sentence.

So, it is fair to presume, that the Howard county speculators will get a hustle on them to recompense the negroes they have robbed.

The crop of "moonshiners" of Camden county is still being harvested.

John Vickers was found guilty of illicit distilling in the jungles of Camden county. He will repent one year in the penitentiary and hunt one thousand dollars to satisfy the demands of United States justice.

Vickers was given away by William Flinchum who is a son-in-law of Vickers and resides in Camden. The two had a misunderstanding and to "get even" with his father-in-law, he told Deputy Marshal McKenna all about the "moonshine" factory. The officer captured the plant, which is reported to be one of the early day machines. He did not get the copper worm, however, and it will worm on and make whiskey another day.

The capacity of the still is said to have been about eight gallons per day—a sufficient amount to disrupt Camden county and turn it into a howling mob every week.

And no doubt it did its full part. It generally does. The still was located about twelve miles up the Osage river from Linn creek on what is known as the Gentry county swamp lands. It was well concealed and would never have been discovered had it not been for a family quarrel.

It was in Camden county, hunting moonshiners, that the late Theodore W. Moses, brother of R. H. Moses, Esq., cashier of the Third National bank of Sedalia, met his death twenty-one years ago.

ELKS' ENTERTAINMENT.

The Sedalia lodge of Elks are making preparations to give a grand ball and supper Thanksgiving eve. It goes without saying that the affair will be the social event of the season.

BURIED YESTERDAY.

Mrs. G. N. Hughes, aged 64 years, who died at the home of J. T. Mayfield, 700 East Broadway, Friday afternoon, was buried yesterday, the funeral taking place at Springfork Baptist church.

TEMPERANCE THIS AFTERNOON. A grand temperance mass meeting will be held at the court house this afternoon and a very large attendance is expected. There will be good speeches, good music and a rousing time.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following transfers were recorded yesterday: S. B. Cohen and wife by J. C. Thompson, trustee, to Mrs. Clara Muher, lot 4, block 2, J. R. Smith's addition. Price, \$785.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY.

Mrs. G. H. Ming, a lady of 64 years, was buried yesterday at 2 p. m., from the Spring Fork Baptist church. She had died the evening before at the residence of J. T. Mayfield, No. 700 East Broadway.

POLICE COURT.

Only one penitent was on the bench in Judge Halstead's court this morning.

Charles F. Stetzel had 'looked upon the wine when it was red,' with the usual result. As it was a first offense, the lowest fine of \$1 was administered.

MUST KEEP THE PLEDGE.

Provided John Henry Summers keeps faith with his blue badge until next Christmas day, a certain lawyer in Sedalia has promised him a fine overcoat. John Henry is doing nobly now and says that he is the happiest man in the Queen City of the prairies.

TURKEY TALK.

—Get ready for turkey.

—Pumpkin and mince pies will be ripe next Thursday.

—E. Ellis Godlove will bless turkey if he gets any next Thursday.

—Hotels, restaurants and the Goat House are getting ready for the feast.

—The men who will not say "turkey" next Thursday is a mute and lives at Beaman.

—Turkey looked down from his roost last night with no "Thanks-giving," but with many misgivings.

—Four days until turkey suffers capital punishment. The written law of President Harrison must take its course.

—"Who'll eat dead turkey next Thursday?" asks the epicure. "Everybody who can get one," answers the patriotic glutton.

—There is a time for all things," said Prof. Smith to a pupil. "The time for turkey to die is next Thursday morning," said Groceriesman John W. Hicks.

—Turkey's funeral next Thursday. If the remaining turkeys want a "card of thanks" after the burial, they don't get it for less than the regular advertising rates.

—The eagle has been recognized as America's national bird and Golden Rod as the national flower, but turkey will be national next Thursday. The eagle has 364 days and the turkey one.

—Miss — asked Bachelor — yesterday if he "did not love birds." Yes, said he, "I do indeed." "What kind of birds?" asked Miss —. "Turkey," replied Bachelor — with a smack of his lips, "turkey with gravy and oysters and dressin' and"—but Miss — was fanning herself with a turkey's wing too hard to hear any more.

Turkey baked and turkey stew is good enough for me and you; But turkey hash and turkey pie Take the whole blamed baker-y.

THREE OF A KIND.

Fred Hartshorn, Fred Bailey and Fred Farnham, with Leonard Ramsey, ace high, left for Parsons, this morning, where they will terrorize the Kansas Jayhawkers to-day.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday.

Ed R. Stevens and Florence L. Pate, both of Pettis county.

John M. Howe and Lecta Alder, both of Sedalia.

FIFTH STREET WORK.

The roller on Fifth street was swamped Friday evening, and operations were suspended until the weather was more favorable, which it is hoped will be early Monday morning—as it was yesterday evening.

DIED IN THE COUNTRY.

Samuel Morehead, a colored man aged about fifty years, died at his home six miles northwest of Sedalia yesterday. Deceased was a worthy, industrious, thrifty man and a good farmer.

OVERCOAT STOLEN.

A handsome overcoat was stolen early yesterday afternoon from the office of the Whipple Coal Company. The thief emptied the pockets of all papers and walked off, bodily, with the coat. No clue.

WORD FROM MURPHY.

A gentleman in Sedalia has received a letter from Mr. Edward Murphy, dated at Denver. He reports himself and wife well and having a pleasant journey to Seattle, Washington. In closing he said, "tell the boys to stand firm and I will be with them again."

SOMETHING ENJOYABLE.

The entertainment soon to be given by the ladies engaged in raising funds for the hospital, will be one of the most enjoyable ever presented to the people of Sedalia. In addition to this the proceeds will be devoted to a cause to which every one should contribute a mite. There is no question of the success of the entertainment. It is only a question of room for the spectators.

A CHANCE FOR FACTORIES.

President Frank B. Meyer, of the Commercial club informs the BAZOO that the club is now corresponding with several manufacturing firms in various parts of the country in reference to making Sedalia headquarters, and with a good chance of success. This is what the Queen City needs—more manufactories—and thereby hangs the tale—of success.

HURT HIS LEG.

Late last night a young man named Wm. Spencer tried to be very active in jumping over a crossing near the Market house, and slipping on the sidewalk fell and injured his leg very badly. At first it was thought to have been broken, but later developments show only a bad bruise and sprain.

M'CLELLAN LEADS.

The Opening at His Celebrated Bookstore and Art Emporium Attended by Thousands Yesterday.

It is seldom that an opening attracts such wide and almost universal attention as the one which took place at E. E. McClellan's on last Thursday. The interest taken in the exhibition was so great that the "opening" was continued throughout Thursday, Friday and yesterday, the admirably and beautifully arranged store, No. 514 Ohio street, in the Y. M. C. A. block, being thronged each day with delighted visitors.

The interest taken in the display by Sedalians is a well earned compliment to the proprietor and his able assistants for the remarkable good taste and ripe judgment which they have displayed in arranging the diversified stock, which consists of an almost endless variety of such goods which go far toward making one's home beautiful and cheerful.

The front window of the establishment, which by the way is the largest and best arranged display window in the city, contains an exhibit of some of the choicest and most beautiful goods ever shown in the city, including etchings, bica-brac, albums, manicure and toilet sets, vases and choice illustrated books. In this window is a fine Satsuma vase, of most artistic design, which attracts the admiration of all visitors. While the exhibit in the window is exceedingly handsome and carefully arranged it does not give anyone more than a faint idea of the display which is to be seen in the interior.

Upon entering the establishment two grand showcases of recent patterns, with plate glass ten feet in length, attract the eye, while their contents, which comprise samples of some of the finest and most expensive goods in the store, win the closest inspection and admiration. In one of the show cases is a fine collection of silver spoons of unique design, a new departure by Mr. McClellan, but one which was demanded by his trade. The showcases are stocked with elegant photograph albums, card baskets, Japanese ware, manicure sets, photograph holders of choice design, oxidized silver toilet sets and delicate vases.

The display of pastels, etchings and copies of the works of the old masters is undoubtedly the largest and most complete ever shown in Sedalia and perhaps will excel those to be seen in any similar establishment in Missouri. Some of the choicest pastels are shown in handsome frames of the latest designs. One of these in particular attracts attention at once. It is diamond shaped and around the border "the dollars of our daddies" are arranged in a tasteful design. It encloses a pastel of a marine scene, most natural even in the minutest detail of expression.

Picture easels and bric-a-brac are seen in profusion on every hand, while an elegant bamboo bric-a-brac stand filled with Japanese ware, vases, fancy gloves and handkerchiefs, toilet sets, miniature stationary card cases, parlor thermometers, offers as rare and beautiful a display as ever arranged into small a space. On the south side of the establishment is a novelty arrangement for the exhibition of fireworks, a secretary which consists of bamboo shelving, showing off the bindings of the handsome volumes to the best possible advantage.

The selection of etchings is very fine, and a number of them are worthy of particular mention. A sea scene, entitled "Drifting," has many admirers. "An Imperial Roadway"—an English scene, and "Before a Squall," are two fine pictures. They are enclosed in a style of frames entirely new, the artist's "remark" being poked etched in a frame. In the same class of views may be mentioned "A Bit of Holland" and "Venetian Fruit Bats." On the north wall is a grand etching by Dudenising, called "Moonrise on the Pacific," which was etched from the original painting and remarked by the artist. This picture is a study and should be seen before it finds its way into some private collection. A picture on satin, called "The Sea," by Allen Harrison, a copy of the original which is in the Corcoran art gallery at Washington, D. C., attracts much attention as does a beautiful moonlight scene on the coast, showing the swirl of the incoming tide on a rocky beach. The fine bust portraits of Mozart and Beethoven, which are to be seen on the north wall, also attract much attention. Roger's busts of those and other composers, in marble, are also displayed and win admiration.

"Galates," a copy-righted photograph of the original painting by V. Tjettit, from an artist's model, is one of the prettiest and most perfect works of art to be seen at McClellan's. It is handsomely framed and rests upon a handsome easel. For the accommodation of patrons a picture box, desk-form, is located in the rear part of the store, where one can look at the collections of etchings at his or her leisure while comfortably seated. Mr. McClellan has also arranged a nice little annex for the comfort of his patrons. It is provided with a nice desk and comfortable chairs and a large plate mirror. Here the ladies can address envelopes, write a note or wait for a friend to finish her shopping. It is a cozy little nook on the north side of the establishment and is undoubtedly appreciated by the patrons of the model book store of Sedalia.

In the stock of miscellaneous books for the holiday trade are some of the finest art works ever brought to this city, including such books as "The Voice of the Sea," "Boston, Oh, Watch On Life's Deep Sea" and "Log-book Notes Through Life."

One of the new lines shown and which are very "aking" in the Japanese were displayed on shelves along the north side of the store. These goods have made a decided hit and must be seen to be appreciated. In the rear of the store is a regular Japanese department which includes all kinds of fancy wares made in the orient, including the prettiest banners and other choice decorations. This department contains much that will interest the admirers of the unique, odd and beautiful. This week the holiday line of art books, which were received yesterday, will be put on exhibition and the ladies of Sedalia especially should call early in the week to see these fine publications.