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THE ARDMOREITE'S subscription list has increased very materially this month, a contingency for which we are very thankful to our friends. The larger the circulation of a paper, the more valuable as an advertising medium and it is our aim to afford that necessary quality to the fullest extent possible. The ARDMOREITE has never at any time since its existence retrograded in its circulation, on the contrary each succeeding month it has been given an increase of readers. This being true we can offer to the business men of Ardmore superior inducements in the matter of advertising. The ARDMOREITE is read by the people who buy goods. It is a paper of and for Ardmore and surrounding country.

THE daily press tell a great deal about McKinley, Reed, Allison and Cullom booms, the republican nomination for the presidency, but we hear very little as to booms for the aspirants for a like honor at the hands of the democratic party. In the meantime the democratic sentiment for a western man about the size of Bill Morrison, of Illinois, is being so formed that before the meeting of the Chicago convention his booms will develop into a veritable cyclone of popularity.

THE people of Wichita Falls are taking a decided interest just now in the Indian Territory by investing considerable talk in its affairs. While they overdraw the situation they no doubt do so honestly, and and if their efforts for a change of conditions bear fruit, the end will justify the means, so let them go ahead undisturbed. While we cannot endorse their resolutions as stating facts, they are certainly eminently proper for the purpose of attracting attention away from the recent lynching at Wichita Falls.

ARDMORE, the metropolis of the Indian Territory, is quietly awaiting the passage by congress of the Dawes commission bill. When that devoutly hoped for relief becomes a living reality just watch her boom.

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THERE has been nothing heard for the past ten days bearing upon the status of the Dawes bill. Congress seems to be overwhelmed with other foreign complications.

WITH the Dawes bill a law, and full jurisdiction for territory courts who can estimate the prosperity in store for Ardmore and the entire Indian country?

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When Mabel smiles, my heart beats high
 A softer smile than the sky,
 And zephyrs sweet fit laughing by,
 With strains unheard before,
 While I look in her peerless eyes
 And envy not the rich and wise
 Nor heavenward gaze with wistful sigh,
 For heaven can yield no more.

When Mabel frowns, the world is drear,
 Each trembling dewdrop seems a tear,
 The roses droop in grief and fear
 And cease to breathe perfume.
 Alas, for me, a mournful wraith,
 The dismal moments drag in pain,
 For who could bear to meet disdain
 From lips so full of bloom?

When Mabel smiles, my heart is proud,
 When Mabel frowns, my heart is bowed,
 But she dark or sunny broved
 She reigns my bosom's queen;
 And well she knows who rules in state,
 That joy and pain must alternate,
 And so fair Mabel hides my fate,
 A smile and frown between.

—Samuel Minturn Park in Life
THE BULL MOOSE.

An Adventure With One of These Animals When It Hunted the Hunter.

A correspondent writing from Mecumna, Muskoka, gives an interesting account of an adventure which he had with a moose while employed in making a toboggan trail through one of the pine forests in that section of the country. While engaged at work he came across a moose yard and on looking around saw one of the "giants of the forest" about 50 yards distant. The story of his encounter is perhaps best told in the correspondent's own words:

"After a moment," he writes, "the moose turned and walked behind a hill, which, though not high, was steep. I ran to the top with all speed, hoping to get a view of the lordly creature as he made his way through the bush. I could not see him at first, but on looking down the steep incline there he was, not ten yards away. He turned to make off, but striking his ribs against the projecting limb of a small hemlock he was thrown down and around the tree, and as he rose he faced me. It was now my turn to run, for the moose charged at me with erected mane, expressing his rage by a fierce bellow. In turning I stumbled, the ground being very uneven, and his feet nearly came down on me as I dodged among some trees. I tried to strike with my hatchet, the only weapon I had, but did not succeed in injuring my pursuer. With some difficulty I at last got out into the deep snow where my snowshoes were of more use to me. The moose still pursued me, roaring at intervals, and one who has not heard a moose roar can form but little idea of the terrible bellowing noise. After several attempts to strike me with his front feet he balked and stood about 20 yards away pawing and roaring. I eagerly seized this opportunity to climb a tree, and soon after the animal turned and made off. Of all my adventures in the bush, and they number a few, the one I have just related came the nearest to being my death."—Montreal Witness.

Working Up a Climax.

As he entered the barber shop (he was a prominent official of the Duluth road, very prominent, so near the top that he might be described as the top itself), he sat down in the chair and the barber went to work on his well domed poll.

The barber was a cheerful man, fond of social intercourse and rather prided himself on his powers as a conversationalist. So when he felt the head of the Duluth official with his taper fingers, he thought he would astonish and please him with some conversation and perhaps the official would in turn write out a ten years' pass on a piece of shaving soap.

So the barber was light and merry, learned and philosophical by turns, and was well pleased with the expression that stole over the official's face, so full of approbation was it. He knew that he would handle a pour boire of a quarter, if he did not get the pass. He was determined to please, and when the official asked him if he had any cotton handy the barber said he thought he had. He sent quickly to a store and secured a small supply of the cotton, and giving it to the official that gentleman took two small fragments and put them in his ears.

Then the barber thought of Casey at the bat.—St. Paul Dispatch.

A Distinguished Female Clergyman.

In all probability the most distinguished female clergyman in this country is Rev. Phebe A. Hansford, at present a resident of Gotham. She is not occupying a pulpit, however, and it is hardly possible she ever will again. Rev. Hansford for almost 80 years has been an ordained minister in successful charge of a number of congregations. Dr. Hansford is a member of Sorosis and a well known writer and lecturer as well as minister. She has the honor to be the pioneer of women in the sacred desk in this country, as she was the first ordained woman minister in America and the fourth in the world.—Philadelphia Press.

A Way They Have In Sweden.

A domestic who had recently arrived in Chicago from Sweden was instructed to boil some potatoes for bread making purposes. She put them in the wash boiler with some clothes, and upon being taken to task for it, explained that this was the custom in Sweden; that in this way the housewife starched her clothes, while at the same time preparing the potatoes for bread making.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Plaster casts in their natural state are best freed from dust by covering them with a thick layer of starch. When the starch is dry, brush thoroughly with a stiff brush, and it will be found that the dust has been removed with the starch.

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