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**Bladen.**

Mr. Hawthorn of Superior and a brother of Wm. Hawthorn is visiting a few days with friends in this vicinity.

**Leroy Jones** of Nuckolls county moved onto Mr. Adam's farm west of town the fore part of this week.

**Rev. Williams** of Lincoln preached at the Baptist church Monday evening.

**Chas. Gunn** and wife of Ong are the guests of his brother-in-law L. E. Spence.

**James Hubka** and Chas. Huller shipped a car of hogs Monday morning.

**Robt. McCallum** who has been at Kansas City for the past three months receiving treatment for cancer of the face, returned home the latter part of the week.

**Stillwater.**

M. B. Reeves and son, Harry, are visiting relatives in Nuckolls county this week.

S. C. Hall carries his lip in a sling the result of a wire cut while fixing fence.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner of Adames county, were visiting at his uncle's, Thos. Finney's, last week.

Alex Monna and Jen Britton were both compelled to kill their horses that were cut on the wire.

The sports made a roundup of Stillwater township on Tuesday last, if there were any wolves in the ring they made their escape, but they managed to bag several jack rabbits, and a chicken or two.

Mr. Finney, who teaches in the Ryker district, had the misfortune to overturn his buggy while returning from the League at Eckley, church on Sunday night, and smashed the buggy all to pieces.

The Eckley Sunday School elected the following officers for the ensuing year. Superintendent, J. Doufean; Assistant superintendent, Wm. Crozier; Secretary, Jas. Greenhalgh; Treasurer, Azez Monna; Chorister, Annie Greenhalgh.

The girls ushered in Leap Year with a party at Doe, Wells, one night last week and the old bachelors were not forgotten, and if they will pick up courage enough to say yes they may be fore it is everlastingly too late.

SIMPSON.

**Catherton.**

Everyone is enjoying the foggy weather.

Mr. Caster of Lincoln was in our neighborhood on business Saturday.

Misses Marker and McCall were visiting at A. N. Wilson's Sunday.

Henry Lea has recovered from his injury.

C. H. Wilson has finished his new well.

R. B. Payne of Bladen was in Red Cloud Saturday.

Emery Bean has moved onto the farm formerly occupied by Mr. Ramsey.

J. M. Marker is going to make a new well.

The Free Methodists are holding a series of meetings at North Star.

Mr. O. R. Pitney and family were callers at Mr. Duval's last Sunday.

The wolf hunt in Batin township last Thursday was not what was anticipated, so they will try it again on Thursday. The one in Catherton township next Saturday will be largely attended.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wilson were callers at Mr. Wisecarver's Sunday.

Last Friday evening several of the young folks gathered at the residence of J. B. Wisecarver and enjoyed themselves for a number of hours.

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Geo. Law and Prof. Hoit attended a dance at Mr. Essex' last Friday night. On the road home they were so unfortunate as to break a wheel on their vehicle, and were obliged to walk home.

It is rumored that a wedding in high life is soon to take place.

The debating society at this place is well attended. Bring your dimes and become a member of this august assembly.

Charley Cokerell is regaining his health rapidly.

A temperance meeting takes the place of the usual Endeavor program next Sunday. Considerable effort is being made to make the evening entertaining and instructive.

Elva Teachworth is staying with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Frisbie, this week.

Robt. Mitchell and Louis Best desire to thank the donors of their Christmas presents.

Al Merritt can go home now without his hat.

Why not have a skating party? The ice is fine.

This is leap year, but two young ladies took time by the forelock and requested two of our handsomest youths to accompany them home. A good example for the rest of the girls.

RUSTLER.

**State Line.**

The meeting at Maple Grove is still going on with good success.

Miss Addie Toland is spending a few days with Mrs. Davis.

Mr. L. Bailey and wife were pleasant visitors of Mr. Toland's this week.

Mrs. Edith Stanton is at Arapahoe holding meetings.

Mr. Toland has traded his run-away horse off to Orvie Holmgren.

John Fishburn has gone to the Platte valley in search of work.

Mr. Hite of Bladen is often seen in North Branch where his best girl is going to school.

**J. W. Pierce**, Republic, Ia., says: "I have used One Minute Cough Cure in my family and for myself, with results so entirely satisfactory that I can hardly find words to express myself as to its merit. I will never fail to recommend it to others on every occasion that presents itself."

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**Eckley.**

The young folks met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Wells Monday evening and practiced songs for the literary entertainment.

Mr. Jas. Robinson, son of Mrs. D. H. Robinson, is expected soon. He will farm in this county.

Miss Cora Newton, niece of Mrs. L. A. Crozier, will arrive in a short time and visit friends and relatives.

Mrs. Arthur McKeighan is visiting with her uncle, J. R. Coon and family.

A pie social will be given at the home of the Misses Susie and Bossie Spracher. All are anticipating a good time.

A good attendance at League Sunday night. Meeting was conducted by Wm. Crozier. Meeting will be held next evening by Jas. Motter. All are invited to attend.

Protracted meetings will soon be held.

W. J. N.

**State Creek.**

Chas. Arbuskle sold five hogs last week at \$2.17 per hundred.

Listen for the wedding bells, you will hear them next week.

The sick people in this part are all better.

Sunday-school every Sunday morning at 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Epworth League Sunday night.

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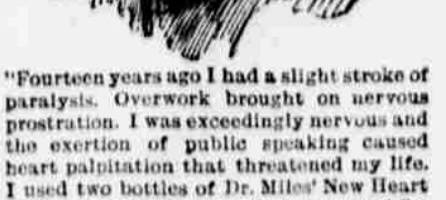
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