

George Patton has accepted an appointment as mail carrier on the rural route of Wimbledon. Andrew Walden having quit. George has not yet received his official appointment but will try for the examination at Valley City Saturday. George is giving good satisfaction now and if he is successful in getting the appointment he will make a first-class carrier.

#### Kensal Items

Journal, Sept. 26—Born—To Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson, on Sept. 19, a baby boy.

Williams & Nihill have started to erect a cement block building for their drug store.

The debris of the late fire is being cleared away and foundations laid for rebuilding.

A. C. Johnson, of Camp Douglas, Wis., was a visitor in town the past week looking after the harvesting of his crop in this vicinity.

Mrs. Onstad, who has been making an extended visit in Kensal with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Croonquist, returned to her home in Northfield, Minn., last Saturday.

Died—Hazel, the year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gossell, living eight miles north of Kensal, died Sept. 19, of cholera infantum. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon in the Methodist church, Rev. Smith officiating.

C. J. Croonquist, of the Bismarck branch of the Soo railroad, who has been home for a short vacation, will leave this evening to take a position on the main line of the Soo. It is gratifying to know that one of Kensal's young men is advancing.

Mrs. Minnie Feckler, wife of Mr. Anton Feckler, passed from this sphere of action to the great beyond Tuesday morning at 7:30 o'clock, after a lingering illness of several months. The

remains were conveyed to her former home in Wimbledon this morning, and the funeral services were held in the catholic church, Rev. Father Beirns officiating. Mrs. Feckler was a devoted wife, a kind mother, and was beloved by all who knew her, and had a host of friends both in Kensal and in Wimbledon who will deeply feel her demise. The sympathy of this community goes out to the bereaved husband and motherless children in the hour of their sole affliction.

#### THE WELSHERS.

##### How Absconding Bookmakers Are Treated In England.

One thing that deters people from wagering large sums at the tracks of England is the comparative frequency with which the bookie there departs with the stakes. This is a rascality almost unknown at an American course, and in the very exceptional cases when it does happen the turf association always makes good all losses.

But if the cry of "welsher" goes up on an English track, prepare for trouble. Battle, murder and sudden death generally follow. As everybody knows a gambling debt is illegitimate, so the mob's only recourse is to take its money's worth out of the unfortunate man's person. They knock him off his box, tear his clothes to pieces, beat, kick and trample on him, and unless he is rescued in time by the police they are apt to finish him altogether. The authorities are on the alert to prevent such things, and as soon as there is a sign of trouble the terror stricken bookmaker is surrounded by a group of "bobbies," who fight their way through the dense mass and escort him beyond the reach of the fury of the mob.—From "The People and the Ponies," by C. F. Peters, in Bohemian.

#### THE SOLAR SYSTEM.

##### Whence It Comes and Whither It Goes No One Knows.

The solar system is well enough when picturesquely expounded, but when the solar system becomes a mere atom traveling some 400,000,000 of miles per annum toward some inconceivable goal, and when millions of similar systems have to be contemplated, all pursuing some similar course, the lay imagination is completely baffled.

Nor is it easy to believe that the most eager astronomer is not sometimes perplexed and dismayed by the vistas opened up before him. For everything he learns merely opens up vaster prob-