Oklahoma Open.

From the St. Louis Republic's special dispatch of the 22nd, the following relative to the Oklahoma situation is taken:

"The Atchinson, Topeka and Santa Fe road began running its sectional trains out of Kansas City last night, picking up cars at almost every station along the route. Hundreds of people were waiting at every depot, and if the cars, all of which were full before the border line was reached, could have been coupled, they would have made a train miles in length. The crowds were composed of speculators, adventurers, sightseers, thieves, gamblers and a sprinkling of the demi monde. The farming element was not largely represented, as all of the homesteaders have gone on before. There were men from every great city and important point in the country, and there was not a state or territory in the country which did not have its representatives there, who filled all the standing room in the aisles and up the space between the [illegible] leaning on the iron bars, gabbing with a grip born of [illegible] determination.

It was in vain for the [illegible] to say that the trains would run in sections fifteen minutes apart. Every train there was tied to be fifteen minutes ahead of [illegible] fifteen [illegible] be first [illegible] of line [illegible] who has been on the Santa Fe line for eleven years, and is one of the oldest and most trusted engineers in its employ. Trainmaster Franks was in charge of the entire train. This was the first train that ever ran out of Kansas loaded with settlers for Oklahoma, and even those who were disappointed in getting aboard of it joined in a wild enthusiastic cheer, which rent the Kansas air as the first step toward the realization of hopes and dreams of years, and the reward for the sacrifices of the past was taken.

There were no Indians to be seen until after Willow Springs was passed, when a wagon load of bucks of the Ponca tribe passed up the trail, who responded to the shouts and cheers of those on the train with sullen looks and gesticulations of defiance, evidently not pleased at the coming of the pale face. Along the Pawnee trail the train also passed caravans of [illegible]mers' wagons, many going south, [illegible] returning toward Kansas.

[illegible] station outside of the [illegible] there was a great [illegible] who had forsaken [illegible] and hoped to get in [illegible]ail. There being no [illegible]y climbed to the top [illegible] the entire train [illegible]ther was alive [illegible] the line was [illegible] reached about five minutes aft[illegible] o'clock.

Before the late dead line was r[illegible]ed and passed, however, the [illegible] transformation scene had begun [illegible] was plainly visible to the wat[illegible] from the train. First came in [illegible] the white-topped wagons, gat[illegible] together in groups on the [illegible] prairie or in the little valleys [illegible] divided the face of the countr[illegible] was at once noticeable that the [illegible] were not to be seen in any of t[illegible] camps, and it was plain that [illegible] had been taken out of the harne[illegible] be ridden across the border by [illegible] hard riders who were to locat[illegible] claims.

A little further on, and this con[illegible]sion was proven to be the correct [illegible] for the entire face of the country [illegible] far as the best field glass could c[illegible] the sight, was out run with horses [illegible] galloping to the southward. Th[illegible] fleetest horses had evidently b[illegible] picked for the work, and they w[illegible] carrying their riders rapidly to [illegible] goal. The ride of fi[illegible] severe dwindles in obscurity bes[illegible] the feats of horsemanship perform[illegible] in Oklahoma to-day. Rides of fift[illegible] or twenty miles were made in [illegible] incredibly short space of time [illegible] old boomers familiar with the count[illegible] and who knew where desirable lan[illegible] were located. The day was cloudless [illegible] and far away on the horizon, bot[illegible] to the east and west, clouds of du[illegible] could be seen, ascending from th[illegible] hoofs of hundreds of horses, rushin[illegible] towards [illegible]

[illegible]tents, and then emptied his revol[illegible], yelling like a cowboy or a Com[illegible] Indian all the time. Not only [illegible] yell, but the shots, were responded [illegible] from the train, and a volley went [illegible] in the air from the entire length [illegible] the section which proved conclusive[illegible] how well the party was armed in [illegible] pectancy of what might happen a [illegible] miles the other side of the line.

The train stopped at a military [illegible]. The white tents of the soldiers [illegible]d the officers' tents surrounded by [illegible] national colors were a gratifing [illegible]idence of a power to maintain order. [illegible]oop D of the Fifth regiment of [illegible]alry of the United States was [illegible]ntered there, and the officers said [illegible] at the sound of the bugle at [illegible] noon there had been a movement [illegible]ng the boomers camped along the [illegible]er which had extended across the [illegible]e frontier line, and that the riding [illegible]een fast and furious ever since. [illegible] of the prospectors running to [illegible]rie to file their entries and others [illegible] to locate on the land and secure [illegible]r right to possession by actual [illegible]ancy.

[illegible]e scene was one of the most [illegible]g and picturesque ever witness[illegible]. The smoke of a myriad of camp [illegible]ighted to cook the first meal in [illegible]run began to ascend in all di[illegible]s, and before the first train of [illegible] rushed into the [illegible]y of Guthrie, the [illegible]dy become [illegible]al of the lan[illegible] [illegible]hurrow of civ[illegible]

[illegible]-day, hundreds of Arkansas cra[illegible] Mississippians, Texans and Mexicans from the southern border, had been for hours on the march.

That fact, with the additional one that Guthrie was handed over to the syndicate of government officers and railroad men, is sufficient to start an inquiry. The next few days will fully develop the situation and bring in news from scattered parts of the territory. To complete the grievance [illegible] country threatens to [illegible] disappo[illegible]

A g[illegible] circul[illegible] all possible salesmen: [illegible] man who never sleeps, [illegible] weary; who goes after busi[illegible] and late; who accosts the [illegible] in his shop, the scholar in his [illegible] the lawyer in his office, the la[illegible] her tea table, who can be a three [illegible] places at once, and speak to a million people every day, saying to each one the best thing in best manner.

The death on Tuesday of Hann[illegible] Battersby, the stoutest and heavi[illegible] woman in the world, is likely to be followed before many weeks by the dea[illegible] of her husband, the living skele[illegible] His thin legs have ceased to p[illegible] their services, and he is now [illegible] about the house in a chair, neve[illegible] turing out of doors. For some t[illegible] his health has been slowly failing,

[illegible] the day glorious as well as [illegible]porial.

[illegible]ago News Special, April 22.

[illegible]e object of ten years of agitation [illegible]ained and Oklahoma is occupied, [illegible], which was the name on the [illegible] of a little red station house by [illegible]dfined track, to-night is a boom[illegible]ity of 15,000 inhabitants. Its [illegible]uses are canvasses, its popula[illegible]almost entirely male, but there [illegible] interest and excitement here that [illegible]ssing in more substantial cities. [illegible]en be now seen that the opening [illegible] Oklahoma was conducted under [illegible]nces that made it impossible [illegible]-abiding settlers to secure [illegible] chance with speculators [illegible]ers, and the investigation th[illegible] be granted to home-seekers wh[illegible]ce the federal method employed [illegible]honor some officials. The cor[illegible]dent for the Daily News followed [illegible]rds of 10,000 from Arkansas [illegible]d Walnut valley camps down [illegible]ace trail and across the [illegible] strip.

[illegible] was by five times the largest [illegible] that entered any one point. [illegible]as composed of the best material [illegible], and where he had driv[illegible] stakes. Not looking upon [illegible] evidences of possession as [illegible] to confirm his title, he seized a w[illegible]ter as the train ran by, and direct[illegible]

[illegible] thirds of the year. Mrs. Battersby leaves an estate valued at $75,000. At her death she weighed 750 pounds, and the door of her dwelling on Unity street, extended the entire width of the house.—Houston Herald.

The agriculture department at Washington, after careful investigation into the origin of hog cholera, has proven conclusively that it arises from the use of carrion food dropped by buzzards, while the habits of the hog are such that one sick hog affected will soon spread the disease to [illegible] phus fever in man has been traced to the use of tainted [illegible]

[illegible] causes. Immediate separation of animals is recommended, and every confident that the isolating of [illegible] Quitmeyer has from the city, would create an immediate betterment in his condition. [illegible] Let the hog owners of [illegible] and vicinity [illegible] our say on [illegible] [illegible] fatally willing [illegible] isolated from [illegible] same sentiment [illegible] saying: "[illegible]

Breech Loading Small Arms.

All breech loading small arms have either a fixed chamber or a movable chamber. All of this latter class are deemed obsolete; they embrace the following named rifles: The Burnside, the Hall, the Sloper, the Werrell. All fixed-chambered small arms have either a movable barrel or a movable breech block. Those having a movable barrel either slide or rotate. They are Gardner's repeater, the Gallagher, the Prussian needle carbine, the Maynard, the Wohlgemuth and all old pattern revolvers like Colt's, the Scott and the Helvi. The second classification of fixed chambered breech loading small arms—that is those [illegible]ble breech block—is very [illegible] are closed [illegible]ding [illegible]bolt [illegible]ected. [illegible]ut, all [illegible] of [illegible] an axi[illegible] The fi[illegible]olol locks: The Prus[illegible]sian n[illegible]reyse's improved needle gun, [illegible] Ward-Burton, Mauser, Vet[illegible]on, Milbank and the Lee. T[illegible]te, Joslyn-Tomes and Mer[illegible]bolt guns, but have outside [illegible]n come those moved by levers: [illegible], Merrill, Behnekov-Greene, [illegible]r, Stetson, Burgess, Bents and [illegible] The slide of the Sharp's rifle is vertical. The next sort of rifles includes those whose breech blocks rotate about an axis either parallel to the axis of the barrel or at 90 degs. to the axis of the barrel. These are the Werndl, Snyder, Warner, Snell, Joslyn, Ernest, Prevo[illegible] Milbank, Broughton. Also the [illegible]ield, Berdan-Russian, Morgan-[illegible] Roberts, Elliot, Werder, Smoot, [illegible]y, Martini, Conroy, Westley-Rich[illegible]al, Allen-Murdock, Morse, Rem[illegible]ington, Remington-Locking [illegible] Remington-Ryder, Whitney [illegible]Whittemore, Updegraff, Mur[illegible] Spencer, Robertson, Starr [illegible]t and G. R. Remington—Chi[illegible]ine.

Learning to Fly.

[illegible] several times to [illegible] about a foot, and fretted upon it, but made no effort to go overboard. Finally, on a calm day, he was placed in the water, but he showed great terror, swimming close to the boat, and was soon taken in again.

He did not seem to become accustomed to the water until he had reached Annisquam and had acquired considerable powers of flight, evidently preferring bath in a bucket. He appeared to be terrified also when first bathed in a bucket but when placed in a basin, where he could stand with his feet on the bottom, took much pleasure in bathing.

After he became more accustomed to the water, the bucket was again brought into use, and then it was successful. The wide expanse of the sea or the absence of a footbold seemed to fill him with terror.

He made no efforts toward prolonged flight until one day, after our return to Annisquam, I took him to the Gore and threw him gently from [illegible] [illegible] and every one of her crew rescued [illegible]. [illegible] came the explanation of the [illegible]e phenomenon which had so myst[illegible] Superintendent Darby. Two large casks filled with fish oil had been lashed in the fore rigging, and, securely lashed beside them, two of the strongest sailors in the crew, with long wooden ladles in hand, had been throwing the oil high in the air, where it was caught by the wind and carried far to leeward in advance of the vessel, spreading over the sea with such effect that, while it was raging, pitching and tossing all about her, not a barrel of water fell upon the Arnold deck. I believe this may with safety be claimed as one of the earliest recorded instances of the practical application of oil to the troubled waters.—Scribner's Magazine.

Newspapers for the Cats.

So nervous and irritable has [illegible] become that the names of his [illegible] must never be mentioned to him [illegible] way. In order to obey his wish[illegible]

Care of the Kerosene Lamp.

Why does oil stink in use in the lamps, you ask. I will tell you, if you would like to know. Now, with the best oil that is made you can produce a gas in your house that will make the atmosphere as disagreeable as it is unhealthy. In all lamps, when proper and complete combustion is maintained, there is no perceptible odor from any quality of oil sold in the market. But the trouble is, when people want to leave a house or a room for a time and keep a light burning, they turn down the wick. This is done for economy in most instances, but there is not only no economy in it, as I shall show you, but there is also danger to health and life. Now, when you light a lamp, there is at first a time when the flame will not burn high without smoking; but after the lamp and chimney are properly heated and a full supply of oil is established through the capillaries of the wick a strong flame can be maintained. Now if, with this supply established, we turn down the wick, while there is a limit to the flame of the wick, owing to its decrease of burning surface, the supply of oil continues in the same ratio, what is not consumed in the flame being volatilized into gas, which is carried out with the ordinary products of combustion into the air of the room, vitiating it and making it very unhealthy to breathe.

Now here, in my opinion, is the basis of lamp explosions, and if the proper proportion of atmospheric air gets into the chimney, or is blown into it, an explosion is sure to result. In my opinion, most of the explosions of lamps, so called, occur by explosions in the chimneys. A lamp should never be turned down. It should never be put out by blowing down the chimney. It can be easily extinguished by simply blowing across the top of the chimney, and a very little practice will show that this is the easiest and best way. After blowing out, the wick should be turned down inside the tube, to prevent the oil flowing over. A close attention to the methods I have [illegible] will, I am sure, prevent most, if [illegible] explosions of lamps, as well as [illegible] dollars' worth of [illegible] Gerdts.

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[illegible]ect, the very newspapers we reads [illegible] to be specially prepared. He now [illegible]ives no other papers but those ex[illegible]ly [illegible] for him—the rest are [illegible]

Spotting an Indian Idol.

A rock which the Sioux Indians near Fort Yates, D. T., have worshiped for [illegible]ions as the petrified form of a [illegible]ose, was formally unveiled the other day and dedicated to peace and [illegible]. It appears that the white settlers in the vicinity have long supposed that this specimen of nature's art work exerted a stimulating influence on the Indians, [illegible] the rock has been removed [illegible] original resting place and it was [illegible] that with its removal its charm [illegible] disappeared. So the suggestion was made [illegible] Sitting Bull that the stone be [illegible] upon a permanent pedestal and unveiled with appropriate ceremonies. This [illegible] the chieftain and 3,000 Indians [illegible] to take part in the strange [illegible] Christian and pagan rites by which the unveiling was accompanied.—Leslie's.

Diet for Ill Tempers.

Dr. Youmans, the editor of the Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, considers a [illegible] of bread, milk, oatmeal, vegetables, fruit, with lean meat or fresh [illegible]. Exercise in the open air [illegible] victims of an acute attack [illegible] by: 1, abstinence; 2, par[illegible] milk; 3, toast, a little meat and [illegible] fruit; these coming to solid [illegible]ally.

The Philosophy of "Tinting."

The common laundry practice of "tinting" clothes illustrates a very common law of color. Blue and yellow are what are known as "complimentary colors." Put together they form a [illegible]olor. Hence the addition of minute [illegible] quantities of indigo, Prussian blue, [illegible]ther blue material to the [illegible] completely neutralizes the [illegible] tint, and gives the clothes [illegible] appearance.—Chicago Tribune.

The New York Cl[illegible]

Editor (to assistant)—I want [illegible] of editorials on the symptoms [illegible] beg its backsliders, and [illegible] only on editorial subjects.

Assistant—But to [illegible]

Editor—Yes; we [illegible] to go to press, a[illegible] that fire.—Harper's Bazar.