LOCAL BRIEFS.

Mrs. John White is reported quite sick with the grip.

Old newspapers, 5c for a big bundle at THE TRIBUNE office.

Grandma Cox is quite sick at her home in the southeast part of the city.

THE TRIBUNE telephone is No. 52. Send in your items by telephone.

Hereafter I will be in my dental office from Tuesday noon to Sunday noon.—DR. SLATER.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cooper, who has been threatened with pneumonia is improving.

There can be no brighter, finer winter weather than this county enjoyed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Judge Denton says "motion over ruled" or "motion sustained" just as readily and just as promptly as Judge Graves ever did.

Job printing of all kinds done at the TRIBUNE office. Our stock of supplies is large and we try to please our customers. Prices right. Come and see us.

WANTED—YOUNG MAN from Bates county to prepare for desirable position in Govt. Mail Service Salary $800. Rapid promotion to $1500. Splendid opportunity. Address Box One, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

A fellow in this town proposed to his girl at her alley gate the other night and was accepted. Now the girl is telling her friends of an awful experience she once had with an alligator, and they are not catching on at all.

Rev. Templeton, who was expected to reach Rich Hill Friday from his Florida home, was prevented by an attack of LaGrippe from getting here but hopes to be here Sunday next. We print a favorable report of his success in another column.

A daily paper for $1.00 a year is something the public has long desired. The Chicago Daily Review, a delightful family daily giving all important news, market reports and many interesting departments for men, women and children, is sent to subscribers for $1 a year, 75 cents for 6 months, 50 cents for 3 months. Subscribe to-day, address, The Chicago Review Co., 339 Coca-Cola Building, Chicago, Illinois.

Last Friday the Pacific house well known as a pleasure resort caught fire and was badly damaged. The building belonged to Mrs. Irene Hathaway of Fort Scott. The contents of the house were almost entirely destroyed.

J. W. Sherrill, who was charged with killing J. M. Laughlin at Rockville last June, was tried at Butler last week and acquitted by the jury. Thus another unfortunate incident is closed to the public, but the stricken hearts will continue to bleed.

Wm. Klotsche, one of our good German citizens from south of Sprague, was in the city Saturday and favored the TRIBUNE with a pleasant call. He says he "raised some of the best potatoes last year ever dug out of the ground." We don't dispute his word, but we live in Missouri.

Mr. J. Lou Delamater of this city, and Miss May Cochrane of Nevada, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Monday evening, Feb. 20. Dr. J. H. Miller was master of ceremonies in the sacred rites that made them man and wife. They will reside in Rich Hill. May happiness attend them.

Miss Myrtle Perry of Rich Hill, and Mr. J. E. Stallcup of Fairview, took a trip to Nevada Tuesday, and with some friends and relatives stopped at Hotel Mitchell, sent for a preacher and were united in the holy bonds of wedlock. They will begin married life with a taste of Texas where they go for a short visit, and will then settle down at home in the progressive region of Fairview, near where Gabe lives. Of course they will be happy and prosperous.

What's Johsones' doing? Read their "ad" and get "next."

Mrs. J. J. Warren was reported Monday with a case of LaGrippe, but Mr. J. J. Warren didn't report it.

Mrs. C. T. VanBenthusen who has been quite sick for some time ptst, is reported getting some better.

H. P. James, the grocer, arrived home last Friday from a visit to his parents down in Paris, Tex. Of course he enjoyed the trip.

A. D. Pontius, M. L. Fry, J. D. Moore and Geo. P. Huckeby represented Osage township in the County convention last Tuesday.

Rev. C. C. James says in private letter that he has arrived safely at his destination at south Jacksonville Fla. and is happily situated in his new home.

Mr. Wm. Mudd, that is "Bill" went to Butler Tuesday to attend court. If there is a good story tellers in Bates county its "Bill Mudd" and he enjoys it as much as anybody.

The man with his resolutions failed to put in an appearance at the Republican County Convention Tuesday. Possibly he was more interested in the Kratz trial than in the Senatorial situation.

Wm. Hern, the Hume real estate rustler, attended the Republican Convention Tuesday and with his usual English gallantry, voted solid for the lady candidate. The ladies can always depend on Hern.

A band of Osage Indians are camping near the wire bridge on the Marias des Cygnes river north of the city not far from the water works. It's not often our people get to see a real live Indian and they are quite a curiosity.

J. C. Griggs, of Reavley, is reported to have rented the Fred Cane farm near Rich Hill for the ensuing year. We hope the report is true we don't like to have our good citizens leave us, but we do like to have them conclude "Missouri is good enough for me" and stay right here among us.

John Creasey, son of Mrs. Kitty Creasey, one day last week came in contact with the business end of a young horse and had his face smartly bruised up before he got away. Several severe cuts by the colt's hoofs left his head and face in rather a bad shape, but Dr. H. R. Winchell straightened them out and John is looking natural again.

The Kansas City Times in last Thursdays issue says that, "Luther Piper, a Missouri Pacific switchman was caught between two cars in the Cypress yards near Riverview last night and received severe bruises. No bones were broken. He was taken to the Missouri Pacific hospital and will recover. He is 27 years old and boards at 540 Central Avenue, Kansas City, Kas." Mr. Piper's parents reside in this city. He is a brother to Misses Hattie and Effie Piper.

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It's your "move." Look them up.

Ben F. Moore, the lumber merchant prince of Butler, Mo., spent Sunday in the city taking dinner with his sister, Mrs. W. T. Duvall of the east side.

The Epworth League of the Walnut street M. E. Church met at the home of Miss May Martin Tuesday evening in their regular monthly business and social session. After business was disposed of a short program was rendered. Each one present received as a souvenir of the occasion a Geo. Washington hatchet. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Elsie Strickland on the first Monday evening in March.

County Convention.

The republicans of Bates county met in delegate convention Tuesday afternoon in Butler for the purpose of nominating a candidate for county superintendent of public schools. The convention was called to order in the city hall promptly at two o'clock by A. L. Fox, chairman of the central committee. After announcing the object of the meeting he called for the election of officers. On motion A. L. Fox was elected chairman, and the editors of Republican newspapers secretaries.

On calling the roll of townships it was found that every one was represented except Prairie. Nominations for superintendent were then called for and Miss Emma Cassity of Mount Pleasant township and Mr. M. E. Thornbrough of West Point township were nominated. The townships were called for vote and the result showed, one hundred and eighty three votes cast. Necessary to choice ninety two. W. E. Thornbrough received eighty one and Miss Emma Cassity one hundred and two.

Thereupon Miss Cassity was announced as the nominee of the convention and the republican candidate for county superintendent amid the cheers of the entire convention. Miss Cassity was called out and made a very appropriate speech accepting the nomination. Mr. Thornbrough was called on and made a very appropriate speech pledging the support of himself and his friends to the successful nominee.

The spirit of the convention was harmonious and enthusiastic throughout. Everyone seemed to take a deep interest in the proceedings and the manifestation for a successful issue of the campaign were unmistakable. Now let every citizen interested in the success of our public schools and believes that women are better than men, turn out at the school election and Miss Emma Cassity will be elected by the largest majority ever given an an officer in the history of Bates county.

SPRAGUE.

Mr. Chas. Ferguson shipped a car load of coal on the 20th

Duzan Bros., also shipped a car on the same day, and are loading another.

Messrs. Wheeler & Birch also shipped one the same day and are loading another. The past few weeks have been good for the coal trade, but hard on others.

Mr. Belder, our new blacksmith, who has been away visiting for two weeks in Henry county, came back Saturday, the 18th, bringing a wife with him. We wish them a long, happy and prosperous life. On Monday he received a telegram saying that his father had just passed away so he left to attend the funeral the next morning.

Joe Graves, with a number of teams, is loading a few cars at the strip pit at the New Home mines.

Mr. Dave Ratts shipped a car load of hay on the 20th.

There are a good many cases of La Grippe, besides many have bad colds, in this neighborhood.

STYLUS.

REAVLEY.

We are once more enjoying beautiful weather. The snow is fast disappearing and from present indications will soon be gone.

Little Jimmie Ayer has been sick, but is much better.

We are sorry to hear of the continued indisposition of Miss Naomie Neat, our Sunshine.

E. B. Borron, our surveyor, is doing some work in our neighborhood this week. He is aided by Messrs. Hinchley and winsatt of Butler

Miss Ona Griggs is spending a few weeks vacation with parents and friends here.

C. E. Wheatley visited friends and relatives here last week. Carlos likes life in Kansas City all right and looks quite cityfied.

Mr McKool and family have moved to Rich Hill. Also Crate Dotson and family.

Messrs. M'Kown and Ingrham had a fine day for their sale Tuesday.

Miss Margaret Wilson returned to her duties in Kansas City Friday.

Upon going to his barn one morning recently, Jim Smith found one of his horses almost dead. The animals throat had been cut and Jim was obliged to kill it to end its sufferings. No clue to the perpetrator of this vicious deed has as yet been found.

The first of March will soon be here and everybody is preparing to move out so everybody else can move in. We can tell more about it next week.

EEKEE.

KEITH

Our communication was snow bound last week. We were not on the sick list.

John Reedy and family went to Butler last Friday to spend a few days visiting.

The supposition now is that the ground-hog saw two shadows. Let us be patient for "the good old summer time" will reach us by and by.

How time flies. Gabe and George Washington had another birthday Wednesday. Accept our best wishes Gabe, and may you live to see many more.

Mrs. M. C. Neat who has been visiting in our burg the past two months, returned to Rich Hill last Saturday. Mrs. N. is just recovering from a severe spell of the grippe.

Seemed like old times last week, getting our mail from town. The carrier on route 1 was delayed by the snow. We prefer the rural route to the old way.

Lee Borron writes home from Wyoming that they put up ice 13 inches thick. Beat that in Old Missouri this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Ballfinch and daughter Lizzie, of Rich Hill, braved the snow banks and drove out to see Uncle Ike Neat and family last Saturday.

Talk about cold weather. A lady in this vicinity had her teeth frozen solid one morning. Had to thaw them out by the stove. They were false teeth, however.

Uncle Ike Neat and wife, and J. A. Borron, Sr., received an invitation to the golden wedding anniversary of their old neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Floyd, of Dayton, Wash., on Feb. 22. They wish them many happy returns of the day.

As Miss Cassity received the nomination for County School Superintendent, all the young men will go to the school meeting. We can't vote but hope she will be successful. We don't believe there should be any politics mixed in with school affairs.

Monday morning, Feb. 13, was the coldest we can remember. It was 24 below zero. A little colder than Feb. 12, 1899, when it was 23 degrees below, according to our weather report. We have been keeping tab on the snows this winter, and we have had 25 up to date. There has been snow on the ground since Jan. 7.

SUNSHINE.

SHERLOCK HOLMES AGAIN.

A New Series of Detective Stories in the Kansas City Star.

Conan Doyle's detective stories, with the marvelous Sherlock Holmes as their hero, have achieved the greatest success of recent years. Appreciating this fact the publishers of Collier's Weekly, New York, induced Mr. Doyle to write a final series of the great detective's adventures. Repeated refusals were followed by increased inducements, and finally Mr. Doyle agreed to write thirteen stories for $45,000, or about 60 cents a word. The entire correspondence was by cable. The amount paid by Collier's is the largest ever paid for such work and does not include the right to publish the stories in book form. By special arrangement with Collier's, these famous stories are being printed in the Kansas City Star, one story each week, beginning in the daily edition, Saturday, February 11, and in the weekly, Wednesday, February 15. None of the present popular features of The Star will be cut down or omitted to make room for this remarkable set of stories. Practically the contents of a $1.50 book will be added to the contents of The Star, in three months, without any increase of the subscription price, 10 cents a week for The Daily Star (morning, evening and Sunday, 13 complete papers a week), and 25 cents a year for The Weekly Star.

LONE OAK.

John Ellison has rented the Jim Akins farm for this year, and was moving Tuesday.

Pete Bartz and family were visiting at C. Kleinberger's last Sunday.

Wm. Blankenbaker and John Starr were moving the first of the week to the farms which they will work this year.

Mr. Steele, of Rich Hill, was passing through here looking for fat stock last Monday.

Pete Bartz went to Schell City last Friday with some wheat for which he got flour, returning home Saturday.

Henry Lee has rented out his farm and will dispose of his stock and farm implements. Henry is going to Oregon or Washington, so we have been informed.

Frank Schuster made a business trip to Butler Monday.

C. Kleinberger, who was on the sick list last week, is getting around again.

Among those from over in here at Rich Hill Tuesday, we noticed Mr. Callahan, I. Beshore and F. Nelder.

John Kamm has commenced building a house on the place he bought of Geo. Long some time ago.

PLOW BOY.

Special one way excursions to Spokane, Tacoma and Northwest and points in California. Tickets on sale daily March 1st to May 15, 1905, at greatly reduced rates via Missouri Pacific Railway.

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