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Sizes 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2, 4, 4 1/2, regular \$2.50 and \$3 Shoes
New line of Ladies' Hosiery at . . . 10, 15, 20 and 25c
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One one-pound package
FREE with each
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at 15 cents.

AN OKLOHOMA LETTER

Interesting Descriptions Given by
Mrs. B. H. Hone.

OKEMUN, O. T., March 29, 1902.

Editor ECCENTRIC:
As a number of my friends requested
me to write to them, I have concluded
to write a letter to your paper, so they
can all hear from me.

I, with my two children, left Tiffin, O.,
March 19, and arrived at Okemun March
21, having made the trip in about 35
hours. Anyone can make the trip with-
out experiencing the slightest unpleasant-
ness, as the passenger is relieved of all
responsibilities incident to the journey
from the moment of boarding the train
at the starting point until they reach
their destination. There is only one
change to make from Chicago to Okemun.
This enables one to enjoy uninterrupted
pleasure and rest, free from all annoy-
ances which mar the happiness of one
who undertakes so long a journey alone.
Anyone who is fond of travel will enjoy
a trip to Oklahoma, and I am sure, on
returning to the north, will say that
the scenes they enjoyed are worth a
much longer journey and much greater
expenditure of time, money, and trouble
than the trip necessitates.

I am almost discouraged in the at-
tempt to tell you all we saw and en-
joyed. Coming as we did from the
beautiful regions of the north to the
hot and humid climate, all thoughts of
traveling, games for sociability are
surrendered to the pursuit of fields, rural
homes and picturesque villages, each of
the latter with its general air of pros-
perity. Occasionally one sees an abandoned
sod house and the old-fashioned well.
Sod houses are very different from what
I supposed they were. They are built of
large square pieces of sod laid up like
brick, with floors and windows like any
other house. They say they are warm
and comfortable, but I have no desire to
live in one. Often we see families living
in tents. Tent life is delightful in Okla-
homa and thousands of bumble settlers
have gotten their start in this domain.
It is not necessary to build a
house at the outset. A tent can be pur-
chased, the protected sites are numerous,
and economical people find them very
happy abodes.

An Oklahoma morning is a glorious
experience. The landscape being about
the same as Tennessee, the air is warm
and balmy, even in mid-winter. The
fields are full of wild flowers, fruit trees
are in full bloom, vast fields plighted
with stretch away in the distance,
forming a picture one can never forget.
Nearly every farmer has his fine growing
orchard and they tell me they grow in
good crops as ever grown in California.
The scenery of the north, well and
good, but the government land that
had not been and whoever is inclined to
come to this part of the territory must
come prepared to buy. The price of
land, however, is comparatively low,
when its fertility and unobtainability
are considered. I can look out at all
hours of the day and see the "prairie
bonnie" wending its way to the new
country, about seventy-five miles south,
which was opened for settlement last
July.

In coming to Oklahoma, one need
have no fears that excellent educational
advantages for his children cannot be
secured, either in the country or villages.
Almost every district has a good sub-
stantial school building. In addition to
the excellent common school system of
the territory and the higher institutions
of learning, the Government conducts a
most excellent system of schools, in
which every Indian child is being edu-
cated, whether willing or not.

In the northern part of Blaine county,
about one mile from our home, are the
salt works and gypsum mine. There is
a tunnel 100 feet long, also canyons
bridged by natural bridges of great
beauty. In some of these canyons great
Salt Creek. This stream flows out
across the prairie to the Cimarron River,
whose waters are made salt as the
ocean by its influx. The source of Salt
Creek is brine seeping up from great beds
of rock salt, and the water is strongly
impregnated with salt that when evap-
orated it yields half its weight in salt.

We are going to visit the Indian
school, eighteen miles south of here, in
the near future, and then I should like
to tell you what I saw there. I fear my
letter is becoming so lengthy it may flit
its way to the waste basket, so will tell
you the rest next time.

I am very happy, and contented here,
my only regret being the absence of the
dear friends and relatives, whose pres-
ence is necessary to make my content
unalloyed.

I am yours respectfully,
Mrs. B. H. Hone.

Good for Rheumatism.

Last fall I was taken with a very
severe attack of muscular rheumatism
which caused me great pain and annoy-
ance. After trying several prescriptions
and rheumatic cures, I decided to use
Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I had
seen advertised in the South Jerseyman.
After two applications of this Remedy I
was much better, and after using one
bottle, was completely cured.—SALLIE
HARRIS, Salem, N. J. For sale by White-
head & Mitchell.

Politics in This Vicinity.

If anyone thinks that the democratic
party is dead in Bloomfield they should
have attended the caucus of this great
party last Saturday afternoon at 4
o'clock. The attendance was harmoni-
ous and strenuous, enthusiastic, hearty
and generous. Wm. Peersall was chair-
man, Ed Lamb and Geo. H. Mitchell,
clerk. Every candidate for his office
will be among the "also rans."

The following are the candidates:
Superintendent—
A. H. Porter, R. Wm. Carpenter, D.
Clerk—
C. H. Carter, R. Chas. E. Toms, D.
Treasurer—
T. H. Cobb, R. D. M. Johnson, D.
Highway Commissioner—
Wm. Brown, R. W. B. Paschick, D.
Justice of the Peace, full term—
D. M. Doty, R. J. W. Perry, D.
School Inspector, full term—
Benj. Carter, R. Wm. Peersall, D.
Member Board of Review, full term—
A. W. Campbell, R. Edwin Miller, D.
Constable—
G. W. Fay, Wm. Baum, A. Rockwell,
W. J. Powers, R. V. VanKever, Geo. H.
Toms, Geo. Pickering, J. M. Camp, D.

The following ticket will be voted for
in Southfield township:
Superintendent—
Geo. Bogham, R. Chas. Hingham, D.
Clerk—
Jos. Brooks, R. Henry Miller, D.
Treasurer—
E. J. Hank, R. John Clinton, D.
Highway Commissioner—
D. C. Brooks, R. Chas. N. Lee, D.
Justice of the Peace, full term—
E. S. Lawrence, R. J. A. Hall, D.
School Inspector, full term—
R. C. Cummings, R. Ward Parker, D.
Member Board of Review, full term—
J. E. McCallister, R. D. Evans, D.
Constables—
Frank Johnson, E. Lockwood, Craig
Dermody, David Rendon, R. Geo. Wright,
J. H. Harry Miller, Geo. L. W. Sr., D.

In Troy there is no democratic ticket
and it looks as though the republicans
will have a walkover. The following is
the ticket in the field:
Superintendent—Adrian A. Gibbs, I.
Clerk—F. F. Hanson, I.
Treasurer—Jay Chaffell, I.
Highway Commissioner—C. M. Harris, I.
Justice of the Peace, full term—Kasson
H. Richard, I.
School Inspector, full term—Montrose J.
Spencer, I.
Member Board of Review, full term—
Charles Baker, I.
Constables—Jay Chaffell, Louis Valier,
C. M. Harris, George Groves, I.

UNIQUE PROFESSION
Latest Idea in Demonstrator for a Paint
Works.

Wes Paint, of Birmingham, has contri-
buted a new and equally good
idea to the Evening News in days
gone by. He is a painter by trade
and by instinct, newspaper man by
nature, and now has adopted a new
and unique profession. He has entered
the employ of the Detroit White Lead
Works as demonstrator. That word constitutes
as good a title for the duties of his office
as any. As a matter of fact, Mr. Paint is

an admirer of the work of the retiring
superintendent, J. P. Plunkett, who has
held the position for fifteen years and
more, and is as universally loved and
esteemed there as Prof. Waldo is here.

To Mr. Waldo the change is an ad-
vance, the salary, \$1,200, being above
Birmingham's high water mark, and
the city a larger one. Everyone will
wish the Prof. and his estimable family
the best of luck in his new home, re-
questing his departure, fully knowing what
is Birmingham's loss is Ovid's gain.

AT THE THEATERS.
LYCEUM
David H. Hunt's Pike Theater Company
of Cincinnati, will open its third consecu-
tive season next Sunday evening at the
Lyceum in the "The Prisoner of Zenda."
Beginning with the engagement the pro-
cess for best seats at night will be 12c and 50c
and for matinee, 25c.

WHITNEY
At the Whittier opera house next Sun-
day Al. W. Martley's "The Two Orphans."
Twenty nights are carried, to fill out the
season, and introduce their glancing
pastimes. The production is transported
by special train.

Card of Thanks.
We desire in this manner to express our
heartfelt thanks to the many friends who
so nobly responded in the hour of our deep
affliction. We especially desire to recog-
nize the brotherly devotion of the F. & A. M.,
also Mr. and Mrs. Landon who did so
much for our beloved father when stricken
down before we could reach him. Also the
many friends who sent us their beautiful floral offerings,
singers and all friends who did so much
for us. Such acts of kindness can never
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which no doubt will meet with your approval—it's different, that's
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PROF. WALDO I
Has Accepted a Fine Offer From the Ovid
Schools of Which He Will be Super-
intendent Next Year.

For the past nine years E. F. Waldo
has most successfully superintended our
schools and through his skill, efficiency,
and earnest labors the Birmingham high
school is a well known and envied factor
throughout the whole state educational
systems. He has brought our school up
to the U. S. standard and kept it
there year after year, and Birmingham
is positively the smallest village in the
state that enjoys that distinction.

During Mr. Waldo's career as superin-
tendent he has made the Birmingham
schools rank even better than ten cities
throughout the state with a census popu-
lation of 4,000. Mr. Waldo has given
by facts and figures from the school re-
ports of these cities that Birmingham,
with a population of 1,200, ranks a
higher per centage in attendance and
amount of tuition from foreign pupils,
and our schools run at a lower tax rate
than any of the ten cities with a popu-
lation of 4,000. This is a record to be
proud of and we are sure to lose so
good a superintendent an neighbor.

Ovid is a bustling town of the P. & M.,
with a population of 1,500 and population
and their schools are on a high grade also,
so much so that Prof. Waldo will not
get sorry keeping them there and excelling,
if possible, the work of the retiring
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All with extension soles. All these goods are fully warranted.

A few needle toe \$3 to \$4 Shoes left from our half-off sale
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