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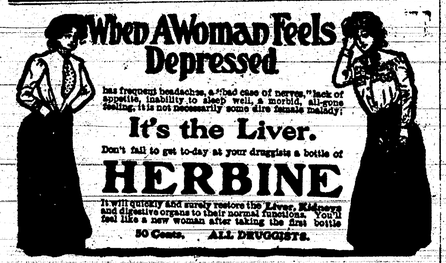

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THE DESCENT OF PROPERTY

(Written for the occasion by Hon. D. L. Johnson, Omaha.)

It is hoped all women who read Mr. Johnson's article will save it for future reference, that they may know what our laws are in regard to descent of property.

The succession to property of deceased persons is one of the most interesting subjects in law, and one of the greatest importance to the people generally. The Roman law may be said to have furnished the model for the present law governing wills and the descent and distribution of property of deceased persons for the civilized world. Under the older Roman law, the family, and not the individual, was considered the unit of society. The property belonged not in earlier times to the head or any individual member of the family, but to the family as a whole. The family consisted of those who participated in the sacra or its religious services. These services were administered by one called the paterfamilias, or the head of the family. The right to administer the family sacra was the important thing, and he who had the right, has incident thereto, the right to manage the family property. Upon his decease, the administration of the family rights descended to some member of the family, usually the oldest son. This person stood in precisely the same relation to the family as the deceased had done, and was called the heres, or heir.

As time progressed, the head of the family acquired greater and greater rights respecting the property and its management until he was finally considered to be the absolute owner thereof. Laws were enacted, however, providing for an equal distribution of the property among the several members of the family, males and females alike.

Other modifications of the Roman law led to what is known as community property law, in which the husband and wife form a kind of copartnership, and the property brought to the community by each member thereof regarded as capital stock, and the increase of such property, during the married relation, is called community property. Neither can dispose of the interest of the other in the community property by will or otherwise, and on the decease of either, his or her undivided one-half interest descends, if there be no will, to such persons as the law designates. Community property law may roughly be said to exist in all of the Latin countries, and in Louisiana, and in modified forms in Texas, California, and several other of the western states, and in Canada.

From the Roman law, the English law of descent and distribution of personal property may be said to be derived. The law of the descent of real estate in England, after the conquest was made to conform to the feudal system then in vogue, and the word "heir" came to mean one who succeeded to the real estate of a deceased person, without will, and not to one who took personal property. It may be said here that this distinction in law exists today, and that we take personal property now, not as heirs, but because of the statute of descent and distribution.

I may also at this place call attention to the fact that we speak of the descent of property, even though it go to an ancestor or a collateral kindred. Originally it was true that the property of intestates descended, that is, it went to those who were descended from the deceased, but the term is still used to denote the evolution of property from the deceased person to another, though it be to an ascendant or a collateral.

The law in Nebraska and in most of the United States is modeled on the English law, in which dower and curtesy exist. At quite an early date Massachusetts enacted a law for the descent of real estate closely resembling the law of England governing the descent and distribution of personal estate, retaining, however, the dower and curtesy features of the English law. Michigan followed with slight variations the law of Massachusetts, and we in Nebraska in turn have copied the Michigan law almost word for word.

In this state, when any person, except married women, dies, owning real estate, his or her real property descends in the following order:

1st. To the issue, by which we mean the children, children's children, and so on, including all descendants. In this case, if there be a widow, she is entitled to the use of one-third of the real estate during her natural life.

2d. If there be no issue, the widow is entitled to the use, not only of one-third, but of the entire real estate during her life.

3rd. If there be no issue, and no widow, the property goes to the father of the deceased.

4th. If there be no issue, no widow and no father, then the property goes to the brothers and sisters and mother in equal shares.

5th. If there be no issue, no widow no father, no brothers and sisters, then the mother inherits all of the estate.

6th. If there be no issue, no widow, no father, no brothers and sisters and no mother, then the real estate goes to the next of kin, whoever they may be. This of course includes uncles and aunts, nephews and nieces, cousins, etc.

7th. If there be no issue, no father, no brothers or sisters, no mother, and no next of kin whatsoever, the estate goes to the widow, not only for use during her lifetime, but in fee simple, that is, in absolute ownership.

8th. And lastly, if there be no issue, no widow, no father, no brothers or sisters, no mother, and no next of kin, the real estate escheats to the state of Nebraska.

(To be concluded next week.)

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Cameo Cutter's Nerve-Trying Work.

The cameo cutter can put in only a few hours' work at a time as a usual thing, because of the tension on his nerves. A quavering hand may be responsible for the single stroke which will spoil a week's work. He must have an eye almost like a microscope and a very delicate touch; he must be an artist in soul and as skillful a craftsman as a watchmaker; he must know how to model and draw, and he must have a knowledge of chemistry, so as to remove offending spots. The work is executed in relief on many kinds of hard precious stones, but essentially the chalcedonic variety of quarts and on shells.

Another Excursion To Florida, Via Burlington Route.

An excellent opportunity for a visit to the Sunny Southland is afforded by the personally conducted excursion leaving Lincoln at 2:10 p. m. and Omaha 5:25 p. m. January 14, 1904. Through standard and tourist sleeping cars will run to Jacksonville, Florida, via the Burlington Route to St. Louis, thence through Nashville, Tenn., and Atlanta, Ga., over the route made forever historic by the dramatic incidents of the civil war. You travel in special cars on fast trains; do not have to worry about sleeping car reservations, baggage or the hundred other little details that detract so much from the perfect enjoyment of a trip—the excursion manager attends to all these matters. You escape the most unpleasant and trying part of a winter in the north, and reach Florida when everything is at its best, where fishing is excellent, the orange and lemon trees in bearing, the bathing superb, and the climate as soft and balmy as a Nebraska day in May.

The itinerary provides for a twelve-hour stopover at St. Louis for a visit to the World's Fair grounds, which are practically in shape for the opening, with the exception of the installation of exhibits, and a great many exhibits are in place.

The party will return individually, and liberal stopover privileges are given on your tickets.

It is especially urged that you give us early advice if you desire to join this excursion, in order that proper reservation may be made for you.

For further details ask the Burlington agent or write me.

J. Francis,
Gen'l Passenger Ag't,
Omaha, Neb.

Communicating from a Balloon.

A new method has been discovered whereby balloonists may communicate while at an altitude of over 4,000 feet with those on the ground. The method consists of a huge drum placed some fifty feet below the car which is beaten by electricity. The dots and dashes of the Morse telegraphic code have been adopted with complete success. This will prove a great advantage in warfare. Hitherto balloons have been limited to an ascension of 1,000 to 1,500 feet, on account of their telegraphic wires, and have thus been unable to escape the range of fire.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES.

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564 PERSONS LOSE THEIR LIVES IN BURNING OF CHICAGO THEATER

FIRE STARTS ON STAGE AND BURNS FROM PIT TO DOME

With a Whirlwind of Flame Enveloping Floor and Galleries. Holiday Crowd of Pleasure Seekers Fight Way to Exits—Awful Scenes of Horror as Scores Leap to Street or Fall from Escapes—Exits Closed and Doomed Victims Penned in Blazing Prison.

We must go back to the convulsions of nature for a more dreadful story of swift death than occurred at the Iroquois Theater at Chicago in the matinee hour of Dec. 30. The statistics show 560 humans dead, and scores injured. There have been greater horrors by flood, by volcanoes, by the uprising of nature's forces, but if there was ever a more appalling chapter traced to man's hand history fails to tell it save in the records of battle alone. Of fire horrors, as they are commonly known, certainly nothing like it ever occurred in this country or any other.

There an ornate million-dollar theater, assured, of course, as thoroughly fireproof. Within were 2,300 women and children, and a few men—a typical, merry, holiday matinee audience. One thousand were in the galleries. There were many entrances offering the usual number of exits; all, of course, sufficient to depopulate the building in case of fire. We have all seen that often enough on the programs. There were five men in uniforms in the aisles, provided by the city government. It was a pretty, happy scene. There was a darkened stage, there were a dozen singing maidens and a popular comedian singing a popular air, entitled "In the Pale Moonlight."

Death Trap at Main Balcony Exit.

Now what happened? A fuse or two blew from the calcium light that made the pale moon. The spark struck the ginger-bread scenery; the scenery blazed to the stage.

An Urn of Fire in Five Minutes.

And then! Well, then in five minutes this costly playhouse became a red urn of fire and a great, heartbreaking cry, such a cry as splits the stone of a Caesar's heart, arose in that building.

It was the cry of the man or woman, clinging to a storm-swept raft, who sees the others go down before him.

The scene was something that no human pen can tell. A circle of flame swept from the stage around the balcony and galleries, driven into a whirlwind by six great automatic ventilators and the open doors.

It moved faster than the calcium of the pale moonlight and as fierce as a blazing meteor.

There was a wild, mad, raging, trampling rush for life. It is not easy to fancy what one would do in such a scene, but all seemingly acted together. Men and women fought like unleashed hounds for the first exit; little children were crushed in the arms of their mothers; clothes and jewels were torn from the owners, lorgnettes and purses were tossed on the floors.

Battle for Life in Balconies.

This was the first scene. On the main floor the panic was quite as fierce as elsewhere, but escape was easier. It was in the balconies that the battle for life was hardest, and there, indeed, was scarcely a chance for escape. The galleries were, within no time at all, heaped with a helpless, struggling, insane mass of people. As the flaming circle crept higher and higher, choking the audience with black masses of smoke, many were literally too paralyzed for movement, so that at the end and after it was all over, there was the strange, grewsome picture of a score or more dead leaning silently over the rails as if still glancing at the play.

But down at the doorway it was a wave backward of human beings fighting for the blessing of life. What heroism was shown of man for woman or of woman for children will never be known, for the tragedy was but of minutes.

There was the sweep, the crush, the weak falling and the strong mounting, the inevitable desperate instinct which accompanies the grim law of self-preservation; then the horror of flaming death behind and crushing death before; then the still outreaching flames, and, finally, a mass of piled-up humanity, a few of the living above and the dead far below.

The details of the awful happenings inside have never been exceeded in the awfulness of sudden death in agony in all the history of modern times.

From the balcony and galleries, where there was no more safety from the flame heat ascending than on the floor below, people hurled themselves downward in their terror. All, or nearly all, of those in the rear met a fearful death. Firemen, the fire practically extinguished, found they were but pouring water on heaps of human beings.

LIST OF THE DEAD.

A.

Adanock, Mrs. John; Austrian, Walter D.

B.

Barker, Miss Ethel; Barnheisel, Charles H.; Bartlett, Mrs. C. D., Bartlett, Ill.; Beurtel, William C.; Beyersloth, Helen; Bissinger, Walter B.; Birndsley, Mrs. H. G.; Bodice, N. W.; Brewster, Miss Julia; Brinckley, Mrs. Emma; Buehmann, Margaret; Bickford, C. M.; Boise, Beane; Buschwah, Louise; Beyers, ——; Butler, Mrs. Rosa; Butler, Rose; Bymfurth, Ruth.

C.

Cahn, Miss Lucy; Clark, E. D.; Clayton, Vinton; Cohn, Mrs. Jacob; Corcoran, ——; Cooper, C. L.; Contell, Thomas; Cooper, Helen; Coults, R. H.; Curran, May; Crook, E. S.; Caldwell, A. R.

D.

Dawson, Mrs.; Diffendorf, Leandors, Lincoln, Ill.; Delee, Miss N.; Dodd, Mrs. J. F., of Delaware, O.; Donaldson, H.; Donaldson, Miss A.; Delee, Miss Viola; Dyrenfurth, Ruth; Dyrenfurth, Helen; Dawson, Grace.

E.

Eberstein, Frank B.; Eisenstead, Herman; Eldridge, Mort; Espen, Emil; Espen, Miss Rosa; Elkahn, Rose.

F.

Fitzgibbons, Anna; Fitzgibbons, John J.; Fox, George Sydney; Flannagan, Thomas J.; Frady, Leon; Falke, Miss Ada; Foley, H.; Foltz, Helen; Folkenstein, Miss Gertrude R.; Foltz, Miss Alice; Foltz, Mrs. C. O.; Fox, Hoyt; Fox, Mrs. Emile Hoyt, Winnetka; Foltz, Helen; Frackelborn, Miss Edith; Frackelborn, Ella; Frady, Mrs. E. C.

G.

Gartz, Mary Dorothea; Gartz, Barbara; Gerow, Mabel; Geary, Miss Pauline; Gerry, Miss Wilma; Gould, Mrs. B. E.; Gohan, J.; Guderhaugh, Sophie.

H.

Hall, Emperly; Harbrough, Mary E.; Haviland, Miss Lee; Haviland, Lee; Harbaugh, Mrs.; Hickman, Mrs. Charles; Holland, John; Howard, Mrs. Mary E.; Hart, E. D.; Henning, ——; Henry, Mrs. G. A.; Higginson, Miss Jeanette; Holmes, Mrs.; Higginson, Roger; Holst, Allen; Holst, Gertrude; Hooper, W. W., Kenosha, Wis.; Howard, Miss Helen; Holland, Leigh; Horton, Edith, Ontonagon, Mich.; Howard, Ray E.; Hudson, Harry, Hehn, Otto.

J.

Jones, Ethel; Johnson, J. C.

K.

Kaufman, Alice; Kelly, Otto; Kieley, Harvey; Kennedy, Agnes, Winnetka; Kennedy, Frances, Winnetka; Kochens, J. A.; Koll, Charles H.; Kisner, Louis and wife; Ketchem, Mrs.; Kranz, Mrs. Sarah, Racine, Wis.

L.

Lake, Mrs. Lena; Lake, Mrs. A.; Lang, Irene; Lang, Hortense; Lange, Miss Agnes; Linden, Ellen; Leatin, Fred W.

M.

Maloney, Mrs. James D.; Martin, Harold; Martin, J.; Martin, W.; Maloney, Alice, Ottawa, Ill.; Martin, Robert; McCaughan, Helen; McClellan, Joseph; McClelland, James; McClurg, Roy; McKenna, Bernard; McKenna, Bernard; Muir, Annie, Peoria, Ill.; McMillan, Mabel; Meade, Lillian; Merriel, Mrs.; Merrien, Mildred; Moses, Espie; Muir, F. A.; Morehouse, H. P.; Moore, H. P.; Mendel, Mrs. A. M.; Middleton, Catherine; McKee, ——; Morton, Edmund W.

N.

Newby, ——; Norton, Edith; Norton, Edward W.; Nuir, ——.

O.

O'Donnell, Mrs. Patrick P.; Olinger, Mrs. Bessie; Olson, Mrs. Oscar; Owen, William Murray; Oxman, Miss Florence.

P.

Page, Harold; Page, Charles T.; Patton, Lillian; Peterson, Fornetta; Poults, R. H.; Phacker, Walter; Pottlitzer, Jack, Lafayette, Ind.

R.

Rattey, William; Rattey, J.; Reiter, Mrs. G.; Regensberg, Hazel; Regensberg, Miss Helen; Remington, Thomas; Ross, Ellan; Robertson, Minnie; Reed, W. M.; Richardson, Rev. H. L.; Roberts, Theodore; Rogers, Rose K.; Rathey, William; Robinson, Minnie; Ross, ——, 16 years old, daughter of Dr. Ross.

S.

Saville, Warren E.; Sayore, Carrie J.; Spring, Mrs. W. A.; Stingler, Mrs. J. H.; Sayre, Miss Carrie A.; String, Mrs. Winthrop; Spindler, Burdette; Studley, Rev. George H.; Sutton, Harry D.; Sawyer, ——; Sedill, Warnen, 12 years old, Kankakee, Ill.; Smithbarry, Wilma; Smith, Mrs. ——, Des Plaines, Ill.; Smith, Miss Murine, Des Plaines, Ill.; Sheppard, Lola, 12 years old; Scott, Burr; Shabbard, Myrtle; Shabbard, Lulu; Sherr, ——; Sprang, W. N.; Stern, Mrs.; Sutton, Harry P.; Squier, Olive; Saville, Arthur; Spring, Winthrop; Schmidt, Rosa.

T.

Tayson, Ruth; Torney, Edna; Turner, Mrs. Susan; Turbush, C. W.; Thatcher, W.

V.

Vallely, Bernice; Vallely, Mrs. J. T.; Vanzegen, Edward T.; Valley, Miss Bernice; Van Ingen, John; Vien, Herman.

W.

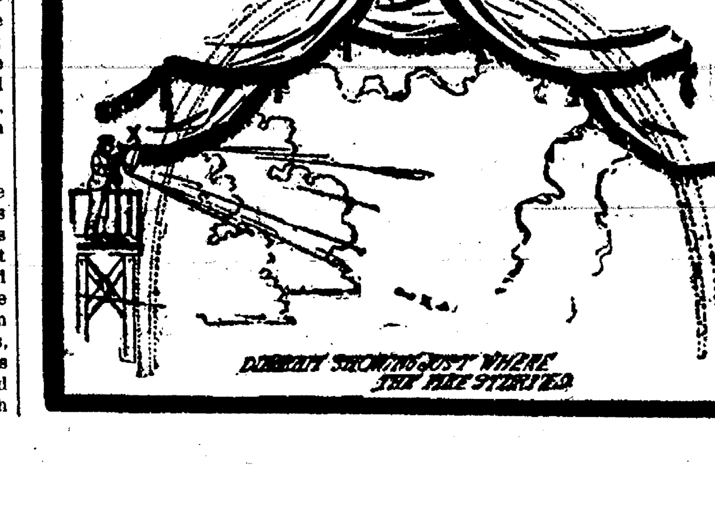
Wells, Donald; Wolf, Mrs. Leo, Hammond, Ind.; Waldman, S.; Woltmann, Otto; Williams, H.; Winslow, C. A., Three River Falls, Minn.; Wells, Donald; Windes, Paul; Wolff, Harriet; Weiskopf, Emma.

Z.

Zeisler, Walter B.

Unidentified Dead Are Many.

In addition to the foregoing, there are seventy bodies at the various morgues awaiting identification.



IN LOVE WITH NATURE.

Chicago Girl Artist Whose Delight Is in Solitude.

"I wanted to be alone with nature," smiles Miss Jeannette Jenkins the Chicago girl artist who has just returned from a three months' period of solitary tramping and tenting in the Rocky mountains, when questioned as to the motives back of her unusual experience.

"I love human beings, but I think I love solitude better. At all events I was tired, nervous and out of spirits when I went away last midsummer. I am quite a new creature now.

"I went to Colorado Springs first, but the thronging people tired me. I longed more than ever to be alone with nature. So one afternoon I started off and climbed up the mountain alone.

Miss Jeannette Jenkins.

"I found a secluded nook, and there I slept on the bare rocks all night. The experience was wonderful. I shall never forget my impressions. The sunset, the moonrise, the terrible storm that followed—it was all glorious. That night in the open, and by myself, decided me.

"The next day I started off for Green mountain, had a tent carried to the far end of a long, lonely canon, settled myself down there and made it my headquarters all summer.

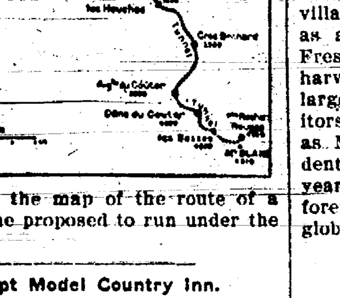
"For nearly three months I lived by myself up there on the quiet mountain, watching the stars, the sky, the flowers; the birds, the wild animals. I made long and frequent excursions into the mountain wilds around me, sometimes riding a burro, more often walking.

"Do I go armed? Never. Why should I? I never kept much money about me. I didn't want to be bothered by the responsibility of dollars. I was afraid of nothing, meant no harm to anything in existence—why should anything or anybody mean harm to me?

"Next spring I shall start early, and I think I shall stay all alone in the mountains even later than I did this year.

"Nerves, restlessness, worry, low spirits simply could not exist there, and the solitude was half of the glory. Yes, I should certainly advise any nervous person who can conquer the fear or dread of solitude to follow my example and tramp and tent through the Rocky mountains alone." —Chicago Tribune.

Trolley in Alps.



This is the map of the route of a trolley line proposed to run under the Alps.

Kept Model Country Inn.

Mrs. Mary Lee, who recently died at White Waltham, England, was the oldest public-house landlady in the country, for she was 90 years of age. The Bee Hive, which she had superintended for more than half a century, was believed to be the best-conducted house in England, for no complaint was ever made against it. Over the fireplace in the barroom stands the notice: "No swearing or foul language permitted in this room or indecent songs allowed to be sung. Any one infringing the above will be expelled." And often the picturesque old lady, with her cheerful unwrinkled face, would walk into the room on Sunday evenings, bearing her old Bible, and read the Scriptures to an audience that listened with respect to her explanations and comments.

Odd Fact About English Currency.

A writer in a London newspaper says: "The other day I heard an Englishman defending our system of coinage on the ground that we are the only nation on earth who can say that the system is bone of our bone. For there are 240 bones in the body, and 240 pence in the pound; there are 120 bones in the head and trunk and 120 in the limbs and 120 pence in half a sovereign; each limb contains thirty bones and a half-crown contains 30 pence; in the spinal column there are twenty-four bones and in a florin 24 pence; and as we have twelve ribs on each side so we have 12 pence in every shilling. See how the proportions of the skeleton of our commerce conform to nature's teaching. No wonder it is vigorous."

A STONE IN HIS APPENDIX.

Strange Case of a Young Man Who Suffered From Appendicitis.

Within a period of less than twelve months Clarence Lowe of Morrisville, N. Y., has suffered from three severe and prolonged attacks of appendicitis. The last attack came on about three weeks ago. Making no permanent improvement, the attending physicians decided that an operation would be necessary to save the patient's life, and a few days ago the appendix was removed. The surgeons were dumfounded to find that the severed appendix contained what closely resembled a smooth stone or some hard substance nearly an inch in length and resembling a filbert. The doctors are strongly of the opinion that the ball gradually formed in the appendix, as the opening of the appendix is much too small to admit of the passage of any hard substance of the size of the one they found. The young man is making rapid recovery.

Lightning Photography.

A boy who was killed in New York recently by lightning had the likeness of a fern imprinted on his body by the shock. A similar incident is reported from Europe. During a shooting competition at Pont, in the Canton Vaud, not long ago, the grandstand was struck by lightning, and twenty-five persons received shocks, from which, however, they sustained but little physical injury. One most singular effect, however, remained. Every person who had felt the electric shock had, photographically stamped, upon the back, the face or the arms, the reflection of the pine trees behind the firing line.

Corean Mourning.

The mourning dress of a Corean is of hemp cloth, with a hempen girdle The flaglike contrivance in the mourner's hand is the face shield used to

show that he is a sinner, and must not speak to anyone unless addressed The costume is retained for three years, the shield for three months This is worn for a father only; secondary mourning is worn for a mother, none at all for a wife.

Poor Place for Missionaries.

In the northern Shan states, on the border of Burma, there is a tribe called the Wild Was. These people propitiate with human skulls the demons whom they worship. Outside every village in their country there are many posts, all in one line, decked with human skulls. A niche is cut in the back of each post, with a ledge on which the skull can rest and grin through a hole in front of it. Every village has a dozen and some as many as a hundred of these head posts. Fresh skulls are in special request at harvest time and are purchased for large sums, those of distinguished visitors being particularly desired. So, as Mr. Scott, the British superintendent of the states, remarked some years ago: "The Wa states are, therefore, no place for missionaries or globe trotters."

Discouraging.

"Remember, my friend," said the philosopher, "that you have many things to be thankful for."

"Yes, I know that, but I have a son who thinks he is learning to sing tenor."

Girls Too Much for Teacher.

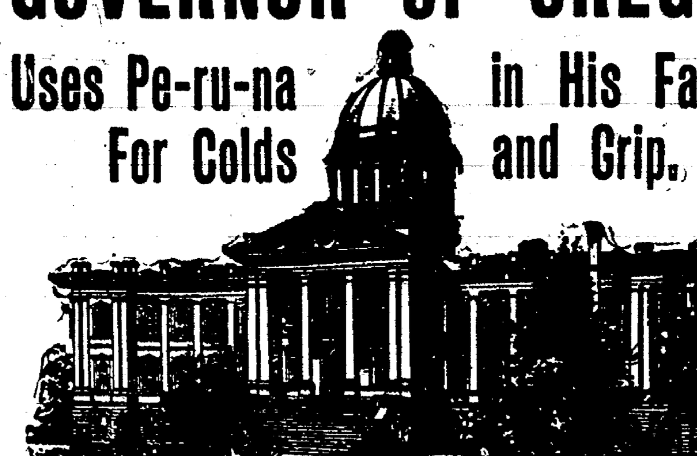
A principal in one of the schools in a well known Connecticut city has lost his position because he could not make the girls in the school pay any attention to the rules. They did as they pleased and what they pleased was always what displeased the principal. He said he could not whip them, so he got out.

Found Rings in Ash Barrel.

Mrs. Joseph C. Bloch of Louisville Ky., recently lost a number of valuable diamond rings and could not find them in the house. Finally she looked into the ash barrel in the back yard and discovered them there just before the ashman came to take the ashes away.

GOVERNOR OF OREGON

Uses Pe-ru-na For Colds in His Family and Grip.



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A Letter From The Governor of Oregon.

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The Governor of Oregon is an ardent admirer of Peruna. He keeps it continually in the house. In a recent letter to Dr. Hartman, he says:

STATE OF OREGON, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.:

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Yours very truly, W. M. Lord.

It will be noticed that the Governor says he has not had occasion to use Peruna for other ailments. The reason for this is, most other ailments begin with a cold. Using Peruna to promptly cure colds, he protects his family against other ailments. This is exactly what every other family in the United States should do. Keep Peruna in the house. Use it for coughs, colds, la grippe, and other climatic affections of winter, and there will be no other ailments in the house. Such families should provide themselves with a copy of Dr. Hartman's free book, entitled "Winter Catarrh." Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus Ohio.

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A favorite method of suicide in Japan lately has been to leap over certain waterfalls. So frequent have such occurrences become that police are now constantly stationed in their neighborhood, and notice boards are erected bearing inscriptions in large letters, of which the following is an example: "Do not drown yourself here! Intending suicides are warned that heaven disapproves of the utilization of Kergon waterfall for that purpose. This is certified to on the best priestly authority, and serious consequences in the hereafter are guaranteed. To drown here is also forbidden by the perfectural authorities."

"There was a drummer took sick and died here, three weeks ago," said the landlord of the tavern at Pokeville, Arkansas. "He was a thick-set guitar-playin' sort of feller, and the girl he was engaged to marry came from Torpidville to attend the funeral; also from Woupsey; also from Peapack; also from Tonganoxie; also from som'ers in Kansas, and some place in Missouri. Seein' how many there was of 'em, they put away their engagement rings and, figgeratively speakin' organized a new society, and invented a yell. And it was a pretty dummed expressive one, too, lemme tell you."

"Wimmick, how are you getting along with the insurance company? You told me a few weeks ago they had cut down your salary because you failed to get a couple of prominent men for $10,000 apiece that you'd been after for a month."

"It's all right, Higgins. Those two men have since died, and the company raised my salary again as soon as they heard of it."

KNOWS NOW

Doctor Was Fooled by His Own Case for a Time.

It's easy to understand how ordinary people get fooled by coffee when doctors themselves sometimes forget the facts.

A physician speaks of his own experience:

"I had used coffee for years and really did not exactly believe it was injuring me although I had palpitation of the heart every day.

"Finally one day a severe and almost fatal attack of heart trouble frightened me and I gave up both tea and coffee, using Postum instead, and since that time I have had absolutely no heart palpitation except on one or two occasions when I tried a small quantity of coffee which caused severe irritation and proved to me I must let it alone.

"When we began using Postum it seemed weak—that was because we did not make it according to directions—but now we put a little bit of butter in the pot when boiling and allow the Postum to boil full 15 minutes which gives it the proper rich flavor and the deep brown color.

"I have advised a great many of my friends and patients to leave off coffee and drink Postum; in fact, I daily give this advice." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Many thousands of physicians use Postum in place of tea and coffee in their own homes and prescribe it to patients. "There's a reason."

A remarkable little book "The Road to Wellville" can be found in each package.

KANSAS EDITORS

Their Annual Meeting Will be Held at Lawrence

ADDRESS BY D. R. ANTHONY

Will Dine at Haskell Institute and Banquetted and Given a Formal Reception—Other News

Secretary J. E. Junkin was in Lawrence, Kan., and made arrangements for the annual meeting of the State Editorial association, which is to be held on February 8 and 9 in that city. The opening session will be held Monday morning.

In the afternoon the gathering will be formally opened with addresses of welcome and the beginning of the program.

In the evening there will be a public meeting, in which some noted out of the state editors will be asked to take part. On Tuesday morning the session will be held at the university of Kansas, where Colonel D. R. Anthony will deliver the president's address on "The Early Newspapers of Kansas." After which the visitors will be given a chance to see Mount Oread. The delegates and their wives will then be taken to the Haskell Indian Industrial Institute, where they will be served dinner.

In the afternoon, on the return to the city, a brief session will be held, and in the evening a supper and informal reception will be given the visitors. The meeting promises to be an interesting one and a large attendance is expected.

Wichita Beats a Jointist in Law Suit

Ackerman's island, lying near the center of the Arkansas river, and within a few feet of the Douglas avenue bridge in Wichita, Kan., may be taken into the city limits, according to the decision of Judge Dale, rendered when he refused the permanent injunction asked by the owner restraining the city from so doing.

In May the council passed a resolution instructing the clerk to draft an ordinance annexing it, but the matter was held up when Ackerman applied for and was granted a temporary restraining order. His attorney said he would appeal from the decision. The island has been a Sunday resort for some time, and two months ago the county attorney procured an injunction against the proprietor restraining him from selling liquor there, declaring that it had become a common nuisance. Fomerly the island was only a sandbar, but now it is a valuable piece of farming land.

To Encourage Scripture Study

At a conference held at the Baptist church in Winfield, Kan., at which about twenty pastors and other church workers of Kansas and Oklahoma were present, an organization to be known as the Baptist Young People's Summer assembly was organized and the following officers were chosen:

C. W. Cassidy of Wichita, president; W. M. Anderson, of Oklahoma City, first vice president; A. D. Phelps, of Latham, recording secretary; H. R. Best, of Winfield, corresponding secretary; Arthur Eaton, of Kansas City, treasurer.

A board of directors consisting of fifteen members, was chosen. The purpose of the organization is to encourage Scriptural study, to educate for religious work and to inspire the ministry. The plan is to hold the annual session coincident with the Winfield Chautauqua.

Kansas Teachers Should Go To Nebraska

Before the grand jury sitting at Kansas City, Kan., Frank Colvin, principal of the Graystone Heights school testified that money was demanded from him for his reappointment. He told the jury that a member of the board of education solicited a bribe from him. He refused to be held up and told a member of the board that he would give up his position before he would have it said that he had purchased it.

Another witness, John Schach, an attorney, whose sister is a teacher, told the jury that through a third person a member of the board had demanded a sum of money for the reappointment of his sister.

Sold Mortgaged Property and Skipped

It was learned at Junction City, Kansas, that Charles Willes, the farmer from Skiddy, who disappeared there about four weeks ago and whose hat and broken cane were found on the Smoky Hill river bridge, had sold a number of cattle to a neighbor after placing a mortgage on them. He sold the cattle a few days before his disappearance and received about $200 for them.

After Willes disappeared it was believed that he had been killed and his body thrown into the river. A search for the body has been going on ever since his disappearance. A reward of more than $500 was offered by his family. When the officers learned of Willes' cattle transaction they ordered the search discontinued.

Kansas Man Strikes It Rich

Augustus Appleaugh of Salina, received a telegram from Laramie, Wyo., which says that the company in which he has a fourth interest has struck two 5-foot veins of coal on its land 30 miles from Laramie, 40 feet below the surface.

Farm Was Sold Too Cheap

R. B. Robinson, of Emporia, Kan., whose wife had sold his farm to C. P. Jones, has brought suit in the district court for the recovery of his farm. Robinson was released from the state insane asylum as cured in November, and, upon returning home, found that his wife had sold his farm to G. P. Jones. He alleges that his wife had no right to sell and that Jones bought the land for only half its real value. Robinson was in the asylum from November, 1901, to November, 1903.

TOTAL NUMBER IDENTIFIED

Chicago Authorities Are Rigidly Enforcing Theatre Ordinances

Chicago, Jan. 2.—At midnight tonight only twenty-one unidentified dead remained in the several morgues. The total number of bodies that have been accounted for is 582. Of these 561 have been identified.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Mayor Carter Harrison yesterday took steps to provide as far as possible against a repetition of Wednesday's horror at the Iroquois theatre.

As a result of an investigation made at his orders, and lasting but a few hours, nineteen theatres and museums were ordered closed, some of them being among the leading and most popular playhouses of the city. The action of the mayor was based on one single violation of the ordinances which are intended to protect the patrons of theatres from just such an occurrence as that which cost so many lives on Wednesday. This was that every one of these places had omitted to supply an asbestos curtain. The theatres ordered closed are, Howards, Sam T. Jacks, Marlow, New American, Olympia, Bijou, Chicago Opera House, Columbus stock, Thirty-first Street, Criterion, Fieganbaum's, Milwaukee Avenue, Garrick and Glickman's. In addition to these the London Globe museum and the Clark street museum were also compelled to close their doors.

The police vigorously pushed their inquiry into the causes of the fire and made several other arrests of stage hands, among them William McMullen, the operator of the light which started the fire. He was locked up at the central station, and Wilson Kerr, a flyman at the theatre, was also placed in a cell.

Superintendent of Schools Cooley announced that the Iroquois fire had killed twenty-four school teachers in the Chicago public schools, and six teachers are still reported missing, making a total of thirty.

From all the evidence now at hand it is clear that if the asbestos curtain in the theatre had been in the condition it should have been there would have been no loss of life, comparatively speaking."

The city press association had last night the names of 509 identified dead. A re-examination of the list shows that a number were included incorrectly. Instead of being dead, the names of some were those who had identified bodies. While it is perhaps true that the total number of dead is in the neighborhood of 582 only about 450 have been identified. A recount of the unidentified dead was started at once.

St. Louis After Theatre Owners

The commissioner of public buildings of St. Louis and the chief of the fire department have notified local theatre manager that they must carry out every provision of the ordinances designed to prevent fire and panic. A new ordinance revising the building laws is now pending in the council. One of the new features that will be incorporated in the ordinance is that every theatre must have a metal skylight or fire ventilator over the stage, equal in area to one-tenth the area of the stage. This ventilator must be so constructed as to open instantly and automatically on the cutting or burning of a cord, of the melting of a fusible link, or some other approved device.

Fire Chief Swingley sent notice to the theatre managers that hereafter the aisles must be kept clear and that he will bring them into court if this order is not observed.

Kansas Millers Hold a Banquet

The Southern Kansas Millers' club, fifty strong, held two sessions in the Hamilton hotel, at Wichita, Kan. They held a banquet, at which 100 covers were laid. The members refused to discuss the action taken at the meetings, classing them as "purely social." Towns in southern Kansas and Oklahoma were represented. Most of the representatives said good things of the wheat prospects, declaring that the acreage is greater than last year and that, on the whole, it is in good shape. Some fields are reported as showing the effects of the fly and especially is this true of early sowing.

Worthy Ambition for Indians

Beginning the first week in January, all members of the Chilocco Indian band, at Arkansas City, Kan., which will go to St. Louis to be in attendance at the exposition, were relieved from other school duty and will devote their entire time to practicing. This band is made up of fullblooded Indians, who are trying hard to work themselves into the title of the best band at St. Louis.

A Table Rock Man Injured

Section men found Willis Palmer, who gave his home at Table Rock, Ill., beside the Missouri Pacific tracks near Hiawatha, Kan. He was conscious and said he had slipped from the 3 o'clock passenger train. It was necessary to amputate Palmer's right leg above the knee. It is thought that he will recover.

Leavenworth Police Hold a Ball

The Leavenworth police force recently gave a charity ball which was quite a succeed and netted $490, which will be used by the officers in dispensing charity wherever they find a need of it. All kinds of gold brick schemes have been advanced by interested parties to separate the officers from the fund, but they will use it only in really needy cases.

Mary Anderson Sings for Charity

For the first time since her retirement, nearly fifteen years ago, Mary Anderson (Mme. de Navarro), the famous American actress, has reappeared on the stage, says a Herald dispatch from London. The event took place at the People's Palace in the east end of London, at an entertainment given by the Rev. Father Bernard Vaughan, for the purpose of helping the sick and suffering among whom he labors. She sang several songs, and read the balcony scene from Romeo and Juliet.

Mrs. Fairbanks tells how neglect of warning symptoms will soon prostrate a woman. She thinks woman's safeguard is **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.**

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When women are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhœa, displacement or ulceration of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, bloating (or flatulence), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues, and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy. **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** at once removes such troubles. Refuse to buy any other medicine, for you need the best.

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W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

The Hepburn bill which we gave in this column a short time ago, is now before the judiciary committee in both houses, and is a measure of great importance. "Without it, state and local prohibition, as well as local option legislation cannot be given a fair test. This is designed to make state liquor legislation effective by giving complete jurisdiction, before and after delivery, over liquor shipped into the state. The special thing now to do is make short, courteous appeals to senators and congressmen on the committees, and your own congressman, to do everything in their power to secure prompt and favorable consideration of the measure by the committees and its early passage in both branches. It matters not what your party politics, if you favor temperance legislation and law enforcement here is a way to make it known most effectually. Will not the voters, for the sake of the wives and mothers and children whom they are supposed to protect, heed this appeal? True, you are but one, yet every ballot and every written opinion counts for much when given by a voter—every voter is one of our lawmakers.

"The National Temperance Society urges that all interested persons or societies aid in securing the passage of this bill, which has again been introduced in congress, by forwarding at once letters or petitions to members of both house and senate. The bill reads as follows:

That there shall be appointed by the President, by and with the consent of the senate, a commission of inquiry, of five or more competent persons, whose duty it shall be, first to inquire and take testimony as to the results of the traffic in alcoholic liquors in connection with crime, pauperism, the public health, the moral, social, and well-being of the people: second, concerning license and prohibitory legislation in the several states of the union; and third, to recommend what additional legislation, if any, would be beneficial on the part of congress to suppress in the sphere of national authority the traffic in alcoholic liquors—as beverages.

Now, a letter from any voter to Congressman Burkett or Senator Millard, of Nebraka, or any member of the judiciary committee, will have its weight. Are you not interested enough in the welfare of your country to spend ten minutes of your precious time, and a postage stamp, in prefering a request to help forward these bills?

Miss McCracken's write-up of Colorado women will probably do more to spread the truth than had she simply written the truth. The editor of The Denver News, commenting on her article in The Outlook, says: When a woman writes of Colorado as if a woman could not caress an orphan baby without being suspected of trying to win votes, the heighth of the ridiculous is reached. There are many in Colorado who question or deny the desirability of woman's enfranchisement, but we are confident that no one in the state would read this article and credit for a moment the alleged incidents of this nature, nor could they find anything in their experience to compare with them.

Has anyone in the state ever heard of any woman who does charitable work in order to get votes? Has any one ever known the motives of any philanthropic worker impugned because of politics? Just who can these feminine office seekers be? Can any sane person believe that these office seekers, averaging hardly one a year, can be so powerful on influence that the entire atmosphere is corrupted thereby? Everyone in the state knows the folly of such an idea, but can those elsewhere credit anything so ridiculous? Is it necessary to have a ream of perfectly incredible tal a told to prove that Colorado is no paradise yet? As a matter of fact the same difficulty exists in Colorado as everywhere else. Citizens, both men and women, are too often carelessly indifferent. Those who do care courageously are broadened thereby to a marked degree. In what way any one is harmed it is impossible to discover.

Mary A. Livermore celebrated her eighty-third birthday Dec. 19th, at her home in Melrose, Mass.

Mrs. Livermore explained her interest in the Suffragist cause thus:

"I was not made a woman suffragist by anything I heard at home, but by the things I saw in the army. There were so many places in which men failed in conscientiousness and carefulness, that I said to myself: 'The women have got to vote,' and they have so much to do already! Dear me!"

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Dog and Bantam.

New York Evening Sun.—The strange friendships that sometimes exist between animals that are by nature enemies have a new variation in the deep attachment between a dog and a chicken. The dog had belonged to a certain family in city days before the suburbs were in its plan. Afterward the attempt to raise chickens was idle because of his serious objections that were made plain whenever a stray chicken crossed his path, unless that one happened to be the little bantam hen. Finally all the others were disposed of, and the two odd companions continued to spend their time together. The little hen sits in perfect quiet while the dog licks her feathers, or she perches on his back while he walks. At night he stays by preference in the chicken house and the bantam perches beside him.

Electricity and Foliage.

An extraordinary phenomenon has been noticed with regard to chestnut trees in a street in Brussels since the installation of the electric tram cars. The foliage begins to turn brown and drop early in August, to bud and even blossom again in October. The trees on the opposite side of the tramway behave like ordinary trees; for they lose their foliage in the late autumn and do not put forth fresh blossoms until spring. Botanists are inclined to believe that this singular state of things is due to the leakage of the electrical current at places underground acting upon the roots of the trees, which are otherwise healthy.

Great Distances Covered by Birds.

The distances over which birds migrate vary between wide limits, and are often surprisingly great. The bobolinks, which rear their young on the shores of Lake Winnipeg in Canada, and go to Cuba and Porto Rico to spend the winter, twice traverse a distance exceeding 2,800 miles, or more than a fifth of the circumference of our earth, each year. The kingbird lays its eggs as far north as the fifty-seventh degree of latitude, and is found in the winter in South America. The biennial pilgrimages of the little redstart exceed 3,000 miles, and the tiny humming bird 2,000.

The Greatest Banquet of the World.

The greatest banquet in history took place Aug. 18, 1889, when 40,000 mayors of France sat at a table in the Palais de l'Industrie in Paris. There were three relays of about 13,000 guests each. To prepare the feast required seventy-five chief cooks, 13,000 waiters, scullions, cellarmen and helpers; 80,000 plates, 52,000 glasses, knives, forks and spoons in proportion; 40,000 rolls and fish, meat and fowl by the ton. The banquet was part of the centenary celebration of the events of 1789.

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A moderately intimate acquaintance with infants enables one to distinguish, almost from birth, three cries—the healthy yell, by which the child exercises his lungs, the fretting of moderate discomfort, and the acute cry of pain, the latter two including at first hunger, thirst, and dissatisfaction. By the end of three months the nurse or mother should be able to distinguish the fretting of actual physical discomfort from that of restlessness, and the sharp cry of pain from the less acute announcement of thirst, hunger, etc, while anger imparts a characteristic quality to the cry. If the baby is comfortably dressed and properly fed he will be less likely to be fretful and crying.—Dr. A. L. Benedict in the January Woman's Home Companion."

A Point in Carving Etiquette.

The adept carver will not ask the guest of honor which is his or her favorite piece. We will give the one we would honor the cut of fish next the tail, that nearest the head being next choice; the emperor's muscle an oyster of the turkey, with a bit of brown fat added as a tribute to palate discrimination; the tenderloin of steak, the hock of the leg, the tenderloin with kidney of the saddle (with some brown fat); the loin of the hare or squirrel, the rib of the sucking pig. Other guests will express their preference promptly when asked, that none may be kept waiting.—Ella Morris Kretschmar, in the January Woman's Home Companion.

Louisiana Rice is Red.

The rice planters and millers of Southwestern Louisiana are having some trouble with the crop this season. For some unaccountable reason a considerable percentage of it is red. This is not the first season that red grains have appeared among the white, to be sure, but never before has the proportion been so large. An examination by chemists has shown that the red rice is equally nutritious as white. The value of the article as a matter of food is not in the least injured by the red grains. But the fact remains that the colored grains injure the sale of the rice they appear in.

Slaves in New York State.

Immigration officials say that many foreigners in this country are living in a condition of abject slavery. At Avon, N. Y., there is a colony of 270 Italians who are under the direct control of one man, who hires them to farmers and fruit growers and takes most of their earnings, while those who perform the labor get little more than enough to eat, and are housed in buildings little better than cattle sheds.

Plum Pudding the Rage in London.

A plum pudding craze has broken out in London. One firm sold 600,000 pounds of puddings three weeks before Christmas. Surprises are now enclosed in these, ranging from buttons, gold sovereigns and half sovereigns to thimbles and diamond rings. One pudding ordered had in it a diamond and opal brooch worth $250, enclosed in a silver box.

Centenary of Electricity.

"Electricity as we know it" is just 100 years old. In 1799 the Italian scientist Volta gave definite form to the method of producing the current, and it is from his name that we have the term "voltmeter" to describe the instrument which measures the force of the current, and "volt" as the unit of that measurement.

Art in Venice.

Venice has had three international art exhibitions since 1895, and all of them have been successful. The last one, which closed on Nov. 13, occasioned the sale of $70,000 worth of paintings, 19 per cent of which went into the pockets of non-Italian artists.

High Collars Injurious.

Doctors say that the high collars so much worn by both men and women are productive of dire physical results. The head is thus thrown forward to relieve the back of the neck, and this narrows the chest and decreases the lung capacity.

Masts and Sails.

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The Number of Our Hairs.

According to the Medical Record, fair-haired people possess commonly between 140,000 and 160,000 hairs on the scalp, the number being about the same for man and woman. Dark-haired people have on average 105,000, while red-haired people are said to have only 30,000 hairs. But the latter apparently possess one great advantage in the fact that they retain their hair better, seldom becoming bald. Their hair is much coarser than that of dark or fair-haired persons.

Royalty at the Riviera.

During the early part of next year there will be a large gathering of representatives of European royal families on the Riviera, probably at Beaulieu or Mentone. The party will include the king of Denmark, the Empress dowager of Russia, the princess of Wales, the duke and duchess of Cumberland, the prince and princess Christian of Denmark, Princess Waldemar and Prince Hans of Glucksbur.

Deaf-Mutes.

Ninety-seven per cent of the offsprings of deaf fathers and mothers are deaf. The offspring of these deaf persons generally possess the sense of hearing, the average deafness being 8.6 per cent. This fact is said to be in accordance with two well-established laws of heredity, viz., a physical anomaly tends to be transmitted to offspring and that the offspring of these tends to revert to the normal type.

Better Than a Chromo.

A firm of English tea merchants offers to every married woman who buys a pound of its 75-cent tea for five consecutive weeks a pension of $2.50 a week in case of the death of her husband, provided he was in good health when she began to buy the tea. The pension is to continue as long as she remains a widow.

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The Lincoln Daily Star desires to give away free to the boys of Nebraska, 1,000 new watches—first-class time keepers—stem wind and stem set. You don't have to pay any money to get one of these watches. Send us your name and address and we will mail you the full particulars. This is a splendid chance for the boys to get a watch free and we would like to hear from all of them. Address Watch Department, Daily Star, Lincoln, Neb.

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Humors of Examination.

The humors of examination papers were further illustrated by Dr. Haig Brown, who, in speaking at the City of London college upon the responsibility which rested upon examiners in weighing fragments of knowledge, said that the question, "What are the Chiltern Hundreds?" once received the reply, "Small animals which abound in great numbers in cheese." The inquiry, "What is a cherub?" elicited, in its turn, the answer, "An immoral being of uncertain shape."—London Chronicle.

The Population of London.

Last year's statistics show that the population of London is 4,484,717. For every 1,000 inhabitants there were thirty births and 17.7 deaths. The number of infants who died in their first year was 158 for every 1,000 births. During the period extending from 1887 to 1896 the mortality was lower than in Paris, Brussels, Amsterdam, Berlin and Copenhagen; but in 1897 it increased to such an extent that it is now very little lower than that of most European cities, Rome included.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in stomach and liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. 25c at Colwell's drug store.

Leave your laundry with Allen Bros.

Mrs. Minnie Taylor is visiting in Kansas City.

See Archer King's advertisement in another column.

Louis Schurr left last Sunday for Poplar, Ohio, to visit his parents.

A few holiday goods to go at prices below cost. Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

Allen Bro's. are agents for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try them once.

The baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Calvin, has been quite sick this week.

Mrs. G. W. Wright of Denver, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jones, in Clear Creek.

Rev. Philip Smith and family, of Douglas, are guests of C. R. Smith and family.

G. R. Martin is now a resident of Pawnee City, and will be county sheriff after today.

Mrs. Walter Hartwell, mother and daughters, drove over from Pawnee City last week to visit friends.

Miss Bertha Kern of Pawnee City, enroute to Lincoln, stopped over Saturday to visit Francis Parker and wife.

A grand ball will be given in the opera house on Friday evening, Jan. 15th. The public is invited, and the admission is 75c.

Miss Vivian Jobe accompanied Miss Edna Wright to Lincoln, Monday, and will remain for an indefinite length of time.

W. R. Cox, who lives near DuBois, will move on Tuesday to Frankfort, Kas., where he will occupy a farm owned by John Clema.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Groom on Friday of last week, and the little one makes a welcome addition to the family circle.

The funeral services of the little child of Mr. and Mrs. Hickman, was held in the M. E. church Saturday morning, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Morrow.

Jim Murphy has bought the depot lunch counter from J. H. Hilbert. This has been a splendid business under Mr. Hilbert, and Mr. Murphy will maintain its reputation.

This week our business men inaugurated a reform movement which is a good thing. They entered into an agreement to close their places of business at 8 o'clock in the evening, and the agreement takes in all but drug stores and restaurants.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs A. R. Kovanda entertained the following friends for supper: Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lane, of Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Snyder and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Marble and son; Mr. and Mrs. Murphy and daughter, of Table Rock.

Miss Myrtle Goodale was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Walter Smith, over the Christmas holidays, and was called to her home at Greenwood on Monday by a telephone message, saying that her millinery store, and a hardware and drug store had been burned on Saturday night. Miss Goodale's stock was almost a total loss.

Dann Andrew had a birthday yesterday and the event was celebrated in the evening at his home in a very pleasant manner. The evening was passed in progressive flinch, in which C. J. Wood won the first prize. Refreshments were served and the festivities ended by some of the gentlemen guests putting Dann under the bed.

Maj. Hendershot is proud of a testimonial given him by Superintendent Christensen and three of the principals interested in the recent Tabernacle concert. The testimonial: Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 21, 1903.—The public schools of Salt Lake City engaged Maj. R. H. Hendershot, the "Drummer Boy of the Rappahannock," and J. C. Hendershot, his son, as a special musical attraction on the drum and fife in their grand entertainment given in the Tabernacle December 18 and 19, 1903. We can cheerfully say that they delighted their immense audience by their unique and dexterous performance on their musical instruments, and take pleasure in recommending them to the public schools of Utah as a splendid attraction for school entertainments. A. S. Martin, Principal of Grant School; W. S. Wallace, Principal of Union School; Wm. Bradford, Principal of Lowell School; D. H. Christensen, City Superintendent

Mrs. C. I. Norris, who has been very sick for some weeks, is able to be up and about the house.

A. H. Fellers and wife, of Humboldt, were guests of relatives here last night and this morning.

When in Pawnee City buy RELIABLE DRY GOODS of F. J. MUNEKE Pay less and dress better.

Miss Anna Wilson, this week, began a course as a pupil in the Pawnee City academy, making a specialty of music.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. Allen Bro's.

Major Hendershot and Son, assisted by local talent, will give an entertainment in the opera house, on the evening of January 22d.

Our ice dealers have been putting up good quality of ice this week; it is about ten inches in thickness and exceptionally clear and clean.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1735 R St., Lincoln.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.

GEO. BUERSTETTA & CO.

Rev. Morrow was in Falls City the fore part of this week assisting the pastor of the Methodist church of that city in a revival meeting.

We desire to thank our friends who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our baby.

MR. and MRS. HICKMAN.

Joseph Hubka will hold a public sale at his farm residence, three miles north of Table Rock, on Tuesday, January 19th, commencing at 1 p. m., and will sell some cattle, hogs, corn and other articles.

Mrs. Dann Andrew entertained the members of her Sabbath school class on last Friday evening. The class is composed of bright and attractive young people between whom and their teacher exists an unusual bond of friendship and appreciation.

The Woman Suffrage Association will meet with Mrs. F. C. Norris, Jan. 14, at 2 p. m. Two papers will be read upon the following subjects: "Will the enfranchisement of women advance the moral and religious interest of a community?" by Mrs. Anna B. Fellers and Mrs. Cora Schurr. A vocal solo will be given by Mrs. Dottie Smith. All interested in the subject are very cordially invited to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lane, of Hennessey, O. T., are guests of relatives and friends here, and will remain until the first of next week. Mr. Lane is feeling good over his business prospects for the coming season, and is happy over the result of last year's business. He is putting in between $3,000 and $5,000 in new machinery and expects to make a re-pressed brick. He reports Billy Andrew as doing prosperous business, as is also Henry Shaw, and the other ex-Table Rockers in Hennessey are contented and happy.

Mrs. Sarah Kerns died at her home in this city on Tuesday morning at 5 o'clock. She would have been 89 years of age on the 27th of this month, and has been in feeble health for some time. Her birthdays have been the occasion of family gatherings for many years. Her maiden name was Sarah Ward, and she was born in Clarion county, Pa., near Sligo. She was united in marriage to Nicholas Kerns August 9, 1832; to this union was born ten children, seven of whom survive her: George D. Kerns of Kansas City; Henry Kerns, W. N. Kerns, Mrs. M. B. Fox, Margaret Layman, Nancy Taylor and Sarah Layman, all of whom reside here. They came to Nebraska in 1867 and settled on a homestead three miles south of Table Rock; her husband died in 1874, and she moved to town, where she resided until her death. She was an intensely loyal woman and lost one son and three sons-in-law, and another son, George D., lost a leg in the war of the rebellion. She had a remarkable memory, could name the presidents in their order, and the battles of the rebellion. For sixty-nine years she was a consistent member of the Methodist church. The funeral service was held in the M. E. church, conducted by Rev. P. C. Johnson; the text was chosen by herself, Psalms 19-15: "I shall be satisfied when I awake in Thy likeness," and "To die is gain." A large concourse of mourning relatives and friends were present to pay a last tribute of respect to her memory.

See Archer King's sale advertisement in another column.

A few holiday goods to go at prices below cost. Geo; Buerstetta & Co.

The books and accounts of J. W. Kovanda are at the store of A. R. Kovanda, and all persons indebted to me are requested to make immediate settlement. J. W. KOVANDA.

Supposing you're busted—haven't a dime,
Getting poor isn't a serious crime;
Put on a bold front, work with all your might,
You're sure to win by taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night. F. M. Colwell.

Elder Lemon of Oklahoma, will preach in the Christian church Sunday morning and evening, Jan. 10th. Everybody is invited. The elder has given us three most excellent sermons, and you who were absent missed a spiritual treat.

Subject for evening discourse, Great Commissions Harmonized.

Chicago, Jan. 1.—Of all sad cases resulting from the Iroquois theater disaster, that of E. C. Frady, president of the Strohber Piano company, is the saddest. At one fell blow Frady was deprived of his wife, child, mother, sister and nephew. His home is absolutely desolate. As a young business man he sat in the coroner's office today, he bowed his head on the desk and sobbed till his frame shook. Hardened as the coroner's assistants must become, there were no dry eyes in the room, for those present knew the unutterably sad story.

At a regular meeting of Capitola Rebekah Lodge No. 125, held Monday evening, January 4th, the following officers for the term were installed by D. D. Grand President, Mrs. N. J. Glasson, of Tecumseh:

N G—Jennie Stewart.
V G—Minnie Calvin.
Treasurer—Cora Cochran.
Secretary—Allie Fisher.
Con—Lydia Holmes.
Warden—Nelle Cotton.
R S N G—Claire Scism.
L S V G—Lizzie Fellers.
R S V G—Mary Ward.
L S V G—M. H. Marble
I G—A. J. Marble.
O G—Alwildia Carmichael.
Chaplain—Mary B. Fox.
P N G—Edith Woods.

Allie Fisher, secretary.

Miss Laura Holmes entertained at a watch party last Thursday evening. Those present, were: Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Colwell, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Parker, Mrs. Walter Smith; Misses Myrtle Goodale, Mabel Miller, Myrtle Kenner, Ruth Chambers, Fannie Phillips, Nellie Irwin, Ruby Allen, Gertrude Norris, Nelle Cotton, Emma Wood; Messrs. C. C. Norris, Robert Miller, Arthur Longwell, E. N. Wood, F. H. Barclay of Pawnee City. Progressive Flinch, geography lessons; an animal show, in which Mrs. F. W. Parker won the prize, and various other games were played. Fireside tales, with an interruption of salted almonds and stuffed dates, then the lunch of cocoa and cake, were enjoyable features of the evening. After the bells had announced the death of 1903 and rang the new year in, the guests departed, each thanking the hostess for the pleasant evening, and wishing her a very happy New Year.

Presbyterians Greet Pastor.

For many months the Presbyterian church in this city has been without a pastor. There were occasional services, but the congregation did not extend a call until quite recently, when by a unanimous vote they invited the Rev. W. H. Parker, of Table Rock, Neb., to become their pastor. He accepted the call and he and his estimable wife have come to live among us and to build up and strengthen the cause of Christianity in this community. Rev. Parker assumed active charge of his work on Sunday, the 27th inst. He was given a cordial greeting by his congregation at the morning service, and in the evening a religious reception was tendered to him as the new pastor at the Presbyterian church. The Methodist, Baptist and Christian churches joined with the Presbyterian church in a union service. Excellent music was rendered and strong and eloquent talks made by Revs. Sharpe, Lucas, Parker and C. A. Walker. A feeling of good fellowship prevailed. A cordial, Christian greeting was extended to the new pastor, and the best wishes of the people go out to him in the work upon which he is just entering.—Carlinsville, (Ill.) Democrat.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.

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On account of the annual convention of the national wool growers and live stock association the Burlington will sell tickets to Portland, Oregon, and return at the low rate of $50, January 7, 8, 9 and 10. Liberal stopover privileges, attractive diverse routes, return limit January 31st. You can include San Francisco in the return trip for $13.50 additional. For information as to sleeping car reservations, train service, etc., ask the agent or write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Omaha.

The Designer for February is a complete success from both the artistic and literary point of view. The cover strikingly stylish, yet altogether in keeping with a fashion magazine, and unusual care has been devoted to the illustrations, of which there are several occupying each a full page. The Annals of a Love, by Charles McIlvaine, and A Day of Miracles, by Mary E. Fitzgerald, are short stories of interest. Some Royal Young People, by J. L. Harbour, will appeal to the little folks and their parents as well. A Goose Drill for Little Goslings, by Harriet Wilbur, and some delightful suggestions for St. Valentine fetes. Raffia Work, New Stitches for Afghans, and Nanduti or Paraguayan Laces, offer abundant employment for the fancy worker, and to these may be added Valentine Making for the children. Departments which give opportunity for money making are What Women are Doing, Helps Along the Way, Knots and Whatnots, and The Mothers' Club. The fashion pages present modes which are at once refined and practical, and in addition to numerous models for adults the millinery department tells explicitly how to make a shirred hat for a child. Points on Dressmaking gives directions for the construction of storm clothes, Toilet Table Chat advises harmless beautifiers, and Etiquette Hints suggests what is correct in good society. The Kitchen Kingdom, Floriculture and Fashion Fotes for Men bring to a close what is in all respects a most interesting and helpful number.

LOWER CLEAR CREEK.

Joe Davenport and wife spent the holidays visiting in Missouri.

Miss Ida Dopp commenced school in our district last week.

Mr. Smith of Humboldt, visited his daughter, Mrs. Facemire, a couple of days last week.

John Tremble is working for Charlie Woods.

Mrs. Mary Branek has several carpenters working on her new barn.

S. E. Bowen shelled corn for Mr. Hood Thursday.

Ethel Facemire has gone to help Mrs. Brown west of Pawnee.

S. E. Bowen delivered corn to Edgar and Charlie Woods last week.

Ed Mitchell was calling in this neighborhood Thursday.

Charlie Woods and family visited N. T. Hoff's south of Pawnee Sunday.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Joe Hays and Frank Davis returned from Farnam Monday.

Walter Schmelzel spent New Years visiting relatives at Wymore.

Miss Mattie Cox came up from DuBois Sunday for a visit with friends before she leaves for her future home at Frankfort, Kas.

Floyd Hays and his sister, May, were callers in this vicinity Tuesday.

Elmer Cox is visiting in this neighborhood this week.

Daniel Prope came down from Geneva to visit his sister, Mrs. Silas Hays for a short time.

Mrs. Peter Charcrow has two nieces visiting her from Falls City.

John Ogle and family of Dawson, visited their uncle, James Ogle, Sunday.

Misses Goldie Ogle and Maggie Harmes visited Lola Carpenter of your city a couple of days last week.

Mr. Giessman shelled corn Wednesday.

Miss Mary Ogle returned Saturday after a week's visit with relatives west of Table Rock.

MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,

Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Tuesday, Jan. 5.—Comparative live stock receipts at Kansas City last week and same week a year ago are as follows:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	H M
1903	25,500	671	33,308	8,337	1,607
1902	22,703	1,009	36,940	13,294	1,030

Majority of cattle last week were beef grades. After Monday everything in the killing line showed improvement and closed the week with advances of 10 to 25c. Demand was good all week, and the situation on every kind of cattle was in the sellers' favor. Yesterday's liberal run of 10,000, and lower reports from other markets caused buyers to ask concessions. There proved to be a full line of buyers on the market, for both local and shipping concerns, and the day's business started off promptly, and ruled active, at prices steady to 10c under last week's good close on beef steers. Cows and butcher stuff was steady to strong, and stockers and feeders higher. Top beef steers bro't $5, against $4.90 for top last week. Today the run is 13,000 head and prices on killing stuff steady to 10c lower, stockers and feeders steady.

Last week showed less change in hog values than any week for a long time, closing about 5c above close of previous week. The big rise in provisions Saturday, incident to war rumors, affected the hog market yesterday, and prices soared upward 10 to 20c. Top was $4.90, best price since October, and bulk of sales $4.70 to $4.85; today the war outlook is less threatening and prices are off 10c with $4.80 for top price.

Sheep and lambs of killing qualities sold strong all last week. Yesterday the market took a big bulge, and the arrival of some good quality stuff, yearlings and wethers, gave packers an opportunity to demonstrate what they would do for first-class kinds. Aged wethers weighing 100 lbs bro't $4.30, Mexican yearlings 74 lbs sold at $5.25, and western fed lambs sold at $5.50, the latter not of the choicest quality. The present season is opening up very encouragingly for feeders, and looks like it might equal the excellent one they enjoyed last year.

The horse auctions were very successful last week. Medium southerners bro't $60 to $65; chunks at $80 to $120, and medium drafts up to $160. Mule prices advanced $5 last week, and the big increase in receipts yesterday were quickly handled at the advance. War clouds were the cause

WANTED—A young man or young lady at Table Rock to address envelopes and mail catalogs, circulars, etc., for our mail order dep't. Local work, during evenings or spare time. Permanent position and good pay. References required. For application blank, write, enclosing stamp for reply, Lincoln Mfg. Co., 15th and O Sts., Lincoln, Neb.

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WANTED—Men who can furnish team and wagon and sell Dr. Master's Remedies, Extracts and Spices to farmers. A paying business. In writing state territory wanted and send reference. National Medical Co., Sheldon, Iowa.

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Corn	.2?
Oats	.25
Hay	$5.00
Cattle	2.25
Hogs	4.00
Potatoes	.75
Butter	.20
Eggs	.25
Apples	1.50

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret E. Smith, deceased.

The heirs and next of kin of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on filing an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Margaret E. Smith, deceased, late of Pawnee county, Nebraska, together with the petition of A. O. Nickelson, praying that said instrument be admitted to probate and letters testamentary issued to George E. Nickelson, it is ordered that all persons interested in said matter be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 21st day of January, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 29th day of December, 1903.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

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Nebraska Notes.

The attorney general will soon file the brief of the state in the Lillie murder case.

So far the production of oil in Nebraska has been confined mainly to indications.

The Glen Rock Grain company, of Glen Rock, Neb., has filed articles of incorporation. The capital stock is $1,000.

G. H. Mormon of Hartington, accidentally shot and killed himself while getting through a fence with a loaded shotgun in his hands.

Charles Deweese, a former Lincoln resident and Burlington employe, was killed in a wreck at Godfrey, Kas. Mr. Deweese was engineer of the ill-fated train.

Supreme Court Commissioner J. B. Barnes has wiped clean the slate of his labors as commissioner and will wait until January 7, when he begins his duties as associate justice.

The Haas & Hurd Cattle company of Central City, with a capital stock of $150,000, has filed articles of incorporation. The incorporators are C. Haas, T. B. Hurd and G. P. Bissell.

Shoplifters are looting the stores at Fremont. Three or four of the principal merchants have suffered severely from their depredations. They have so far eluded the most careful watch.

Will H. Daly, a former Howard county boy, has leased the Callaway Courier while its editor, Geo. G. Mair, serves two or three terms in the office of clerk of the district court, to which he was recently elected.

The Wymore Wymorean is authority for the statement that there is a drummer in that town who has been on the road so long that when he is at home and his wife passes him the biscuits he tries to flirt with her.

It has been given out that prosecutions will follow cases where bicyclists are caught riding their wheels on sidewalks in Beatrice. Complaint has been filed in police court and others will be filed until the practice is broken up.

Mrs. Sarah J. Orr, residing northeast of Humboldt, has been granted a divorce from her husband, Amos W. Orr, on the gound of desertion, and has been awarded, in lieu of alimony, the farm east of town, which was held in his name.

The sixty-fourth volume of Nebraska reports will be issued by the clerk of the supreme court within a few days. The book is now in the press. The sixty-fourth volume will also soon appear, the reporter's notes having already been printed.

Immediately upon retiring from the supreme court Judge Sullivan will return to the practice of law. He has been detained in a numbe of cases. He is an able practitioner and will earn much more at the bar than the state paid him on the bench.

The junior normal schools of Nebraska will be in session Monday, June 13, to Friday, August 19, 1904, at Alliance, Holdrege, McCook, North Platte and Valentine. The principals of these schools will be the same as in 1903, with the exception of Holdrege.

The Lester Manufacturing company of Omaha has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The concern has a capital stock of $100,000, and will manufacture and sell the patented mechanical devices invented by John Emory Lester, a young resident of Omaha. Among the appliances to be placed on the market is a machine for sealing and stamping envelopes.

O. F. Peters, vice president of the Yutan bank, is just finishing a large ten room residence, which, when completed, will be the finest house in this part of Saunders county. It is furnished with heat from the basement by steam radiators, and every room and hallway will be lighted by gas, which is also furnished from the basement. The lower floors are in oak and maple.

An application has been received at the land office in Lincoln for the purchase of twenty-four acres of government land situated in Butler county, John Kaveney of Linwood, is the applicant. The land in question is known as lot 1, section 14, township 17, range 4, and lies along the Platte river. The land surrounding it is owned by Kaveney and he has been paying taxes on the government strip for years under the impression that it was his property.

The initial trial in the effort of the humane society of Omaha to compel all expressmen, drivers and owners of truck freight wagons to shoe their horses properly, came up in police court, and the victory went to the society. C. M. Cole, expressmen, with offices in the Crounse block, 119 North Sixteenth street, was found guilty of neglect, for which a fine of $5 and costs was imposed. Alfred Millard, treasurer of the humane society, and County Treasurer G. Fred Elsass, appeared as witnesses for the society, testifying in substance that on December 10 they had witnessed a team vainly trying to haul a heavy load of lumber and block up the incline between Twenty-third and Twenty-ourth streets, on Farnam.

The Lebanon Grain and Live Stock association, a co-operative association, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The principal place of business will be at Lebanon, Neb., and the capital stock is $1,000.

Stockmen in Banner county are feeling good over the fine conditions in which stock has so far gone through the winter. Almost all of them have availed themselves of the dipping vats, practically doing away with the mange and lice, which, together with the fine weather, indicates that no loss will occur, even though we should have severe weather later on.

HUNDREDS PERISH IN CHICAGO THEATRE

The Iroquois, Considered the Safest Theatre in the World, Totally Destroyed.

GAS AND SMOKE KILL MANY

In the Mad Rush from the First and Second Balconies Women and Children were Trampled and Smothered to Death.

TOTAL DEAD (estimated) 560
Identified Dead 148
Missing 205
Injured 97

Nearly 600 people were killed and scores were injured in ten minutes Wednesday afternoon during a fire in the Iroquois theatre, the newest, largest and safest theatre in Chicago. Most of the dead were killed by being trampled on and suffocation in the panic that followed the first burst of flames from the stage.

The police count the number of dead at 536. The estimate of the newspapers is 560. There are over 200 persons missing, many of whom are probably among the dead. One hundred and forty-eight of the dead have been identified, while ninety-seven others are known to be injured.

The audience consisted mostly of women and children. Several persons were burned to death, some suffocated by gass, thrown into the auditorium by the explosion of a gas tank, but scores were trampled to death in the mad plunge of the frightened women and children to escape the fire. Many bodies were scorched after they were trampled to pieces.

The accounts of the origin of the fire and conflicting and none of them is certain, but the best reason given is that an electric wire near the lower part of a piece of drop scenery broke and caused a short circuit, setting fire to the scenery. The fire spread rapidly toward the front of the stage, causing the chorus, which was on the stage, to flee to the wings, screaming. The fire in itself up to this time was not serious and possibly could have been checked had not the asbestos curtain failed to work.

As soon as the fire was discovered, Eddie Foy, chief comedian of the company, shouted for the asbestos curtain to be lowered, and it was immediately lowered about half way. Then it stuck.

The fire was thus given a flue through which a strong draft was formed, aided by the doors which had been thrown open in front of the theatre. The flames shot roaring, tongue-shaped, through the opening over the heads of the people on the first floor, almost licking the faces of those in the first balcony, smothering many where they sat.

Immediately following this rush of flames came an explosion which lifted the entire roof of the theatre from the walls, shattering the great skylight into fragments. A hail of glass, the tottering of the galleries, the quaking of the building and a cry of "fire" from several persons in the rear, started the panic. The entire audience rose as one person and made for the doors.

It is believed that the explosion was caused by flames coming in contact with the gas reservoirs of the theatre. Will J. Davis, manager of the theatre, said after the catasthophe, that if the people had remained in their seats and had not been excited by the cry of fire and other noises, not a single life would have been lost.

This is, however, contradicted by the firemen, who found numbers of people sitting in their seats, their faces directed toward the stage as if the performance was still going on. It was the opinion of the firemen that these people had been suffocated by the flow of gas which came from behind the asbestos curtain.

As near as can be estimated, at the present time, about thirteen hundred persons were in the theatre. Three hundred of these were on the first floor, the remainderbeing in the balconies, and in the aisles back of them.

The theate is modeled after the Opera Comique in Paris and from the rear of each balcony there are three doors leading to passage ways towards the front of the theatre. Two of these doors were at the end of the balcony and one in the center.

Most of the spectators in the rush for the outer air seem to have chosen to flee to the left entrance and to attempt to maye their way down the eastern stairway leading to the lobby. Outside of the people burned and suffocated by gas, it was in these two doorways that the greatest loss of life occurred. When the firemen entered the building the dead were found stretched in a pile reaching from the head of the stairway at least eight feet from the door back to a point about five feet in the rear of the door.

The membersof the theatrical company, being on the first floor, had little difficulty in reaching the street, although their situation was for a moment critical because of the speed with which the flames swept through the mass of scenery in the flies and on the stage.

In spite of the efforts of the police, a large number of persons succeeded in breaking through the lines and entering the theatre, and, in many cases, did heroic work in rescuing the injured and carrying out the dead. Among these was Alderman William H. Thompson, who, unaided, carried to the street the bodies of eight women.

"The fire began in the middle of the second act," said Mr. Foy. "An electric wire broke, grounded and started the fire in the rear of the stage. The stage is unusually wide, and there was so great a draft that the flames spread rapidly. They soon attacked all the scenery in the rear of the house. I never believed it possible for a fire to spread so quickly. When it first started I went to the footlights, and, to prevent alarming the audience, said that there was a slight blaze, and that it would be better for all to leave quietly. Then I stepped back and called for the asbestos curtain to be lowered. This curtain, when about half way down, refused to go farther, and thus an additional draft was created. This swept the flames out into the auditorium, and I knew the theatre was doomed. I hurried back to the stage, and aided in getting the women of the company into the alley. Some of them were in their dressing rooms and were almost overcome by smoke before they could be taken down to the stage and out the doors.

"The failure of the curtain to descend saved the lives of the company, although it caused such a horrible catastrophe in the front of the house. After the curtain had refused to descend, thede came the explosion of the gas tanks, and with the curtain down, all the fire and gas would have been confined between the rear wall of the theatre and the fireproof curtain in front. Under these circumstances, it would not have been possible for a single member of the company to escape alive, unless he or she had been standing immediately in front of the door leading into the alley. As it was the draft carried all the gas and fire out beneath the curtain and the company escaped, although their salvation was the death of so many persons in front."

Rarely in the history of Chicago has its people been so stirred as by the calamity. The speed with which it came seemed to appel even the business quarter for a brief period.

The news spread with rapidity and in a short time hundreds of men, women and children were rushing towards the theatre. The Iroquois theatre stands midway between State and Dearborn streets, on the north side of Randolph street.

Every available fireman within call of the department was hurried to the spot, and the men were placed in lines at the end of the block. The tried to prevent any one entering Randolph street from either Dearborn or State streets. It was found for a time almost impossible to hold back the frenzied mob that pressed forward, many of them having friends or relatives in the theatre. The policeman held their ground firmly and pushed back all those who sought to enter the theatre, although in some instances frantic men, anxious to look for their loved ones, beat the patrolmen with their fists in rage.

While the policemen and the fireman were carring out the dead and injured, Will J. Davis, one of the proprietors of the theatre, bent his efforts to alleviate suffering and to assist to care for the dead. He said:

"There was no need so far as I know, of a single life being lost. There were more than forty exits to the theatre. The building is fire-proof, and, if somebody had not screamed 'fire,' I think that all, as far as those killed in the panic are concerned, could have reached the street in safety. And of those who were suffocated by the gas, nearly all would have been out by the time the explosion occurred, if order had been kept in going out. As far as we have learned, everybody in the first floor, except three, escaped, although several sustained bruises and minor injuries. The great loss of life was in the first and second balconies. These combined will seat about nine hundred persons. The sale of seats had been good, but was not up to the capacity, and, as far as I can estimate the two balconies held between 750 and 800 persons. The top balcony, where the cheapest seats are situated, was the more crowded, and it is here that the crowd found most difficulty in struggling towards the exits."

The Iroquois theatre disaster was vastly more destructive to human life than any other playhouse in the history of the world. The fire next to it in point of lives lost occurred on December 5, 1876, in Brooklyn, in Conway's theatre, where 295 persons perished. The day after Christmas in 1881, while the play "The Bleeding Nun" was playing in a theatre in Richmond, Va., a fire burned seventy-five persons to death. The old world supplies no instances of fires in theatres that may be classed with these three.

In the great Chicago fire of 1871, the greatest conflagration of modern times, in which 2,124 acres were devastated, only 200 lives were lost.

The Iroquois theatre was completed less than two months ago at a cost of half a million dollars, and was the finest playhouse in Chicago. It was opened to the public on the night of November 23, with "Mr. Gluebeard." It had a seating capacity of 1,724.

The records of the city building department show that the theatre was complete in every deail and that it was absolutely fire-proof, all requirements of law having been complied with.

Coast Rates Will Go Up

The Southern Pacific and its connections, also the Santa Fe, agree to advance eastbound freight rates from San Francisco. The rate on green apples of $1 per 100 pounds is to be advanced. The $1.25 rate to Chicago and $1.50 to New York on other kinds of deciduous fruits are not to be disturbed. The hay rate or 75 cents per 100 pounds to Chicago and $1 to New York are to be increased, also the machinery rate of $1.25 and the $1 rate on cattle horns, $1.30 rate on nuts and the 75 cent rate or dried and pickled fish.

Columbus Boy Seriously Injured

Patrick Lyons, of Columbus, Neb., aged thirteen years, was thrown from a horse and suffered a fracture of the skull. He has been unconscious for seven hours and the attending physicians say there is no chance for recovery. His horse stumbled and threw him head foremost onto the frozen ground.

A CABINET SESSION

Colombia's Rights in Panama Carefully Considered

ARE MAKING HASTE SLOWLY

Indications That the United States Will Take No Undue Advantage of Colombia in the Matter

At a meeting of the cabinet called by the president for 4 o'clock the Panama situation was the principal subject under consideration. All members of the cabinet, excepting Secretary Hay who is ill, Secretary Shaw, and Attorney General Knox, who are out of the city, were present. The meeting was one of the longest held for several weeks, consuming quite two hours. At the conclusion of the meeting the members were not communicative, but it was learned that in addition to a discussion of matters relating to Panama, several departmental matters of minor importance were considered.

During the illness of Secretary Hay Secretary Root has been designated by the president to conduct the negotiations of this government with General Reyes. Secretary Root laid before the president the details of his interview with the Colombian minister.

Careful consideration was given to the Colombian note filed with the state department by General Reyes, but it can be said that no answer has yet been made to it. The answer was submitted by the Colombian minister in Spanish. Some delay was encountered in the translation of the document, but finally the translation was laid before the president and Secretary Root for consideration. Secretary Root informed General Reyes that the reply of this government was not ready but that it would be given him as soon as possible. Secretary Root will give the response to General Reyes when a decision as to its precise nature shall have been made.

Official Crop Report for 1903

Final returns to the chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agricurture from regular and special correspondents, supplemented by reports of special field agents, show the acreage, production and value of the principal farm crops of the United States to have been as follows:

	Production.	Farm value Dec. 1, 1903.
Corn	2,244,176,925	$952,868,801
Winter wheat	399,867,250	286,242,849
Spring wheat	237,953,585	156,781,977
Oats	787,094,199	267,661,665
Barley	131,861,391	60,166,313
Rye	29,363,416	15,993,871
Flax seed	27,300,510	22,291,557
Buckwheat	14,243,644	8,650,733
Potatoes	247,127,880	151,638,094
Hay, tons	61,305,940	556,376,880
Tobacco, lbs.	815,972,425	55,514,627

No Gold in Oklahoma

United States Attorney Speer of Guthrie, Okla., received a letter from Secretary Hitchcock announcing that Government Assayer Bain under the direction of the department, had examined the Wichita mountains, which have been boomed during the last six months as a gold-bearing country, and found that "none of the assays showed ore in the proper sense of the word, and that the region has no present or prospective values as a mineral producer."

As a result of this finding many thousands of dollars which had been invested in the fields by capitalists all over the United States will be lost, the two thousand miners who are in the mountains and most of whom are contesting the entries of the homesteaders and trying to establish mineral rights must move and the homesteader will receive his final proofs.

One Prison Association Enough

At the annual meeting of the Nebraska Prison association held at the Lindell hotel the following resolution adopted by the ministerial union of Omaha was read:

"Whereas, The Nebraska Prison association is engaged in the work of prisoners' relief in this state;

"Therefore, your committee recommends that the Omaha ministerial union indorse the work of the Nebraska Prison association and discourage the introduction of any other organization which would conflict with the work already established among us."

The resolution was signed by the secretary, Andrew Renwick.

Organizing to Help Jewish People

Baron Rothschild presided at a joint meeting of the foreign committee and the board of deputies of the Anglo-Jewish association, held in London, England, which was attended by the Rev. Dr. Hermann Adler, chief rabbi of the United Hebrew congregations of the British empire and other prominent Jews. The meeting considered the latest reports from Russia predicting a renewal of the anti-Jewish outrages at Kishineff on the Russia Christmas day. It was decided to approach Foreign Secretary Lansdowne and urge upon him the necessity of joint action by the governments of Great Britain and the United States for the purpose of averting the further prosecution of Jews in Russia.

William J. Bryan Returning

William J. Bryan has returned to London from The Hague. He will sail for New York on the White Star liner Celtic from Liverpool.

New Members Elected

The following members of the legislature were elected at the last state election to fill vacancies cause by death and resignation.

Byron Clark, of Plattsmouth, to succeed Representative Spurlock, resigned.

John W. Bender, of Mumford, to succeed Representative Beecher, resigned.

Dr. J. R. Buffington, of Nelson, to succeed Representative Husick, died.

H. C. Murphy of Omaha, to succeed Representative Kennedy, resigned.

CORBETT STILL CHAMPION

Eddie Hanlon No Match in the San Francisco Contest

A merciful referee saved Eddie Hanlon from being killed by Young Corbett at San Francisco when he stopped their contest in the middle of the sixteenth round. For two rounds previous Referee Graney had begged Hanlon's seconds to take their man out of the ring, but they kept the game youngster at it, and finally Graney, fearing that a fatality might result, ordered the fight stopped. No man ever received such terrific punishment in a San Francisco ring, and probably Young Corbett is the only man in the country who could administer such a beating to Hanlon. When the San Francisco boy was carried to his corner, still conscious, but unable to walk, his seconds went to work vigorously to revive him. The terribly beaten lad, however, commenced to vomit blood and things looke dvery serious for him for a short time. He was finally revived and carried from the ring by one of his seconds.

It must be said for Corbett that he was as merciful under the circumstances, as he could be. During the fourteenth and fifteenth rounds he, too, was anxious to have the fight stopped in order to save Hanlon nedeless punishment.

The fight demonstrated that Corbett is any man's superior in the ring at his weight. At no time during the contest was he in any danger and when it ended there was not a mark upon him. Hanlon's most peculiar and very effective defense was all that saved him from a knockout early in the game.

The attendance was enormous for a featherweight contest. The receipts were between $16,000 and $20,000. Fifty per cent of the receipts were divided between the fighters, the winner taking 75 per cent and the loser 25. In addition Corbett was given 5 per cent of the gross receipts in view of his drawing powers.

The fight will go into ring history as the fastest and fiercest ever seen.

Death of Falls City Pioneer

Mr. Frederick Lange died at his home in Falls City, Neb., at the age of 79 years. The funeral was held from the home. The deceased was an honored citizen and one of the pioneer settlers. He was born in Germany and came to this country in 1851 settling in New York. In 1866 he came to Falls City, and located at Arago, then a prosperous new town. In the early '70s he came to Falls City, where he resided until death. The deceased leaves besides a widow, five daughters, all of whom live in Falls City, namely: Mrs. F. W. Miller, Mrs. Charles Loree, Mrs. A. Neihee, Mrs. Ike L. Beaulieu and Mrs. J. C. Tanner.

Iowa Teachers Miserably Paid

"Iowa pays the lowest wage to female teachers of any state in the union and the lowest average scale to both male and female, with the exception of but seven states. The average scale paid the Iowa teacher is but $36.91."

The above is a part of the report submitted by Chairman Nicholson of the teachers' and wage committee to a meeting of the educational council, Iowa state teachers' asosociation. It will be printed in the reports of the general association. Iowa is found to be sixth in total amount of money raised for school purposes and third in number of teachers employed.

A Hot Old Time in San Domingo

With three revolutions raging on the island, the forces of Jiminez within four hours of San Domingo City, and excitement prevailing, Minister Powell thinks the situation demands the presence of an additional warship and in a cablegram appeals to the state department for aid. In anticipation of the crisis which appears to have arrived, the state department had already taken steps toward sending another warship to San Domingo and at its request Secretary Moody cabled Rear Admiral Lamberton, commanding the South Atlantic squadron, now at Trinidad, to dispatch one of his vessels to San Domingo at full speed to assist the gunboat Newport in protecting American and other interests.

Woman Appointed Receiver

On petition of Mrs. Ella S. Russell, of Killingly, a widow of Former Congressman Charles A. Russell, a temporary receiver was appointed for the Windham County National Bank, at Danielson, Conn. The complaint alleged that the president of the bank and certain directors have been using the funds of the bank for stock speculation to such an extent that it is doubtful if the capital stock of the bank is equal to the outstanding indebtedness. Judge Gager of the superior court appointed City Attorney Tuttle of Hatford, was appointed temporary receiver, and by the judge's order the bank was closed until January 14, a notice to that effect having been posted on the doors of the institution.

Omaha Highwayman at Work

Two well-dressed men held up Caspar Staszak in his saloon, at Twenty-fourth and Hickory streets, and, after locking their victim in the icebox, took $55 from the cash register and disappeared.

The men entered the saloon when Staszak was alone and ordered two glasses of beer. When the proprietor turned from the refrigerator to serve them they had him covered with revolvers.

He finally unfastened the door of the icebox and notified the police of the robbery, giving a good description of the men, who were not masked.

New Westminster Archbishop Seated

The Most Rev. Francis Bourne, Roman Catholic archbishop of Westminster, was enthroned in the new cathedral of Westminster with the impressive ceremony incidental to such occasions. The cathedral of Westminster is the first Roman Catholic cathedral that has stood in the metropolitan see of England since the reformation. The building was begun only eight years ago, although it was projected by Cardinal Wiseman (who died in 1865), and was planned by Cardinal Manning in 1865.

COMPLETELY RESTORED.

Mrs. P. Brunzel, wife of P. Brunzel, stock dealer, residence 3111 Grand ave., Everett, Wash., says: "For fifteen years I suffered with terrible pain in my back. I did not know what it was to enjoy a night's rest, and arose in the morning feeling tired and unrefreshed. My suffering sometimes was simply indescribable. When I finished the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills I felt like a different woman. I continued until I had taken five boxes. Doan's Kidney Pills act very effectively, very promptly, relieve the aching pains and all other annoying difficulties."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Attention has been drawn to the evil effects on one's health that may result from sucking postoffice lead pencils. Much more dangerous to our mind, and in the opinion of the entire dental profession, is the suggestion that managers of restaurants and other should follow an American custom, and exhibit a notice on rainy days: "Visitors will when entering just rub their gums on the mat."—Town Topics.

$100 Reward, $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

While there are no figures available for all the roads, those of the Illinois Central are sufficient to indicate that at least 80 per cent of the total holdings in American railways are held in the United States. This would mean that no more than $85,000,000, or less than 5 per cent of the gross annual income of the railways of the United States, goes to foreign investors, leaving $1,684,477,408, or 95 per cent, to be divided in parts of 40 and 60 among American capitalists and American workmen. Five-eighths of this goes to the 1,000,000 railway stock and bondholdes and the 1,189,315 employes, or eliminating duplications, into at least 2,000,000 hands. Estimating 5.24 persons to the income, the figures of the census of 1900, it follows that 10,000,000 persons, or 13 per cent of the total population of the United States, share directly in the earnings of American railways.—Slason Thompson, in The World Today.

Anxious Mother—Doctor, I am so uneasy about my boy.

Doctor—What seems to be the trouble now, madame?

Anxious Mother—I don't know. It's his symptoms that scare me. He has lost his appetite. He only wants three meals a day now.

Good News From Minnesota.

Lakefield, Minn., Jan. 4.—Mr. William E. Gentry of this place is one of the best-known and most highly respected men in Jackson County. For 45 years he has suffered with Kidney Trouble and now at 77 years of age he has found a complete cure and is well.

His cure is remarkable because of the length of time he had been suffering. Cases of 40 years' standing might be considered incurable, but the remedy that cured Mr. Gentry seems to know no limit to its curative power. Mr. Gentry says:

"I have suffered with misery in my back for about 45 years and had all the troublesome symptoms of Kidney and Urinary disease. I tried various kinds of remedies, but all to no effect until I tried Dodd's Kidney Pills. Now I have no pain in my back, and feel quite well in every way.

"I am 77 years of age and I feel better than I have for the last 40 years. I attribute it all to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Mr. Trucker—I think I shall give up my business, dear. I might as well have some good out of my money.

Mrs. Trucker—Oh, not yet, Samuel! But when one of us dies I shall give up my housekeeping and see a little of the world.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

Some women would rather marry in haste and repent at leisure than contemplate a rival repenting at leisure.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold
Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25c.

Nothing makes a man feel so creepy as thinking of false hair when thinking about the woman he likes.

ALL UP-TO-DATE HOUSEKEEPERS Use Red Cross Ball Blue. It makes clothes clean and sweet as when new. All grocers.

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE $2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—John F. Boyer, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

Those Who Have Tried It
will use no other. Defiance Cold Water Starch has no equal in Quantity or Quality—16 oz. for 10 cents. Other brands contain only 12 oz.

No muss or failures made with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XIII.—Continued.

The hours grew older. At the head of the hall the musicians manifested more signs of their inexorable purpose. A sad protesting squeal came from the accordion. The violins moaned, but were held firm. The worst might be precipitated at any moment.

But again there was a transfer of the general attention toward the upper end of the hall. The door once more opened, and there appeared a little group of three persons, on whom there was fixed a regard so steadfast and so silent that it might well have been seen that they were strangers to all present. Of the three, one was a tall and slender man, who carried himself with that ease which, itself unconscious, causes self-consciousness in those still some generations back of it. Upon the arm of this gentleman was a lady, also tall, thin, pale, with wide, dark eyes, which now opened with surprise that was more than half shock. Lastly, with head up and eyes also wide, like those of a stag which sees some new thing, there came a young woman, whose presence was such as had never yet been seen in the hotel at Ellisville.

Astonished, as they might have been by the spectacle before them, greeted by no welcoming hand, ushered to no convenient seat, these three faced the long, half-lit room in the full sense of what might have been called an awkward situation. Yet they did not shuffle or cough, or talk one with another, or smile in anguish, as had others who thus faced the same ordeal. The three walked slowly, calmly, deliberately down into what must have been one of the most singular scenes hitherto witnessed in their lives. As they reached the head of the social rank, where sat Mrs. McDermott, the wife of the section boss and arbiter elegantiarum for all Ellisville, the gentleman bowed and spoke some few words, though obviously to a total stranger—a very stiff and suspicious stranger, who was too startled to reply. The ladies bowed to the wife of the section boss and to the others as they came in turn. Then the three passed on a few seats apart from and beyond the other occupants of that side of the house.

There was now much tension, and the unhappiness and suspense could have endured but little longer. Again the accordion protested and the fiddle wept. The cornet uttered a faint note of woe. Yet once more there was a pause in this time of joy.

Again the door was pushed open, not timidly, but flung boldly back. There stood two figures at the head of the hall and in the place of greatest light. Of these, one was tall and very thin, but upright as a shaft of pine. He was clad in dark garments; thus much might be said. His waistcoat sat high and close. At wrist and neck there showed a touch of white, and a bit of white appeared protruding at the bosom of his coat. His tread was supple and easy as that of a boy of twenty. "Ned, me boy," he whispered to his companion as they entered, "I'm feelin' fine the night; and as for yerself, ye're fit for the court o' St. James at a diplomats' ball."

Franklin, indeed, deserved somewhat of the compliment. Dressed in the full uniform of a captain, he looked the picture of the young army officer of the United States. Simply, easily, much as had the little group that immediately preceded himself and friend, Franklin passed on up into the hall, between the batteries which lined the walls.

Any emergency brings forward its own remedy. The times produce the man, each war bringing forth its own generals, its heroes, its solvers of great problems. None had chosen Battersleigh to the leadership. There had been no election for master of ceremonies, nor had Battersleigh yet had time to fully realize how desperate was this strait in which these folk had fallen. It appeared to him merely that, himself having arrived, there was naught else to cause delay. At the center of the room he stopped, near by the head of the stern column of womanhood which held the position on the right as one entered the hall. Here Battersleigh paused, making a deep and sweeping bow, and uttered the first open speech which had been heard that evening.

"Ladies and gintlemen," he said in tones easily distinguishable at all parts of the room. "I'm pleased to meet ye all this evenin'. Perhaps ye all know Battersleigh, and I hope ye'll all meet me friend Captain Franklin, at me side. We claim the introduction of this roof, me good friends, and we welcome everybody to the first dance at Ellisville. Ladies, yer very dutiful servant! It's well ye're lookin', Mrs. McDermott; and Nora, gyurl, sure ye're charmin' the night. Kittie, darlin', how do ye do? Do ye remember Captain Franklin, all of ye? Pipe up, ye naygurs—that's right. Now, thin, all hands, choose yer partners fer the gr-rand march, sure, with Jerry's permission. Thank ye, Mrs. McDermott, and me arm—so."

The sheepish figures of the musicians now leaned together for a moment. The violins wailed in sad search for the accord, the assistant instrument less tentative. All at once the slack shoulders straightened up firmly, confidently, and then, their feet beating in unison upon the floor, their faces set, stern and relentless, the three musicians fell to the work and reeled off the opening bars.

A sigh went up from the assembly. There was a general shuffling of shoes, a wide rustling of calico. Then, slowly, as though going to his doom, Curly arose from out the long line of the unhappy upon his side of the room. He crossed the intervening space, his limbs below the knees curiously affected, jerking his feet into half time with the tune. He bowed so low before the littlest waiter girl that his neck scarf fell forward from his chest and hung before him like a shield. "May I hev the honor, Miss Kitty?" he choked out; and as the littlest waiter girl rose and took his arm with a vast air of unconcern, Curly drew a long breath.

In his seat Sam writhed, but could not rise. Nora looked straight in front. It was Hank Peterson, who led her forth, and who, after the occasion was over, wished he had not done so, for his wife sat till the last upon the row. Seeing this awful thing happen, seeing the hand of Nora laid upon another's arm, Sam sat up as one deeply smitten with a hurt. Then, silently, unobserved in the confusion, he stole away from the fateful scene and betook himself to his stable, where he fell violently to currying one of the horses.

"Ned, me boy, Colonel ——"

"Oh, kick!" he exclaimed, getting speech in these surroundings. "Kick! I deserve it. Of all the low-down, d——n cowards that ever was borned I sure am the worst! But the gall of that feller Peterson! An' him a married man!"

When Sam left the ballroom there remained no person who was able to claim acquaintance with the little group who now sat under the shadow of the swinging lamp at the lower end of the hall, and farthest from the door. The "grand march" was over, and Battersleigh was again walking along the lines in company with his friend Franklin, before either could have been said to have noticed fully these strangers, whom no one seemed to know, and who sat quite apart and unengaged. Battersleigh, master of ceremonies by natural right, and comfortable gentleman at heart, spied out these three, and needed but a glance to satisfy himself of their identity.

"Sir," said Battersleigh, approaching and bowing as he addressed the stranger, "I shall make bold to introduce meself—Battersleigh of Ellisville, sir, at your service. If I am not mistaken, you will be from below, toward the next town. I bid ye a very good welcome, and we shall all hope to see ye often, sir. We're none too many here yet, and a gintleman and his family are always welcome among gintlemen. Allow me, sir, to presint me friend Captain Franklin, Captain Ned Franklin of the —th, Illinois in the late unplisantness—Ned, me boy, Colonel—ye'll pardon me not knowin' the name?"

"My name is Buford, sir," said the other as he rose. "I am very glad to see you gentlemen, Colonel Battersleigh, Captain Franklin. I was so unlucky as to be of the Kentucky troops, sir, in the same unpleasantness. I want to introduce my wife, gentlemen, and my niece, Miss Beauchamp."

Franklin really lost a part of what the speaker was saying. He was gazing at this form half hidden in the shadow, a figure with hands drooping, with face upturned and just caught barely by one vagrant ray of light which left the massed shades piled strongly about the heavy hair. There came upon him at that moment, as with a flood-tide of memory, all the vague longing, the restlessness, the incertitude of life which had harried him before he had come to this far land, whose swift activity had helped him to forget. Yet even here he had been unsettled, unhappy. He had missed, he had lacked—he knew not what.

The young woman rose, and stood out a pace or two from the shadows. She turned her face toward Franklin. He felt her gaze take in the uniform of blue, felt the stroke of mental dislike for the uniform—a dislike which he knew existed, but which he could not fathom. With a strange, half-shivering gesture the girl advanced half a step and laid her head almost upon the shoulder of the elder woman, standing thus for one moment, the arms of the two unconsciously entwined, as is sometimes the way with women. Franklin approached rudeness as he looked at this attitude of the two, still puzzling, still seeking to solve this troubling problem of the past.

There came a shift in the music. The air swept from the merry tune into the minor from which the negro is never musically free. Then in a flash Franklin saw it all. He saw the picture. His heart stopped!

This music, it was the wail of trumpets! These steps, ordered, measured, were those of marching men. These sounds, high, commingling, they were the voices of a day gone swiftly by. These two, this one—this picture—it was not here, but upon the field of wheat and flowers that he saw it now again—that picture of grief so infinitely sad.

Franklin saw, and as he gazed, eager, half advancing, indecision and irresolution dropped from him forever. Resolved from out the shadows, wherein it had never in his most intimate self-searching taken any actual form, he saw the image of that unformulated dream which had haunted his subconsciousness so long, and which was now to haunt him openly and forever.

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The morning after the first official ball in Ellisville dawned upon another world.

Ellisville, after the first ball, was by all the rules of the Plains admittedly a town. A sun had set, and a sun had arisen. It was another day.

To Edward Franklin the tawdry hotel parlor on the morning after the ball was no mere four-square habitation, but a chamber of the stars. Before him, radiant, was that which he had vaguely sought. This other half of himself, with feet running far to find the missing friend, had sought him out through all the years, through all the miles, through all the spheres! This was fate, and at this thought his heart glowed, his eyes shone, his very stature seemed to increase. He wist not of Nature and her ways of attraction. He only knew that here was that Other whose hand, pathetically sought, he had hitherto missed in the darkness of the foregone days. Now, thought he, it was all happily concluded, here in this brilliant chamber of delight, this irradiant abode, this noble hall bedecked with gems and silks and stars and all the warp and woof of his many, many days of dreams!

Mr. and Mrs. Buford had for the time excused themselves by reason of Mrs. Buford's weariness, and after the easy ways of that time and place the young people found themselves alone. Thus it was that Mary Ellen, with a temporary feeling of helplessness, found herself face to face with the very man whom she at that time cared least to see.

(To be continued.)

Tricks of the Types.

A friend met Whitelaw Reid, the veteran editor of the New York Tribune, the other day and said to him:

"I see you are on the advisory board of Mr. Pulitzer's new college of journalism at Columbia university. Do you expect to put an end to the typographical error?"

"The most we can hope to do," replied Mr. Reid, "is to mitigate its horrors. You can't abolish the typographical error any more than you can original sin. I remember when the prince of Wales visited this country of writing an editorial on the subject. I was young and ambitious, and thought I said some clever things. It began: 'The prince of Wales is making captivating speeches.' The next morning I picked up the paper to enjoy reading it in print. I turned to the editorial page, and this met my gaze: 'The price of Nails is making carpenters swear.'"—Philadelphia Post.

Couldn't Forget His Pet Theme.

Down in Virginia, says Thomas Nelson Page, there was an old darky preacher who had preached about infant baptism morning and night until his congregation couldn't stand it any longer. They told him to preach something else or they'd have to find some one who would. He promised, and the next Sunday announced his text, "Adam, where art thou?"

"Dis, bredern, can be divided into foub heads," began the dominie. "First, every man is somewhar. Secondly, most men am where they ain't got no bus'ness to be. Thirdly, you'd better look out or you'll be gittin' there you'self. Fo'thly, infant baptism. Now, bredern, I guess we might's well pass by the fust three heads and come immed't'ly to the fo'th, infant baptism."

Commercial Museums.

The Russian government will establish permanent commercial museums in Paris.

SINEWS OF WAR

Both Russia and Japan Buying Meat and Flour

SHIPMENT OF RUSH ORDERS

South Omaha, Kansas City and San Francisco Furnish Meat and Minneapolis the Flour—Japan's Demand

The Russian government is buying supplies in South Omaha for the use of its troops in the far east. The Cudahy Packing company has received a rush order through an agent of Russia, for 1,00,000 pounds of extra mess beef. This order is now being prepared at the Cudahy plant, and is practically ready for shipment.

When the shipment is made the beef will be packed in oak casks, bound with galvanized iron hoops. There will be 10,000 quarter barrels, 2,000 half barrels and 2,000 full barrels in the shipment.

The Russian government has just placed an order with Armour & Co., of Kansas City, for a million and a half pounds of mess meat for immediate shipment to San Francisco. The order calls for the delivery of the meat to San Francisco by January 22. The meat, it is said, is for the use of the Russian army, and its destination is said to be Port Arthur.

It appears that the order was received last week and already one-third of the quantity of meat has started west. The order came through the San Francisco branch of the packing house and is said to have been placed originally with a San Francisco commission firm.

Within the past eight business day Minneapolis mills have booked almost 100,000 barrels of flour for export to Japan. It is not unlikely more business will result. For some time Japan has been a heavy buyer of American flour. The millers are reticent about discussing the Japanese business, but admit that the orders are still coming and one large company alone is known to have booked close to 50,000 barrels within a day or two. The Japanese government has bought no flour direct.

Hajinte Ota, the Japanese commissioner to the Louisiana purchase exposition, accompanied by a party of artists and artisans, arrived at Seattle, Wash., on their way to St. Louis.

Japan will insist on her demand that the integrity of China be preserved and that Korea must remain an independent kingdom and will refuse to compromise with Russia on the basis of Russian supremacy in Manchuria and Japanese control in Korea, according to Mr. Ota. He says that such is the Japanese position and that Japan feels that she has the moral support of all the other nations of the earth. He says that the Japanese government can be depended upon to maintain its conservative attitude, despite the popular clamor for war, until hostilities are forced.

EPIDEMIC OF PNEUMONIA

Alarming Condition Now Experienced in Chicago and Vicinity

With pneumonia establishing a new death record in Chicago and the county hospital so crowded that patients are sleeping on mattresses on the floor and less serious cases being turned away, a serious problem confronts the Chicago health authorities.

The many varieties of weather from which the city has suffered during the last week, is blamed for not only the many pneumonia deaths, but for the crowding of the hospitals in another way. Within the past few weeks an unusual number of persons, injured by falls on icy sidewalks, have been taken to the county institution and though a new emergency ward has been opened, all can not be cared for properly.

Last week's alarming increase in deaths from pneumonia is made the subject of the latest health bulletin. During the seven days ending Sunday pneumonia claimed 139 victims in Chicago or 27 per cent of the total mortality rate.

Kearney Will Do Its Part

"The Kearney normal school will be completed before next fall," said A. O. Thomas of Kearney, a member of the state examining board of teachers. "A mistaken impression has gone out that the citizens of Kearney were endeavoring to evade repairing and remodeling the Green Terrace flats given to the new school. This is unjust and not true. Kearney stands ready and willing to do as she agreed and will carry out all her promises. No objection was made to the plans prepared by the state board of education for remodeling the building. Kearney merely had other plans drawn and submitted them for comparison with the board's plans, being willing to abide by any decision the board might make. The contemplated repairs will cost $5,000 or $6,000 and our citizens are ready to pay for them when required."

A Smart Lincoln Firm

One Lincoln firm purchased 650 special delivery stamps to insure the prompt delivery of the Christmas packages sent out by them. This broke the records of the Lincoln office in the postal department for the year. As one of these stamps is used on one package, it meant that the store sent out 650 packages, and as each stamp cost 10 cents, the firm was compelled to pay $65 to get the bundles safely and properly delivered.

No Union Depot for Kansas City

It was said by very high railroad authority that no new union passenger station would be built by the present Union Depot company at Kansas City. The same official said that the commission of engineers appointed to recommend a site had finished its report, and that while the report was an exhaustive one, the members of the commission had failed to agree upon a site. This report will be received by the directors of the Union Depot at the meeting to be held in Kansas City next month.

COLOMBIA PACKING UP

The Legation At Washington Collecting Personal Effects

Although Secretary Hay has not replied to the note of General Reyes, preparations are rapidly going on for the closing of the Colombian legation at Washington, and the departure of Colombia's representatives for home. It is clear that they do not entertain much hope of a favorable reply by this government. Already most of the legation files have been packed and arrangements completed for placing them in storage. General Reyes for several days has denied himself to callers. It is believed that while the reply of Mr. Hay has not been made, sufficient information has been obtained by the Colombian representatives in the interviews they have had with the secretary to enable them to forecast its conclusions. The preparations going on for the closing up of the affairs of the legation would seem to indicate that General Reyes and Dr. Herran are awaiting only as a matter of form and diplomatic courtesy the official communication of Mr. Hay setting forth the reasons why the government can not accept their view of the Panama situation, before severing diplomatic relations with the United States.

Of Interest to County Officials

All fees must be duly accounted for and officials are responsible for sums due the county whether collected or not. So decided Judge Cornish in the district court in the cast of Lancaster country against C. O. Boetcher, formerly district clerk. Mr. Boetcher must pay to the county the sum of $2,505 with interest since his term of office expired. Judge Cornish declared his opinion was founded on Nebraska decisions in which the principle had been upheld that officials are responsible for all the fees due the office whether collected or not. In other words if a county officer extended credit in the matter of fees he did it at his own risk.

Secretary Hay Seriously Ill

The condition of Secretary Hay remains unchanged. Contrary to the expectation of his physician the secretary's bronchial trouble has not yielded readily to treatment and Mr. Hay probably will leave Washington early in January for Thomasville, Ga., for a visit to Colonel Oliver Payne. The mild climate there has helped the secretary before and it is hoped may again prove an effective cure. Unless a decided and unexpected change for the better in Mr. Hay's condition occurs within the next few days, Mr. Loomis will officiate at the breakfast on New Year's day to the diplomatic corps at the residence of the secretary and Mrs. Hay. Mr. Loomis will also be present at the president's reception in the same capacity.

Want Aid From Congress

Representative citizens from towns along the Missouri river between Omaha and 500 miles north met and adopted resolutions urging congress to take steps to protect the banks of the stream to prevent further encroachment. Resolutions were adopted and a committee appointed to present them to the senate and house of representatives. Among the members are: D. W. Morgan, mayor, and Victor E. Bender, Council Bluffs; T. S. Shull, Sioux City; W. A. Smith, California Junction; J. E. Dewell, Missouri Valley; Charles E. Deland, Pierre; H. F. Kellner, North Platte, Neb.; Frank Castetter, Blair, Neb.; A. M. Munn, Nebraska City; C. W. Dean, Glenwood, Ia. H. T. Clark of Omaha is president.

Want United States to Intercede

With the view of enlisting the immediate and active interest o the United States against the reported contemplated massacre of Jews in Russia on January 7, the Russian new year, Simon Wolf, a member of the executive council of the B'Nai B'Rith, and representing the united Jewish societies, will lay before the state department an urgent appeal in behalf of his people represented to him to be thus threatened. Following his visit to the department, Mr. Wolf will be received by President Roosevelt, at which time the whole subject of the status of the Jews in Russia will be discussed.

Dietrich Trial Next Week

The members of the new federal petit jury at Omaha called for the present session of the district court, have reported to Judge Munger. The important trials to come up as a result of the recent work of the grand jury, however, will not begun until January 4, at which time Senator Dietrich will be tried on an indictment charging conspiracy against the government. Judge Munger on his own motion has transferred the Dietrich case to the circuit court, which will bring one of four circuit judges into the case to sit for him. These judges are Sanborn of St. Paul, Thayer of St. Louis, and Hook of Topeka. In the ordinary course of affairs Judge Thayer will be the member selected. His experience in trial practice, and as a trial judge has been extensive, especially in this class of cases.

An Immense Cigar Tax

In view of the fact that many thousands of people in all parts of the country are interested in the guessing contest as to the number of cigars tax paid in November the internal revenue bureau asks that public announcement be made of the number of cigars tax paid at $3 per thousand during November, 1903. The number is officially stated to have been 578,157,470.

More Trouble in San Domingo

It is rumored that the greater part of the republic of San Domingo now under arms is in favor of General Jiminez, former president, who is said to be marching on the capital at the head of a large body of insurgents. The provisional government is making active preparations for defense.

Big Fire at Memphis

Fire in the large department store of B. Lowenstein & Bros., on Main street, between Jefferson and Court, Memphis, caused damage approximated at $150,000, fully insured.

WAS GIFT FROM WASHINGTON.

Rockland, Maine, Man Owns Satchel of Much Interest.

John L. Donohue, an antiquarian of Rockland, Maine, is exhibiting to his friends a historical object of much interest in the form of the portmanteau presented to Gen. Knox of Thomaston by George Washington, whose secretary of war he was. It is a commodious handsewed leather satchel, about eighteen inches long, twelve inches wide and six inches deep, with lining of linen, and fitted interiorly with a double cover, which is fastened by a leather strap running through six brass staples, the outside covering fastening with straps through buckles. In this, Gen. Knox was wont to carry part of the pay of the Continental army on his journeys to headquarters. It was made in 1775 and was one of the most highly prized treasures of Gen. Knox for the many associations connected with the gift and the giver. The portmanteau was, after the death of Gen. Knox, in the possession of the family of Seth Gerry, a close friend of Gen. Knox, who also lived in Thomaston, and who purchased the Knox mansion at Montpelier.

Pocket Piece Saves Man.

A raven, omen of ill luck, stamped on a small disc of aluminium saved the life of Clerk William J. Weber of the Chicago avenue police station.

A bullet from a revolver which he held in his hand was stopped in its passage by the bit of aluminium in his watch pocket. The head of the raven was cut from the pocket piece, but the bullet plugged the hole with lead and made the piece all the more valuable to its owner. "I was cleaning my revolver at my house," said Webster. "It was pointed toward me when discharged."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

Equine's Spectacles.

Glasses are now used to protect horses' eyes.

Irish Harvest Laborers.

Some interesting returns have been published by the department of agriculture for Ireland on the subject of the annual migrations of the Irish harvest laborers. The yearly influx into England and Scotland, which has been going on in much the same way for at least a couple of centuries, is now not nearly so great as it was in the days of overpopulation in Ireland before the famine, but this year there were still nearly 18,000 Irishmen who adopted the old means of lining their pockets against the winter. More than three-quarters of them were from the province of Connaught, the rest being Ulster men, and more than half of them were from County Mayo.

Diamond Mines of the World.

It is estimated that about 28,000 people are employed in the demand mines throughout the world. In past centuries 60,000 people were working in some single Indian mines at one time, and perhaps that statement is not exaggerated, since with modern machinery one miner can now accomplish as much as twenty who used the primitive methods. The total value of all the diamonds in the world undoubtedly exceeds $1,000,000,000.

Glory in Defeat.

"Is your father a politician?"

"No. He's a statesman. He didn't get elected."

Curious Freak of Nature.

A curious freak of nature was exhibited recently by W. P. Harmon of Warren, Vt. It is a large apple, reddish-yellow in color, with the exception of a quarter section about an inch and one-half in width which is a vivid crimson. The apple was the only one grown on the tree and is quite a curiosity.

VESSEL WENT DOWN,

Pilot Boat Was Wrecked by a California Gray Whale.

The wreck of the pilot boat Bonita, on the night of July 20, off San Francisco Bay, was an incident, if not unparalleled in maritime annals sufficiently rare to make it worthy of record. The Bonita was one of the finest of her class, and since 1892 has been stationed off the Golden Gate, intercepting vessels bound for that difficult and fog-infected harbor.

On the night of the wreck the officers and crew, with the exception of the man at the wheel, were just at supper. The fog was so dense that objects a cable length away were invisible. Suddenly a shock of sufficient violence to knock the men off their seats was felt throughout the ship. Supposing that a collision had occurred, the crew rushed to the deck, but no other vessel was in sight. Sounding the pumps it was discovered that the Bonita was sinking, and at the same time one of those enormous gray whales loomed up on the side of the craft and disclosed the cause of the accident. The Bonita remained afloat long enough to allow the crew time to secure their effects and launch their boats. They were subsequently picked up by incoming vessels. The wreck occurred about six miles southeast of the Farallones, and now lies in six fathoms depth of water. She may be raised, though the operation will be difficult on account of the strong currents at this point. The California gray whale is the largest of the species, and is seen on the California coast from November until May. Its favorite haunt seems to be at the entrance of San Francisco bay, where it is observed often in large numbers. One caught in this vicinity forty years ago measured ninety-seven feet in length. Their weight is prodigious. Their scientific designation is Bibbaldius sulfureus. The Bonita was built in 1892 and was of seventy-five tons register. Her dimensions were eighty-eight feet over all, twenty-three feet breadth, and 13.8 depth. Her crew numbered five. Four pilots were aboard when the wreck occurred.

WAFTING TO EARTH.

Little Danger and Much Pleasure in a Parachute Drop.

"Coming down from the clouds in a parachute is like a dream," said a circus baloon artist. "Ever dream of falling from a high place? You come down slight quisity and awake, and you're not hurt. Well, that's the parachute drop over again. No, there is no danger. A parachute can be guided readily on the down trip, but you can't steer a balloon. To guide a parachute out of harm's way a practiced hand can tilt it one way or the other, spill out air, and thus work it to where you want to land, or to avoid water, trees, chimneys or church spires. Circus ascensions are generally made in the evening. When the sun goes down the wind goes down. The balloon lifted shoots into the air and the parachute drops back on the circus lot, or not far away. A balloon is made of four-cent muslin, and weighs about 500 pounds. A parachute is made of eight-cent muslin. The rope that secures the parachute is cut with a knife. The aeronaut drops fully 100 feet before the parachute begins to fill. It must fill, if you're up high enough. There are several hundred parachute men in the business and the accidents are less in ratio than railroad casualties. Our business is never at that. After a while the ratio will be less. A man can't shake out a parachute if it doesn't open. A man in the air is simply powerless. Invariably the fall is head first. When the parachute begins to fill the descent is less rapid, and finally, when the parachute has finally filled, it bulges out with a pop. Then the aeronaut climbs on to his trapeze and guides the parachute to a safe landing. In seven cases out of ten you can land back on the lot where you started from."

IF UNWELL,

Try a 50c bottle of Herbine, notice the improvement speedily effected in your appetite, energy, strength and vigor. Watch how it brightens the spirits, gives freedom from indigestion and debility! Isaac Story, Ava, Mo., writes, Sept. 10th, 1900: "I was in bad health, I had stomach trouble for 12 months also dumb chills. Dr. J. W. Mory prescribed Herbine, it cured me in two weeks. I cannot recommend it too highly, it will do all you claim for it." Sold by F. M. Colwell.

Must Have Been Executed.

Sir Barrington Beaumont's memoirs, recently published, tell the following: "I recollect a discussion between a Scotch lord and Lady Clermont as to the merits of the other side of the border. 'How is it,' said she, 'that the Scots who leave Scotland are usually men of more ability than those who remain at home?' 'Ah, madam,' he responded, with an effort at pernihaps, 'the reason is obvious. At every outlet there are persons stationed to examine all who pass, that, for the honor of the country, no one be permitted to leave it who is not a man of understanding.' 'I suppose, then,' murmured George Selwyn to me, 'his lordship must have been smuggled.'"

I am now prepared to do accordian pleating from 1 to 30 inches wide.

Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

Y WIDOWS.

Emblems of Mourning Could Not Subdue Their High Spirits.

It is probable that the Chinese, with their hideous funeral rites, which seem most heathenish to us, would regard our custom of showing love and respect to our dead as being equally absurd. And when we look the matter straight in the face, is it not true that the great majority of American mourners by their unseemly conduct convert their sorrows into satires? An observing woman says:

"Last spring, during the annual visit of the circus in Madison Square Garden, I saw three young widows enter the front of the building. They were gowned in the most correct mourning. They had a box in the middle of one side of the Garden, and as they were a little late they stepped down into the tanbark ring and started around the arena. They had taken only a few steps, when the signal was given by the band for the procession—'the great hippodrome display'—to enter at the opposite end of the Garden on its way around the arena. The elephants, with their red and gilt keepers, appeared. The people cheered wildly, the band blared, the widows simultaneously threw back their heads like excited thoroughbreds, snatched up their swirling skirts and ran, screaming with the delight of children and kicking up a perfect cloud of tanbark with their French heels.

"It was quite evident they had forgotten everything except the huge gray elephants that were tramping steadily behind them. In their eagerness to get out of the way their long black, fluttering veils were unheeded.

"I was thankful that their husbands could not see them."—New York Tribune.

BEAT ESCALATOR HANDS DOWN.

Young Man with a "Package" Outran Moving Stairs.

On the "uptown" side of the elevated station at 23d street and 6th avenue, and on the south side of 23d street, there is a moving stairway, which by a tedious process conveys the tired shoppers from the street to the station above.

Passengers from down town getting off at 23d street often forget about the stairway and walk to the south side of the station, only to find that the steps move only one way. They then walk over to the other side and down the fixed steps to the street.

This was not the case with a young man who made the wrong turn the other day. He had taken perhaps one drink too many, and was being looked after by two of his friends. Discovering the mistake, the friends tried to pilot him over to the other side, but the young man, with a contemptuous look at the creeping steps, remarked, "I always did hate to be carried, and that thing, and breaking away from his friends, says the New York Mail and Express, he bounded down two steps at a time and won the race hands down.

Three Generations of Masons.

There has just occurred at Black River, Jefferson county, N. Y., one of the most remarkable incidents in the history of Free Masonry, when Daniel H. Scott, his son, Byron N., and his grandson, Harry, were initiated into the mysteries of the craft on the same night. This occurred on the evening of January 24. Daniel H. Scott, the grandfather, was born in Black River in 1820 and has lived in this vicinity all his life. He enlisted in the Thirty-fifth New York Heavy Artillery in 1861 and was honorably discharged in 1862, having lost part of his hand. Byron N. Scott, his son, was born in 1851, and Harry Waite Scott, his grandson, was born in 1880.

SAVED FROM TERRIBLE DEATH.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful, physicians and every remedy used, failed. while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption turn'd despair into joy. The first bottle bro't immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed. Bottles 50c and $1. Trial bottles free at Colwell's drug store.

An International Seance.

In a police court in Manila not long ago there appeared a white American, an American negro, a Spaniard, a Filipino and a Chinaman. The five stood up before the judge in a row and the combination looked like a congress of nations. The American accused the Philipino of stealing his trunk, which contained $75. The negro and Spaniard were there to testify that the trunk had been stolen, while the Chinaman was a rank outsider, who was there for beating a caribou and stood up with the bunch thinking it was his case. The judge carried the case over to give the Filipino a chance to summon an East Indian and a Japanese for witnesses.

Jennie Stitzer, Omaha—"I have gained thirty-five pounds in two months. Nothing did me any good until I used Hollister's Rocky Mountain." A blessing to sickly woman. F. M. Colwell.

TO AVOID DROWNING.

It Is a Safe Rule to Turn Upon the Back.

A correspondent of the Jacksonville Metropolis says: A guest at my summer place, a few miles from Pablo, while bathing, was carried out to sea, and when almost out of sight, and all hope had fled, to our surprise we suddenly saw his body impelled forcibly toward us. Then we saw it recede a few feet, and then again, as it were, shoot twenty feet toward the shore. This continued until my son and myself at last able to reach him, bore him insensible to the beach. After recovery his story was that after losing all hope, guided by some mysterious impulse, he had turned upon his back, when he felt himself carried rapidly forward. He had been turned over upon his face to get his bearings, when he was carried out further from the land, and on again placing himself upon his back. The surface waves brought him rapidly to the shore, a rescued man. It is an error that the drowning man is attacked by cramp except in very cold weather. He drowns from heart failure, induced by the violent exertion and the upward pressure of the water upon the abdomen diminishing the space and impeding the action of the heart. By turning over on the back this pressure is removed, the back being almost entirely a strong wall of bone and muscle. Also when on the back, the entire body is nearer the surface and the surface waves tend toward the shore, the under-current out to sea, even the logs, when upon the back, being less exposed to the current that tends toward the sea. By floating gently upon the back the heart, relieved of its pressure, becomes calm and quiet, and the swimmer can regain his strength and float for hours. The bather, whose heart is weak should always present, when standing erect, the right side of the body to the waves, and thus avoid the Sullivan-like blows of the incoming waves upon a crippled heart. In every bathhouse should be posted the injunction: "In case of exhaustion or accident turn upon the back."

A POLYGLOT BOY.

A Prodigy in Modern Languages at an English School.

A prodigy in modern languages is to be found at Enfield Grammar school—a boy who can speak Russian, German, Italian, Greek and a little Armenian. He is the son of murdered Cretans, and at the age of 11 possessed a certificate of proficiency from the Italian admiral at Canea court interpreter and from the Seaforth Highlanders as general interpreter. It was while cruising in the Grecian archipelago during the present year that Sir Thomas Lipton was brought in contact with the lad, whose name is Stello Argyiri. He was but 14 years of age, his parents having been murdered during the sanguinary days of the insurrection in Crete. There was nothing abnormal about the boy except his marvelous mastery of languages. Buffeted about, living as best he could, he had mixed with men of many races, and when just on the verge of his teens he had managed to pick up more than a smattering of German, French, Greek, Italian and Russian, in addition to a tolerable acquaintance with Armenian. The presence of the allied forces in Crete accounted principally for this development of linguistic ability, and it was not long before the leaders of the occupying force realized that young Argyiri might be of service to them. Accordingly, the Italian admiral first utilized him as interpreter on board his vessel, and subsequently he was employed in a similar capacity with the Seaforth Highlanders, a detachment of whom formed part of the British force. Eventually Sir Thomas resolved to adopt him. He was brought over to this country by Sir Thomas and placed under the tutelage of the masters of Enfield Grammar school, where he has been since the latter end of April. At present Agyiri is enjoying a cruise in the Mediterranean with Sir Thomas Lipton.—London Globe.

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Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first rising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm which produces a cough, and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung troubles." Price 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

Cycling in the Mountains.

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DIFFICULT DIVING.

SOME GROTESQUE FEATS OF THE SWEDISH YOUTHS.

A Combination Somersault Done by Two Men from a Springboard—Daring and Scientific Forms in a Graceful Art—Imitating Birds.

The Swedes delight in "combination diving," and two men will perform many clever feats together. One of the most grotesque of these, says a writer in Pearson's Magazine, is shown when one man stands upright on the springboard and tightly clasps another man's body around the waist, holding him head downward, and puts his own head through the other man's legs. When the upright man springs from the board he throws his legs into the air, so that the two men, each clasping the other tightly around the waist, turn a somersault, and when they reach the water the man who started upside down arrives feet foremost. The handspring dive is an effective specialty of Swedish swimmers. The performer takes off from the diving board with hands instead of feet, turning his body in order to descend feet foremost or somersaulting to arrive head foremost. Very graceful also is the back spring dive, in which the spring is made backward, the body turning toward the springboard. Double somersault dives are made from platforms thirty or fifty feet high, the diver making two turns in the air and entering the water feet foremost. Another trick Swedes the graceful art of diving in its most daring and scientific forms is cultivated to a degree that no other nation can equal. The Swedish boys and girls are taught when young to overcome their natural instinct of fear when entering the water and to practice all manner of difficult feats, and the result is that, as among the primitive races, such as the Hawaiians, whose wonderful diving holds the man who cannot swim in bonds-less awe and admiration, there are few who can attain such a standard of the art as may be found throughout Sweden. To a Swede diving means not only plunging into the water head foremost, but also springing backward, turning somersaults and "swan" diving from twenty, thirty or forty feet. Swan diving is peculiar to Sweden. It is the poetry of motion, the supreme glory of the art. With a standing spring, or with a brief run, the body is launched into the air. At the same moment the head is flung far back, the back is hollowed sharply, the legs are straightened and brought together. The arms are flung out in a line with the shoulders, like the wings of a bird flying. In this position the body sweeps through the air and down for a few feet of the water, when the arms are swung together until the hands touch, so that the body strikes the water like a falling arrow, at the correct angle, with hardly a splash. There is no more fascinating dive to watch than this swan dive of the Swedes. One after the other, in follow-my-leader style, the Swedes take their places of the diving places and throw themselves into the air, the impetus gained from the running spring sending the body twenty or thirty feet forward, to drop through the air for all the world as though it were flying. In Sweden it is not uncommon to see a party of boys flying through the air together performing the swallow dive. All day long they entertain themselves practicing these fancy forms of diving, performing tricks and somersaults that would astonish the most expert gymnast. The women become as fearless as the men in the backward and forward somersault dive from comparatively great heights, and are even more graceful in their movements.—New York Press.

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Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

The distillers are getting desperate and sending out the most tempting offers possible, not only to every express agent, but even to ministers of the gospel and to women. Their plan is to strike two telling blows in one. 1—To undermine and annihilate prohibition everywhere, by taking full and open advantage of the interstate commerce loop-hole in all state and local prohibition law—a loop-hole which only the Hepburn bill can close.

2—To publish to all comers and press home upon the people with amazingly boastful emphasis the fact that the United States government protects them; directly supervises the manufacture of their products and officially guarantees the "purity" and "reliability" of every gallon that comes from the still, and is received in the bonded warehouse." They offer great commission, fine premiums, and every inducement known, to their agents.

How long will a Christian people, you and you and you, permit such temptations to be haunted continually in the eyes of our young people, "Willing to do all you can"? Sit down now and plead with our congressmen to do all in their power to help the passage of that Hepburn bill.

This is the message that comes from Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts and from the leaders of our W. C. T. U. everywhere.

W. C. T. U.

For the first time in its history, France swings into line with the other countries which are nationally organized for temperance work. It calls upon the clergy of the various religious confessions to throw their great moral authority in favor of the struggle against alcoholism; asks them to introduce anti-alcoholic sections into their various organizations, and to use their influence for the introduction of temperance teaching in all educational institutions where their influence may avail.

The Union Signal of Dec. 17th, says "The man who had cut loose from the habit of drinking, would find his task of reform made easy, freed from the temptation of seductive treats by the boys." It would, above all, make every man responsible for his own self-indulgence, and would go much to clear away the cloud of mawkish sentimentality, that from the days of the worship of Bacchus as the deity of conviviality, has obscured the loathsomeness and vileness of the custom of drinking.

Now comes a coroner's jury in New York with the announcement that a man of so-called extremely temperate habits, has died of refined alcoholism. He had never been intoxicated in his life, and his only indulgence in liquor consisted in a moderate drink of whiskey in the morning and another before he retired at night. This habit, he had pursued for thirty years, and it was thought impossible, by those who had known him, that his death could have been due to alcoholism. Nevertheless, it was demonstrated, by the autopsy, that the man had been suffering from chronic meningitis, softening of the brain and other maladies attributable to whiskey, hence the coroner's verdict was that the gentleman's death had been due to refined alcoholism. The Chicago Tribune, commenting on this, says "this should be a warning to the many who take a drink or two every day, of whiskey or some alcoholic beverage, as it may be no more than reasonable to suppose that the maladies to which they fall victims, are often aggravated by, if not primarily due to the drink."

(Continued next week.)

WONDERFUL NERVE

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Indian Population Growing.

According to late authorities it is a mistake to suppose that the Indian population of the United States is decreasing. It is declared to be slowly growing now that tribal wars are at an end and the red man has learned not to get into trouble with Uncle Sam. Poor Lo is becoming a self-supporting agriculturist.

Just Like the Author.

Cardinal Manning, upon going to his publishers for a copy of his book entitled "Confidence in God," was told that he would have to wait to hear from the stockroom, and in a few minutes heard a loud voice bellowed from an upper floor: "Manning's 'Confidence in God' is all gone!"

God's Presence.

Try to realize God's presence; the realizing it ever so little has a wonderfully soothing influence on the heart. Say secretly: "The Lord is in His holy temple (the temple of the inner man); keep silence, O my heart, before Him." The mind wants steadying many times a day.—E. M. Goulburn.

Sarah Bernhardt's $2,000 Bed.

Mme. Sarah Bernhardt's bed in her Paris home, cost her before it was finished the sum of $2,000. The curtains are of the finest damask, the sheets are silk, the bedstead is a most elaborate piece of furniture and two little gold cupids are poisoned directly over the sleeper's head.

Emperor of China's Disease.

The disease from which the emperor of China is suffering is now said to be cancer of the throat; such, at any rate, is the diagnosis of Dr. Bachmann of Shanghai; Dr. Dethere, a French medical man, and Dr. Sheng Lian Feng, the official native physician.

Mrs. Stephen Girard's Grave.

The site of the grave of Mary Girard, wife of Stephen Girard, which has been discovered through the tearing away of a wing of the Pennsylvania hospital in Philadelphia, will be marked with a suitable tablet by the board of city trusts.

Alabama Without Governor's Mansion.

Though Alabama has a fine old capitol, set on a hill and rich in historical associations, she has no governor's mansion. The state has begun to consider the advisability of remedying this condition of affairs.

Sanitary Treatment for Courtrooms.

A sanitary testament for the use of court rooms has been put on the market. It is bound with white oilcloth instead of leather, and it can, therefore, be washed and disinfected from time to time.

Machinery of the United States.

The machinery of the United States is doing the work of 1,000,000,000 men. Today one man and two boys can spin as much cotton as 1,100 spinners could have done 100 years ago.

A Gentle Echo Ponut.

Bank not upon appearances; you cow, with plaidd look, is right now yearning in her heart for something she can book.—Indianapolis Journal.

Colonel Marchand's Odd Landlord.

Col. Marchand before leaving Paris had a remarkable landlord. He hired a flat near the war office for one year at a rental of $640. The landlord steadfastly refused to take a penny of the money due him, stating that he was recompensed sufficiently by the honor of furnishing a house to so distinguished a man. Col. Marchand, before he went to China, gave orders that the sum refused by the landlord should be distributed among the poor.

Alfred Beit's Millions.

Rumor has it that no man who ever lived amassed millions so rapidly as Alfred Beit, who is reputed to be the wealthiest man in the world, with a fortune of $200,000,000 and an income sufficient to make ten new millionaires every year. The whole of this colossal fortune has been made since the beginning of the century. Mr. Beit, who owes his millions to Kimberley and Johannesburg, is a man of 46.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Latitude and Longitude.

Latitude on the earth is the distance of any place in a direct line north or south from the equator measured in degrees, minutes and seconds. If it is in the northern hemisphere it is said to be north latitude, and if in the southern south latitude. Longitude is the angular distance east or west of any place on the earth's surface from a certain fixed point or meridian.

Changes in University Faculty.

As the views of the faculty of the University of Bonn, as at present constituted, are too liberal for the training of a crown prince of Germany, who will enter the university the coming winter, the dictum has gone forth that the faculty must be reconstructed to meet the views of the emperor, and already two new professors have been called to that end.

American Machinery in Egypt.

American machinery will hereafter handle the coal and iron received and shipped in the harbor of Alexandria, Egypt, with a reduction in the cost per ton from $1.50 to 50 cents or less. An expert was sent to this country to study the problem, and the result is the construction of an elevated tramway on the American plan.

The Centenary of Heine.

The celebration of the centenary of Heine, which was announced as an imposing literary ceremony, was melancholy enough. A dozen or so of journalists, chiefly German and English, met in the Montmartre cemetery in bitterly cold weather. The poet's tomb was sparsely decorated with flowers. A few visiting cards were planted in the wreaths, and after a little subdued conversation the company separated.

Dutch Colony in England.

Strange as it may seem, there is in England itself a compact Dutch colony 200 strong. Two years since those men were imported from Holland in connection with the peat industry at Thorne, in the West Riding. At first their arrival gave rise to some trouble, and extra police were necessitated, but they have since become naturalized, and now live on quite amicable terms with their English neighbors.

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Nebraska Notes.

The merchants generally over the state report a good and satisfactory holiday trade.

There are spelling contests everywhere in Nebraska now, and they are getting hotter every week.

The county assessors are not going to stop because there is a motion for a rehearing in the revenue decision.

The term of Postmaster Crow of Omaha expired two weeks ago, and he is still doing business at the old stand.

The fine new bell for the Methodist church at Bennet was mounted in time to ring out the old and ring in the new year.

Growers of sweet corn for the Hastings factory will get $5 a ton for their product at the new factory, to be built next year.

"Oh, John, John, my little boy is playing with your mowing machine!" "He won't hurt it, ma'am! Don't you worry!"

While attempting to cross a freight train which was blockading a crossing at Grand Island, Fred Bernstein had three toes quite badly mashed.

The management of the Valley county fair association has met and already arranged the premium list for the ensuing year.

A Nebraska paper thinks that a boy who is kept off the streets after 10 o'clock till he is eighteen years old will be all right. And it might add that a whole lot of boys over eighteen years should be subjected to the same salutary doctrine.

Dr. W. A. Clark, of Peru, has been called to Princeton, N. J., to take part in a discussion at a meeting of the American philosophical society, of which he is a member. Dr. Josiah Royce of Harvard university, is president of the society.

The Commercial club of Fremont has issued through its secretary an exhaustive treatise on the roads contiguous to Fremont. The document contains valuable information for the intelligent improvement of the highways in the neighborhood.

A leading Fremont firm drew an invidious or some other kind of a distinction between its employes in distributing its Christmas largesse. The single men were each given a box of cigars while the married men had to be content with a big turkey apiece.

There seems to be no cessation in the building of telephone lines. North Loup has granted a franchise to the Valley County Telephone company, giving them permission to erect poles and maintain a general telephone system in the village of North Loup.

Ten new traveling libraries will be installed by the state library commission, the books for the libraries having been received by Miss Edna Bullock, the secretary of the commission. This will give the commission over seventy traveling libraries to control. The citizens of Gordon, Neb., have given $40 to the commission and request that Gordon be made a permanent station for the circulating libraries.

More than half a million trout are being hatched at the South Bend hatcheries this winter. Superintendent O'Brien was in the city Thursday to confer with the fish and game commission in regard to the spring "plants," which will be made beginning March 1. Last season's planting was finished December 1, and during the year several million of trout, black bass and other game fish were introduced in the waterways of the state. The new trout will begin hatching on February 1, but will not be removed from the hatchery until late in the summer. The state hatchery has received several consignments of young fish from the government during the last three months, and another big contribution will be made early in the spring.

The Standard company has made 8 million pounds of sugar this season and 8 millions pounds is some sugar. At 40 thousand pounds to the car it makes 200 carloads, or a string nearly a mile and a half in length. Yet the vast quantity of granulated sweetness is only about one-tenth the quantity consumed in Nebraska in a year. In other words, it would require nine more factories of the same output to supply the home demand.

Civil service examinations will be held at Grand Island, Lincoln and Beatrice on January 27 and 28 to secure eligibles from which to fill vacancies in the position of physician in the Philippine service at salaries ranging from $1,200 to $1,800 a year. Appointment will be limited to those between 20 and 40 years of age, and who have had at least one year's experience in hospital work or in the Philippines as assistant surgeon in the United States army. It is provided that appointees must pay their traveling expenses to Manila, but if necessary this expense can be borne by the Philippine government and 10 per cent a month deducted from his salary until the amount is made up. If he serves at least two years the total amount will be made up to him at the end of the period. Half salary is allowed him from the date of his embarkation until he reaches Manila, when his full pay begins.

A Fremont woman was scanning the marriage column of a newspaper and remarked to her husband: "Here is a strange coincidence—A Wm. Strange married a Martha Strange." "Strange indeed," replied her husband, "but I expect the news will be a little stranger."

Land Commissioner Follmer and Deputy Eaton have completed the reappraisement of the school lands of the state and it is expected that the entire re-appraisement will be finished on or before January 15. Thirty-five counties have been re-appraised and five are yet to be heard from.

STRICT NEUTRALITY

This Will be Enforced Toward Russia and Japan

UNCLE SAM FRIEND OF BOTH

Will Show No Discrimination Whatever Between Parties in Case of Hostilities—"Will be War" Says Ota.

Naval officers are somewhat embarrassed as to the best disposition to be made of United States warships on the Asiatic station in view of the imminence of war between Russia and Japan. The policy of the administration is to observe the strictest neutrality and to keep hands off except in the single contingency of infringements upon American treaty rights. When Admiral Evans' fleet was ordered back to its station from Honolulu it was arranged that the cruiser squadron should stop at Midway island, where there is a cable station, to receive any instructions the department might desire to send. These instructions were simply for Admiral Evans' fleet to await instructions at Guam.

It is expected that Admiral Evans will reach Guam in a few days and report his arrival to the department. Inquiry at the navigation bureau developed the fact that up to the present time the admiral has received no special instructions for his guidance in the event of hostilities in the far east. It is now the purpose of the department to cable to the admiral a special set of instructions to meet the present conditions in the east, and those instructions will be delivered to him at Guam according to the present program. It is stated at the department that they will show no discrimination whatever as between the parties to any possible hostilities, but the admiral will be expected to so dispose his force as to maintain the appearance of strict neutrality as between the belligerents.

"War between Russia and Japan is inevitable. Whether now or later, it is bound to come, and if it does come it is my earnest belief that Japan, unaided will whip her enemy," said Hajime Ota, imperial commissioner from Japan to the world's fair, soon after his arrival in St. Louis. Ota left Japan a month ago.

TWENTY PERSONS KILLED

Head-On Wreck on Rock Island 14 Miles West of Topeka, Kas.

TEL——ONE——N . . . .

The Rock Island, California & Mexico express, which left Chicago at 11:30 p. m. for the west, collided head-on at Willard, Kas., fourteen miles west of Topeka, with a cattle train. Twenty persons were killed and nearly every person on the train injured. A relief train left Topeka for the scene of the wreck, returning to that city with the dead and wounded.

The train, which left Kansas City at 10 o'clock, was twenty minutes late, and at the time of the accident was running at the rate of thirty miles an hour.

The train carried many persons from Oklahoma who had taken advantage of the homesteaders' excursion rates. It also contined through sleepers and chair cars for San Francisco and Los Angeles.

The wreck was one of the most serious that has happened on the Rock Island system in years. Between Kansas City and Topeka the Rock Island uses the tracks of the Union Pacific.

Rented Before He Was Senator

When the indictment charging Senator Charles H. Dietrich with alleged bribery in connection with the Hastings, Neb., postoffice appointment is called the defense will refuse to admit that Dietrich had become a United States Senator when the alleged transactions took place. The charge is made in the indictment that Senator Dietrich negotiated with Fisher as early as January of the year in which the legislature elected Dietrich to the position of senator. General Cowin, who represents Senator Dietrich, contends that there could be no violation in the building lease charge, basing his contention on the same ground as in the bribery charge. This question probably will be the first to be adjudicated when court convenes.

Failed to Incite Revolution

During the absence from Port au Prince, Hayti, of President Nord, who went to Gonaives to take part in the celebration of the centenniary of the independence of Hayti, General Monplaiser attempt to raise a revolt against the president, but the movement failed. The general's son and an accomplice were killed. Numerous arrests were made.

Russians' and Japs' Heads Together

It is believed at Tokio that the Russian response has been handed to the government, but the secret of its delivery has been jealously guarded and the nature of the reply remains undisclosed. Minister of Foreign Affairs Komura called upon Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister to Japan, with whom he remained an hour and later he visited Premier Katsura, when an extended conference was held. There is every indication now that further negotiations will take place, although it is expected Japan will refuse to transfer the discussion of affairs to St. Petersburg if this is proposed.

Turks Not Living Up to Pledge

The Bulgarian government has sent a note to the porte, complaining of the non-fulfillment of its promises concerning reforms in Macedonia. Bulgaria urgently requests the porte immediately to take the necessary measures to end a condition of affairs which is so prejudicial to the interests of both countries and points out that the application of the proposed reforms should be easy, owing to the fact that the revolutionists are not hampering the government at present by any interference.

NEW FIRE ORDINANCE

Details of Conditions to be Met Before Chicago Theatres Are Opened

Radical changes in the direction of public safety in theaters will be required under the Chicago ordinance now being drafted by the city council special committee in theaters, which was appointed as a consequence of the Iroquois theater holocaust.

There must be no more than eight seats between aisles; all aisles must have a minimum width of two feet eight inches and must gradually widen from the point farthest from the exit; fireproof passageways, ten feet wide, straight, and separate from all other exits, must lead from each auditorium, balcony or gallery to places of safety. The ordinance creates fireproof foyers, into which almost an entire audience may flee for refuge in time of trouble.

Two fireproof exits must be provided for each floor in any event. Should a building fail to meet the requirement of facing on one public street and at least two alleys or public spaces, the ten-foot fireproof passageways are to supply the deficiency.

The authorities have ordered the closing of forty-nine halls as unsafe.

TO PROTECT AMERICANS

San Domingo Will be More Careful in the Future

With a firm hand the Washington government from now on will protect American life and property in the island of San Domingo. This decision follows a rather startling report received from Commander Dillingham.

It is said that the administration has as yet adopted no permanent policy for the conduct of affairs in San Domingo beyond that which it always has pursued in protecting American life and property. The statement is authorized that the conduct of Commander Dillingham, while following only general instructions, is entirely endorsed and approved by the government, and it is believed that his intelligent handling of the situation will have a powerful influence toward restoration of order in the island.

It is realized by the administration that the Dominican problem must be taken up and disposed of in a way that will put a stop to what was described by a European ambassador as "an insufferable nuisance which the civilized world looks to the United States to clean up."

Cuban Lottery Scheme Vetoed

President Palma, of Cuba, signed his veto of the lottery bill, which, as announced, he prepared last month in expectation of the passage of the bill.

The president, in stating the reasons for his veto, holds that a lottery is a lowering and corrupting device and that the government would be culpable in taking money of the people obtained through such a scheme, no matter what the end at which the lottery aimed. President Palma has been assured that the bill cannot be passed over his veto. At all events there will be little time for any discussion over the bill, as congress proposes to adjourn this week until March.

The object of the lottery bill was to pay the veterans who had fought for Cuba in the war against Spain.

Colombia's Protest Answered

Secretary Hay has completed his final revision of the answer to be made by the American government to the protest filed by General Reyes, Colombian envoy, against the action of the United States regarding affairs on the isthmus of Panama. The communication is a long one and sets out in detail the position of the administration on the various points raised and the grievances recited by General Reyes in his note submitted to the state department in December. The reply has been given earnest consideration by the president, by Secretary Root, who assisted in its preparation during the time Secretary Hay was ill, and by Secretary Hay himself. This paper together with General Reyes' note, it is expected, will be sent to congress next week.

Uniform United States Judicial Code

Representative Warner of Illinois introduced a bill of seven hundred sections, providing a judicial code for the United States. This is the second part of a general revision of all federal laws enacted to the present time, now considering by a committee on revision of the laws, of which Colonel Warner is chairman. This bill embraces all laws concerning the jurisdiction and practice of United States courts and all judiciary acts and amendatory acts thereof, providing for the removal, appeal and transfer of causes.

Many of the provisions heretofore urged by the American bar association, respecting the organization and jurisdiction of federal courts are included. The bill definitely defines districts and idvisions, thereby avoiding confusion resulting from changes in counties by the states. New legislation is proposed, reducing the work of the supreme court, improving the jury system, bettering civil and criminal procedure, and improving procedure on error and appeal.

Banishing Men at Cripple Creek

C. H. Reimer, business associate of James F. Burns, president of the Portland Mining company, at Cripple Creek, Colo., was arrested by a military squad and lodged in the bull pen. K. C. Sterling, chief detective of the Mine Owners' association, who investigated the arrest, said that after being detained for a time Reimer would be banished from the district.

Placer Mining Methods Followed

Methods of the California placer mines are being used by the Chicago police in recovering valuables lost in the Iroquois theatre fire disaster. Three big wagonloads of dirt and ashes were taken from the theatre floor and were conveyed by the police to the basement of a store near by. A placer mining outfit, including sieves and pans, was erected and City Custodian Creiger started a search for valuables among the rubbish.

ON VERGE OF WAR

All the Powers Are Landing Troops in Korea

WAR CANNOT BE AVERTED

Japan Believes Russia Will Make Concessions in One Direction, Imposing Oppressive Conditions Instead

The London Daily Mail's Yokohama correspondent says that Russia's reply to Japan practically removes all hope of a peaceful settlement.

The Daily Mail's Tokio correspondent learns that Russia has made new demands which it will be impossible for Japan to entertain.

The correspondent says that all the powers are landing troops in Korea and that the British bluejackets landed at Chemulpo are expected to go to Seoul immediately.

Constant telegrams are passing between M. Pavloff, the Russian minister to Korea; Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister to Japan, and Viceroy Alexieff.

The attitude of Japan toward the response of Russia is still undefined. Premier Katsura, the minister of foreign affairs, the minister of war, the minister of finance and the minister of naval affairs held a council. It was decided that the cabinet confer with the older statesmen before deciding on a course of procedure. It is manifest that the Russian proposals are unsatisfactory. It is believed that Russia will make concessions in one direction and impose new conditions in another.

The Japanese nation is deeply stirred. Public sentiment favors the abandonment of negotiations, believing them to be useless, and urges a resort to arms.

General Yuan Shai Kai, commander-in-chief of the Chinese army and navy, sent his foreign adviser, Charles Denby, Jr., to Peking to investigate the report as to the probability of war. Mr. Denby has reported that according to the best opinions obtainable, based on diplomatic information, war cannot be averted.

Major Nathan, an officer of the British army who was second in command of railway transportation in the Transvaal during the Boer war, has arrived at Peking. He traveled over the Siberian railway with the special view of ascertaining the possibilities of the road for the transportation of troops and supplies in the event of war. Major Nathan made careful observations and collected a great amount of data. His opinion, based on his observations, is the railroad would break down and that its administration would find itself hopelessly confused within a week under the stress of war emergencies.

Will Give Bryan Royal Welcome

Plans have been arranged to give William Jennings Bryan a royal welcome home when the Cedric arrives in New York. A committee will meet him down the bay and escort him to the hotel Victoria. There a reception will be held to which thousands of invitations have been issued. Mr. Bryan will be asked to shake hands with the general public.

Senator McCarren heads the committee in charge. It includes Police Commissioner McAdoo and a number of other gold democrats, such as Comptroller Grout. Republicans, Tammanyites, Henry George philosophers, and prominent silverites are upon the committee, which is a distinguished non-partisan one.

The Reply to Colombia

General Rafael Reyes, the Colombian special envoy, has received the answer of the Washington government to his note charging the United States with open violation of the treaty of 1846. The answer which was prepared by Secretary Hay, though couched in the most diplomatic terms and expressing the wish of this government to deal justly with Colombia, is an emphatic refusal to reopen the Panama question. Prior to the receipt of the reply, eneral Reyes, wrote the state department requesting that the correspondence be transmitted to the senate for its consideration. Pending an answer to this request the correspondence will not be made public.

Printing Combine Hit Hard

The supreme court decides in the case of Woodruff against George Welton and the other county commissioners of Lancaster county that in advertising for bids for county printing the advertisments must be specific in regard to books, blanks and stationery. The court holds that unless the statute in regard to the advertising is strictly compiled with the contract entered into is void and non-effective.

Must Quit Use of Tobacco

When students at Ohio Wesleyan university returned from their holiday vacation they were required to sign a pledge to abstain from tobacco during the term, before they were permitted to resume work at the university. Many of the students accepted the condition, but many telegraphed their parents for advice.

Cashier Held for Forgery

Cashier J. E. Marcell of the bank of Highland, Kas., charged with forgery, was released on bonds and was re-arrested on a charge of uttering forged paper, which, it is said, will aggregate $60,000. He is under guard at his home in Highland. Friends of the accused man say Marcell will pay every dollar he owes. The bank's doors were closed.

Fire Drill Successful at Salt Lake

It took exactly one minute and fifteen seconds after an alarm of fire had been given to march 750 school children out of Union school, Salt Lake. The school, a three-story structure, was partly destroyed about three years ago. Since that time a fire department drill has been part of the regular exercise. A fire was discovered in the basement. The fire drill was instantly called, and to the sounds of music the hundreds of children were marched from the building in perfect order. The fire loss was nominal.

GENERAL VIFQUAIN DIES

Pioneer of Lincoln, and Prominent in Civil and Military Circles

Gen. Victor Vifquain, soldier and statesman, died at his home, Eleventh and L streets, Lincoln, after a long illness. He was sixty-seven years of age, and a native of Belgium. He received a military education in Europe, but early in life he became a pioneer of Nebraska. From the then unsettled prairies of this state he went to the east and offered his services to his adopted country. After serving with distinction, having been twice promoted on the field of battle for meritorious and gallant conduct, and receiving a medal from congress in recognition of his services, he returned to his new home in Nebraska and was among the foremost of those who helped build up the commonwealth. Later in life he served his country as consul in Colombia.

General Vifquain had been growing ill gradually for more than a year. For several months he has ben a patient sufferer. His ailment was first supposed to have been a breaking down of the arterial tisaues centered at the liver. A physician recently gave it as his opinion that he was suffering from cancer of the pancreas.

An Error in Desertion Law

An error has been discovered in the session laws and in the Wheeler statutes, in the section of the statutes applying to wife and child desertion. Representative Kennedy, the author of the bill, was in Lincoln and investigated the matter. In the printed statutes an indeterminate sentence is provided for by the ommission of the word not. The incorrect version makes the penalty read: "More than six months in the county jail, or more than one year in the penitentiary." The correct version as contained in the enrolled bill reads, "Not more than six months in the county jail, or not more than one year in the penitentiary." By the incorrect version it would be posible for a judge to sentence an offender to life imprisonment, but the courts are required by law to follow the enrolled and engrossed bill, which is deposited with the secretary of state for safe keeping. The new law has been a terror to evil doers and so far not a case has been carried to the supreme court to test its validity, offenders preferring to compromise rather than give the court an opportunity to inflict the penalty provided.

Ruth Cleveland, Aged 15, Dies

Ruth Cleveland, the eldest child of ex-President Grover Cleveland, died at the Cleveland home very unexpectedly, the immediate cause of death being a weakening of the heart action during a mild attack of diphtheria. Dr. Wickoff, the attending physician, said that Miss Cleveland had been ill with a mild form of diphtheria for four days and that the heart affection was not anticipated. She was 15 years old.

Whalebone $15,000 a Ton

A new record price of $15,000 a ton has been established for whalebone, says a Times dispatch from London. Two and one-quarters tons brought that price in a sale at Dunsdee. The previous high mark was $12,000. Experts say the visible supply is now only four tons in England and America.

Martial Law Drives Out Men

Fifty-six men have been expelled from San Miguel county, Colo., by the military authorities since the publication of the governor's martial law proclamation. About forty-five of these men are quartered at Melrose, and intend to return to Telluride after the troops are withdrawn. The search for fire arms and ammunition has been completed and between 600 and 700 weapons have been confiscated.

Visiting "Little All Right"

Governor Taft of the Philippine islands and his wife have been granted an audience with the emperor and empress of Japan, lunching with them later. The emperor expressed his satisfaction at the friendly relations which exist between America and Japan. He wished the Americans to understand that Japan was striving earnestly and patiently to maintain peace.

Kratz Will Be Brought Back

A special to St. Louis from City of Mexico, Mex., says the department of foreign relations has informed Judges Rojas of the Guadalajara district court that President Diaz has conceded to the United States authorities the extradition of Charles Kratz, wanted in St. Louis for bribery.

Threatened Jewish Uprising

A threatening anti-Semitic demonstration ocurred at Kishineff, according to a dispatch from London, to the New York American. Many persons were clubbed, but so far as the dispatches indicate, no person was seriously injured. The police suppressed the disturbance.

Too Young for Naval Service

The Cobbler brothers of Jackson county have completed a bridge which is far from being the kind the name would indicate.

The Arkansas City man who had lost a pocketbook and the finder reached the newspaper office to tell about it at the same moment.

Harriman Elected U. P. President

E. H. Harriman was elected president of the Union Pacific railway company. The resignation of Horace G. Burt as president was accepted, and the election of Mr. Harriman immediately followed, after which the directors adjourned.

Pedlers Have a Free Hand

Pedlers representing foreign houses will not have to pay a license to do business in Nebraska. A defect has at last been established in the revenue law passed by the last session of the legislature and by the decision of the supreme court in the case of George W. Menke against the state of Nebraska the very inducement for the licensing of pedlers to operate in Nebraska is declared to be in direct opposition to the constitution of the United States, if not of the state, and is inoperative.

THREE YEARS AFTER.

Eugene E. Lario, of 751 Twentieth avenue, ticket seller in the Union Station, Denver, Col., says: "You are at liberty to repeat what I first stated through our Denver papers about Doan's Kidney Pills in the summer of 1899, for I have had no reason in the interim to change my opinion of the remedy. I was subject to severe attacks of backache, always aggravated if I sat long at a desk. Doan's Kidney Pills absolutely stopped my backache. I have never had a pain or twinge since."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Now it is the bill collector who presents the compliments of the season.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz. in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

Do you want 16 oz. instead of 12 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

Feet Comfortable Ever Since.

"I suffered for years with my feet. A friend recommended ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE. I used two boxes of the powder, and my feet have been entirely comfortable ever since. ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE is certainly a godsend to me. Wm. L. Swormstedt, Washington, D. C." Sold by all Druggists, 25c.

The Best Results in Starching

can be obtained only by using Defiance Starch, besides getting 4 oz. more for same money—no cooking required.

Many who formerly smoked 10c cigars, now smoke Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. The best combination of the best tobaccos. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

IF YOU USE BALL BLUE,

Get Red Cross Ball Blue, the best Ball Blue. Large 2 oz. package only 5 cents.

Teosinte and Billion Dollar Grass.

The two greatest fodder plants on earth, one good for 14 tons hay and the other 80 tons green fodder per acre. Grows everywhere, so does Victoria Rape, yielding 60,000 lbs. sheep and swine food per acre.

JUST SEND 10c IN STAMPS TO THE John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive in return their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

Defiance Starch

should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 oz. more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

One of the most unique railroads in the country in the matter of operation is located within a few miles of Pittsburg. This is the Westinghouse Interworks railroad and is connected with the immense Westinghouse interests in East Pittsburg and Trafford City. The uniqueness of the railway system consists mainly in the fact that it is probably the only steam railroad in the world operated entirely by telephone. There is not a telephone operator employed on this road. Here and there, however are small booth-like buildings, in which telephones are installed, and the operation of the road is perfected on the block signal system. When the Pennsylvania road desires to run a train to the Westinghouse interests, it is run by telephone, the operator at the "junction" with the Pennsylvania arranging the running of the train.

"To do God's will" is the simple and sole creed of a curious religious sect just found in Charlestown. Its name is the Society of Christian Israelites, and the followers are scattered through Boston proper, Somerville, Medford and Roslindale, Mass. The leader is W. B. Bourner of Charlestown, and in his house is the place of worship of the sect. He said that he and his followers believed that the millennium would come in 1916, and at that time every living thing on this planet will die, except the chosen 144,000, who will inhabit Palestine. He added; "The true seed of Israel will have everlasting life, which means that they will live on earth for 1,000 years. At the end of that time they enter heaven."

GIVES "GO"

Food That Carries One Along.

It's nice to know of food that not only tastes delicious but that puts the snap and go into one and supplies staying power for the day.

A woman says: "I have taken enough medicine in my time to furnish a drug store, but in later and wiser years I have taken none but have depended, for the health I now enjoy, on suitable and sustaining food of which I keep on hand a tested variety, plain but nourishing.

"Of these my main dependence is Grape-Nuts, especially, if I have before me a day of unusual effort either mental or physical. In this case I fortify myself the first thing in the morning with about 4 teaspoonfuls of Grape-Nuts moistened with cream and not much else for breakfast and the amount of work I can then carry through successfully without fatigue or exhaustion is a wonder to those about me and even to myself.

"Grape-Nuts food is certainly a wonderful strengthener and is not a stimulant, for there is no reaction afterwards, but it is sustaining and strengthening, as I have proved by long experience." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason four teaspoonfuls of Grape-Nuts and cream will add more strength and carry one further than a plateful of coarse heavy food that is nearly all waste. Grape-Nuts food is condensed, pre-digested and delicious. It contains the parts of the Wheat and Barley grains that supply the rebuilding parts for Brain and Nerve Centers.

Look in each package for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XIV.

Another Hour.

"But it seems as though I had always known you," said Franklin, turning again toward the tall figure at the window. There was no reply to this, neither was there wavering in the attitude of the head whose glossy back was turned to him at that moment.

"It was like some forgotten strain of music!" he blundered on, feeling how hopeless, how distinctly absurd was all his speech. "I surely must always have known you, somewhere!"

Mary Ellen still gazed out of the window. In her mind there was a scene strangely different from this which she beheld. She recalled the green forests and the yellow farms of Louisburg, the droning bees, the broken flowers and all the details of that sodden, stricken field. With a shudder there came over her a swift resentment at meeting here, near at hand, one who had had a share in that scene of desolation.

She turned toward him slowly at length, and so far from seeming serious, her features bore the traces of a smile. "Do you know," said she, "I think I heard of a stage-driver—wasn't it somewhere out west—who was taking a schoolteacher from the railroad to the schoolhouse—and he—well, he said things, you know. Now, he had never seen the schoolteacher before."

"Yes, I have heard of that story," said Franklin. "I don't just recollect all about it."

"It seems to me that the stage-driver said something—er, like—maybe he said it was 'like forgotten music' to him."

Franklin colored. "The story was an absurdity, like many others about the west," he said. "But," he brightened, "the stage-driver had never seen the schoolteacher before."

"I don't quite understand," said Mary Ellen coldly. "In my country it

"You blame me as though it were personal!" broke in Franklin; but she ignored him.

"My father, my mother, my two brothers, nearly every relative I had, killed in the war or by the war—our home destroyed—our property taken by first one army and then the other—you should not wonder if I am bitter! It was the field of Louisburg which cost me everything. I lost all—all—on that day which you wish me to remember. Why, sir, if you wished me to hate you, you could do no better—and I do not wish to hate any one. I wish to have as many friends as we may, here in this new country; but for remembering—why, I can remember nothing else, day or night, but Louisburg!"

"You stood so," said Franklin, doggedly and fatuously, "just as you did last night. You were leaning on the arm of your mother——"

Mary Ellen's eyes dilated. "It was not my mother," she said. "We were seeking for my friend, her son. I—Captain Franklin, I know of no reason why we should speak of such things at all, but it was my—I was to have been married to the man for whom we were seeking, and whom we found! That is what Louisburg means to me."

Franklin bowed his head between his hands and half groaned over the pain which he had cost. Then slowly and crushingly his own hurt came home to him. In his brain he could feel the parting one by one of the strings which but now sang in unison. Discord, darkness, d'smay, sat on all the world.

The leisurely foot of Buford sounded on the stair, and he knocked gaily on the door jam as he entered.

"Well, niece," said he, "Mrs. Buford thinks we ought to be starting back for home right soon now."

Mary Ellen rose and bowed to Franklin as she passed to leave the room; but perhaps neither she nor

"You blame me as though it were personal."

was not customary for gentlemen to tell ladies when they met for the first time that it was 'like a strain of forgotten music'—not the first time."

"Music never forgotten, then!" said Franklin impetuously. "This is at least not the first time we have met." In any ordinary duel of small talk this had not been so bad an attack, yet now the results were something which neither could have foreseen. To the mind of the girl the words were shocking, rude, brutal. They brought up again the whole scene of the battlefield. She shuddered, and upon her face there fell the shadow of an habitual sadness.

"You have spoken of this before, Captain Franklin," said she, "and if what you say is true, and if indeed you did see me—there—at that place—I can see no significance in that, except the lesson that the world is a very small one. I have no recollection of meeting you. But, Captain Franklin, had we ever really met, and if you really cared to bring up some pleasant thought about the meeting, you surely would never recall the fact that you met me upon that day!"

Franklin felt his heart stop. He looked aside, his face paling as the even tones went on:

"That was the day of all my life the saddest, the most terrible. I have been trying ever since then to forget it. I dare not think of it. It was the day when—when my life ended—when I lost everything, everything on earth I had. Because of Louisburg—why, this—Ellisville! This is the result of that day! And you refer to it with eagerness."

Poor Franklin groaned at this. "I know—I could have known," he blundered—"I should not be so rude as to suppose that—ah, it was only you that I remembered! The war is past and gone. The world, as you say, is very small. It was only that I was glad——"

"Ah, sir," said Mary Ellen, and her voice now held a plaintiveness which was the stronger from the droop of the tenderly curving lips—"ah, sir, but you must remember! To lose your relatives, even in a war for right and principle—and the South was right!" (this with a flash of the eye late pensive)—"that is hard enough. But for me it was not one thing or another; it was the sum of a thousand misfortunes. I wonder that I am alive. It is no wonder that those of us left alive went away, anywhere, as far as we could, that we gave up our country—that we came even here!"

Franklin was fully conscious of the leave-taking. Buford saw nothing out of the way, but turned and held out his hand. "By the way, Captain Franklin," said he, "I'm mighty glad to meet you, sir—mighty glad. We shall want you to come down and see us often. It isn't very far—only about twenty-five miles south. They call our place the Halfway Ranch, and it's not a bad name, for it's only about halfway as good a place as you and I have always been used to; but it's ours, and you will be welcome there. We shall depend on seeing you now and then."

"I trust we shall be friends," mumbled Franklin.

"Friends?" said Buford cheerily, the smiling wrinkles of his own thin face signifying his sincerity; "why, man, here is a place where one needs friends, and where he can have friends. There is time enough and room enough, and—well, you'll come, won't you?" And Franklin, dazed and missing all the light which had recently made glad the earth, was vaguely conscious that he had promised to visit the home of the girl who had certainly given him no invitation to come further into her life, but for whose word of welcome he knew that he should always long.

BOOK III.

The Day of the Cattle.

CHAPTER XV.

Ellisville the Red.

Gourdlike, Ellisville grew up in a night. It was not, and lo! it was. Silently, steadily, the people came to this rallying place, dropping in from every corner of the stars. The long street spun out still longer its string of toylike wooden houses. The Cottage Hotel had long since lost its key, and day and night there went on vast revelry among the men of the wild, wide West, then seeing for the first time what seemed to them the joy and glory of life.

Land and cattle, cattle and land. These themes were upon the lips of all, and in those days were topics of peace and harmony. The cattleman still stood for the nomadic and untrammeled West, the West of wild and glorious tradition. The man who sought for land was not yet recognized as the homesteader, the man of anchored craft, of settled convictions, of adventures ended. For one brief, glorious season the nomad and the home dweller shook hands in amity, not pausing to consider wherein their interests might differ. For both, this was the West, the free, unbounded, illimitable, exhaustless West—Homeric, Titanic, scornful of metes and bounds, having no scale of little things. The horizon of life was wide. There was no time for small exactness. A newspaper, so called, cost a quarter of a dollar. The postmaster gave no change when one bought a postage stamp. A shave was worth a quarter of a dollar, or a half, or a dollar, as that might be. The price of a single drink was never established, since that was something never called for. By day and by night, ceaseless, crude, barbaric, there went on a continuous carousal, which would have been joyless backed by a vitality less superb, an experience less young. Money and life—these two things we guard most sacredly in the older societies, the first most jealously, the latter with a lesser care.

The transient population of Ellisville, the cattle sellers and cattle buyers and land seekers, outnumbered three to one the resident or permanent population, which catered to this floating trade, and which supplied its commercial or professional wants. The resident one-third was the nucleus of the real Ellisville that was to be. The social compact was still in embryo. Life was very simple. It was the day of the individual, the day before the law.

With this rude setting there was to be enacted a rapid drama of material progress such as the world has never elsewhere seen; but first there must be played the wild prologue of the West, never at any time to have a more lurid scene than here at the Halfway House of a continent, at the intersection of the grand transcontinental trails, the bloody angle of the plains. Eight men in a day, a score in a week, met death by violence. The street in the cemetery doubled before that of the town. There were more graves than houses. This superbly wasteful day, how could it presage that which was to come? In this riotous army of invasion, who could have foreseen the population which was to follow, adventurous yet tenacious, resolved first upon independence, and next upon knowledge, and then upon the fruits of knowledge? Nay, perhaps, after all, the prescience of this coming time lay over Ellisville the Red, so that it roared the more tempestuously on through its brief, brazen day.

(To be continued.)

Czar Arrested—For a Minute.

Motorists will be amused to hear of an adventure which befell the czar when he was staying at Darmstadt a short time ago. The czar was driving in a motor car with Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia and the Grand Duke of Hesse, and, when passing through Bockenheim, a suburb of Frankfort, the car slipped on the greasy cobble-stones and came in contact with the wall of a house. Happily no harm was done, but the car had hardly been backed into the road again when a policeman stopped it and demanded the name of the owner. The czar replied "I am the Emperor of Russia," and the policeman was so taken aback that he let the car go on without taking any further steps. The czarina was much amused at the incident, and it is said that she has made the momentary arrest of the czar the subject of one of her caricatures.—London Sketch.

Steel Dolls.

A factory in New Jersey has gone to making steel dolls. A steel doll is an indestructible doll that some parents may fancy is the right doll to buy. You can't yank the leg from a steel doll, nor dislocate its arms, nor twist its neck, nor dent its nose. You can have very little fun with a steel doll. I may do to batter the piano legs, or raise lumps on the head of your infant companion, but it can't be compared with a rag dollie for genuine comfort. Every normal child wants a doll that can be punctured and that will lose its stuffing through the puncture.

A steel doll, bah! What healthy infant outside of New Jersey would care to coddle a steel doll, or put it to sleep, or dress it, or give it sugar pellets? Not one. No, indeed. The man who invented the steel doll was no friend of infantile humanity.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Dumas' Love for His Porthos.

Like Balzac, Dumas was fond of his own creations. Among them all he loved Porthos best. The great, strong, vain hero was a child after his own heart. One afternoon, it is related, his son found Dumas careworn, wretched, overwhelmed.

"What has happened to you? Are you sick?" asked Dumas fils.

"No," replied Dumas pere.

"Well, what is it, then?"

"I am miserable."

"Why?"

"This morning I killed Porthos. Poor Porthos! Oh, what trouble I have had to make up my mind to do it! But there must be an end to all things. Yet when I saw him sink beneath the ruins, crying 'It is too heavy for me!' I swear to you that I cried."

And he wiped away a tear with the sleeve of his dressing gown.

Blood of the Filipinos.

Ethnologists of the Smithsonian Institution have investigated the Philippines, with results that are of rare interest to science. They have called attention to the fact that in the veins of the tribes of the archipelago flows the blood of all the races and varieties of mankind.

OVER THE TEACUPS

Stole Collarettes.

The vogue of the stole collarette is an established fact and its number and variety increase day by day. The two shown are among the best offered and afford a choice of shape and style.

Number One is made of mole skin with trimming of ermine and is shaped to form a deep round collar at the back, with stole ends that are narrower at the waist line and broader at the lower edge, where they terminate in points.

4609 Stole Collarette, one size.

Number Two is shown in Persian lamb cloth with black silk ornaments, making a finish at the front. The collar portion is square at both front and back and the stoles are wider at the ends than at the collar.

Both designs are available for all the materials used for collarettes, fur, lamb cloth, velvet and the like.

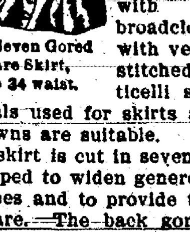
To cut either one will require 1½ yards 27 inches wide. The pattern 4609 is cut in the medium size only.

Apple Tapioca Pudding.

Suppose you put a half cup of tapioca to soak over night. I have a white-lined granite kettle, and put the tapioca to soak in that. In the morning put a little water in; let it simmer slowly, until transparent; put a tablespoon of butter in, a little salt, nutmeg, a stick of cinnamon, sugar to taste; then pare and quarter apples and put in. Put in as many apples as you want, and cook until apples are tender. You will have something pretty nice. You can have rhubarb and tapioca, strawberries and tapioca, raspberries and tapioca. Cook on top of stove.—November First.

Seven Gored Skirt.

The seven gored skirt that flares freely and gracefully at the lower portion retains all its vogue in spite of the many novelties introduced. This one allows of either the inverted plaits or habit back, and is trimmed with shaped straps that add much to its style. As shown it is made of nut brown hopsacking, with straps of broadcloth piped with velvet, and is stitched with corticelli silk, but all materials used for skirts and for entire gowns are suitable.



4615 Seven Gored Flare Skirt, 22 to 34 waist.

The skirt is cut in seven gores that are shaped to widen generously below the knees and to provide the fashionable flare. The back gores are cut for inverted plaits, but can be cut off at indicated lines when the habit effect is preferred. The straps are pointed at their ends and are arranged over the gores before the skirt is seamed.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 9⅛ yards 21 inches wide, 4¾ yards 44 or 4⅛ yards 52 inches wide when material has figure or nap; 3½ yards 44 inches or 3¼ yards 52 inches wide when material has neither figure nor nap.

The pattern 4615 is cut in sizes for a 22, 24, 26, 28, 30 and 32 inch waist measure.

PRETTY THINGS TO WEAR

Violet is a favorite color.

Velvet ruchings trim frocks.

Jeweled clasps are much liked.

Painted wood buttons are noted.

The best velveteens will not wear off.

Laced effects in ribbon are still noted.

Walking skirts just touch the ground.

Riveted steel arrows trim smart hats.

Oranges decorate a big brown fur hat.

Lace is conspicuous on some of the new hats.

Many delicate tones are beautiful with brown.

Forty-five inches is the poplar coat lengths.

It's a fad to have the slipper heels match the gown.

Coat tails of lace are clever on an evening toilet.

An odd panel skirt is arranged over plaited skirt.

Latest in Linen Collars.

Stiff linen collars are acquiring more wonderful shapes each week, indicating a large reserve of ingenuity among their originators. Some of the latest—and also the prettiest—are designed with the idea of dispensing altogether with the supplementary bow or tie, therefore, little V-shaped extensions in front, the fastening, of course, being effected at the back. Eminently original is one composed of alternate rows of the white linen and lattice work, the latter threaded through the velvet ribbon to match the frock or blouse, and tied in graduated bows in front, while another, embroidered with a heavy raised pattern in threadwork, boasted a triangular emplecement in front as a substitute for the tie.

A Moonlight Dress.

One of the most charming flights fashion has taken is in the form of a "moonlight dress." This most wonderful effect can be achieved with layers of filmy chiffon gauze, and sheer glistening Liberty silk in these shades: silver, white moonlight blue, gray and other pale shades.

There have been sunset gowns in purple, rose, red gold, mauve cream and turquoise blue, and autumn gowns in the richness of color that season suggests, also winter costumes all white and cold and sparkling, but never before a moonlight effect with all its poetic fancy. Experts have proved how beautiful it can be in blending these requisite shades and materials.

Advantages of Fur Hats.

Poverty is sometimes a safeguard. The expensive and fashionable fur hat has been found unwholesome for the hair, and one worn as constantly as any woman finds it necessary to wear a hat would soon make the wearer bald. So women who have been envying your wealthier sisters this headgear comfort yourselves, for if they have the hat you have the unimpaired head of hair.

A Sensible Skirt.

The best material for an every-day skirt is twilled taffeta. It is firm, noiseless and soft enough to be unpretentious; and, in spite of the fad for checks and plaids and Roman stripes, a black twilled taffeta, tight-fitted and plaited at the foot, escaping the ground a full two inches, is unquestionably a modest and profitable purchase.

Most Economical Gloves.

French kid gloves look fresh much longer than suede ones, and a kid that is soft and elastic is better than a hard one. If when wearing kid gloves your hands become hot, breathe into the gloves as soon as you take them off. This helps to prevent the kid from hardening.

Fashions for Wee Folks.

Pale green in the soft, cool shades is very pretty for sashes, hair bows and the like, to accompany white frocks.

Frocks for very small folk are in the French form, with long waist and much abbreviated skirt, standing out crisply in one-piece princesse form.

The one-piece frocks take various forms. Most of them are plaited in side or box plaits from collar band to hem, and with them is worn a belt in Russian style.

White wool frocks are effectively trimmed with bands of bright plaid silk bordered by white fiber braid.

Stitched bands of silk in plain colors trim some of the plaid frocks, and when, as is often the case, the model has a sailor collar and scarf, the model has a sailor collar and scarf, this collar may be of the taffeta, heavily stitched at the edges, and the scarf will be of the silk.

Girl's Suspender Costume.

Suspender frocks make one of the latest novelties for little girls and are exceedingly charming. This one is made with a box plaited guimpe of white lawn, while the dress itself is of rose colored cashmere, stitched with corticelli silk, and is delightful in color as well as style, but the design can be reproduced in any of the season's materials, in any shade that may be preferred. The suspenders, which make the essential characteristic, are delightfully childish in effect and also serve to keep the skirt in place.

4605 Girl's Box Plaited Suspender Costume, 6 to 12 years.

The dress consists of the guimpe skirt and suspenders. The guimpe is laid in box plaits that are stitched at each edge and is closed invisibly beneath the one at center back. The sleeves are plaited above the elbows, but soft and full below. The skirt is straight and laid in box plaits whose edges meet at the belt and flare apart slightly as they approach the lower edge. The suspenders are made in two sections each, the back ones cut in points that overlap the front, and are attached to the belt by means of buttons.

The quantity of material required for the medium size (10 years) is 4½ yards 21 inches wide, 3¾ yards 27 inches wide or 2½ yards 44 inches wide, with 1⅞ yards 36 inches wide for guimpe.

The pattern 4605 is cut in sizes for girls of 6, 8, 10 and 12 years of age.

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A DAINTY LITTLE WAIST.

Young girls are always charming when dressed in white. This pretty waist combines crepe de Chine with a bertha of cream lace and is exceedingly effective. The shirred yoke is a feature and the bertha gives the broad shoulder effect of fashion, while the sleeves are shirred to fit the arms snugly above the elbows, but form soft drooping puffs at the wrists. All materials soft enough for shirring are appropriate and the design suits both the separate waist and the entire dress. The quantity of material required for a girl of 14 years of age is 3¾ yards 21, 3½ yards 27 or 2 yards 44 inches wide with ⅞ yards of lace. A May Manton pattern, No. 4414, sizes 12 to 16 years, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

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The Table Rock Argus.

F. H. Taylor, Publisher.

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A joint session of the Ohio legislature held on Wednesday, re-elected Mark Hanna as United States senator.

The democratic national committee held a meeting in Washington on Tuesday and fixed the place for holding the national convention at St. Louis and the time July 6th.

As had been expected, the supreme court did not see fit to gladden the hearts of any applicants for appointments, last Thursday, but merely organized anew, Judge Sullivan retiring and Judge Barnes taking his place. In accordance with the rule of seniority Judge Holcomb becomes chief justice.

Senator Deitrich's trial came to a sudden ending last week, by the court deciding that he was not a United States senator at the time the charge makes him do the things complained of.—Mr. Summers evidently knew he could not sustain the charge, but saw in it a chance to besmirch Dietrich, and he did it with all the vindictiveness possible.

The financial rating of The Argus editor ought to go up rapidly now, for he has filed a claim for salary as United States senator. True, he has never taken the oath of office, and neither has he been elected to the position, but the United States is liberal in the granting of salaries, and we hope to have our claim allowed and paid in a few weeks.

The republican state central committee has been called to meet Jan. 20, at 2 o'clock p. m. in the committee rooms at the Lindell, for the purpose of arranging for the state convention or conventions, if it should appear desirable that two should be held. There still is a great deal of discussion of this matter and the committee will settle it only after giving the matter careful study.

W. P. Kemp, a young colored man of Lincoln, has filed an application for the position of bailiff of the supreme court. Mr. Kemp resided in Table Rock for some months, and made many friends among our people all of whom hope he will be appointed. He is an industrious, capable young man, and has been of valuable service to the state committee for several years, and deserves something from the powers, and as he has never before asked for anything, he ought to get it.

Al. Sorenson, the Omaha newspaper man, who has announced himself as a candidate for United States senator to succeed Senator Millard, is making a vigorous campaign, and in order to make himself solid has invited the newspaper boys of the state to a smoker to be held in one of Omaha's public buildings. Al. wants us all to provide ourselves with a good brand of cigars before we leave home, and bring a sufficient quantity to divide with those who fail to provide themselves. A collection will be taken to pay hall rent and other incidentals, and the boys will be asked to contribute liberally, any surplus will be used to defray necessary expenses of Al's campaign.

THE DESCENT OF PROPERTY

(Written for the occasion by Hon. D. L. Johnson, Omaha.)

It is hoped all women who read Mr. Johnson's article will save it for future reference, that they may know what our laws are in regard to descent of property.

By this it will be seen that the widow succeeds to the absolute ownership of the real estate only in the event there are no relatives whatsoever to whom it might go.

If the deceased person be a married woman, her real estate descends:

1st—To her issue,—the husband being entitled to a life interest in all the real estate, which interest we call curtesy.

2d—If there be no issue, the fee simple interest in the real estate descends to the father of the deceased.

3d—If there be no issue and no father, then to the mother of the deceased.

4th—If there be no issue, no father, no mother, then to the brothers and sisters.

5th—If there be no issue, no father, no mother, no brothers and sisters, then it goes to the next of kin.

There is no provision under our law by which the husband of a deceased woman can inherit the fee simple interest in her real estate, and likewise there is no provision under our law for the property of the deceased woman escheating to the state of Nebraska.

It is provided in our law that the widow or widower shall be entitled to the use of the homestead during his or her life. This is in addition to the dower and curtesy interest heretofore spoken of.

The personal estate of an intestate deceased person, under our law, passes as follows:

First—The wearing apparel, the ornaments, the household furniture, the exemptions and other property to the value of $200 goes to the surviving husband or wife. If there be no surviving husband or wife, then the same go to the heirs at law. Under our statute the widow and children are entitled to all of the chattel property, if it does not exceed $500 in value, and they are also entitled to an allowance by the court for their support for one year, that is, during the time in which the estate is supposed to be settled up. It is also provided in our law that if the mother be dead, all children under fourteen years of age are entitled to an allowance for support until they reach that age. After the provisions herein enumerated, and property to the value of $500, all the chattel property goes to the payment of the debts of the estate, if need be.

In the event of all of the debts being paid, and there is a surplus, it goes to the same person as the real estate does, the widow or widower counting as a child. That is, if a person die, leaving chattel property and a widow or widower, and say four children, then the estate would be divided into five equal parts, of which the widow or widower would be entitled to one.

Complaint has been made that under our law the surviving widow or widower is not fairly dealt with. It is contended that the survivor should be entitled to an absolute ownership in a portion of the real property, and a larger interest in the personal property. This, it seems to me, is a just criticism, and the law has been permitted to remain as it is largely thro' the fact that the people generally have not given the subject attention. Some eighteen of the states of this union give the survivor a fee simple interest in the real estate, and even the old Roman and the English law as early as Magna Carta gave the widow and widower a larger interest in the personality. Under our system, a husband or wife may dispose of all his or her property by will, save only the homestead, dower and curtesy interest, and the exemptions and allowances provided for in the personal property. It is the opinion of the best legal authorities that under the common law of England a testator could only dispose of his whole personal property if he left no wife or children. If he left either wife or children he could dispose of one-half, and one-third if he left both wife and children. These shares of wife and children were called their reasonable parts, and are recognized by Magna Carta.

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MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,

Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Monday, Jan. 11.—Comparative live stock receipts at Kansas City last week and same week a year ago are as follows:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	H M
1903.	38,161	1,671	46,551	20,543	2,708
1902.	54,270	1,726	58,828	18,400	1,725

The cattle supply at all the markets last week showed a gain over the corresponding week last year. The good advances of the last two weeks were well maintained, particularly on fat steers, notwithstanding that the portion of this class was largest for some time. A bigger line of buyers was in the market every day up to Friday than at any time this winter. The representative of Nelson-Morris with a good-sized order for export cattle gave competition a keen edge and supported prices. Order buyers, however, deserted the market Friday, and prices went off 5 to 15c on steers, closing the week about like it begun.

Cows and heifers did not change much during the week. Veal calves strong to higher. Stockers and feeders were in very light supply, and with a very good demand, prices gained 10 to 15c. Monday and Tuesday, and held it to the end. Best stockers and feeders bro't $3.90 to $4.10. Stock cows and heifers closed 10 to 15c higher, and stock calves gained 25c.

Today receipts are 11,000 head, and extreme lower reports from other markets caused the prices to get off 10 to 20c here, especially on fat steers. She stuff 10c off. Wery few stockers and feeders included. Market on same slow. After mild fluctuations the hog market ended with a gain of 15c over close of previous week. Shippers filled a few orders for pigs 100 to 130 pounds at $4.25 to $4.35. Bulk sales Saturday $4.65 to $4.80. Local receipts today, 8,000, which is not too many for this market, but owing to lower reports from Chicago the prices ruled 5 to 10c lower here. Top today, $4.80. Bulk sales, $4.50 to $4.70.

Packers were anxious for killing stock, and gains were made all along the line last week in the sheep division. Although receipts were more than double those of previous week, prices were uninjured and closed the week at the best point of the season.

Today's supply is 6000, and market strong and active. Yearlings no better than those sold last week at $5.25 bro't $5.50 today. Western fed stock is quotable as follows: Lambs $5.75 to $6; wethers $4 to $4.35; yearlings $5.20 to $5.50; ewes $3.60 to $4.

About 500 horses were disposed of at the auction the first of last week without any trouble. Demand was good all week, and ahead of the supply. Mule traders put in the busiest week for a long time. Although trade was active, prices did not advance, but held the gain of previous week. Business is mostly in cottoners at $75 to $105 for 14 to 15 hand stock.

There has lately been found in a town near Bridgeport, Conn., a valuable collection of old letters of nearly a century ago, among them several by George Washington, Andrew Jackson, Daniel Webster, Henry Clay, James Monroe, and John Quincy Adams. The letters were found among some old papers and books belonging to one of the oldest families in the state, and are in the best condition, although they have been stored away for nearly 100 years. The Washington letter was written to a Connecticut member of the family when the general was with the army on the Hudson river and pertains to the probable movement of his and the enemy's troops.

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Porto Rico's schools.

The expense of maintaining schools is very high in Porto Rico. The cost per capita per pupil enrolled last year was over $13, while in Missouri, with its large and expensive urban systems, its secondary schools, and its university, the per capita expenditure was less than $9. This is due to lack of school buildings and school plant in general, and to ignorance of the principles of economical school administration on the part of school authorities.

Baltimore Abolishes Absurd Tax.

Tree planting in the streets is to be encouraged in Baltimore. The municipal board of estimates has determined to abandon the absurd charge of 25 cents for the privilege of planting trees along the public streets, and to encourage the improvement by growing the trees, presenting them free of cost to those desiring a tree before their home, planting them and keeping them trimmed and in order. This plan has worked successfully in Boston.

Musk Oxen.

Professor Nolthoff, of Sweden, who recently returned from Greenland with a pair of musk oxen, one of the objects of his travels, believes these interesting animals can be acclimatized in the north of Sweden. In matter of food he says they are as easily pleased as the American goat that digests oyster cans. A full-grown ox will weigh between 1,400 and 1,500 pounds, and its flesh is good eating.

A GOOD THING.

German Syrup is the special prescription of Dr A Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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Leave your laundry with Allen Bros.

See Archer King's advertisement in another column.

A big lot of grain is being marketed here this week.

A. M. Bovie, F. M. Linn's meat cutter, is quite sick this week.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kelena on Sunday.

A. E. Lane and wife left for their Oklahoma home last Tuesday.

A few holiday goods to go at prices below cost. Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

Miss Mary Moore of Pawnee, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Boyd Phillips.

Allen Bro's. are agents for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try them once.

Sheriff Martin, accompanied by F. R. Porter, was here on official business Monday.

E. M. Heywood writes to send the Argus to him at Grand Island, where he is at present employed.

W. S. Kinsey, a Wymorean, en-route to Salem, stopped off here Saturday evening between trains.

Miss Gertrude Norris, of Lincoln, returned to the city, Sunday, after a ten days' visit with her parents here.

Mrs. Amanda Kerns has been quite sick for some weeks with inflammatory rheumatism, but is somewhat better now.

A grand ball will be given in the opera house on Friday evening, Jan. 15th. The public is invited, and the admission is 75c.

Presiding Elder Dean held the quarterly conference Friday evening, and preached in the M. E. church on Sunday evening.

Everybody enjoyed the art lecture given by Zwickey, Jan. 7th. Mr. Zwickey is an excellent, rapid-fire artist and an agreeable talker.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.
GEO. BUERSTETTA & Co.

Miss Laura Holmes entertained a few friends last Saturday evening, in honor of Miss Bessie Kingsbury, of Pawnee City, who was her guest over Sunday.

L. K. Carmichael and wife, of Sacramento, Cal., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Carmichael of this city, and other relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Central office for the Bell Telephone company, has been transferred from the Colwell drug store to Mrs. Caywood's bakery, and the latter will now be hello girl.

Rural route No. 3 from Table Rock goes on tomorrow with Arthur Longwell as carrier. The formation of this route changes the other two, so that the whole system out of this place has been re-arranged.

Dr. McCrea returned from his trip to Los Angeles, Cal., on Tuesday. He had been called to Los Angeles to help in a surgical operation upon his sister; the operation was quite successful, and the patient is getting along nicely.

Mrs. B. F. Norris and little son left on Monday for Ohiowa where she was called by the serious illness of her sister's—Mrs. Nellie Reed—little child. She writes her husband that the little one has much improved in the last two days.

Peter Miller was in town Saturday afternoon, but he required the use of a cane, as he was suffering from a very sore leg. On Thursday he was helping move a building on his farm, when a chain broke, a piece of which struck Mr. Miller on the leg, cutting through clothing and flesh to the bone, making a very painful wound.

It is alleged that Charles M. Chamberlain, who wrecked the Chamberlain bank and fled, was located in Havana, where he lived under the name of Clark, but recently left there between two days, after swindling a friend out of $500 and is supposed to have gone to Tampa, Fla. $1200 reward is offered for his capture and return to Tecumseh.

P. C. Johnson, D. D., will occupy the pulpit at the M. E. church next Sabbath, in the interest of the conference claimants. It is hoped every member of the church will be present. Dr. Johnson will also conduct a series of bible studies at the church Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings—and may be continued longer—which all persons are cordially invited to attend.
W. M. Morrow, Pastor.

See G. W. Pepoon & Co., for wood, either dry or green.

All you can hear talked of now is that big DANCE Friday night.

When in Pawnee City buy RELIABLE DRY GOODS of F. J. MUNEKE Pay less and dress better.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. Allen Bro's.

STRAYED—A black, spotted, barrow pig, weighing between 100 and 150 lbs. Finder report to this office, or to Sherm Reals.

Major Hendershot and Son, assisted by local talent, will give an entertainment in the opera house, on the evening of January 22d.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

Dr. Sexton, one of the best known ministers in Nebraska, will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church next Sunday, morning and evening. A cordial invition is extended to all to hear him.

Warren Mitchell and family expect to leave for Troupe, Texas, on Tuesday, where they have purchased a forty acre farm and will make their home in the future. Their many friends here hope they will be prosperous and happy in their new home.

The children of Grandma Kerns desire to express their thanks to their friends for the expressions of sympathy and acts of loving kindness rendered during the illness, death and burial of their mother, and to thus publicly acknowledge [appreciation of the same.

The county commissioners were in session last week and this week, making the annual examination of the treasury and other offices, letting contracts, allowing bills, etc. Gottleib Sommerhalder, who has been a member of the board for six years, retired and was succeeded by C. W. Harris of Turkey Creek precinct, who was elected last fall.

The state medical board is holding a session at Pawnee City today investigating the charges of unprofessional conduct against Dr. H. L. Finley. The case grows out of the finding of an infant in a box car in the depot yards at Pawnee. An effort was made to quiet the case, but the complaining witness secured an order from the governor and attorney general for the present investigation.

Editor Table Rock Argus:—Will you please send Argus to my new address, Aibonito, Porto Rico? This is the highest point in the Island, near the famous Aibonito Pass where the last small battle was fought between the Americans and Spaniards before the signing of the Protocol. This position was a very strong one for the Spaniards, and if their guns had been properly mounted it would have been impossible to have taken the place. From this point we can see the waters of the Atlantic and Caribbean seas.

With the beginning of the year we start on a new mission. We are in the very heart of superstition and ignorance. The Lord is our helper and in Him do we put our trust.

Yours 4-ever, P. VAN FLEET.

John N. Gere Post and the Woman's Relief Corps publicly installed their officers for the ensuing term on Saturday afternoon. Dinner was served in the hall, preceding the installation services. John Lehman was installing officer for the Post, and Mrs. Amanda J. Marble acted in like capacity for the Corps. The officers of the Post, are: Commander, Fred W. Ault; senior vice commander, John Bush; junior vice commander, J. W. Shaw; quarter-master, Peter Stevens; officer of the day, J. D. Longwell; sergeant, J. L. Fisher; guard, John W. Hastings; adjutant, J. L. Fisher; assistant adjutant, John H. Lehman; chaplain, A. C. Allinson.

The Corps officers are: Mrs. Mary E. Ault, president; Mrs. Rebecca Bush, senior vice president; Mrs. Helen Smith, junior vice president; Mrs. Allie Fisher, secretary; Mrs. Fannie C. Norris, treasurer; Mrs. Mary B. Fox, chaplain; Mrs. E. C. Fellers, patriotic instructor; Mrs. Amanda J. Marble, press correspondent; Mrs. Julia Gold, conductor; Mrs. Martha Myers, guard; Mrs. Frankie Freeman assistant conductor: Mrs. Elvira J. Stevens, assistant guard; Mrs. Alwilda Carmichael, color bearer; Mrs. Ora Saper, color bearer; Mrs. Rose Billings, color bearer; Mrs. Serena E. Penrod, color bearer; Mrs. Lydia A. Holmes, color bearer; Mrs. M. B. Fox, department delegate; Mrs. Amanda J. Marble, alternate.

See Archer King's advertisement in another column.

A few holiday goods to go at prices below cost. Geo; Buerstetta & Co.

Mrs. W. S. Kinsey came down from Wymore yesterday, for a few days' visit with her mother.

I am now prepared to do accordian pleating from 1 to 30 inches wide.
Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

A farmer taught his hogs to come for feed by tapping on the fence. One day a woodpecker lit on a post near the trough and the hogs run themselves to death.—Fairfax Forum.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hanna of Table Rock visited the families of J. W. and Albert Karas a couple of days last week. Mrs. Hanna is a sister of Albert Karas.—Elk Creek Herald.

The books and accounts of J. W. Kovanda are at the store of A. E. Kovanda, and all persons indebted to me are requested to make immediate settlement. J. W. KOVANDA.

The recently elected officers of the A. O. U. W. lodge were installed on Friday evening by Deputy Grand Master, E. C. Phillips. A large number of the members were present and the meeting was one of unusual interest.

W. D. Wyman came from Haddam, Kas., last week to attend the funeral of Grandma Kerns, and has been visiting friends here this week. He likes his new home very much and has done very well in a financial way since he went to Kansas.

Supposing you're busted—haven't a dime,
Getting poor isn't a serious crime;
Put on a bold front, work with all your might,
You're sure to win by taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night. F. M. Colwell.

LECTURE COURSE

The cost of the local lecture is a trifle over $200—of which $170 has been secured. The $30 must be taken in on the one entertainment left. It is not a small thing for a town of this size to support a good course, and the committee will congratulate themselves and Table Rock if this one pays out. Give them your support.

The "A Montana Outlaw" company held the boards here Tuesday night on a "fill-in" date, as their contract for the Pawnee City opera house had been cancelled, it being considered unsafe. The play was a good one, and deserved a much better house than was given them. It makes the devil wonder what the people of Table Rock want for ten cents! A great many have asked "Why don't good shows stop here?" It's been demonstrated they would starve to death from the proceeds.

County Assessor Gossin has appointed his list of deputies to present to the county commissioners for confirmation. Mr. Gossin will instruct his deputies that there will be no evasion of the new revenue law and that its provisions will be carried out to the letter. The deputies chosen are:

Mission Creek—Ole Hansen.
Plum Creek—H J Dill
Turkey Creek—E H Gifford
West Branch—George Avery
Miles—Crawford Shearer
Steinauer—L P Wenzl
Clay—Wm McConnell
Pawnee City—W. M. Pyle
Clear Creek—Ed Branek
South Fork—Oscar Vanier
Sheridan—R G Linn
Table Rock—J L Fisher

The deputies are required to give bond in the sum of $500 each within thirty days from the date of their confirmation.—Pawnee Republican

In reply to the question, "Who are the ten largest advertisers in the U. S. and what is the approximate amount of money each spends annually in advertising?" Printers' Ink says: The firms quoted below are considered the largest advertisers in this country. Whether the sums set against their names are correct or nearly correct is a question: American Tobacco Company, $1,000,000; Dr. Pierce, $750,000; C. I. Hood & Co., $750,000; Peruna company, $500,000; Castoria, $500,000; National Biscuit company, $500,000; Force Food company, $500,000; Proctor & Gamble, Ivory Soap, $500,000; J. C. Ayer & Co., $350,000; Lydia Pinkham, $350,000; Scott & Browne, $300,000; Royal Baking Powder, $250,000; Postum Food company, $200,000. Total, $6,450,000. The total amount expended for all sorts of publicity in this country has been estimated to be as much as $600,000,000. Probably $200,000,000 would come nearer the fact.

For corn shelling—horse power or team—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.
GEO. BUERSTETTA & Co.

Have you indigestion, constipation, headache, backache, kidney trouble? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well. If it fails, get your money back. That's fair. Tea or tablet form. 35 cents. F. M. Colwell.

Many persons are ignorant on the points of etiquette that relate to the answering of invitations. Frequently, on account of uncertainty as to the proper time or wording of a reply one is made to appear rude, when such was far from the intention. Like all the prescribed forms of good manners, these are based on the principles of courtesy and considerateness toward others. The rules are simple, but in certain details invariable, and anyone who wishes to move in good circles must thoroughly understand them. In The Delineator for February there is an article on the subject that can be consulted with entire confidence as to its reliability.

Madrigal Ladies' Quartette Jan. 29th

The last entertainment of the Table Rock Lecture Course will be given Friday evening, Jan. 29th, by the Madrigal Ladies' Quartette. The ladies are excellent singers and readers, and a very good program of the variety sort is assured. Read the circulars describing the entertainment. The admission will be 35c reserved seats; and 25c general. Another hot house.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Sam Peterson came up from Falls City Friday to visit his parents and friends in this vicinity.

Henry Kuper's children have been quite sick with the grip for a week past.

Mrs. Fuhyer and Sadie returned from Edgar Monday last.

Jay Locke shelled corn the first of the week.

Uncle Jim Martin drove down to DuBois Monday returning home Tuesday.

John Standford and his daughter, Mrs. McNeely, who accompanied him to the old Illinois home, are expected home Thursday.

Wm. Hamelton expects to leave soon for Lincoln where he has a job of carpentering awaiting him.

One of Harm Albert's children has been very sick with pneumonia.

Northeast of Table Rock.

James Tillotson was over the new route last week selling mail boxes. Much credit is due those who laid out the route, for while many more will now receive the benefits of the free delivery service, only a very few on the old route will be inconvenienced. We hope that eventually everyone may be reached, for it is not very pleasant to be "the one" who is left out.

Mrs. Catherine Turman of Denver, visited old friends here last week.

Young Teddy Ault's hand which was badly bitten by a dog about two weeks ago, is healing nicely, and his friends are feeling much relieved.

Mr. Bloom, whose home is at Kelly, Kan., is here selling the White Star remedies.

David Lane shelled about 3,600 bushels of corn recently. Pretty good for one man on a quarter section.

It seems that the corn shelling season is here in earnest, and a mania has struck the haulers as to who shall get the first load and get started to town with it. On one occasion, so the story goes, the managers of the sheller had some trouble with their refractory engine in moving, and it was two o'clock at night before they reached their destination. Already the teams were there, so they set the machine and commenced shelling. On another occasion, those in charge of the sheller were roused from their slumbers by three over-industrious youths who wanted their loads. Finding that it was only one o'clock, and not wishing to die from fatigue and lack of sleep, the gentlemen declined to arise. So, one of the boys who understood running an engine, fired up, the other two scooped corn, and in a short time their wagons were filled and they were gaily off for town.

For Sale:—A number of thorough-bred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

80-Acre Farm for Sale.

House, well with plenty of water, plenty timber; part of it good, rich bottom land. Can be bought for $3300. See D. K. Miller or O. D. Tibbets.

WANTED—Men who can furnish team and wagon and sell Dr. Master's Remedies, Extracts and Spices to farmers. A paying business. In writing state territory wanted and send reference. National Medical Co., Sheldon, Iowa.

Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Address Manager, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

BY MAX MARBLE.

The next meeting of the literary society will be held Jan. 22.

Miss Anna Wilson visited the school Monday afternoon.

The gymnasium is fixed up and is being used daily.

There have been five pupils started to school since the holidays, two of them being new ones.

Mrs. Ida Chambers attended the literary society held January 8th.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE!

The Pawnee county farmers' institute will be held at Pawnee Tuesday and Wednesday, February 9 and 10. Besides some good home talent there will be a number of eminent speakers from other states. All who possibly can should plan to attend. This county had one of the best institutes in the state last year, and from present indications it will be as good or better this year. Don't forget the dates and be there.

Some of the best speakers on farm topics in the country will be at the farmers' institute February 9 and 10.

The state holds farmers' institutes for your benefit. You cannot afford to miss it. Feb. 9 and 10.

Take the wife and children to the farmers' institute this year. It will pay you. Bring the hired man along; it will make a better hand of him. Persuade your neighbor to attend; he will thank you for calling his attention to it. Pawnee City, Feb. 9 and 10.

If you are a wide awake, progressive farmer you know the farmers' institute will give you new ideas. If you are not that kind of a farmer, well—that's different, and perhaps you do not realize how much it might help you. Why not go and see. Feb. 9 and 10.

COTTON COAL CO., WHOLESALE AND RETAIL Table Rock, Nebr. — Screened Lump, Mine Run, Nut, Fancy Steam.

Handle the entire out-put. The best soft coal in the market,
"THE WHITE ASH COAL."
Enquire of COTTON BRICK CO., TABLE ROCK, NEBR.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stewart entertained Mr. and Mrs. Mayberry of Wymore, last week.

Will Louneke and family, of Humboldt, were guests over Sunday of the family of E. L. Mitchell.

Mrs. Turman, who hah been visiting old-time friends here for ten days, returned to her home at Denver last Saturday.

BEST LINIMENT ON EARTH.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

Boys Do You Want A Watch?

The Lincoln Daily Star desires to give away free to the boys of Nebraska, 1,000 new watches—first-class time keepers—stem wind and stem set. You don't have to pay any money to get one of these watches. Send us your name and address and we will mail you the full particulars. This is a splendid chance for the boys to get a watch free and we would like to hear from all of them. Address Watch Department, Daily Star, Lincoln, Neb.

LOCAL MARKET

Wheat	.60
Corn	.30
Oats	.27
Hay	$6.00
Cattle	2.50
Hogs	4.65
Potatoes	.75
Butter	.15
Eggs	.20
Apples	1.50

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRSKA.

In the matter of the estate of Sarah Korns, deceased.

The heirs and next of kin of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Wesley N. Korns, praying that the administration of the estate of Sarah Korns, deceased, be granted to C. H. Norris, it is ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 4th day of February, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause, if any there be why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 9th day of January, 1904
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret E. Smith, deceased.

The heirs and next of kin of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on filing an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Margaret E. Smith, deceased, late of Pawnee county, Nebraska, together with the petition of A. O. Nickelson, praying that said instrument be admitted to probate and letters testamentary issued to George E. Nickelson, it is ordered that all persons interested in said matter be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 21st day of January, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 29th day of December, 1903.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

Garden Seeds.

The Seeds that Yield are Sold by Allinson.

I will again handle the popular

Henry Field Seeds

and will have all kinds of Garden Seeds, Onion Sets, Rape, melons, etc

White Ohio, Early Ohio, Banner, and other varieties of Potatoes. Home Grown and Red River Grown Potatoes.

White Elephant—a big corn—Shenandoah Yellow—a hundred day corn—Iowa Silvermine, Early Ohio—a ninety day corn—Early White Cap Dent and many other varieties of corn. Those wanting corn in ear can have same crated.

A. C. ALLINSON.

Get Your WALL PAPER Paints and Oils,

at the

Wilson Drug Store,

where you will find a large stock of the very best grades at the lowest prices.

BRING YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS TO US FOR FILLING . . . .

W. H. WILSON.

SPECIAL MESSAGE ON PANAMA CANAL

President Clearly Shows Congress that Colombia Committed Act of War Against Us.

DEFINES UNITED STATES' POLICY

A State Paper Containing Historical Facts of Great Import to America--Treaty of 1846 Complied With in Every Detail.

Washington, Jan. 4.—The president today sent to congress the following message.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I lay before congress fo: its information a statement of my action up to this time in executing the act entitled "An act to provide for the construction of a canal connecting the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans," approved June 28, 1902.

By the said act the president was authorized to secure for the United States the property of the Panama Canal company and the perpetual control of a strip 6 miles wide across the Isthmus of Panama. It was further provided that "should the President be unable to obtain for the United States a satisfactory title to the property of the New Panama Canal Company and the control of the necessary territory of the Republic of Colombia * * * within a reasonable time and upon reasonable terms, then the President" should endeavor to provide for a canal by the Nicaragua route. The language quoted defines with exactness and precision what was to be done, and what as a matter of fact has been done. The president was authorised to go to the Nicaragua route only if within a reasonable time he could not obtain "control of the necessary territory of the Republic of Colombia." This control has now been obtained; the provision of the act has been complied with; it is no longer possible under existing legislation to go to the Nicaragua route as an alternative.

A Climax of American Effort.

This act marked the climax of the effort on the part of the United States to secure, so far as legislation was concerned, an interoceanic canal across the Isthmus. The effort to secure a treaty for this purpose with one of the Central American republics did not stand on the same footing with the effort to secure a treaty under any ordinary conditions. The proper position for the United States to assume in reference to this canal, and therefore to the governments of the Isthmus, had been clearly set forth by Secretary Cass in 1858.

American Control of the Canal.

Under the Hay-Pauncefote treaty it was explicitly provided that the United States should control, police, and protect the canal which was to be built, keeping it open for the vessels of all nations on equal terms. The United States thus assumed the position of guarantor of the canal and of its peaceful use by all the world. The guaranty included as a matter of course the building of the canal.

The enterprise was recognized as responding to an international need; and it would be the veriest travesty on right and justice to treat the governments in possession of the isthmus as having the right, in the language of Mr. Cass, "to close the gates of intercourse on the great highways of the world, and justify the act by the pretension that these avenues of trade and travel belong to them and that they choose to shut them."

When this government submitted to Colombia the Hay-Herran treaty three things were, therefore, already settled.

One was that the canal should be built. The time for delay, the time for permitting the attempt to be made by private enterprise, the time for permitting any government of antisocial spirit and of imperfect development to bar the work, was past. The United States had assumed in connection with the canal certain responsibilities not only to its own people but to the civilized world, which imperatively demanded that there should no longer be delay in beginning the work.

Our Generosity to Colombia.

Second. While it was settled that the canal should be built without unnecessary or improper delay, it was no less clearly shown to be our purpose to deal not merely in a spirit of justice but in a spirit of generosity with the people through whose land we might build it. The Hay-Herran treaty, if it erred at all, erred in the direction of an over-generosity towards the Colombian government. In our anxiety to be fair we had gone to the very verge in yielding to a weak nation's demands what that nation was helplessly unable to enforce from us against our will.

The only criticisms made upon the administration for the terms of the Hay-Herran treaty were for having granted too much to Colombia, not for failure to grant enough. Neither in the congress nor in the public press, at the time that this treaty was formulated, was there complaint that it did not in the fullest and amplest manner guarantee to Colombia everything that she could by any color of title demand.

Act of Congress Strictly Followed.

Nor is the fact to be lost sight of that the rejected treaty, while generously responding to the pecuniary demands of Colombia, in other respects merely provided for the construction of a canal in conformity with the express requirements of the act of the congress of June 28, 1902. By that act, as heretofore quoted, the president was authorized to acquire from Colombia, for the purposes of the canal, "perpetual control" of a certain strip of land; and it was expressly required that the "control" thus to be obtained should include "jurisdiction" to make police and sanitary regulations and to establish such judicial tribunals as might be agreed on for their enforcement.

These were conditions precedent prescribed by the congress, and for their fulfillment suitable stipulations, on the ground that they involved a relinquishment of her 'sovereignty;' but in the light of what has taken place, alleged objection must be considered as an afterthought. In reality, the treaty, instead of requiring a cession of Colombia's sovereignty over the canal strip, expressly acknowledged, confirmed, and preserved her sovereignty over it. The treaty in this respect simply proceeded on the lines on which all the negotiations leading up to the present situation have been conducted. In these negotiations the exercise by the United States, subject to the paramount rights of the local sovereign, of a substantial control over the canal and the immediately adjacent territory, has been treated as a fundamental part of any arrangement that might be made. It has formed an essential feature of all our plans, and its necessity is fully recognized in the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

No New Principle Was Laid Down.

The congress, in providing that such control should be secured, adopted no new principle, but only incorporated in its legislation a condition the importance and propriety of which were universally recognized. During all the years of negotiations and discussion that preceded the conclusion of the Hay-Herran treaty, Colombia never intimated that the requirement by the United States of control over the canal strip would render unattainable the construction of canal by way of the Isthmus of Panama; nor were we advised, during the months when legislation of 1902 was pending before congress, that the terms which it embodied would render negotiations with Colombia impracticable. It is plain that no nation could construct and guarantee the neutrality of the canal with a less degree of control than was stipulated in the Hay-Herran treaty.

A refusal to grant such a degree of control was necessarily a refusal to make any practicable treaty at all. Such refusal therefore squarely raised the question whether Colombia was entitled to bar the transit of the world's traffic across the isthmus.

Colombia's Belated Offers.

That the canal itself was eagerly demanded by the people of the locality through which it was to pass, and that the people of this locality no less eagerly longed for its construction under American control, are shown by the unanimity of action in the new Panama Republic. Furthermore, Colombia, after having rejected the treaty in spite of our protests and warnings when it was in her power to accept it, has since shown the utmost eagerness to accept the same treaty if only the status quo could be restored. One of the men standing highest in the official circles of Colombia, on November 6, addressed the American minister at Bogota, saying that if the government of the United States would land troops to preserve Colombian sovereignty and the transit, the Colombia government would "declare martial law; and, by virtue of vested constitutional authority, when public order is disturbed, (would) approve by decree the ratification of the canal treaty as signed; or, if the government of the United States prefers, (would) call extra session of the congress—with new and friendly members—next May to approve the treaty."

No Posibility of Nicaragua Route.

Third. Finally the congress definitely settled where the canal was to be built. It was provided that a treaty should be made for building the canal across the Isthmus of Panama; and if, after reasonable time, it proved impossible to secure such treaty, that then we should go to Nicaragua. The treaty has been made; for it needs no argument to show that the intent of the congress was to insure a canal across Panama, and that whether the republic granting the title was called New Granada, Colombia, or Panama mattered not one whit. As events turned out, the question of "reasonable time" did not enter into the matter at all. Although, as the months went by, it became increasingly improbable that the Colombian congress would rather ratify the treaty or take steps which would be equivalent thereto, yet all chance for such action on their part did not vanish until the congress closed at the end of October; and within three days thereafter the revolution in Panama had broken out. Panama became an independent state, and the control of the territory necessary for building the canal then became obtainable.

The condition under which alone we could have gone to Nicaragua thereby became impossible of fulfillment. If the pending treaty with Panama should not be ratified by the senate this would not alter the fact that we could not go to Nicaragua. The congress has decided the route, and there is no alternative under existing legislation.

Americans Were Threatened.

Before any step whatever had been taken by the United States troops to restore order, the commander of the newly landed Colombian troops had indulged in wanton and violent threats against American citizens, which created serious apprehension. As Commander Hubbard reported in his letter of November 5, this officer and his troops practically began war against the United States, and only the forbearance and coolness of our officers and men prevented bloodshed.

Commander Hubbard's Letter.

The letter of Commander Hubbard is of such interest that it deserves quotation in full, and runs as follows.

U. S. S. Nashville, Third Rate.
Colon, U. S. Colombia, Nov. 5, 1903.

"Sir: Pending a complete report of the occurances of the last three days in colon, Colombia, I most respectfully invite the department's attention to those of the date of Wednesday, November 4, which amounted to practically the making of war against the United States by the officer in command of the Colombian troops in Colon. At 1 o'clock p. m. on that date I was summoned on shore by a preconcerted signal, and on landing met the United States consul, vice-consul, and Colonel Shaler, the general superintendent of the Panama railroad. The consul informed me that he had received notice from the officer commanding the Colombian troops, Colonel Torres, through the prefect of Colon, to the effect that if the Colombian officers, Generals Tobal and Amaya, who had been seized in Panama on the evening of the 3rd of November by the Independents and held as prisoners, were not released by 2 o'clock p. m. he, Torres, would open fire on the town of Colon and kill every United States citizen in the place, and my advice and action were requested.

"I advised that all the United States citizens should take refuge in the shed of the Panama Railroad company, a stone building susceptible of being put into good state for defense, and that I would immediately land such body of men, with extra arms for arming the citizens, as the complement of the ship would permit.

"This was agreed to and I immediately returned on board, arriving at 1:15 p. m. The order for landing was immediately given, and at 1:30 p. m. the boats left the ship with a party of forty-two men under the command of Lieutenant Commander H. M. Witzel, with Midshipman J. P. Jackson as second in command. Time being pressing I gave verbal orders to Mr. Witzel to take the building above referred to, to put it into the best state of defense possible, and to protect the lives of the citizens assembled there—not firing unless fired upon.

"The Colombians surrounded the building of the railroad company almost immediately after we had taken possession, and for about one and a half hours their attitude was most threatening, it being seemingly their purpose to provoke an attack. Happily our men were cool and steady, and while the tension was very great no shot was fired. At about 3:15 p. m. Colonel Torres came into the building for an interview and expressed himself as most friendly to Americans, claiming that the whole affair was a misapprehension and that he would like to send the alcalde of Colon to Panama to see General Tobal and have him direct the discontinuance of the show of force. A special train was furnished and safe conduct guaranteed.

"At about 5:30 p. m. Colonel Torres made the proposition of withdrawing his troops to Monkey Hill, if I would withdraw the Nashville's force and leave the town in the possession of the police until the return of the alcalde on the morning of the 5th. After an interview with the United States consul and Colonel Shaler as to the probability of good faith in the matter, I declined to accept the proposition and brought my men on board, the disparity in numbers between my force and that of the Colombians nearly ten to one, making me desirous of avoiding a conflict so long as the object in view, the protection of American citizens, was not imperiled.

"I am positive that the determined attitude of our men, their coolness and evident intention of standing their ground, had a most salutary and decisive effect on the immediate situation and was the initial step in the ultimate abandoning of Colon by these troops and their return to Cartagena the following day. Lieutenant Commander Witzel is entitled to much praise for his admirable work in command on the spot.

"I feel that I can not sufficiently strongly represent to the department the grossness of this outrage and the insult to our dignity, even apart from the savagery of the threat.

Very respectfully,
JOHN HUBBARD,
Commander, U. S. Navy, Commanding.
The Secretary of the Navy,
Navy Department, Washington, D. C."

Full Report from Hubbard.

In his letter of November 8 Commander Hubbard sets forth the facts more in detail:

U. S. S. Nashville, Third Rate,
Porto Bello, U. S. Colombia, Nov. 8.

"Sir: 1. I have the honor to make the following report of the occurrences which took place at Colon and Panama in the interval between the arrival of the Nashville at Colon on the evening of November 2, 1903, and the evening of November 5, 1903, when by the arrival of the U. S. S. Dixie at Colon I was relieved as senior officer by Commander F. H. Delano, U. S. navy.

"2. At the time of the arrival of the Nashville at Colon at 5:30 p. m. on November 2 everything on the isthmus was quiet. There was talk of proclaiming the independence of Panama, but no definite action had been taken and there had been no disturbance of peace and order. At daylight on the morning of November 3 it was found that a vessel which had come in during the night was the Colombian gunboat Cartagena carrying between 400 and 500 troops. I had her boarded and learned that these troops were for the garrison at Panama. Inasmuch as the Independent party had not acted and the government of Colombia was at that time in undisputed control of the Province of Panama, I did not feel, in the absence of any instructions, that I was justified in preventing the landing of these troops, and at 8:30 o'clock they were disembarked. The commanding officers Generals Amaya and Tobal, with four others, immediately went over to Panama to make arrangements for receiving and quartering their troops, leaving the command in charge of an officer whom I later learned to be Colonel Torres.

"The department's message addressed to the care of the United States consul I received at 10:30 a. m.; it was delivered to one of the ship's boats while I was at the consul's and not to the consul as addressed. The message was said to have been received at the cable office at 9:30 a. m. Immediately on deciphering the message I went ashore to see what arrangements the railroad company had made for the transportation of these troops to Panama, and learned that the company would not transport them except on request of the governor of Panama, and that the prefect of Colon and the officer left in command of the troops had been notified by the general superintendent of the Panama Railroad company.

"I remained at the company's office until it was sure that no action on my part would be needed to prevent the transportation of the troops that afternoon, when I returned on board and cabled the department the situation of affairs. At about 5:30 p. m. I again went on shore, and received notice from the general superintendent of the railroad that he had received the request for the transportation of the troops and that they would leave on the 8 a. m. train on the following day. I immediately went to see the general superintendent, and learned that it had just been announced that a provisional government had been established at Panama—that Generals Amaya and Tobal, the governor of Panama, and four officers, who had gone to Panama in the morning, had been seized and were held as prosoners; that they had an organized force of 1,500 troops and wished the government troops in Colon to be sent over. This I declined to permit, and verbally prohibited the general superintendent from giving transportation to the troops of either party.

Prohibited Transportation of Troops.

"It being then late in the evening, I sent early in the morning of November 4 written notification to the general superintendent of the Panama railroad, to the prefect of Colon, and to the officer left in command of the Colombian trops, later ascertained to be Colonel Torres, that I had prohibited the transportation of troops in either direction, in order to preserve the free and uninterrupted transit of the isthmus. Copies of these letters are hereto appended; also copy of my notification to the consul.

"Except to a few people, nothing was known in Colon of the proceedings in Panama until the arrival of the train at 10:45 on the morning of the 4th. Some propositions were, I was told made to Colonel Torres by the representatives of the new government at Colon, with a view to inducing him to re-embark in the Cartagena and return to the port of Cartagena, and it was in answer to this proposition that Colonel Torres made the threat and took the action reported in my letter No. 96, of November 5, 1903. The Cartagena left the port just after the threat was made and I did not deem it expedient to attempt to detain her, as such action would certainly, in the then state of affairs, have precipitated a conflict on shore which I was not prepared to meet. It is my understanding that she returned to Cartagena.

Violated His Agreement.

"After the withdrawal of the Colombian troops on the evening of November 4, and the return of the Nashville's force on board, as reported in my letter No. 96, there was no disturbance on shore, and the night passed quietly. On the morning of the 5th I discovered that the commander of the Colombian troops had not withdrawn so far from the town as he had agreed, but was occupying buildings near the outskirts of the town. I immediately inquired into the matter and learned that he had some trivial excuse for not carrying out his agreement, and also that it was his intention to occupy Colon again on the arrival of the alcalde due at 10:45 a. m., unless General Tobal sent word by the alcalde that he, Colonel Torres, should withdraw.

"This General Torres had declined to give any instructions I was cognizant of, and the situation at once became quite as serious as on the day previous. I immediately landed an armed force, re-occupied the same building; also landed two 1-pounders and mounted them on platform cars behind protection of cotton bales, and then in company with the United States consul had an interview with Colonel Torres, in the course of which I informed him that I had relanded my men because he had not kept his agreement; that I had no interest in the affairs of either party; that my attitude was strictly neutral; that the troops of neither side should be transported; that my sole purpose in landing was to protect the lives and property of American citizens if threatened, as they had been threatened, and to maintain the free and uninterrupted transit of the isthmus, and that purpose I should maintain by force if necessary. I also strongly advised that in the interests of peace, and to prevent the possibility of a conflict that could not but be regrettable, he should carry out his agreement of the previous evening and withdraw to Monkey Hill.

"Colonel Torres' only reply was that it was unhealthy at Monkey Hill, a reiteration of his love of Americans, and persistence in his intention to occupy Colon, should General Tobal not give him directions to the contrary.

Not Quite So Threatening.

"On the return of the alcalde about 11 a. m. the Colombian troops marched into Colon, but did not assume the threatening demeanor of the previous day. The American women and children again went aboard the Marcomania and City of Washington, and through the British vice-consul I offered protection to British subjects as directed in the department's cablegram. A copy of the British vice-consul's acknowledgement is hereto appended. The Nashville I got under way as on the previous day and moved close in to protect the water front.

"During the afternoon several propositions were made to Colonel Torres by the representatives of the new government, and he was finally persuaded by them to embark on the royal mail steamer Orinoco with all his troops and return to Cartagena. The Orinoco left her dock with the troops—474 all told—at 7:35 p. m. The Dixie arrived and anchored at 7:05 p. m., when I went on board and acquainted the commanding officer with the situation. A portion of the marine battalion was landed and the Nashville's force withdrawn.

"3. On the evening of November 4 Major William M. Black and Lieutenant Mark Brooke, corps of engineers, United States army, came to Colon from Culebra and volunteered their services, which were accepted, and they rendered very efficient help on the following day.

No Part in Negotiations.

"4. I beg to assure the department that I had no part whatever in the negotiations that were carried on between Colonel Torres and the representatives of the provisional government; that I landed an armed force only when the lives of American citizens were threatened, and withdrew this force as soon as there seemed to be no grounds for further apprehension of injury to American lives or property; that I relanded an armed force because of the failure of Colonel Torres to carry out his agreement to withdraw and announced intention of returning, and that my attitude throughout was strictly neutral as between the two parties, my only purpose being to protect the lives and property of American citizens and to preserve the free and uninterrupted transit of the isthmus.

Very respectfully,
JOHN HUBBARD,
Commander, U. S. Navy, Commanding.
The Secretary of the Navy,
Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department, Washington, D. C."

American Action Too Long Delayed.

This plain official account of the occurrences of November 4, shows that, instead of there having been too much prevision by the American government for the maintenance of order and the protection of life and property on the isthmus, the orders for the movement of the American warships had been too long delayed; so long, in fact, that there were but forty-two marines and sailors available to land and protect the lives of American men and women. It was only the coolness and gallantry with which this little band of men wearing the American uniform faced ten times their number of armed foes, bent on carrying out the atrocious threat of the Colombian commander, that prevented a murderous catastrophe.

At Panama, when the revolution broke out, there was no American man-of-war and no American troops or sailors. At Colon, Commander Hubbard acted with entire impartiality towards both sides, preventing any movement, whether by the Colombians or the Panamans, which would tend to produce bloodshed. On November 9 he prevented a body of the revolutionists from landing at Colon. Throughout he behaved in the most creditable manner.

Our Action Was for Peace.

The fact that in this last revolution not a life was lost, save that of the man killed by the shells of the Colombian gunboat, and no property destroyed, was due to the action which I have described. We, in effect, policed the isthmus in the interest of its inhabitants and of our own national needs, and for the good of the entire civilized world. Failure to act as the administration acted would have mean great waste of life, great suffering, great destruction of property; all of which was avoided by the firmness and prudence with which Commander Hubbard carried out his orders and prevented either party from attacking the other. Our action was for the peace of both Colombia and of Panama. It is earnestly to be hoped that there will be no unwise conduct on our part which may encourage Colombia to embark on a war which can not result in her regaining control of the isthmus, but which may cause much bloodshed and suffering.

No Part Taken By Us.

I hesitate to refer to the injurious instructions which have been made of complicity by this government in the revolutionary movement in Panama. They are as destitute of foundation as of propriety. The only excuse for my mentioning them is the fear lest unthinking persons might mistake for acquiescence the silence of mere self-respect. I think proper to say, therefore, that no one connected with this government had any part in preparing, inciting, or encouraging the late revolution on the isthmus of Panama, and that save from the reports of our military and naval officers, given above, no one connected with this government had any previous knowledge of the revolution except such as was accessible to any person of ordinary intelligence who read the newspapers and kept up a current acquaintance with public affairs.

The Recognition of Panama.

By the unanimous action of its people, without the firing of a shot—with a unanimity hardly before recorded in any similar case—the people of Panama declared themselves an independent republic. Their recognition by this government was based upon a state of facts in no way dependent for its justification upon our action in ordinary cases. I have not denied, nor do I wish to deny, either the validity or the propriety of the general rule that a new state should not be recognized as independent till it has shown its ability to maintain its independence. This rule is derived from the principle of non-intervention, and as a corollary of that principle has generally been observed by the United States.

But, like the principle from which it is deduced, the rule is subject to exceptions; and there are in my opinion clear and imperative reasons why a departure from it was justified and even required in the present instance. These reasons embrace, first, our treaty rights; second, our national interests and safety; and, third, the interests of collective civilization.

The First Object of the Treaty.

The attacks against which the United States engaged to protect New Granadian sovereignty were those of foreign powers; but this engagement was only a means to the accomplishment of a yet more important end. The great design of the article was to assure the dedication of the isthmus to the purposes of free and unobstructed interoceanic transit, the consummation of which would be found in an interoceanic canal.

To the accomplishment of this object the government of the United States had for years directed its diplomacy. It occupied a place in the instructions to our delegates to the Panama congress during the administration of John Quincy Adams. It formed the subject of a resolution of the senate in 1835, and of the house of representatives in 1839. In 1846 its importance had become still more apparent by reason of the Mexican war. If the treaty of 1846 did not in terms bind New Granada to grant reasonable concessions for the construction of means of interoceanic communication, it was only because it was not imagined that such concessions would ever be withheld. As it was expressly agreed that the United States, in consideration of its onerous guarantee of New Granadian sovereignty, should possess the right of free and open transit on any modes of communication that might be constructed, the obvious intent of the treaty rendered it unnecessary, if not superfluous, in terms to stipulate that permission for the construction of such modes of communication should not be denied.

Private Enterprise Inadequate.

Long before the conclusion of the Hay-Herran treaty the course of events had shown that a canal to connect the Atlantic and Pacific oceans must be built by the United States or not at all. Experience had demonstrated that private enterprise was utterly inadequate for the purpose; and a fixed policy, declared by the United States on many memorable occasions, and supported by the practically unanimous voice of American opinion, had rendered it morally impossible that the work should be undertaken by European powers either singly or in combination. Such were the universally recognized conditions on which the legislation of the congress was based, and on which the late negotiations with Colombia were begun and concluded.

Nevehtheless, when the well-considered agreement was rejected by Colombia and the revolution on the isthmus ensued, one of Colombia's first acts was to invoke the intervention of the United States; nor does her invitation appear to have been confined to this government alone. By a telegram from Mr. Beaupre, our minister at Bogota, of the 7th of November last, we are informed that General Reyes would soon leave Panama invested with full powers; that he telegraphed the president of Mexico to ask the government of the United States and all countries represented at the Pan-American conference "to aid Colombia to preserve her integrity;" and that he had requested that the government of the United States should meanwhile "preserve the neutrality and transit of the isthmus" and should "not recognize the new government."

In another telegram from Mr. Beaupre, which was sent later in the day, this government was asked whether it would take action "to maintain Colombian right and sovereignty on the isthmus in accordance with article 35 (of) the treaty of 1846" in case the Colombian government should be "entirely unable to suppress the secession movement there."

Urged Us to Violate Treaty.

Here was a direct solicitation to the United States to intervene for the purpose of suppressing, contrary to the treaty of 1846 as this government has uniformly construed it, a new revolt against Colombia's authority brought about by her own refusal to permit the fulfillment of the great design for which that treaty was made. It was under these circumstances that the United States, instead of using its forces to destroy those who sought to make the engagements of the treaty a reality, recognized them as the proper custodians of the sovereignty of the isthmus.

Canal a National Necessity.

This recognition was, in the second place, further justified by the highest considerations of our national interests and safety. In all the range of our international relations, I do not hesitate to affirm that there is nothing of greater or more pressing importance than the construction of an interoceanic canal. Long acknowledged to be essential to our commercial development, it has become, as the result of the recent extension of our territorial dominion, more than ever essential to our national self-defense.

In transmitting to the senate the treaty of 1846, President Polk pointed out as the principal reason for its ratification that the passage of the isthmus, which it was designed to secure, "would relieve us from a long and dangerous navigation of more than 9,000 miles around Cape Horn, and render our communication with our own possessions on the northwest coast of America comparatively easy and speedy." The events of the past five years have given to this consideration an importance immeasurably greater than it possessed in 1846. In the light of our present situation, the establishment of easy and speedy communication by sea between the Atlantic and the Pacific presents itself not simply as something to be desired, but as an object to be positively and promptly attained. Reasons of convenience have been superceded by reasons of vital necessity, which do not admit of indefinite delays.

A Mandate from Civilization.

In the third place, I confidently maintain that the recognition of the Republic of Panama was an act justified by the interests of collective civilization. If ever a government could be said to have received a mandate from civilization to effect an object the accomplishment of which was demanded in the interest of mankind, the United States holds that position with regard to the interoceanic canal. Since our purpose to build the canal was definitely announced, there have come from all quarters assurances of approval and encouragement, in which even Colombia herself at one time participated; and to general assurances were added specific acts and declarations. In order that no obstacle might stand in our way, Great Britain renounced important rights under the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and agreed to its abrogation, receiving in return nothing but our honorable pledge to build the canal and protect it as an open highway.

Treaty Should Be Ratified.

Instead of using our forces, as we were invited by Colombia to do, for the twofold purpose of defeating our own rights and interests and the interests of the civilized world, and of compelling the submission of the people of the isthmus to those whom they regarded as oppressors, we shall, as in duty bound, keep the transit open and prevent its invasion. Meanwhile, the only question now before us is that of the ratification of the treaty. For it is to be remembered that a failure to ratify the treaty will not undo what has been done, will not restore Panama to Colombia, and will not alter our obligation to keep the transit open across the isthmus, and to prevent any outside power from menacing this transit.

It seems to have been assumed in certain quarters that the proposition that the obligations of article 35 of the treaty of 1846 are to be considered as adhering to and following the sovereignty of the isthmus, so long as that sovereignty is not absorbed by the United States, rests upon some novel theory. No assumption could be further from the fact. It is by no means true that a state in declaring its independence rids itself of all the treaty obligations entered into by the parent government. It is a mere coincidence that this question was once raised in a case involving the obligations of Colombia as an independent state under a treaty which Spain had made with the United States many years before the Spanish-American independence.

Principle Asserted by Adams.

In that case Mr. John Quincy Adams, Secretary of State, in an instruction to Mr. Anderson, our minister to Colombia, of May 27, 1823, said:

"By a treaty between the United States and Spain concluded at the time when Colombia was a part of the Spanish dominions * * * the principle that free ships make free goods was expressly recognized and established. It is asserted that by her declaration of independence Colombia has been entirely released from all the obligations by which, as a part of the Spanish nation, she was bound to other nations. This principle is not tenable. To all the engagements of Spain with other nations, affecting their rights and interests, Colombia, so far as she was affected by them, remains bound in honor and in justice. The stipulation now referred to is of that character."

Was Fully Sustained.

The principle thus asserted by Mr. Adams was afterwards sustained by an international commission in respect to the precise stipulation to which he referred; and a similar position was taken by the United States with regard to the binding obligation upon the independent state of Texas of commercial stipulations embodied in prior treaties between the United States and Mexico when Texas formed a part of the latter country. But in the present case it is unnecessary to go so far.

Even if it be admitted that prior treaties of a political and commercial complexion generally do not bind a new state formed by separation, it is undeniable that stipulations having a local application to the territory embraced in the new state continue in force and are binding upon the new sovereign. Thus it is on all hands conceded that treaties relating to boundaries and to rights of navigation continue in force without regard to changes in government or in sovereignty. This principle obviously applies to that part of the treaty of 1846 which relates to the Isthmus of Panama.

In conclusion let me repeat that the question actually before this government is not that of the recognition of Panama as an independent republic. That is already an accomplished fact. The question, and the only question, is whether or not we shall build an isthmian canal.

I transmit herewith copies of the latest notes from the minister of the Republic of Panama to this government; and of certain notes which have passed between the special envoy of the Republic of Colombia and this government.

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LANDMARK IS GONE

Dunning's Opera House at Kansas City, Kan., Burned

WAS A FINE BUILDING IN 1867

Over Twenty Thousand People of the Two Kansas City's Watched the Big Frame Structure Burn

The old Dunning opera house, a large three-story wooden structure built in 1867, at the southeast corner of Fourth street and State avenue, Kansas City, Kan., around which cluster many memories of old Wyandotte in the latter '60s and the '70s, together with the old wooden building adjoining on Fourth street, in which the first Episcopal service in the state of Kansas was held on Palm Sunday, 1857, by the Rev. Rodney Nash, a missionary, burned to the ground. An oil stove in Mrs. Mary King's restaurant in the old building long since abandoned as a house of worship, started the fire at a few minutes after 6 o'clock. The total loss was $12,000 to $15,000.

For an hour and a half a crowd of 15,000 to 20,000 persons watched the historic old buildings burn, while all the fire companies in Kansas City, Kan., and two companies from Kansas City, Mo., bent their energies in saving the adjoining buildings. The heat from the great wooden structures was so intense that the sides and roofs of the buildings 200 to 300 feet away were scorched and smoking, and, though the water pressure was weak, the good work of the firemen and the absence of a strong wind from any direction prevented a conflagration.

Measles Epidemic in Emporia

The measles epidemic in Emporia and Lyon county, Kansas, is causing alarm. The city teachers' report shows that there are 202 cases of measles among the school children. This is 12 per cent of all of the children in the city schools. Aside from these, a number of normal students are absent with the measles. The day before the normal dismissed for vacation seventeen students were taken sick in one day. Two deaths have resulted from the epidemic.

In the family of William Bacon, eight miles northwest of Emporia, the father and six children are bedfast with measles. The doctor gave up two of the Bacon cases. Every day the county schools being closed because of the measles.

Don't Want Joints in Leavenworth

County Attorney J. H. Wendorff, of Leavenworth, Kan., swore out warrants for the arrest of William and Fannie Copeland, charging them with violating the Kansas prohibitory law. The Copelands run a saloon in connection with a grocery store in the southwest part of the city. Relatives of a railroad man named James Ryan who lost his position because of excessive drinking, warned the Copelands verbally and in writing not to sell any more liquor to Ryan and when no attention was paid to this they demanded of the county attorney that he prosecute the Copelands. This is the first arrest in nearly ten years of any one for violating the Kansas prohibitory law in Leavenworth.

Nearly a Fatal Assault

Two negroes, Jube Jordon and Clay Jordon, came home to Perry, Kan., on the train intoxicated and raised a disturbance, and when the marshal, Henry James, was going to put them under arrest, Jube caught James and held him while his brother cut his throat. James then shot the one holding him, but the ball hit the collar bone and glanced off.

Jube and Clay Jordon escaped during the excitement, but were caught two miles west of town.

James may recover, for he ducked his head and kept the razor from reaching the jugular vein.

All parties had had trouble years ago and this is the first time Clay had been in town for a long time.

Reckless Auto Drivers Humiliated

Two Falls City, Kan., boys hired an automobile and made a trip through the country. While running their machine they met a farmer driving a pair of frisky colts attached to a big wagon. He shouted to them to stop until he could get by them, but they laughed and came on. The colts broke loose from the wagon and ran away. The farmer had a loaded shotgun in the wagon, and he grabbed it and fired both barrels at the rear wheels of the auto. The big rubber tires were cut all to pieces, and the Falls City boys had to walk eight miles to town, hire the farmer to bring in the machine and also pay damages for the ruined wheels.

High Priced Farm Land

A half section farm, purchased eight years ago for $7,000, was sold for $14,000 cash at Abilene, Kan. It is east of town on the bottom lands and has, during all the eight years, paid a big rent. It was bought by northeastern Kansas farmers, who are buying many farms in that county. They pay large prices and usually cash.

Farmers Will Run Own Store

The farmers of the vicinity of Navarre, sixteen miles south of Abilene, Kan., have united and bought the general merchandise store. They have formed a co-operative company and will conduct the business themselves after March 1.

Scare in Wichita Theatre

Electric sparks came near causing a possible dangerous fire in the Crawford opera house, Wichita, Kan., which was crowded during the annual play given by the senior class of the high school. A member of the cast found two wires on which the insulation was defective and touched them together, "to see the sparks fly," he said. A blaze was started, but was soon extinguished. The audience knew nothing of the blaze. The management announced that no more entertainments by students would be permitted in the house.

SENATOR DIETRICH FREE

He Had Not Taken Oath When Charge Against Him Was Made

Judges Van Devanter and Munger, of Omaha, in a comprehensive opinion delivered by the former, held that the jury should find for Senator Dietrich because at the time of the commission of the acts complained of Dietrich was not a senator. The many phases of the case were discussed seriatum. When the case at bar was thus summarily disposed of, the other cases against Charles H. Dietrich and Jacob Fisher, growing out of the transactions in connection with the appointment of the latter, followed in quick succession to their irrevocable quietus.

The court said: "One does not become an officer by virtue of an appointment, or by virtue of an election, either under the governments of the respective states, or under the government of the United States. It requires also an acceptance, an assumption of duties on the part of the officer elected or appointed. It is optional with one who is merely elected or appointed to public office whether he will accept. It is not usual that such elections or appointments are declined, but it is in fact true that they are at times.

"This defendant, as appears, was the governor of the state of Nebraska, at the time when he was elected a senator. One cannot be an officer of a state and a member of congress at one and the same time. Yet he continued for a time not stated here to be the governor of Nebraska, and discharged the duties of that office. So long as he did that it was impossible under the constitution of the United States that he could be a member of the senate. It was optional with him whether he would surrender the office of governor of Nebraska and accept that of a senator of the United States. He chose, so long as he did remain in the office of governor of Nebraska, to be governor. He could have served his entire term as governor of the state of Nebraska. Having been duly elected and inducted into that office, the election by the legislature of Nebraska did not oust him from it, and could not oust him from it without the further action in accepting the office of United States senator. Had he remained as governor of Nebraska, I take it from what was said, his term would have continued beyond the time when the matters here charged against him occurred, and it could not, with any plausibility, be said that during that time he was a senator in congress as well as governor of Nebraska."

Called to Meet on January

Chairman Harry C. Lindsay has issued noticed of a meeting of the republican state central committee, January 20, at 2 p. m. The object of the meeting is to have the committee express its opinion regarding the date of two conventions to be held this year. One of these meetings will be unusually early, if the opinion of some of the committeemen prevails. The recent executive committee meeting was called for the purpose of throwing light on this question, but the best it could do was to recommend that the chairman call a meeting on or before January, 15, to discuss it. When the committee gets together it will be definitely decided whether one of two conventions shall be held.

Union Depot Not Up to Contract

The representatives of the Union Pacific and Northwestern railroads who inspected the union station at Fremont, found some details of the interior finishing which were slightly at variance with the contract specifications. They have reported to the Union Pacific chief engineer's office at Omaha to that effect. A conference was held and if a settlement is reached as to what the contractors should allow for the faulty features, there may be no delay in opening the depot. Otherwise it is possible the roads will insist that the terms of the contract be fully complied with before they accept the structure and begin using it.

Ohioans Favor Olney

At a Jackson day banquet at Cleveland, Ohio, John H. Clarke, the democratic nominee for United States senator in the last Ohio campaign, spoke to the toast "Democracy." Regarding a presidential candidate for the democratic party, Mr. Clarke strongly urged the nomination of Richard Olney of Massachusetts as the man whom all democrats can support and one who will bring victory surer than any other nominee.

Too Much Hunting for Safety

County Attorney Eckstein and the Anti-Horse Thief association, which has 1,000 members near Wichita, Kan., have begun a war against Sunday hunting in the country by city nimrods. Already one arrest has been made and others will follow. The farmers complain that their premises are invaded without permission and that their stock is frightened by reckless hunters.

Hard Up for Policemen

Due to the inability to secure a sufficient number of citizens to serve as special officers during the street railway strike, Mayor Morrison, of Bloomington, Ill., served notice upon every member of the board of aldermen, numbering fourteen, that they would be required to serve as police officers if there is any more disorder. The sheriff has been forced to call in his country deputies to serve owing to the impossibility of securing the required number from local citizens.

Neosho county is to buy trained bloodhounds to track horse thieves.

Can Teach Under Requirements

Since the recent announcement of a scarcity of teachers in Beatrice, Neb., the board of education has received applications without limit. All positions, however, have been filled and those applications which have come in have been "placed on file." Among letters received from persons in other states is one from a young woman in Illinois who assures the members of the board that she can be depended upon, if appointed, not to create a vacancy in the teaching force by marrying before the expiration of the time named in the contract.

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WASHINGTON'S SIX-IN-HAND.

His Fourteen Miles of Driving in Manhattan.

George Washington, when he was President of the United States, rode in a coach drawn by six horses. This coach was made in England and it arrived in New York in 1789. The body and wheels were of a cream color, with gilt relief, and part of the sides and fronts were shaded by green Venetian blinds. Upon each of the four panels was a picture emblematic of one of the four seasons. The original Indian name of New York was Manhattan. In January, 1785, Congress met in Federal Hall, at the corner of Wall and Nassau streets, and this city was the national capital for five years, says the Brooklyn Eagle.

Washington was here inaugurated as President April 30, 1789. Manhattan Island then presented one of the most beautiful drives in the world and Washington frequently made the fourteen-mile circuit in his coach. This drive led up to what is now the Bowery and Third avenue, then called the Boston road, across the upper part of the island and down the Bloomingdale road, now famous as Broadway. The view took in the prosperous farms, elegant country seats and broad stretches of living water. In the city the President was usually content with four horses, but when he started on the long drive from Mount Vernon six horses pranced in front of the coach.

Fifteen years after the death of General Washington this catch became the property of Bishop Bead of Virginia. Our first President was a good horseman and he was none the less devoted to the interests of the people because he rode in state. Should he revisit the scenes of his former glory he would find it difficult to trace the old fourteen-mile drive and he would meet in the glad springtime up in Central Park and on the roads beyond four-in-hands that would make him turn green with envy. Manhattan has radically changed since the first day of the republic.

EPICUREAN CHINAMEN.

Their Tables Have the Best American Markets Affords.

The food bought by the Chinese living in America is often quite as expensive as that of the whites. Instead of living almost altogether on rice and chop suey, as is the general impression, Chinamen, being quite as fond of meat as Americans, buy pork, beef and chickens. Chop suey is made to sell to curious white persons who visit Chinatown. In the vicinity of every large city where there is any considerable Chinese colony, there are truck gardens devoted to raising vegetables exclusively for Chinamen from seed brought from their native land. These vegetables are unknown to Americans. But the Chinese also consume large quantities of the finer kinds of American vegetables.

"The Chinaman has a sweet tooth also, and in the best Chinese restaurants in San Francisco, New York, Chicago and other large cities, the best of wines are served to Chinese as well as American customers, together with the finest and most expensive foods. In the average Chinese restaurants in those cities good board can be had by the Chinese for from $15 to $20 a month, and these restaurants are largely patronized. As a rule the Chinamen are compelled to lodge in mean quarters; but in New York and San Francisco there are a number of well appointed homes occupied by the families of well-to-do Chinese merchants, which the American seldom or never sees. In New York there is an apartment house, up to date in every respect, occupied by Chinese families. The Chinaman sticks as closely as he can to the traditions and customs of his country, which are strange to the occidental, and, therefore, a subject for comment and often for derision.—Forum.

Astronomers Overworked.

Some years ago the astronomers employed at the observatory in Berlin formally promised that they would calculate the orbits of all stars that might be discovered, and as a result they have now more work on their hands than is agreeable to them. When they made the promise they imagined that not more than a few stars would be discovered each year, whereas 28 have been discovered since March, 1901, and scientists are satisfied that for some time stars will continue to be found at the rate of 40 or more a year.

The hard-working Berlin astronomers thought a few weeks ago that they would be able to obtain a little rest, but were disappointed, for just then Herr Wolff, a well-known German scientist, discovered a small planet, and, of course, it became necessary for them to calculate its orbit.

SAVED FROM TERRIBLE DEATH.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used, failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption turn'd despair into joy. The first bottle bro't immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed. Bottles 50c and $1. Trial bottles free at Colwell's drug store.

Noble Baroness Burdett-Coutts.

Few women have done more for their sex than the Baroness Burdett-Coutts. In London alone she has established free sewing schools and an organization for the training of housemaids. She has provided a shelter for homeless women, one-half of whom have gained courage to begin life anew. She has organized the flower girls of London into brigades with fixed stations assigned to each, under police protection.

No Solids for Babies.

It is not generally known that in France it is a penal offense to give any form of solid food to babies under a year old, unless it be prescribed in writing by a properly qualified medical man. Nurses are also forbidden to use for their charges any sort of feeding bottle having a rubber tube. These and other equally stringent laws have recently been enacted by the French government to save the lives of babies.

Soul a Living Instrument.

The soul is such an instrument, that no sooner is it set in peace with itself than it becomes an instrument in tune, a living instrument, discoursing heavenly music in its thoughts and chanting melodies of bliss even in its dreams. When a soul is in this harmony no fires of calamity, no pains of outward torment can for a moment break the sovereign spell of its joy—Horace Bushnell.

American Furniture in Paris.

An American furniture manufacturing company is now shipping from its factories American furniture in the rough. Being in parts and tightly packed, it occupies little space, and consequently the freight is low. It is put together in London and Glasgow workshops, and the salesmen place the furniture in the hands of dealers in England and Scotland.

Fell 400 Feet at Precipice.

Justice George B. Cooper of Hollidaysburg, Pa., was driving over Tussey mountain during a heavy rainstorm, when his team slipped over an unguarded precipice and fell 400 feet to the bottom. Both horses were killed and the wagon was smashed into splinters, but Mr. Cooper sustained only a few contusions.

Either For or Against.

Skepticism in moral matters is an active ally of immorality. Who is not for is against. The universe will have no neutrals in these questions. In theory as in practice, dodge or hedge, or talk as we like about a wise skepticism we are really doing volunteer military service for one side or the other.—William James.

Big Price for New York Realty.

The highest price ever paid for residence property in the city of New York, and perhaps in the country, was given recently by Harley T. Proctor, an opulent soap man of Cincinnati—$600,000 for a lot 100 feet front by 125 feet deep, at the corner of Fifth avenue and Fifty-second street.

Doll Chewed Her Food Fine.

A little 4-year-old miss was overheard talking to her favorite doll that had accidentally lost an arm, thereby exposing the sawdust. "Oh, you dear, good, obedient dolly! I know I told you to chew your food fine, but I had no idea you would chew it as fine as that."

Length of British Frontier.

On land alone Britons have to defend a frontier that is quite 28,700 miles long—that is, more than twice the length of that of France, more than three times of Germany and Russia, and but little less than those of France, Germany and Russia combined.

Cables Under the Oceans.

There are sixteen cables under the North Atlantic, thirteen of which are in working order; three under the South Atlantic, and three under the Indian ocean, while the length and breadth of the Mediterranean is spanned many times and in many places.

Deserted French Army.

During the French military maneuvers numbers of men deserted and crossed the border into Italy. On one day eight men from the same regiment deserted, preferring exile for several years to the prospect of completing their military service.

Welcomed Howard Gould.

When Howard Gould recently arrived at his Port Washington, L. I., residence, the business men of the town marched to his house, a band serenaded him and the local postmaster delivered an address of welcome.

Effect of Fogs on Walnuts.

The heavy fogs throughout the valley the last several mornings have been very beneficial to walnut-growers, as it causes the nuts to shed their hulls without injury to the nuts.—Los Angeles Times.

SIMPLE COLDS.

Cease to be simple, if at all prolonged. The safest way is to put them aside at the very beginning. Ballard's Horehound Syrup stops a cold and removes the cause of colds. 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

Japs and Yankees at the Head.

"I have seen here," writes a Haskell county boy from Pekin, "the soldiers of nearly every country on earth. The straightest and most military looking are the Hindoos from India, but for service the Japs and the Americans are about on top. The Japanese are the finest little people I ever met, and they think the American soldiers are all right. We have great times with them, trying to talk to them and they are anxious to learn the English language."—Kansas City Journal.

Wealthy European Musician.

Sir Arthur Sullivan is one of the wealthiest musicians in Europe. From the Savoy operas he still draws a princely income, and many of his songs continue to provide him with ever welcome checks every quarter. As a man of business he has few equals, and the directors of the Crystal Palace and those of the Savoy hotel know well his mathematical ability and his shrewdness.

Uses of Cellulith.

Cellulith is a substance produced by a long and continuous beating of wood pulp. It is transparent and elastic, hardening slowly until it attains the consistency of horn, its specific gravity being about 4.5. The cellulith may be worked as is horn or ebonite. Combined with sawdust and 30 per cent lampblack, the result is a kind of dark ebonite; this is dense and may be polished.

Sensible Shoes.

It is doubtless very wise and sensible for women taking long strolls in the park for exercise to wear broad-toed, wide-soled boots, but fashion now dictates that she shall only wear them at such times. For ordinary wear the square toe is rapidly disappearing, and the medium toe, known as the "opera," has taken its place. Heels are perceptibly higher than last year.

Porto Rico Wants Railroads.

Great expectations are entertained and many plans are being formed in Porto Rico for the installation of short inland electric railways from the central range to the coast. The power is to be developed through the agency of many streams to be met with in every part of the mountain range, which traverse the island from end to end.

Could Spare Him First.

St. Louis would not like to see her population of 575,278 reduced to 575,277; but if any one must move away from St. Louis let us hope it will be the man who groveled on his stomach in front of his gate, pretending he had taken poison, in order to scare his bride of a week into hysterics.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Successful Sale of Bees.

A speculative Scotch gentleman wanted to dispose of some bees, so to attract purchasers, he printed the following: "Extensive sale of live stock, comprising not less than 140,000 head, with an unlimited right to pasturage." The ingenious trick succeeded to admiration, for his stock brought "high prices."

Diet for an Invalid.

An excellent jelly for the sick room may be made by taking an ounce each of rice, sago and pearl barley, mixing with three pints of water, then let it simmer to one and strain it. When cold it will be set into a jelly, which give, dissolved in wine, milk or broth, in change with the other nourishment.

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Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first rising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm, which produces a cough, and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung troubles." Price 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

Exchange of Wit.

One day Dr. Parr, whose wit has lived a century after him, meeting Lord Erskine, with whom he was friendly, said: "Erskine, I mean to write your epitaph when you die." "Doctor," answered the great lawyer, "it is almost a temptation to commit suicide." This recalls another story. Gibbon, the historian, had a rival in a French physician for the favor of a titled lady, and the doctor was one day annoyed by Gibbon's monopolizing the lady's company. "When my Lady Elizabeth Foster is made ill by your twaddle," said the doctor in a loud tone, "I will cure her." "And when my Lady Elizabeth Foster is dead from your prescriptions," said the historian, "I will immortalize her."

The Paris municipal council will shortly be asked to name a street after Richard Wagner.

Jennie Stitzer, Omaha—"I have gained thirty-five pounds in two months. Nothing did me any good until I used Hollister's Rocky Mountain." A blessing to sickly woman. F. M. Colwell.

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headach, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

Prosperity in Japan.

There have been rumors of late to the effect that next year's budget in Japan will be very unsatisfactory, but official figures show a condition of prosperity that is reassuring. Things are moving smoothly and there is no prospect of any discrepancy between results and estimates. The prospects for 1901-2 ought to have been in the hands of the finance minister by May 31, but those from the educational department and the agricultural and commercial department have not yet been received. However, the main figures are known and they show that there will be a surplus of 4,000,000 yen ($2,000,000). This is a very different showing from that of the pessimists. If Japan's credit is bad the reckless statements of certain Japanese newspapers are to blame.—Chicago News.

The Ice Floods of Iceland.

Dr. Thorvald Thoroddsen in recent papers gives a curious picture of life and scenes in Iceland. Settlements are limited to the lowlands, yet even these are not safe places of abode, for they are exposed to lava floods, river floods and showers of volcanic ashes. When the glaciers of the dome-shaped mountains are suddenly melted by volcanic heat, overwhelming torrents, bearing immense masses of ice and fragments of rock, sweep down the river-beds. Yet with all their disadvantages the inhabitants of the narrow lowlands of Iceland enjoy universal education, and among them more books and newspapers are published [illegible] population than in any other country.

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Try a 50c bottle of Herbine, notice the improvement speedily effected in appetite, energy, strength and [illegible]. Watch how it brightens the eyes, gives freedom from indigestion and debility! Isaac Story, Ava, [illegible] writes, Sept. 10th, 1900: "I was in bad health, I had stomach trouble for 12 months also dumb chills. Dr. J. W. Mory prescribed Herbine, it cured me in two weeks. I cannot recommend it too highly, it will do all you claim for it." Sold by F. M. Colwell.

A VERY CLOSE CALL.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by Colwell. Price 50 cents.

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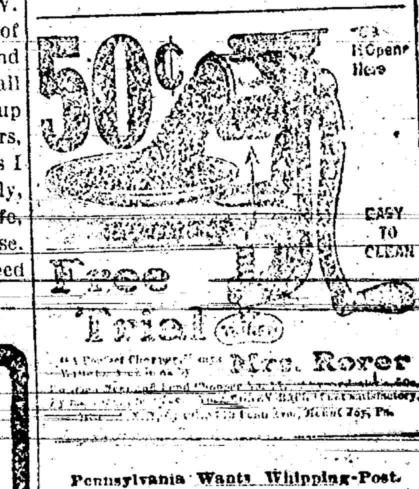

Pennsylvania Wants Whipping-Post.

The Philadelphia grand jury, in its presentiment recently, recommended the restoration of the whipping post for wife beaters and likewise the substitution of the lash in place of the reformatory for youthful offenders.

New Grand Opera in Embryo.

Camille Saint-Saens, according to Le Guide Musical, is thinking of writing a new grand opera. He takes with him to La Palmas in Majorca a libretto by Victorien Sardou and M. Gheusi.

Eucalyptus Trees of Australia.

The eucalyptus trees in Australia penetrate from 180 to 220 feet into the soil with their roots, which absorb all moisture within a radius of thirty to sixty feet.

Detected Stealing Trees.

Manufacturers of birch beer have been detected cutting down birch trees in Van Cortlandt Park, New York, to get the bark to flavor the liquor with.

English Language in China.

A Kansas missionary in China, writing to his friends in Wichita, Kan., says he has noticed that "dogs bark, pigs squeal, roosters crow and babies cry in English."

State Seizes 2,500 Skins.

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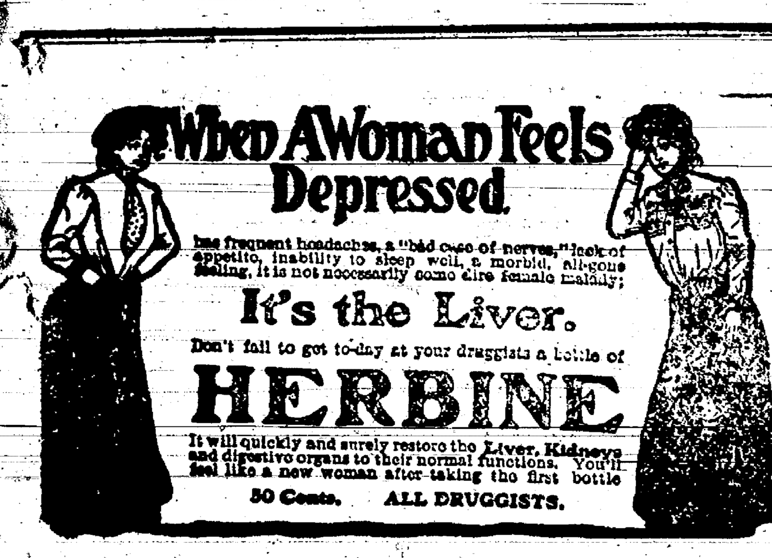

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Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

A white-ribboner of Colorado and a living prohibitionist, Mrs. Mary E. Miller of Lafayette, is the president of bank. She has also large coal and real estate interests, and the town of which she is the founder, carries a prohibitory clause in every deed. Most of the workmen own their neat homes, and Mrs. Miller, by all practicable means, fosters this home spirit.

Mrs. Edwin S. Cramp has received thro' Chekib Bey, minister from Turkey, the highest decoration in his power to give a woman. This distinction was given Mrs. Cramp for christening a Turkish man-of-war. It is a gold star, enameled in red and green, surrounded by a wreath of oak leaves and acorns, enameled in the same colors, and is set with more than 50 brilliant diamonds.

As a result of increased temperance sentiment among the anthracite miners nearly one-third of the 11,000 saloon keepers of Schuylkill county, Pensylvania, go out of business this year.

The Purity Industrial Home for boys at Marionville, Mo., has laid the cornerstone of a new factory building to be called, Neal Dow Industrial Hall. The boys in this home are pledged for life against liquor and tobacco.—Union Signal.

Our Home Department S. S.

I have given out about 45 Quarterlies and have a few left, if you want one let me know soon as I shall put them into families where they will be made use of, as fast as possible. All we ask is that you promise to study the lesson of each week, half an hour. Any of us would be asham'd to admit that we do not spend that much time, or five minutes a day, reading our bibles, yet very few keep up systematic study or reading, as the International Course provides for. If it was as generally observed, read and made a matter of conversation, as is the daily newspaper, then might we begin to look for seasons of refreshing in our churches, and strong, young Christians coming on to fill places made vacant by the worn-out and departing ones. Please examine the blanks in the back of your Quarterlies and where there are two or more members of the family get the benefit of it, make a small mark for each and write names on blank spaces at side or bottom of page. Let's have a good report this quarter.

The Union Signal of Jan. 7th, has an article on Child Labor in the South, by Harriet B. Kells. Children of five years of age, have been found working in the cotton factories. "Many children, some not more than seven years old, work from 6 p. m., to 6 a. m. Usually, small boys change the bobbins in the frames and they run sixteen or seventeen miles a day with their necks between frames. Dropsy, pneumonia and consumption are wide-spread as a result. Hands minus one or more fingers are common. In one small city, one doctor reported that he had personally amputated 100 babies' fingers which had been mangled in the mills. Some get ten cents a day; twenty-five is the common wage; few reach forty cents. Eleven hours is the average day of the child worker, tho' it is not unusual for many to work fourteen hours. Greed of the mill owner and parent, ignorance and poverty, combine to make these conditions." Mrs. Marion Dunham in her annual address, says: "Where shall we fix the responsibility for this iniquity, do you ask? Sometimes on the worthless drunken father or mother who care for the child only for what it can bring in, but they are the infrequent exceptions. Thousands of children are held in literal bondage in our great cities by those who make a profit from their labor, but the main cause is that many employers refuse to employ men and women when children can serve their turn, and often employ the father on condition that the children shall come also."

WONDERFUL NERVE

Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental cuts, wounds, bruises, burns, scalds, sore feet or stiff joints. But there's no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It's the best salve on earth for piles, too. 25c at Colwell's.

F. N. Merwin is the envy of a large number of newspaper men of Nebraska. He has left the sanctum of the Beaver City Times-Tribune for a while and has gone to Washington to rub up against the great men of the nation as Congressman Norris' private secretary, and he will doubtless come home fully inspired. One of his first acquisitions of knowledge in the capitol city was that it costs $1 for every time he spits on the sidewalk.

Bishop Bonacum left Lincoln the other morning for a pastoral visit at Steinauer. During the journey he discovered he had left his purse behind or else it had been stolen. While the train stopped at Beatrice he telephoned to Father Merkle who hurried to the depot with a V and relieved the bishop of his predicament.—Wymore Wymorean.

Rev. T. C. Downs of Kansas City, Kas., died suddenly Monday morning while enroute to this city from Preston. He was a passenger on B. & M. freight train No. 67, due here about 9 o'clock. When the train was about two miles out of Preston, Conductor Benda entered the caboose to gather tickets from passengers. At that time Rev. Downs was sitting opposite the first passenger approached by the conductor. When the latter turned to the Reverend, he was lying on the seat dead. The train immediately returned to Preston and reported the death. The conductor was ordered to take the body to Falls City and report to the coroner. Dr. Renaker, coroner for Richardson county, had the body taken to Resterer's undertaking establishment. An examination proved that the man had died from organic heart trouble. In the dead man's grip were several bottles of medicine, indicating that he had been under a physician's care. The relatives of the deceased were notified and in response Rev. R.N. Waldraven of Atchison, arrived during the afternoon and had the body prepared for shipment to Kansas City. The dead Reverend has a family at Kansas City, Kas., where he was presiding elder of the M. E. church, South, for that district. He held services at Preston on Sunday prior to his death and was enroute to this city to take the train for his home when he died.—Falls City News.

"There was a drummer took sick and died here three weeks ago," said the landlord of the tavern at Polkville, Ark. "He was a thick-set, guitar playin' sort of feller, and the girl he was to marry came over from Torpidville to attend the funeral; also from Waudhey; also from Peapack; also from Tonganoxie; also from somers in Kansas, and some place up in Missouri. Seein' how many there was of 'em, they put away their engagement rings, and, figgeratively speakin', organized a new society and invented a yell. And it was a pretty durned expressive one, too, lemme tell you."—Smart Set.

A VERY CLOSE CALL.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by Colwell. Price 50 cents.

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Nebraska Notes.

Omaha had a prosperous year. The total bank clearings were $393,805,547—an increase of $32,000,000 over the preceding year.

The Norfolk News claims that three-quarters of a million dollars worth of improvements have been added to that town in 1903, and it is a record to be proud of.

Nebraska City is proud of itself as a hog market. The other day thirty-eight cars, amounting to nearly three thousand hogs, were received there and found sale at market prices.

The R. S. Proudfit Lumber company of Guide Rock has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The capital stock is $25,000 and the incorporators are R. S. Proudfit, G. E. Proudfit and John S. Ely.

It cost Charles Collin $25 to order a round of drinks in a Fremont saloon. He paid for the drinks and put his purse back in his pocket from which it was promptly swiped by one of the by-standers.

The executive committee of the state conference of charities and corrections met and prepared a program for the annual meeting which is to be held in Lincoln, February 2d and 3d. Dr. Samuel G. Smith, of St. Paul, Minn., one of the best informed men in the country, will be one of the speakers.

W. B. Kirby, chief clerk of the Burlington law department, has been appointed court reporter by Judge Holmes, of the district court of Lancaster county, and has accepted the place. He has tendered his resignation, effective February 1. Mr. Kirby is an expert stenographer and office man.

The state university is sending out to a number of county superintendents some beautiful examples of wood turners' art in the shape of gavels of polished wood. They are intended as samples of the work done by the students in mechanic arts in the university and were turned out at the benches in the shops.

The new building of the First National bank of Grand Island, one of the strongest banking institutions in central Nebraska, will soon be entirely under cover, the stone front having been completed. The front is of modern design, all of heavy white stone. The building will have about twice the room the former building had.

The sheriff of Buffalo county captured a man about eight miles west of Holdrege who was charged with stealing a span of horses from Wood River. The thief had the horses with him and had put up for the night when overtaken by the sheriff, who had been tracing him up a short distance behind.

The United States civil service commission is offering positions for farmers in the Indian service. An examination, which is open to all citizens of the United States who comply with the requirements, will be held at Lincoln, Omaha and Grand Island, March 23, 1904. The examination will consist of such subjects as are essential in the science of agriculture.

The United States civil service commission announces that in view of the small number of applications filed for the examination held January 4, 5, and 6, 1904, for the position of cadet in the revenue cutter service, the examination has been postponed to February 25, 26, and 27, 1904, and will be held at Lincoln, Grand Island and Omaha to fill vacancies in the position.

Mayor Moores and Chief of Police Donahue of Omaha have taken under advisement the matter of closing the public dance halls on Sunday nights. The matter may be brought to the attention of the council. It is said by these officials that the morals of the young people of the city are not conserved by allowing these dances to continue.

The Nebraska Press association will meet in Lincoln the latter part of January. A program of unusual interest is being arranged by the local newspaper men. Hon. Wm. J. Bryan will give a reminiscence talk of his European trip, this to be preceded by the song "Nebraska," recently written by Mr. Will Maupin, whom all newspaper men know, and set to music by Mr. Will O'Shea. Both gentlemen are residents of Lincoln. Governor Mickey has sanctioned the adoption of "Nebraska" as the state song, and its sale is immense.

A meeting of Lincoln newspaper men was held at the Lindell hotel for the purpose of making arrangements for the sessions of the Nebraska Press association, which will be held in Lincoln January 26 and 27. Plans were outlined, and enough was done to insure good entertainment for the visitors, who probably will number about 300. Many of the editors will bring their wives, and it is the desire that each one be given a hospitable welcome and opportunity for a complete enjoyment of the two days passed in Lincoln. In addition to the regular sessions of the association there probably will be a social evening at the Auditorium, with an address by W. J. Bryan, a musical and vaudeville program, refreshments and dancing.

Prisoners at the penitentiary increased one during the month of December. There are now 272 convicts in the prison. Twenty-one were received into the prison. There were discharged from the penitentiary thirteen; paroled, six, and one was sent to the asylum.

The Blade Publishing company, of Bancroft, with a capital stock of $3,000, has been incorporated. John G. Neihart, J. J. Elkins, F. C. Nielsen, J. L. Barber, J. O. Copple, M. Z. Easton, W. E. Anfin, E. J. Burke, C. W. Erwin and A. M. Daniels are the incorporators.

THE GRAFT IN STEEL

The Navy Department "Stood In" With Steel Combine

NO CHANCE FOR FAIR BIDS

Seems Impossible for the Government to Receive Legitimate Bids for Supplies of Any Description

In view of the recent testimony of Charles M. Schwab before the courts that the Carnegie and Bethlehem steel companies had always had an understanding with the navy department as to the price of armor before their bids were submitted, the house committee on naval affairs authorized an additional question on this point to be submitted to Rear Admiral O'Neill, who in his testimony before the committee last week stated that he believed that there had been an understanding between these two companies regarding their bids.

Admiral O'Neill now has his testimony before him for revision and the committee requested that he include in it a full statement as to the navy department's side of this matter and to state specifically whether Mr. Schwab's statement is true so far as it refers to the navy department.

The committee heard Rear Admiral Endicott, chief of the bureau of yards and docks, regarding the estimates for appropriations for his bureau.

RUSSIA WILL BE LIBERAL

Will Respect Rights of Other Nations in Manchuria

The Russian government has informed the powers that it will respect fully the rights any nation has in Manchuria under treaty with China. This declaration is made without reservation.

Russia gives formal expression to this policy now in consequence of the controversy with Japan, one of whose persistent contentions has been for a definition of Russia's policy in Manchuria and an acknowledgement of Japan's privileges ... trade.

Russia's reply has been in substance, as follows:

"We can not discuss Manchuria with you any more than we could Australia or the Philippines. Manchuria belongs neither to us, nor to you. It does not lie within the jurisdiction of either of us to dispose of the future of Manchuria.

Russia, however, is willing to observe the treaty rights of all the powers in Manchuria and now engages to do so.

Russia, it is added, thus removes from the negotiations one of the points upon which Japan counted for the moral support of other powers and whereon she especially had the sympathy of the United States and Great Britain.

STOPPED RUSH TO CANADA

An Immigration Agent's Successful Work for the Southwest

G. M. McKimney, general emigration agent of the Southern Pacific, has made a report to the traffic officials of the Harriman lines which gives the results of eighteen months of one of the most wonderful emigration campaigns in the history of railroads. The efforts of the bureau, which has headquarters in Chicago, have been directed toward colonizing with Americans three localities served by the Harriman lines, viz., the northwest, represented by Oregon, Washington and Idaho; the far west, represented by southern California, and the southwest, represented by Texas and Louisiana.

During the life of the bureau probably $200,000 has been expended, but the result has been literally to stem the tide of immigration from the far northwest Canadian territories into the west and southwest and to locate there thousands of people from the thickly settled portions of the east. Within two years Mr. McKinney has organized a force of more than 1,200 competent, energetic colonization agents, who are bending their efforts to Texas and Louisiana alone.

Stockmen are Kicking Hard

The new rule of the railroads in refusing return passes for stock shippers raised a storm of protest at the annual meeting of the Farmers' Shipping association at Superior, Neb. The shippers adopted resolutions instructing their manager to take it up with the railroads at once, and see if it is possible to have the rule rescinded. The shippers agree on their part not to ask for passes, except when it is absolutely necesary for a man to accompany the stock. The shipping association has over 300 members and handles the business of nearly all the cattle and hog raisers of northern Jewell county, Kansas, and southern Nuckolls county, Nebraska. During the past year the shipments have gone exclusively to Kansas City via the Burlington.

Want to Know About the Trusts

The house committee on judiciary authorized a favorable report on the resolution introduced by Mr. Stephens of Texas calling on the attorney general for information as to how the $500,000 appropriation to prosecute the trust cases, made in the last congress, had been expended.

To Settle Missouri-Nebraska Boundary

A conference between S. B. Jefferys, assistant attorney general of Missouri; F. N. Prout, attorney general of Nebraska, and Judge W. H. Kelliger, also of Nebraska, was held to discuss the report of the commissioners in the Missouri-Nebraska United States supreme court case involving the question of state possession of a large tract of land lying between Nemaha county, Nebraska, and Atchison county, Missouri. The tract consists of about 15,000 acres of land, formerly practically valueless, but which in recent years has become excellent farming land.

BOODLER KRATZ AT HOME

The St. Louis Councilman Has Arrived from Old Mexico

Charles Kratz, former member of the city council, indicted on a charge of bribery, who jumped a bond of $20,000 in March, 1902, and went to Mexico, returned to St. Louis in charge of Detective William Desmond and Sheriff Bernard Dickmann. Kratz was indicted in the latter part of 1901 for the alleged acceptance of a bribe while a member of the city council. He had served in the city council since 1897. It is alleged that he held one of two keys to a safety deposit vault of the Mississippi Valley Trust company, where it is alleged $60,000 had been deposited by the Suburban Street Railway company for alleged distribution among the combine members of the council to secure the passage of a bill granting the suburban company the right to extend its tracks over certain streets of the city. After Kratz went to Mexico, where he engaged in business at Guadalajara, various attempts were made to secure his return to this country for trial. It was not, however, until recently, when the efforts of Circuit Attorney Folk were supplemented by President Roosevelt and the national government, that Kratz's return on a requisition was secured.

HEADED OFF INJUNCTION

Union Pacific Lays Track at Night in Fremont, Nebraska

By hustling around and laying a block of track between 6 and 12 o'clock Sunday morning, the Union Pacific railroad stole a march on Mrs. Nancy Turner at Fremont and headed off a possible injunction suit. A gang of thirty men was sent from Omaha with ties and rails for constructing the track. They arrived about 5 o'clock and inside of an hour the work was well started. Before Mrs. Turner knew what was going on, the job was more than half finished, and it was then too late to take any legal action toward stopping the work.

The section of track laid is outside the limits of the city and is intended as part of the spur the Union Pacific will build to the canning factory that has recently located there. The city granted a permit to the railroad to construct the spur along Washington street as far as the municipal boundaries, and the county conferred the same privilege for the rest of the way. Mrs. Turner's land fronts on Washington. The railroad company anticipated that she might seek to prevent the track from being laid along her premises, and accordingly decided to rush the work in advance of any action on her part. The track already constructed is an isolated piece, but will be connected up later.

Winter Wheat is Fine

Nebraska winter wheat is in good condition, according to the reports being received by the state industrial and crop bureau and the irrigation department. The fields are well covered with snow in the northern and in some sections of the southerstern part of the state. While the winter has been a comparatively open one in most sections the weather has at no time been cold or severe enough to freeze the young grain and the moisture carried in the ground from the wet fall has been sufficient to insure an early and healthy growth in the spring. No complaints of dryness are to be heard, except among stock and grain market operators, who are prone to take a pessimistic view of matters apt to affect the markets. Farmers are cheerful and look forward to an early spring.

New Revenue Law Money

Receipts under the new revenue law have already begun to come into the state treasury, and the hearts of the state auditor and treasurer are glad as a consequence. The first money to be received comes from the New York Life Insurance company and was sent to Deputy Auditor Pierce of the insurance department and was turned into the treasury. The amount was $8,330.68, 2 per cent of the gross premiums paid the company by policy holders in Nebraska during the year 1903 as provided by the revenue law. During the year 1903 the New York Life Insurance company received from its policy holders in Nebraska the sum of $416,534.00, of which amount $8,330.68 is 2 per cent. In making the remittance the insurance company includes its annual statement for the period named but makes no comment on the validity of the law.

Reason for Raising Railroad Rates

Representatives of large steel companies testifying before the interestate commerce commission today in regard to an advance in freight rates on grain from Missouri river points to Chicago by western railroads, contradicted statements made before the commission by railway traffic managers. The railroad men declared that the reason for the advance in rates was on account of a heavy advance in the price of railroad material. This statement was repudiated by representatives of firms that furnish such material, no marked advance in the price of material having been made according to the testimony of the material men.

Colombia Looking for Secessions

News received at Colon from Cartagena is to the effect that the authorities there are much concerned as to the integrity of the islands of San Andres and Providence, lying north of Colon, it being known that the sympathy of the inhabitants is more in favor of Panama than of Colombia.

Wm. J. Bryan at New Haven

William J. Bryan went to New Haven, Conn., to attend some legal business in connection with the Bennett estate and to be the chief guest at the banquet of the New Haven democracy in observance of Andrew Jackson day. Mr. Bryan spoke at the banquet, his subject being, "A Conscience Campaign," and at the Hyperion theatre later when he delivered the first Philo S. Bennett course of public lectures, his topic being "The Value of an Ideal."

WANT THE TREATY

Japan and United States Want Rights in China

BOTH BELIEVE WAR IS NEAR

Their Haste to Have Manchurian Rights Defined is Considered Significant at This Time—Other News

The United States and Japan are strenuously endeavoring to establish their rights in Manchuria under the new commercial treaties before war breaks out. The ratifications of the American treaty were to have been exchanged at Washington, but with the view of obviating the delay involved in mailing the Chinese copy to Washington, Minister Conger is urging the government to send a telegraphic copy and to authorize the Chinese minister at Washington to make the exchange therewith. It is believed that there are precedents for such a proceeding. Until the ratifications are exchanged it is impossible for the United States to claim the right to send consuls to Mukden and An-Tung. The ratifications of the treaty between China and Japan were exchanged at the foreign office at Washington. A special agent brought the Chinese copy from Tokio. The Chinese officials asked for the delay to arrange some details, but the Japanese minister refused to agree to any delay. This haste is considered significant.

According to the latest reports, Russia proposes to concede to Japan no higher status in Manchuria than is involved in the formal conformation of her treaty rights, thus confirming similar reports from various sources published in Europe and the United States.

NO REASON FOR ANXIETY

United States Will Pay No Attention to Colombia's Threats

The publication in various quarters of news indicating that the government is preparing to send troops to the isthmus to carry on military operations against Colombia has been the source of considerable annoyance to the executive and to the war department. No state of war exists between the two countries; no inauguration of hostilities is contemplated by this government; no preparations for war are being made. It is not believed by the president, nor by the secretary of state, that any occasion for the employment of troops on the isthmus is likely to arise. They have used their utmost efforts to convince General Reyes and the Bogota officials of the friendly intentions of this government toward Colombia, and of their readiness to use their offices in the settlement of any questions in dispute between Colombia and Panama.

Chicago Dampened by Snow and Smoke

Hundreds of passengers on incoming trains at Chicago were startled by a sudden plunge into midnight darkness. The transition from broad daylight seemed immediate and complete as if the rush was into a tunnel under a mountain. The blackness extended in a circle from the center of the city, the radius being a distance of several miles. The duration was over an hour. Unusual atmospheric conditions aggravated by smoke were generally accepted as the cause. The phenomenon was accompanied by a fall of snow, while a pall of impenetrable appearing sable clouds enveloped all thoroughfares and buildings. Street car and wagon traffic was greatly hampered. Even greater difficulty was encountered by the throngs of pedestrians who struggled as best they could along the slippery walks, in the absence of street lamps.

National Live Stock Meeting

The members of the National Live Stock and the National Wool Growers' associations met in joint convention at Portland, Ore. With nearly a thousand members of the two organizations, including some of the most prominent sheep and cattle raisers of the United States in attendance, the meeting was a great success. Governor George E. Chamberlain, Mayor George H. Williams and other prominent men of Portland and Oregon extended a welcome and responses were made by representative members of the two great organizations.

John W. Springer, of the National Live Stock association addressed the convention. When he had concluded, President Springer introduced Governor Chamberlain, who delivered the address of welcome upon behalf of the state.

Mayor Williams followed, extending a welcome upon behalf of the city of Portland.

War Teamsters Want Pensions

The organization of teamsters of the civil war at Clarksburg, Va., will send a petition to congress asking for the passage of a law allowing all teamsters on the pay roll during the war to receive a pension of not less than $8 monthly. Petitions from similar organizations throughout the country will also be presented.

Wants Mr. Bryan Removed

After a hearing on an application for the removal of William J. Bryan as executor of the will of the late Philo S. Bennett, held in the probate court at New Haven, Conn., decision was reserved.

Mr. Bryan was not present.

St. Louis Gets It

The democratic national committee at Washington furnished a surprise, selecting St. Louis as the place for holding the national convention of 1904. The date fixed for the convention was Wednesday, July 6, 1904, at 11 o'clock. Previous to the meeting of the committee it seemed a foregone conclusion that Chicago would be selected as the place of meeting, but political exigencies entered into the situation, and a majority of the committee voted for St. Louis.

PEOPLE'S PARTY CALL

National Committeemen Are Asked to Meet in St. Louis Feb. 22 to Fix a Convention Date

The national committee of the People's party is called to meet at St. Louis, February 22, for the purpose of issuing a call and designating a place for the People's party national convention, at which a presidential and vice presidential candidate are to be placed in nomination by the party. The call was issued by Vice Chairman J. H. Edminsten of the national committee, Tuesday, January 12, and is as follows:

"Lincoln Neb., January 12, 1904; To the members of the National Committee of the People's Party of the United States—Greetings:—The call hereinafter is made in compliance with a resolution passed by said committee at Denver, Colo., July 22, 1903, that the committee shall be called to meet at St. Louis, Mo., on February 22, 1904, for the purpose of fixing time and place of holding the national convention of the People's party; which convention, when convened, shall place in nomination members of its own party as candidates for president and vice president of the United States, and transact such other business as may come before it.

"As vice chairman of the national committee of the People's party, I was empowered by a resolution passed by the national committee of the People's party at Kansas City, in regular session of the same, to call meetings and to transact any other business of the committee that the chairman by virtue of his office would be empowered to perform.

"Therefore I do hereby call on all committeemen of the People's party to convene at St. Louis on February 22, 1904, for the purpose aforestated. And in addition to the committee would respectfully invite all members of the party who can conveniently attend such meeting to do so.

"It is to be hoped that at this meeting, a full recognition of the efforts made at Denver last July will be endorsed by a united People's party of the nation. And that the influences for reform as found in the People's party may no longer be throttled by misunderstanding, for it is the only party that can and will uncover wrong-doing and corruption wherever found.

"We hope that this meeting will be well attended and be fruitful of great good. Reform papers please copy.

"J. H. EDMINSTEN,

"Vice Chairman National Committee, People's Party."

RAILWAY CLERKS ORGANZIE

Twenty Thousand Now Belong to the National Organization

"Twenty thousand railway clerks in the United States, Canada and Mexico, are members of the new association former by combining the National Railway Clerks' association and the Order of Railway Clerks of America," said M. F. O'Gorman of Buffalo, N. Y., who helped bring about the amalgamation. The new order wil probably be called the National Order of Railway Clerks of America. It will in no way have any connection with the American Federation of Labor. The first national convention will be held in St. Louis on the third Monday in June."

The announced objects of the new organization are the "elevation of the standard of efficiency, the promotion of the welfare of its members, socially, morally, intellectually and financially, and the assisting of worthy members to secure employment as well as to give them pecuniary aid in time of sickness."

Mr. Bryan Visits Washington

William J. Bryan was at the house in Washington, where he shook hands with a number of his former colleagues. He discussed with members of the committee on foreign affairs the need of the possession by this government of permanent legation buildings at foreign capitals. Mr. Bryan also said that the United States was regarded as one of the strongest backers of the peace tribunal.

Mr. Bryan also visited the senate. Practically all the democrats and many of the republicans met him in the lobby.

Mr. Bryan said that if any one had quoted him as favoring any particular candidate for the presidential nomination he had done so without authority from him.

Now a Trust in Anti-Toxin

What is denounced by Secretary Pritchard of the health department in Chicago, as a trust in human lives, was made public when City Purchasing Agent Brandecker notified the department that the only firms in America manufacturing anti-toxin had combined and have raised the price of the product. There are three firms in the so-called death trust. The advance in the price of anti-toxin is said to be 100 per cent.

Only 100 Killed in Bulgaria

A force of troops has been sent to Kumonova, sixteen miles northeast of Uskub, where a strong Bulgarian band has invaded Turkish territory.

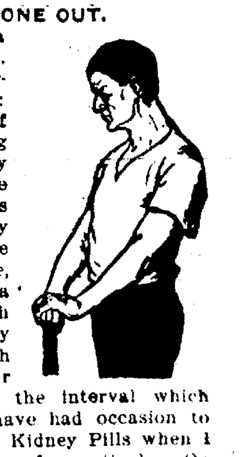
Fighting is reported to have occurred at Kochana, fifty miles southeast of Uskub, the Bulgarians losing one hundred killed.

William Knottes, who owns the telephone system now in use at Long Pine, Neb., has decided to install the Clark automatic exchange system. This is the same, or similar, to the system now being installed in Lincoln.

Double Track for Rock Island

At a conference of Rock Island officials in Kansas City, Mo., it was decided to double track the Union Pacific road between Kansas City and Topeka, sixty-seven miles, which the Rock Island, uses. The construction of an air line cut off between Eldon, Ia., and Kansas City, shortening the Chicago-Kansas City run a distance of thirty miles, was agreed upon. The Rock Island now uses fifty-four miles of Burlington track north of Kansas City. General Manager Stevens announced further that the company proposes to build its own tracks from Limon, Colo., to Denver.

ALL DONE OUT.



Veteran Joshua Heller of 706 S. Walnut street, Urbana, Ill., says: "In the fall of 1899 after taking Doan's Kidney Pills I told the readers of this paper that they had relieved me of kidney trouble, disposed of a lame back with pain across my loins and beneath the shoulder blades. During the interval which has elapsed I have had occasion to resort to Doan's Kidney Pills when I noticed warnings of an attack. On each and every occasion the results obtained were just as satisfactory as when the pills were first brought to my notice. I just as emphatically endorse the preparation to-day as I did over two years ago."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., proprietors. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

The barroom philosopher remarks that it is possible for a man to retreat before he has even been treated.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Wonder how much a man has to allow his wife to dress in the South Sea islands, where they don't.

Equal to a State Fair.

The annual importation of the Lincoln, Neb., Importing Horse Co., arrived about sixty days ago, consisting of two car loads. They made the run from New York to Lincoln in forty-four hours landing their horses in most excellent condition. This importation consists of German Coach, Percheron, English Shire, French Draft and Belgians. They now have in their barns fifty head of imported stallions, all in excellent condition. They have been in the business for seventeen years at this location. Considering the large number of horses and beautiful barns it is almost equal to a State Fair entertainment to visit their barns. Read their ad in this paper.

Mother (after the wedding)—Horrors! I'm afraid Clara has made an awful mistake. Her affianced looked young and had excellent credentials, but I do believe he's an imposter and has been married dozens of times before.

Friend—Goodness! It can't be.

Mother—But did you see him? At the altar he didn't drop the ring or stumble over his own feet or act like a half-witted donkey a bit. He's a fraud, and I know it.

Miss Ethel, having finished her own shopping in Paris, has just five francs left with which to get her brother a present. She decides upon a meerschaum.

"I like this. How much is it?" she inquired.

"Fifteen francs, madamoiselle," said the shopkeeper.

"Oh! that is too much. It is for a present. I will give you five francs."

The shopkeeper answered: "Zen eet vould be I zat give ze prazent."

Mr. Bowman—I remember attending a birthday party of Miss Passay's several years ago that was quite an elaborate affair.

Miss Sharpe—Yes?

Mr. Bowman—Yes; she doesn't keep her birthdays now as she used to.

Miss Sharpe—No; she would like to keep them no doubt, but they come and go with such alarming frequency.

"Do you think it possible for a man who is clever with the brush to make a living these days?" asked the discouraged artist.

"Yes," replied the cruel cynic, "if he is a bootblack."

WORRY

A Sure Starter for Ill Health.

Useless worrying (a form of nervousness) is indirectly the result (through the nerves) of improper feeding. A furniture man of Memphis says:

"About a year ago I was afflicted with nervous spells, would worry so over trivial things.

"I went to consult one of the best physicians in Memphis and he asked among many questions if I drank coffee.

"His advice was: 'Go to some provision store and get a box of Postum, drink it in place of coffee and as you are confined to your desk to a great extent try and get out in the open air as much as possible.' I followed his instructions regarding the Postum.

"At that time my weight was 142 and I was taking all kinds of drugs and medicines to brace me up, but all failed; to-day I weigh 165 and all of my old troubles are gone, and all the credit is due to having followed this wise physician's advice and cut off the coffee and using Postum in its place.

"I now consider my health perfect. I am willing to go before a notary public and testify that it was all due to my having used Postum in place of coffee." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason for quitting the drug-drink coffee, and there's a reason for drinking Postum. Trial 10 days proves them all.

Look in each package for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XV.—Continued.

In the swift current of humanity then streaming up and down the cattle range, the reputation of the Halfway House was carried far and near; and for fifty miles east and west, for five hundred miles north and south, the beauty of the girl at the Halfway House was matter of general story. About her there grew a saga of the cow range, and she was spoken of with awe from the Brazos to the Blue. Many a rude cowman made long pilgrimage to verify rumors he had heard of the personal beauty, the personal sweetness of nature, the personal kindness of heart, and yet the personal reserve and dignity of this new goddess, whose like was not to be found in all the wide realms of the range.

For each of these rude, silent, awkward range riders, who stammered in all speech except to men or horses, and who stumbled in all locomotion but that of the saddle, Mary Ellen had a kind spot in her soul, never ceasing to wonder as she did at the customs and traditions of their life. Pain they knew not, fear they had not, and duty was their only god. They told her, simply as children, of deeds which now caused a shudder, now set tingling the full blood of enthusiasm, and opened up unconsciously to her view a rude field of knight-errantry, whose principles sat strangely close with the best traditions of her own earlier land and time. They were knights-errant, and for all on the Ellisville trail there was but one lady.

As for Edward Franklin himself, he could not in his moments of wildest egotism assign himself to a place any better than that accorded each member of the clans who rallied about this Southern lady transplanted to the Western plains. Repulsed in his first unskilled, impetuous advance; hurt, stung, cut to the quick as much as his own clumsiness and failure to make himself understood as at the actual destroyed her people, and banished her in this far wandering from the land that bore her.

"Providence did not bring me here to marry you," she said to Franklin keenly, "but to tell you that I would never marry you—never, not even though I loved you, as I do not. I am still a Southerner, am still a 'rebel.' Moreover, I have learned my lesson. I shall never love again."

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Poor medicine as it is, work was ever the best salve known for a hurting heart. Franklin betook him to his daily work, and he saw success attend his labors. He felt growing in his heart the stubbornness of the man of property, the landholding man, the man who even unconsciously plans a home, resolved to cling to that which he has taken of the earth's surface for his own. He knew that this perfervid time could not endure, knew that the sweep of American civilization must occupy all this land as it had all the lands from the Alleghenies to the plains. He foresaw in this crude new region the scene of a great material activity, a vast industrial development. It needed no great foresight to realize that all this land, now so wild and cheap, could not long remain wild and cheap, but must follow the history of values as it had been written up to the edge of that time and place.

Of law business of an actual sort there was next to none at Ellisville, all the transactions being in wild lands and wild cattle, but, as did all attorneys of the time, Franklin became broker before he grew to be professional man. Fortunate in securing the handling of the railroad lands, he sold block after block of wild land to the pushing men who came out to the "front" in search of farms and cattle ranches. His own profits he invested again in land. Thus he early found himself making much more than a livelihood and laying the foundation of later fortune. Long since he had "proved up" his claim and moved into town permanently, having office and residence in the great depot hotel which was the citadel of the forces of law and order, of progress and civilization in that land.

"I am still a Southerner—am still a rebel!"

rebuff received, Franklin none the less in time recovered sufficient equanimity to seek to avail himself of such advantages as still remained; and he resolved grimly that he would persist until at least he had been accepted as something better than a blundering boor. Under Major Buford's invitation he called now and again at the Halfway Ranch and the major was glad each time to see him. Mrs. Buford also received Franklin with pleasure, and Mary Ellen certainly always with politeness. Yet, fatal sign, Mary Ellen never ran for her mirror when she knew that Franklin was coming.

Of lovers Mary Ellen would hear of none, and this was Franklin's sole consolation. Yet all day as he labored there was present in his subconsciousness the personality of this proud and sweet-faced girl. Her name was spelled large upon the sky, was voiced by all the birds. It was indeed her face that looked up from the printed page. He dared not hope, and yet shrunk from the thought that he must not, knowing what lethargy must else ingulf his soul. He heard so clearly the sweet, imperious summons which is the second command put upon animate nature: First to prevail, to live; second, to love, to survive. As tree whispers unto tree, as flower yearns to flower, so came the mandate to his being in that undying speech that knows no change from the beginning to the end of time.

Against this overwhelming desire of an impetuous love there was raised but one barrier—the enduring resistance of a woman's will, silent, not strenuous, unprotesting, but unchanged. To all his renewed pleadings the girl simply said that she had no heart to give, that her hope of happiness lay buried on the field of Louisburg, in the far-off land that she had known in younger and less troubled days. Leaving that land, orphaned, penniless, her life crushed down at the very portal of womanhood, her friends scattered, her family broken and destroyed, her whole world overturned, she had left also all hope of a later happiness. There remained to her only the memory of a past, the honor that she prized, the traditions which she must maintain. She was "unreconstructed," as she admitted bitterly. Moreover, so she said, even could it lie in her heart ever to prove unfaithful to her lover who had died upon the field of duty, never could it happen that she would care for one of those who had murdered him, who had murdered her happiness, who had ruined her home,

The railroad company which founded Ellisville had within its board of directors a so-called "Land and Improvement Company," which latter company naturally had the first knowledge of the proposed location of the different towns along the advancing line. When the sale of town lots was thrown open to the public, it was always discovered that the Land and Improvement Company had already secured the best of the property in what was to be the business portion of the town. In the case of Ellisville, this inner corporation knew that there was to be located here a railroad division point, where ultimately there would be car shops and a long pay roll of employes. Such a town was sure to prosper much more than one depending solely upon agriculture for its support, as was to be the later history of many or most of these far Western towns. Franklin, given a hint by a friendly official, invested as he was able in town property in the village of Ellisville, in which truly it required the eye of faith to see any prospect of great enhancement. Betimes he became owner of a quarter-section of land here and here, in course of commissions on sales. He was careful to take only such land as he had personally seen and thought fit for farming, and always he secured land as near to the railroad as was possible. Thus he was in the ranks of those foreseeing men who quietly and rapidly were making plans which were later to place them among those high in the control of affairs.

Everywhere was shown the Anglo-Saxon love of land. Each man had his quarter-section or more. Even Nora, the waitress at the hotel, had "filed on a quarter," and once in perhaps a month or so would "reside" there overnight, a few faint furrows in the soil (done by her devoted admirer, Sam) passing as those legal "improvements" which should later give her title to a portion of the earth. The land was passing into severalty, coming into the hands of the people who had subdued it, who had driven out those who once had been its occupants. The Indians were now cleared away, not only about Ellisville but far to the north and west. The skin-hunters had wiped out the last of the great herds of the buffalo. The face of Nature was changing. The tremendous drama of the West was going on in all its giant action. This torrent of rude life, against which the hands of the law were still so weak and unavailing, had set for it in the ways of things a limit for its flood and a time for its receding.

The West was a noble country, and it asked of each man what nobility there was in his soul. Franklin began to grow. As he looked beyond the day of cattle and foresaw the time of the plough, so also he gazed far forward into the avenues of his own life, now opening more clearly before him. He rapidly forecast the possibilities of the profession which he had chosen, and with grim self-confidence felt them well within his power. Beyond that then, he asked himself, in his curious self-questioning manner, what was there to be? Wherein was he to gain that calmness and that satisfaction which ought to attend each human soul, and entitle it to the words "Well done?" Odd enough were some of these self-searchings which went on betimes in the little office of the plainsman lawyer; and strangest of all to Franklin's mind was the feeling that, as his heart had not yet gained that which was its right, neither had his hand yet fallen upon that which it was to do.

Franklin rebelled from the technical side of the law, not so much by reason of its dry difficulty as through scorn of its admitted weakness, its inability to do more than compromise; through contempt of its pretended beneficence and its frequent inefficiency and harmfulness. In the law he saw plainly the lash of the taskmaster, driving all those yoked together in the horrid compact of society, a master inexorable, stone-faced, cruel. In it he found no comprehension, seeing that it regarded humanity either as a herd of slaves or a pack of wolves, and not as brethren laboring, suffering, performing a common destiny, yielding to a common fate. He saw in the law no actual recognition of the individual, but only the acknowledgment of the social body. Thus, set down in a day miraculously clear, placed among strong characters who had never yet yielded up their souls, witnessing that time which knew the last blaze of the spirit of men absolutely free, Franklin felt his own soul leap into a prayer for the continuance of that day. Seeing then that this might not be, he all sometimes to the dreaming of how he might some day, if blessed by the pitying and understanding spirit of things, bring out these types, perpetuate these times, and so at last set them lovingly before a world which might at least wonder, though it did not understand. Such were his vague dreams, unformulated; but, happily, meantime he was not content merely to dream.

(To be continued.)

PARIS SLEUTHS WERE SLY.

Convinced Russia's Emperor That They Were Awake and Active.

The Paris correspondent of London Truth tells this story of the manner in which the Russian government tested the efficiency of the French detective police when the czar was about to visit Paris. The chief of the Russian police went secretly to the French capital, with orders to lie quietly by in a hotel and only to report himself at the embassy after a stay of a week. But he had not been three hours in Paris before the prefect of police learned of his arrival from a French detective. At St. Petersburg they thought this a satisfactory result, and the imperial pair ventured to go to Paris and drive down the Champs Elysees without cavalry around their carriage.

A similar test applied in Rome had different consequences. The head of the Russian police remained there for a whole week without his arrival being suspected. On the evening of the sixth day he called on Count Nelidoff to report himself, to the great astonishment of that ambassador. They both agreed that if the Roman police had not scented out the head of the greatest police force in the world they could not be depended upon to know much about the goings on of anarchists and nihilists. This is alleged to be the true reason why the czar declined to trust himself in the king of Italy's dominions.

Pharaoh's Treasures.

While studying in the British Museum a papyrus which was published 4,000 years before Christ, an Egyptologist recently found a clear and concise account of the treasures which the ancient sovereigns of Egypt buried in various parts of the Libyan desert, and now an expedition is being formed in London for the purpose of searching for this wealth. The necessary funds have already been secured and in a short time a few skilled explorers will start for the desert, where the technical work will be prosecuted under the supervision of Messrs. Lake and Currie, two English engineers. The writer of the ancient papyrus says that the Pharaohs hid an immense quantity of gold and precious stones in the region which is known by the name of the "Valley of Kings," and there the first excavations will be made. The task will not be easy since the country to be searched extends over 40,000 square leagues.

Miniature Typewriter.

The smallest typewriter ever manufactured was made in America fourteen years ago. It was four inches by three inches and weighed four and a half ounces.

Trades Unions Grow.

Unionism in the United States has grown in nine years from 900,000 to 2,000,000.

OVER THE TEACUPS

Box Plaited Waist.

Shirt waists of the simpler sort are always smart whether made from cotton, silk or wool. This one is laid in full length box plaits at front and back, with sleeves that are plaited above the elbows and is eminently satisfactory. The model is made of peach colored taffeta with pipings of

4488 Box Plaited Waist, 32 to 40 bust.

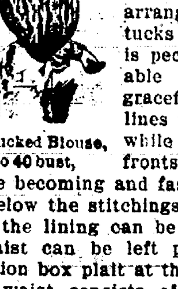
panne velvet. To make it will be required 4¼ yards of material 21, 3¾ yard 27 or 2¼ yards 44 inches wide. A May Manton pattern, No. 4488, sizes 32 to 40, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

Squirrel Ulster.

A most comfortable fur wrap seen last week was a long ulster of squirrel fur cut with flare at the bottom where it touched the floor. It was almost close fitting at the shoulders, and the sleeves were the modified kimono shape. A large hat covered with squirrel fur and trimmed with a gray ostrich plume topped this wrap.

Of Pink Crepe Albatross.

Tucked blouses are much in vogue and may be looked for in still greater numbers with the season to come. This one is made of pale pink crepe albatross with trimming of cream lace, but is suited to all the cotton and linen waistings as well as to silk and wool. The arrangement of the tucks at the back is peculiarly desirable and gives graceful tapering lines to the figure, while those in fronts and sleeves provide becoming and fashionable fulness below the stitchings. When preferred the lining can be omitted and the waist can be left plain, with a regulation box plait at the center.



4617 Tucked Blouse, 32 to 40 bust,

The waist consists of the fitted lining, fronts and back. The back is smooth, but the fronts are full and blouse stylishly over the belt. The sleeves are the favorite ones that fit the upper arms snugly and form soft puffs below the elbows. At the neck is the usual stock.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4⅛ yards 21 inches wide, 3¾ yards 27 inches wide or 2¼ yards 44 inches wide, with 2¼ yards of insertion 2½ inches wide to trim as illustrated.

The pattern, 4617, is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inch bust measure.

Machine Hemstitching.

It is useful to know that hemstitching can be done on the machine with a little care and trouble. Draw the desired number of threads, fold over with edge in center of drawn threads. Loosen the tension and stitch as near the edge of the hem as possible and then pull out the bastings.

Take the goods in one hand and the hem in the other, pull the edge of the hem to the bottom of the drawn threads and the work is complete. This is really hard to tell from hand work and is much more quickly done.

Tucks may be made the same way and are a pretty decoration to children's clothes or a shirtwaist.

Mending China.

China may be mended as firmly as a rock in the following manner: Two persons will be needed for the work, however, for the manipulation must be done rapidly. The necessary materials are a little unslaked lime, pulverized, the slightly beaten white of an egg, and a small hair brush, such as is used for gum. Put the white of egg on the broken edges of both pieces to be joined, and immediately dust one edge with the powdered lime, put the two edges accurately and firmly together, hold in place for a minute or two, and then lay aside to dry.

The Kitchen

When Boiling a Cracked Egg.—When boiling a cracked egg a teaspoonful of vinegar put into the water will prevent it boiling out, no matter how much it is cracked.

New Pudding Tins.—Before using new pudding tins place them in the oven with a little oatmeal or bran and water, when they will be much sweeter, and it will prevent the puddings from sticking.

About Mixing Mustard.—When mixing mustard add a saltspoonful of salt and the same quantity of moist sugar, and mix with boiling water. It will be found to keep moist much longer and have a better taste.

Torn Oilcloth.—This is difficult to mend satisfactorily. Try putting a piece of sticking plaster underneath the tear. It will need to be made damp and must be left severely alone after sticking it on till quite dry.

Gay Russian Garnitures.

From Russia come all sorts of red and blue heavy wool and cotton embroideries, not expensive and exceedingly smart on the plainer shirtwaists. Where the embroideries are in bands, strips are used on the front plait, running out in epaulettes over the shoulders, and for collars and cuffs.

Girl's Costume.

Veiling in all colors is much used for young girls' frocks, but is especially charming in the lighter ones. The very pretty costume illustrated shows the material in one of the new reseda shades, with machine stitching in corticelli silk of the same color, yoke and straps of taffeta, the latter held by gold buttons showing a

4611 Girl's Costume, 8 to 14 years

tracery of black, and drop ornaments that combine reseda with black and white. The color combination is a peculiarly good one and the effect admirable, but there is the whole long list of beautiful tones from which to choose.

The costume consists of the waist and the skirt which are joined and closed together at the back. Both fronts and back of the waist are tucked, and are gathered at the lower edge but the tucks of the fronts extend to yoke depth only, while those of the back are full length, and the fronts are joined to a vest-like portion which consists of a tucked yoke with full portion below. The skirt is cut in five gores, the seams being concealed by the tucks.

The quantity of material required for the medium size (12 year) is 5½ yards 27 inches wide, 3¾ yards 44 inches wide or 3¼ yards 52 inches wide, with ½ yard of silk for yoke.

The pattern, 4611, is cut in sizes for girls of 8, 10, 12 and 14 years of age.

With the Housewife

Little balls of fur dangle from smart collars.

Panne de chine is the latest fabric. Oh, dear! Any more?

Such gorgeous shaded plumes as complete the velvet hat!

Rip the gold braid off your beaver hat and trim it now with tulle.

Deep linen collars, shaped to the neck, are worn with tailored dresses.

One charming cream broadcloth coat is lined with turquoise satin duchesse.

A gown of white broadcloth, a corsage bouquet of violets and a big purple hat—there's beauty.

Deep silk fringe is knotted into the lace collar that finishes one gem all in delicate champagne color.

Scarlet slippers with gold heels are pretty enough in the showcase; but are they worn off the stage?

In Dahlia Red.

A soft shade of dahlia red shows in a chiffon velvet gown and the little toque to match. The Louis Seize coat is cut tight-fitting, the fronts flaring below the waist. Heavy-plated gold braids inclose a bullion embroidery of small pattern. The skirt is in double box plaits all around and there is a stiff flounce in the drop skirt to hold out the extra width of the velvet skirt.

To Gloss Linen.

To gloss linen beautifully, add to one pint of cold water two tablespoonfuls of starch, one of borax and one of kerosene oil. Mix well; put the dry linen through this; wring and iron at once. A cloth dampened in kerosene and rubbed over the iron is an improvement.

STYLISH LITTLE FROCK.

4605 Girl's Box Plaited Suspender Costume, 6 to 12 yrs.

Suspender costumes are exceedingly becoming for little girls and are among the novelties of the season. This one is made of dark red henrietta with pipings of black velvet and is worn over a guimpe of sheer white lawn. The skirt is laid in deep box plaits, which are lapped at the upper edge and allowed to flare at the lower, and the suspenders are cut in sections which are joined at the front by ornamental buttons. The guimpe is one of the new ones of the season and box plaited in harmony with the skirt. To make the frock for a girl of 10 years of age will be required 4½ yards of material 21 inches wide, 2¼ yards 27 as 1⅞ yards 44 inches wide with 1⅞ yards 36 inches wide for the guimpe. A May Manton pattern, No. 4605, sizes 6 to 12 years, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out all blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

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The Table Rock Argus.

F. A. Taylor, Publisher.

Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

Mr Bryan has signified his intention of issuing the Commoner as a daily paper at St Louis during the days of the democratic national convention.

Judge W H Kellegar went to Kansas City Sunday in company with Atty. General Prout of Nebraska to meet with the Missouri Commission and decide upon a decree to be entered upon the records establishing the line between Nebraska and Missouri.—Auburn Post.

President Clark of the Peru Normal, says the attendance at that institution is larger now than ever before, notwithstanding the fact that entrance requirements have been raised considerably during the last year. The new chapel building is well under way.

James L. Blair, the St. Louis attorney, whose arrest for fraudulent transactions startled the entire country, because of the prominence of Mr. Blair and his beautiful wife, and who was taken ill at the time of his arrest, died at Eustis, Fla., Saturday. Mrs. Blair and their eldest son were at his bedside when the end came.

The republican editors of Missouri held their annual meeting at St Joseph last Friday, with an excellent program. The banquet and speeches were among the most elaborate affairs of the kind ever held in the city. Among the speakers were Gov. Mickey, John L Webster and Chancellor Andrew. The governor talked on "Grafts;" John L patted journalists on the back and called them good fellows; while the chancellor made an excellent address on a current subject.

Chairman Hanna, of the republican national committee, has issued a formal call for the national convention, which will be held at Chicago on June 21st. Said national convention shall consist of a number of delegates at large from each state equal to double the number of United States senators to which each state is entitled, and for each representative at large in Congress two delegates at large. From each congressional district and the District of Columbia two delegates. From each of the territories of Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Hawaii and Indian Territory, six delegates. From Alaska, four delegates. For each delegate elected to said convention an alternate delegate shall be elected, to act in case of the absence of the delegate, such alternate delegate to be elected at the time and in the manner of electing the delegate.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Mrs. Ben King, Mrs. George King Mrs. John McDougal left for Wymore Saturday for a few days' visit with relatives.

One of Henry Gold's driving horses got its leg broken a few days ago.

W A Frank bro't home one of R T Scott's fine high grade calves one day last week.

Harm Alberts loaded a car at Humboldt Tuesday for Dakota where he expects to make his future home.

Less Elmore and Harmon Loenning drove to Stella Sunday afternoon.

John Standaford and daughter, Mrs McNeely, returned home Saturday from Illinois. They enjoyed sleigh-riding there, as the snow was five inches deep and still snowing.

James Ogle is recovering from an attack of the grippe.

Mr and Mrs Peterson drove over to visit Mrs Leech, north of Humboldt Monday. Mrs Leech is slowly recovering from the amputation of her foot eight weeks ago: it is feared now the other foot will have to be amputated also.

Mrs Henry Robertson is quite sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs Cowan at Humboldt.

W A Frank purchased a thoroughbred Shepherd dog while at Stella, which is a fine one in the dog line.

Mrs Fuhyer is enjoying a visit from her father from Edgar.

Walter and Loyd McClintock visited relatives near Pawnee a couple days last week.

Will West... moved onto his father's farm last week.

Charlie Dalkey met with an accident that will lay him up for some time. As he and his wife were starting for church Sunday morning, his horse became unmanageable, upsetting the buggy and throwing them both out; Charlie was somewhat bruised and a badly sprained ankle was the result.

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

Lee Horton sawed wood for Bailey Warner and Ola Graham Thursday and Friday, and on Saturday A A Widdifield sawed for J W Hastings.

A valuable young horse belonging to Henry Gold, was kicked by another horse, and one of its front legs was broken. An effort is being made to save the animal's life.

Mrs Andy Krofta's mother is now visiting her. She recently arrived here from Bohemia and has been visiting another daughter near Tecumseh.

W D Myers had some hay baled last week.

Frank Bennington and wife were calling on friends here one day last week.

Father Dufeck of Elk Creek, drove down to visit relatives over Saturday and Sunday.

Joe Miller had a mare pushed from a bridge and killed, recently.

J T Brown of Clay was in our neighborhood on Thursday in the interest of the Page woven wire fence company.

LOWER CLEAR CREEK.

Joe Davenport lost a cow last week from some unknown disease.

Mr Smith of Humboldt, visited his daughter, Mrs Facemire, who was on the sick list Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs N T Hoff, Mrs Reese Linn, Mrs Julia Gossin and Mrs Sam Hoff, of Pawnee City, visited Mrs Charles Woods one day last week.

Mrs Emmet Hoag and son visited Mrs Ossie Fellers Sunday.

Charlie Woods returned one day last week from his Chicago trip with horses, and leaves this week with another carload for the same place.

Ray Darby sold his fat cattle last week.

Mrs Geo Burgert is on the sick list.

Jim Tompson is hauling his feed to the old Hammond place which he has rented for the coming year.

Mr Macha died at his home Sunday after a long illness.

Our farmers are busy now-a-days shelling corn.

Mrs Mary Branseck has a nice new barn just completed.

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Falling hair means weak hair. Then strengthen your hair; feed it with the only hair food, Ayer's Hair Vigor. It checks falling hair, makes the hair

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MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,

Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Monday, Jan. 18.—Comparative live stock receipts at Kansas City last week and same week a year ago are as follows:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	H M
1904	38,765	3,171	47,877	21,806	2,808
1903	41,240	2,053	43,990	17,357	1,057

The week's receipts were mostly fat steers including a large percentage that were good to choice. Local demand from packers was good, and the outside demand heavy. There were efforts to depress prices on two or three days, but these were always defeated, and the week closed strong on the best, and steady on medium grades compared with a week ago. Top was $5.10 except for four fancy beeves at $5 40. Cows and heifers arrived liberally the first three days of the week and sold well. Thursday and Friday buyers insisted on lower prices, and this class ended the week 15 to 25c below best time. Bulls sold steady, and stock calves averaged higher for the week. Veal calves sold up to $6.25 for light weights, and a break of $1 on these at Chicago had no effect here. Stockers and feeders were scarce and demand good, resulting in the highest average prices of the winter last week. They got too high to stick, however, and the country demand fell off Friday and Saturday. Prices weak, and ended about like the close of previous week. Sales were mostly from $3.20 to 4c. Run today 10,000. Beef grades steady, there being fewer of this class proportionately than usual. Accordingly more stockers and feeders arrived today than customary recently, and prices on same are weak to 10c lower.

Hogs hovered around the 5c mark nearly all last week, ending with top $4.95 Saturday. $5 was reached Wednesday, and average gain for week was 10c. The spread between light and heavy hogs is gradually widening, and good weight is principal requirement for best prices. Market today steady on best, mixed grades 5c lower. Top $4.95; bulk sales $4.60 to $4.90.

Sheep and lambs are holding phenomenal strength exhibited recently. Fed Western stock forms most of receipts. Lambs scarce, buyers paying premium for choice yearlings to take their place. Top last week for native lambs $6, light Mexican lambs $5.85, western yearlings $5.50, western wethers $5.40, western ewes $5.20. Receipts today good at 5000 head, mark[et] unchanged except on western weth[er]s, which are 10c higher. Top today on same $4.50. Some 113-lb Wyo[mi]ng wethers sold $4.45 today. Th[e] horse auction last week was the m[o]st successful recently. More offer[ing]s and more buyers. Prices unch[an]ged. The mule business started [the] week brisk, but ended up quiet[.] Prices on inferior cotton mule[s] weak; $2.50 to $5 per head, but o[th]erwise all kinds held up steady w[ith] previous week.

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"	1.35	"	"	.90

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FARMERS' INSTITUTE!

The Pawnee county farmers' institute will be held at Pawnee Tuesday and Wednesday, February 9 and 10. Besides some good home talent there will be a number of eminent speakers from other states. All who possibly can should plan to attend. This county had one of the best institutes in the state last year, and from present indications it will be as good or better this year. Don't forget the dates and be there.

Some of the best speakers on farm topics in the country will be at the farmers' institute February 9 and 10.

The state holds farmers' institutes for your benefit. You cannot afford to miss it. Feb. 9 and 10.

Take the wife and children to the farmers' institute this year. It will pay you. Bring the hired man along it will make a better hand of him. Persuade your neighbor to attend; he will thank you for calling his attention to it. Pawnee City, Feb. 9 and 10.

If you are a wide awake, progressive farmer you know the farmers' institute will give you new ideas. If you are not that kind of a farmer, well—that's different, and perhaps you do not realize how much it might help you. Why not go and see. Feb. 9 and 10.

A GOOD THING.

German Syrup is the special prescription of Dr A Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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See Archer King's advertisement in another column.

Richard Allen made a business trip to Pawnee Monday.

Mr and Mrs Fred Runnion are visiting at Tecumseh.

A few holiday goods to go at prices below cost. Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

Bert Layman, John Irwin and Frank Martin were Humboldt visitors last Sunday.

Allen Bro's. are agents for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try them once.

Ralph Runnion of Tecumseh, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Runnion last Sunday.

C. H. Barnard has been busy during the past month lecturing on horticulture before farmers' institutes in various parts of the state.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.
GEO. BUERSTETTA & Co.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

STRAYED—A black, spotted, barrow pig, weighing between 100 and 150 lbs. Finder report to this office, or to Sherm Reals.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white: we guarantee they will have no rough edges. Allen Bro's.

J M Bostetter and wife of Perry, Iowa, were guests last week of their aunt, Mrs Robinson. They left on Monday for their home.

Major Hendershot and Son, assisted by local talent, will give an entertainment in the opera house, on the evening of January 22d.

Elsworth Groom came down from Lincoln Monday to see his mother, who has been very sick for some time, with very little change in her condition this morning.

L. D. Snyder and Charley Hawkins left Sunday afternoon to visit Furnas county with a view of investing in land. They arrived home this morning, but did not buy any land.

Mrs Morrow of Table Rock filled the pulpit at the Methodist church last Sunday morning, but the evening service was abandoned owing to the failure of the lights.—Humboldt Leader.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Table Rock Clay company was held on Monday afternoon and the following board of directors was chosen: Wm. Sutton, W. C. Fellers, W. H. Wilson, J. R. Sutton, and D. K. Miller. The board will meet tomorrow for organization.

Lawrence Griffing received his grades in his examination for the railway mail service which he took at Grand Island some months ago, showing that his average grade was 88½. On Tuesday he received notice of his appointment to the service, and was ordered to report to Superintendent Butler at Lincoln, and will probably go to Lincoln tomorrow. Lawrence is an earnest worker and will undoubtedly make a success in his chosen field of labor.

For the first time in many years Pawnee county is to have a grand jury at the next term of the district court, which convenes in February. The jury is to look after some of the liquor business that has been transacted throughout the county, as well as some other moonlight transactions. These persons have been called as jurors: Charles P Wilkinson, Frank Henderson, John R Findies, W E Calvin, J R Congdon, James Hildebrand, Frank Dobrovolney, A W Osborn, A D Dort, J C Nelson, A J Ray, M O Anderson, James R Hungate, William Egleboff, W M Herrick, Albert Cary.

Hiram Elshire vs. H. J. Chapman was the title of a case which occupied the attention of 'Squire Marble and a jury yesterday. The case grew out of some corn deals, wherein Mr. Chapman bought corn from Mr. Elshire. In the first deal, according to Mr. Chapman a mistake was made in which he overpaid Mr. Elshire to the amount of $53.55; in the second deal Mr. Chapman withheld that amount from the sum he paid Mr. Elshire. Mr. Elshire denied the mistake, and sued Mr. Chapman for the sum withheld in the second payment. Judge Davis appeared for Elshire and A. S. Story for Mr. Chapman. After weighing the evidence for some hours, the jury brought in a verdict for Mr. Chapman.

See G. W. Pepoon & Co., for wood either dry or green.

When in Pawnee City buy RELIABLE DRY GOODS of F. J. MUNEKE Pay less and dress better.

M. H. Marble was called to Pawnee City this morning as a witness in the hearing on this filing of the will of Margaret Smith deceased.

The books and accounts of J. W. Kovanda are at the store of A. R. Kovanda, and all persons indebted to me are requested to make immediate settlement. J. W. KOVANDA.

One day last week while playing with John Heer's baby, the little baby of Alois Heer fell against a hot stove and badly burned one of its hands.

Members of the Odd Fellows, Workmen and Woodmen lodges of this city to the number of twenty-eight attended the funeral of Mr. Marburger at Humboldt last Sunday. A special train was run from Pawnee City to Humboldt and return for the occasion. Sixty-three tickets were sold at Pawnee City.

We wish to extend to the members of the fraternal orders of your city, our heartfelt thanks for the interest shown and sympathy manifest in attending in a body, the last sad rites of our husband and father, on Sunday last.

SARAH J. MARBURGER
LON F. MARBURGER
Humboldt, Neb.

Guy L Cooper and W H Williams of this place have about completed arrangements to accompany a party of old world tourists in charge of a state university professor. They expect to leave in the early summer and visit the principal points of interest on the European continent during their three months' absence.—Humboldt Leader.

The W S A held a very interesting meeting at the home of Mrs F C Norris, Jan. 14th. Two very able papers were prepared and read; one by Mrs Linn, and one by Mrs Anna B Fellers. An enthusiastic discussion followed, making the meeting one of interest to all who were fortunate to be present. The meeting closed with a solo by Mrs Dottie Smith.

Mrs G C Freeman brought a lemon to this office last week which was a giant of its kind. It measured 13½x12 inches, and weighed 1½ ounces. It was raised by Mrs C R Smith, and was the first fruit produced by her tree; it had several blossoms during the early summer, but only one developed into fruit. Besides being very large, it was in every way a beautiful specimen of lemon, and Mrs Smith is pardonably proud of her ability to raise lemons.

There will be a church roll call held at the M. E. church on Thursday evening, January 28. All members are urgently requested to be present. The following program has been arranged, beginning at 7:30:

Devotionals—15 minutes.
Hymn—I love Thy church, O God.
Roll Call—Mr Longwell.
Recitation—Eunice Norris.
How to hold our young people—Mr Parker.
Paper—John Sutton.
Reading—Miss Emma Wood.
What is the measure of my responsibility as as a layman in regard to a revival—Walter Smith.
Question box on Dicipline.

This literary program will be interspersed with several selections of special music.

The Knights of Pythias lodge of this city has not been "doin' much" during the past three years, until last week Will H. Lore, grand keeper of records and seals, was in the city and with his visit new interest has been aroused in the order, and Deputy Grand Chancellor S. H. Dopp has been earnestly and persistently at work on old and prospective new members, and as a result, has already received fourteen applications for membership, and by the time of the next meeting—January 27th—hopes to have the number up to twenty, at least. The iniatiation night will be an affair of importance, some of the grand officers being present to conduct the business. On Monday evening the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing term:

C C—O W Griffing
V C—E Standiford
Prelate—C I Norris
W of W—W H Wilson
K of R and S—S H Dopp
M of E—W A Conklin
M of A—B F Norris

See Archer King's advertisement in another column.

Judge Kelligar has appointed J. C. Martin as his court reporter.

A few holiday goods to go at prices below cost. Geo; Puerstetta & Co.

Misses Cora Wheeler and Verdie Meed of Salem, were guests this week of Mrs. Bates and other friends here.

Dr. Sexton, who preached in the Presbyterian church last Sunday, morning and evening, to a large congregation, will preach again next Sunday at the usual hours. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Supposing you're busted—haven't a dime,
Getting poor isn't a serious crime;
Put on a bold front, work with all your might,
You're sure to win by taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night. F. M. Colwell.

One day last week Mrs Charles Beebe, who lives just south of the city, was driving a cat from the room, when the animal scratched her. It seemed just an ordinary cat scratch and no attention was paid to it, but later it became painful and blood poison set in; Mrs Beebe has been very sick since, and is slightly better this afternoon.

On Monday a case was tried to a jury in Justice Marble's court, wherein Hiram Elshire was plaintiff and James Curtis was defendant. It was a suit for settlement of a running account, in which plaintiff asked for $8.50; the defendant filed affadavit claim for $55.05. The jury found for the plaintiff in the sum of $5.50. The costs of the case amounted to $20.35. D. D. Davis of Pawnee was attorney for defendant, and Wm Pangburn for the plaintiff. Mr. Pangburn was the recipient of many congratulations for the manner in which he conducted his case.

Did you know that nearly one fourth of the entire population of the United States was attending school? That sounds pretty big, but we have the figures of the federal commissioner of education to prove it. He says that in the seconday schools of this country there are 18,080,840 pupils. These figures do not include the college and university enrollment. It does not include the medical and law schools. In the common schools alone there are 16,000,000 children, or one-fifth of the population of the United States. There is no country on the face of the earth which can approximate such a state of affairs. There never has been an age in which these figures were approached.—Wymore Wymorean.

Whereas: It has pleased our Heavenly Father to call Home from our midst, Mrs. Sarah Kerns, a friend and an esteemed member of many years standing in our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. church. In the bereaved family's household there is a vacant chair, a silent voice, the home ties are broken, yet our loss is her gain, for a beautiful life never ends in death. Therefore be it

Resolved: That we tender our sympathy to all members of the family, and assure them while they mourn the loss of a dear one in the home we mourn with them in the loss of a faithful member.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our records; that one be sent to the family, and one to the Argus for publication.

MRS. FANNIE NORRIS,
MRS. LYDIA K. ANDREW,
MRS. LYDIA HOLMES.

Frank Macha, an old and esteemed resident of this county, died at his home in Clear Creek precinct at 7:10 o'clock on Monday evening, after an illness extending over several months Mr. Macha was born in Nalesia, Bohemia, December 22, 1833; was united in marriage to Mary Novak on February 9, 1859; they came to Nebraska in 1867, and homesteaded the farm upon which they have lived ever since; they were the parents of ten children, six of whom are still living, and with the widow mourn the loss of a kind father and affectionate husband. The funeral services were held at the home at 11 o'clock on Wednesday, conducted by Rev. McCready of Pawnee City, and the remains were buried in the Branneck cemetery.

The widow and children of Frank Macha, desire to express their heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness and sympathy expressed during the illness, death and burial of their husband and father.

CONDOLENCE.

There's a memory of a village
With a park of evergreen,
Where the women do the business,
And the men are never seen.

How it haunts me in my slumbers,
Hideous pictures in the night,
And I'm saved from sheer distraction
By the fact I've taken flight.

Men are still in marts of business,
Struggling bravely for their life,
But if you should so address them,
They look shy, (don't suit my wife.)

If you say, just cheer up, brother,
Women's suffrage is only play,
They look sad, forlorn, dejected,
"Death alone can break their sway."

Ballots gone and manly station,
Rights destroyed and occupation,
Only serfs in woman's nation,
Squaw-man! own your place!

Go your way, sad, dumb, servant,
Grieve not o'er your lost estate,
Woman's whims and taunts are pleasant
Do your best to meet your fate.

Only wait, your time is coming,
You must learn 'tis wise to shirk,
Content yourselves, obey their bidding,
Let the women do the work!

Soon you'll be as fair as angels,
You will be their chief delight,
Soft as mush and sweet as sugar,
Dandled, fondled, out of sight!

Soon you'll take the place of poodle,
Fat and wheezy bill of fare,
Lounging on the sofa pillows,
Snoozing in the big arm chair.

Life's not real, life's not earnest,
It is but a pleasant dream,
And the discontent you're feeling
Is not so bad as it might seem.

Let the women run the country,
Let them run the business, do!
They can do it, "they are able"
And they're amply willing, too!

Just sit down, my stormtossed brother,
Have no grief for manhood's sake,
Woman's suffrage does the business,
Don't you worry! It's no fake.

From Syracuse, Jan. 16, 1904.

Mr Smith of Pawnee City, has bo't and taken possession of the Allen Brothers' restaurant.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.
GEO. BUERSTETTA & Co.

Mr and Mrs Boyd Phillips entertained a party of young people at their home northwest of the city on on Friday evening, in honor of Miss Mary Moore of Pawnee. It was a very pleasant gathering, greatly enjoyed by those present.

Have your indigestion, constipation, headache, backache, kidney trouble? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well. If it fails, get your money back. That's fair. Tea or tablet form. 35 cents. F. M. Colwell.

The Tecumseh Tribunal makes the following denial of a fake report that has been going the rounds of the papers since Christmas. Several newspapers announced last week that John Eply, one of the old and wealthy residents of Todd Creek precinct, had called his children home and made each one of them a present of a farm as a Christmas gift. This report was untrue—in fact a falsehood manufactured out of whole cloth. No such occurence took place, and neither Mr Eply nor his sons and daughters thought of such a course. This is printed for the purpose of keeping history straight.

The fourth evening meeting of the Woman Suffrage Association will be held at the home of Mrs A J Marble, Jan. 26th, at 8 o'clock. The following program will be rendered:

Music
Roll Call—Response with quotations from Benjamin Franklin
Current Events—Mr O D Howe
Woman in Newspaper—Read by Miss Helen Smith
Solo—Miss Laura Beck, selected
The New Paper—Read by Geo Pepoon
The value of the newspaper to the club and the club to the newspaper—Read by Mrs Anna Kovanda
Solo—Miss Luna Athens, selected
The Editor's Sanctum—Miss Mabel Barnes
Refreshments served and collection taken. A cordial invitation is extended all.

LECTURE COURSE

Madrigal Ladies' Quartette
Jan. 29th

The first entertainment of the Table Rock Lecture Course will be given Friday evening, Jan. 29th, by the Madrigal Ladies' Quartette. The ladies are excellent singers and readers, and a very good program of this variety of sort is assured. Read the circular describing the entertainment. The admission will be 35c reserved seats and 25c general. Another ho... hous...

For Sale:—A number of thoroughbred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

80-Acre Farm for Sale.

House well with plenty of water, plenty timber; part of it good, rich bottom land. Can be bought for $3300. See D. K. Miller or O. D. Tibbets.

WANTED—Men who can furnish team and wagon and sell Dr. Master's Remedies, Extracts and Spices to farmers. A paying business. In writing state territory wanted and send reference. National Medical Co., Sheldon, Iowa.

Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Address Manager, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

The newly elected officers of Crescent Camp No. 643, Royal Neighbors, were installed Friday evening by past oracle Jennie Stewart, the list being as follows: Oracle, Mrs Cora Schurr; vice oracle, Mrs J W Phillips; recorder, Mrs L K Andrew; receiver, Mrs Mamie Wood; marshal, Miss Allie Wheeler; chancellor, Mrs Harriet Cook; I S, Miss Alma Boggs; O S, Miss Lee McNutt, manager, Mrs Mertie Linn.

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BEST LINIMENT ON EARTH.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

Boys Do You Want A Watch?

The Lincoln **Daily** Star desires to give away free to the boys of Nebraska, 1,000 new watches—first-class time keepers—stem wind and stem set. You don't have to pay any money to get one of these watches. Send us your name and address and we will mail you the full particulars. This is a splendid chance for the boys to get a watch free and we would like to hear from all of them. Address Watch Department, Daily Star, Lincoln, Neb.

LOCAL MARKET

Wheat	.65
Corn	.31
Oats	.27
Hay	$6.00
Cattle	3.00
Hogs	4.50
Potatoes	.80
Butter	.15
Eggs	.20
Apples	1.50

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRSKA.

In the matter of the estate of Sarah Kerns, deceased.

The heirs and next of kin of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Wesley N. Kerns, praying that the administration of the estate of Sarah Kerns, deceased, be granted to O. H. Norris, it is ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 4th day of February, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause, if any there be why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 9th day of January, 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

PROGRAM

For the entertainment to be given in the Opera House, Tomorrow Evening.

Opening.................................Mixed Quartette
Mrs W A Conklin, Mrs F H Taylor, Boyd Phillips, O W Griffing
Reading—"Drummer Boy of the Rappahannock"......P. W. Pepoon
Introduction..................................James Tillotson
Florence Quickstep..................Major Hendershot and Son
Reading—Selected.................................Mrs. G. E. Bedea
Three Cheers—Red, White and Blue; Mocking Bird and Liberty Quickstep.........................Major Hendershot and Son
Music..Mandolin Club
"The Private's Favorite March" and "W. R. Corps March"...... Major Hendershot and Son
Cornet Solo.......................................Dorr Tressler
Recitation—"The Young Man Waited"........J. C. Hendershot
Piano Solo.....................................Miss Nelle Cotton
Fife and Ocarina Solo—Selections from "Bohemian Girl"...... Mr. J. C. Hendershot
Song—"Sleigh Bell Ride"..Major Hendershot and Mixed Quartette
CHORUS—"Whoa! whoa! I tell you,
Whoa! whoa! I say;
Oh, keep your seat, Miss Liza Jane,
And hang onto the sleigh."
Song..Male Quartette
Messrs. Boyd Phillips, O. W. Griffing, W. C. Smith, D. Patchin
Gen. Robert E. Lee's Favorite March..Major Hendershot and Son
Music..Mandolin Club
Gen. Phil. Sheridan's Favorite March; Old Army Sick Call; Dixie Major Hendershot and Son
Piano Solo......................................Miss Anna Wilson
Imitation of a Battle, introducing the Picket Firing, the Attack, the Rattle of Musketry, the Roar of Cannon, the Bursting of the Shell, and the Charge. This imitation of a battle is so real that the old soldiers in the audience, who have had experience in one, will rise to their feet and scream as if they had been ordered to charge again. The Major uses the Horace Greeley drum in playing this piece.........Major Hendershot
Song..Mixed Quartette
Thanks to the Audience.........Master Workman E. M. Smith
Original Song—"What Is It?" and a little fun for everybody.... Major Hendershot.

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SHOCK TO RUSSIA

Ratification of China and Japan Treaties With Uncle Sam

RUSSIA NOW IN A QUANDARY

The Whole World Admiring Pluck of China and Japan in Their Far-Sighted Diplomacy With this Country

Sir Chentung Liang Cheng, the Chinese minister, called upon Acting Secretary of State Loomis and informed him that he had received a cable dispatch from Peking stating that the emperor had fixed his seal to the Chinese-American treaty and further that he had acceded to the request of the American government through Minister Conger for the immediate exchange of ratifications. Therefore, without awaiting the arrival in Washington of the copy of the treaty from Peking, the minister and Secretary Hay will within a day or two sign a protocol equivalent to the exchange of ratifications and the president's proclamation being issued the convention will go into effect immediately. The minister's advices induced the state department to change the plan it had formed earlier in the day to await the arrival of the mail copy of the treaty.

All the London morning papers have editorials attaching importance to commercial treaties between the United States and China and between Japan and China. The consensus in these editorials is that the ratification of the treaties implies an act of sovereignty by China equivalent to a declaration that Russia's occupation of Manchuria is only temporary and for specific purposes.

The Morning Post says: "That is precisely the point for which Japan has been contending and which Russia declined to discuss with her. Japan is now in the advantageous position of championing a cause which is also that of the United States."

The Daily Telegraph says that Japan is naturally proud of being in a measure the champion of western rights in the far east.

The Daily News thinks that China "has displayed ominous courage in her recent diplomacy, which will make for peace owing to the tremendous hazards which war, under the present circumstances, would involve."

Some importance is attached to the unusually long conference between Foreign Minister Lansdowne and Count Benchendorff, Russian ambassador. The ambassador arrived at the foreign office long after the usual reception and remained an hour and twenty minutes.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald and the special cablegrams from other correspondents at the Russian capital say that the opinion is held that the ratification of the Japanese and American treaties came as a shock to the Russian foreign office.

The Daily Mail's Tokio correspondent says that Japan's latest note is couched in courteous language, but that it reaffirms absolutely and unequivocally Japan's proposals, either as regards Korea or Manchuria.

The Times' correspondent says that he hears that the government has claimed the services of the entire volunteer fleet.

The Times' Peking correspondent says:

"Russia's position in Peking is now a remarkable one, and the change in China's attitude is striking. Russia's wanton violation of all her pledges has finally undeceived China and thrown her into the arms of Japan. While Japan's preparations are complete and her intelligence service effective Russia is not ready.

"There is great confusion on the Manchurian railway, owing to the difficulties at Lake Baikal, and few Russian troops have arrived in the far east by land. Russia's military strength east of Lake Baikal is exaggerated by the European newspapers."

Miners Will Petition Congress

The following resolution was adopted by the Colorado federation of labor, which held a convention in Denver:

"Whereas, This convention, representing 35,000 members of organized labor in the state of Colorado, has been called to take cognizance of industrial conditions and of the course followed by Governor Peabody;

"Resolved, That the situation in this state is so grave that the facts should be laid before the nation in an authoritative manner. To that end, we urge the immediate passage by the United States senate of Senator Patterson's resolution directing the senate committee on judiciary or a sub committee thereto, to come to Colorado and make a searching inquiry of all conditions existing in this state. Organized labor courts an investigation and we feel that we are voicing the sentiments of every labor organization in the state when we promise the senate committee our hearty co-operation."

Turkish Soldiers in Mutiny

A serious mutiny broke out recently among the soldiers comprising the garrison of Van, Turkish Armenia, owing to their pay being in arrears. About five hundred armed soldiers plundered shops and attacked Armenians. The mutineers finally made an attack upon the palace, from which the commander of the garrison fled over adjoining roofs.

Deny a Partisan Statement

The Cuban house passed a resolution protesting against the statement alleged to have been made by Mr. Foraker in the United States senate during the discussion of the case of Brigadier General Wood, to the effect that young women of immoral character were employed as teachers in the Cuban schools during the intervention government. The resolution commends Alexis E. Frye, of Boston, former superintendent of Cuban schools, for his strong denial of the alleged statement.

A LEVEL HEADED GOVERNOR

Believes in a Higher Standard of Qualification for Voters

Edwin Warfield was inaugurated as governor of Maryland. In his inaugural address Governor Warfield said, on the subject of limiting the suffrage of intelligent citizens:

"The people demand that the state shall be governed by those citizens who, because of their intelligence, their hereditary connections and their interest in the material welfare of the commonwealth, are best fitted to properly, patriotically and wisely exercise the high duties of citizenship.

"This result can only be attained by an amendment to the constitution fixing a higher standard of qualification for the exercise of the elective franchise.

"I believe that an amendment to the constitution upon the lines which I have suggested, expressed in clear, definite simple terms, should be submitted to the people of Maryland."

Will Reclaim Swamp Land

The farmers in the vicinity of Waverly, Neb., want a swampy area of 1,540 acres reclaimed so as to be useful in agriculture. This may be done under the new law passed at the last legislature and an appropriation, signed by all but two of the owners of the land adjoining the tract was made in the district court, so that legal sanction may be given their enterprise. The land which will be drained is located between Waverly and Greenwood on the banks of Salt creek, and has been a source of great annoyance to farmers in the vicinity for many years. The parties signing the application agree to keep this district thus organized for five years, to see that taxes are duly paid on the lands, besides the fact that the territory is to be drained. The law provides no option as to whether the property owner may or may not join in the work of reclamation, as everyone in the district benefited by the improvement must lend their aid.

Received $380,000 by Express

A special from Pontiac, Ill., states that Mrs. James A. Carothers of that place received by express a legacy of $380,000, being her share of the estate of an uncle, E. O. Mathiesen, who died in Paris about three years ago, leaving a widow to whom was left his vast estate of between $8,000,00 and $9,000,000 and on her death to be divided equally among eleven heirs of which Mrs. Carothers was one. Mr. Mathiesen was one of four brothers, two of whom amassed great fortunes in manufacturing glucose and corn products. He resided in New York. The legacy was guarded from New York by an express messenger.

Cost of the Colorado Military

Adjutant General Benn of Denver says that evacuation of the military camps at Telluride and Cripple Creek have begun and that only provost guards would be posted at these places for cases of emergency. A troop of cavalry has been organized at Telluride, composed of seventy-five young men who own horses. In addition to this troop a guard of sixty men will be left at that place. Two companies comprising about 185 men will be left in the Cripple Creek district for the present.

To date the expense of maintaining military forces in the field in consequence of the strikes which began last summer has been nearly $500,000.

Milwaukee Shaking Up Grafters

The grand jury at Milwaukee, Wis., returned another batch of indictments and the following are the names:

Charles J. Cooke, ex-alderman, Fourth ward.

William Okershauser, ex-alderman, Seventeenth ward.

William Murphy, alderman, Third ward.

Arthur A. McCormick, alderman, Seventeenth ward.

Peter J. Mead, ex-supervisor, East Milwaukee.

Charles Bottenberg, supervisor, White Fish Bay.

Henry Stoffel, private citizen.

The aldermen and ex-aldermen are charged with soliciting bribes and the supervisor and ex-supervisor with taking bribes. Stoffel is charged with bribery.

Ten Million of Bonds in Evidence

The $10,000,000 issue of United States Shipbuilding mortgage and collateral bonds, nearly all of which are owned by Charles M. Schwab, and on deposit with the Standard Trust company of New York, were made a part of the evidence in the foreclosure proceedings instituted by the New York Security and Trust company and Mr. Schwab against the United States Shipbuilding company and James Smith, jr., the receiver. To avoid carrying the three bundles of bonds, which weigh altogether about 500 pounds, through the streets to the federal building, United States Examiner Shields held a session at the offices of the Standard Trust company, where the bonds, in bundles of $1,000,000, were presented for identification.

Steamship Rates Advanced

The trans-Pacific steamer combine, of San Francisco, consisting of the Pacific Mail, Occidental and Oriental and the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, has announced a big increase in passenger and freight rates to take place in February. Flour shipments will be advanced to $4, general merchandise to $8, and steerage rates for Asiatics $45.

Big Fire at Cedar Rapids, Neb.

Fire started in the store of Pitchford & Warfield, at Cedar Rapids, Neb., and by the time it was discovered had spread to the postoffice on the west, and to two frame buildings on the east, all of which were destroyed with all their contents. The volunteer fire company, after a hard fight, stopped the fire from burning the large three-story hotel on the east, and the Simons building on the west.

Too many gifts make all common place.

ASSESSMENT PLAN

How the New Law Operates in Railroad Valuation

FULL TEXT OF PROCEEDING

Not a Foot of Railway Track, Property or Value of Franchises Can Escape Assessor Who Performs His Duty

Auditor Weston and Secretary Bennett of the state board of equalization and assessment are working on a schedule of railroad property to be listed for taxation.

Under the new revenue law the valuation of each mile of road shall be fixed by dividing the whole value by the number of miles of the main track of each road or each line. This is the same as the former revenue law. The returns of the roads shall not be conclusive as to the value, but the state board shall from all the information which it is able to obtain, find the true value, including tangible property and franchises, and shall assess the same on the same basis as other property is to be assessed. The schedule to be sworn to by the officers of railroad companies before the 30th day of March shall contain the following:

First. Of the right of way, track and road-bed, giving the entire length of the main track in this and other states, and showing as to this state, the portion in each county, township or city.

Second. The length of each side or second track and turnout, spur and warehouse track, and aggregate length of such side or second track, turn-out, spurs or warehouse tracks, together with the name of the county, township, precinct, city, village, and school and road district in which such side or second track and turn-outs, spur and warehouse tracks are located.

Third. A complete list giving size, location as to county, township and city and village, material and value of all depots, station houses, machine shops, stock yards, scales or other buildings situated wholly or in part on the right of way, together with all platforms, fuel and water stations, and the machinery and tanks connected therewith.

Fourth. Showing the number of ties in track per mile, the weight of iron or steel rails per yard used in the main or side track, what joints or chairs are used in the track, kind of ballasting, length of time iron or steel has been used, and what length of time the road has been built.

Fifth. A full list of the rolling stock belonging to or operated by such road, which shall distinctly set forth the number, class and value of all locomotives, passenger cars, dining cars, express cars, mail cars, baggage cars, grain cars, box cars, horse cars, cattle cars, coal cars, flat cars, wrecking cars, pay cars and all other kinds of cars owned or used by said company, whether within or without the state of Nebraska, together with a statement of the number of miles traveled by each of said classes of cars over the line of said company within the state of Nebraska and without the state of Nebraska, separately during the year preceding the first day of January last past.

Sixth. A statement or schedule showing: (1) The amount of capital stock authorized, and the number of shares into which said capital stock is divided. (2) The amount of capital stock paid up. (3) The market value of such stock, or if of no market value, then the true value of the shares of stock. (4) The total amount of all secured and unsecured indebtedness, except for current expenses of operating the road. (5) The location and actual valuation of all its real estate and personal property in this state that is locally assessed.

Such schedule shall be made in conformity to such instructions and forms as may be prescribed by the state board of equalization and assessment, which values shall be taken into account and be considered in arriving at the true value of such railroad property and its franchises.

Seventh. A correct return of the tools and materials used for repairs, and of all other personal propety in the state of Nebraska, together with such other information as the state board of equalization and assessment may require in order to enable them to apportion such rolling stock between the main line and branches of said road.

Eighth. A true statement of all bridges, showing where located as to county, township, village, city, school and road district, the true value thereof, kind and material, the length, width and height of such structure.

Ninth. The total gross earnings and net earnings of said corporation during the year for which said statement is made, and the total amount expended in the operation and maintenance of the property, and the improvements thereof, distinguishing that expended in improvements or betterment from that expended in maintenance or operation, also the dividend last declared upon its shares of stock and the amount thereof, and the date, number and the amount of all dividends declared upon its stock during the year next preceding the date of such report, and such further information as the state board may in writing require, all of which shall be taken into consideration in ascertaining and fixing the value of such road and the franchise thereof together with such other information as said state board may require in relation thereto.

Teamsters in Chicago Resume Strike

The strike of livery drivers, of Chicago, began anew after a truce of fifteen days following the Iroquois theatre fire. Ninety-five per cent of the sixteen hundred drivers of carriages and hearses are said to be out, and once more the black undertakers' wagons were put into service in lieu of hearses at funerals, while mourners were obliged to resort again to the street cars in journeying to the cemeteries. Failure of employers and employes to agree on the wage scale was the cause of the resumption of the strike.

GAME LAW IS ALL RIGHT

Supreme Court Confirms It In Detail to Be Good Law

The supreme court has at last been heard from regarding the game law and has pronounced the act valid. The legality of the entire act was attacked by D. B. McMahon of Boone county, who with W. E. Harvey and P. M. McKillip, all prominent citizens, were fined $50 each for having five prairie chickens in their possession during the closed season. The lower court fined each the limit, $5 for each bird in the possession of the party. The hunters alleged that only one man, the person who had the birds in his buggy, could be fined. It has been the holding of the attorney general that every member of a party violating the law can be fined separately as many times as there are birds in the possession of the party, and many of the district courts have followed this ruling. It is now sustained by the supreme court. The court says the laws does not recognize a distinction between principals and accessories in misdemeanors. The hunters attacked the law in every conceivable form, but the court has ruled against them. The same defendants are resisting in a separate suit the action of the game warden in confiscating their guns. Three guns, valued at $75, were taken from them, but they replevined them and the game warden has appealed to the supreme court where the case is still pending. Where a poacher shows a disposition to dispute the authority of the game warden he usually finds that he is piling up trouble for himself, as shown by the three Boone county men.

Fixing Up for an Appropriation

There has been considerable discussion over a bill introduced by Senator Millard appropriating certain sums for repairs to and for new buildings at old Fort Omaha, to be occupied by staff officers of the department of the Missouri. Senator Millard, who had felt certain opposition in war department circles, has doubted whether it would be politic to push the bill in the face of his opposition.

Senator Millard and Mr. Rosewater held a conference with Lieutenant General Chaffee, who was a lieutenant at Fort Omaha many years ago, and regarding the location of the abandoned post, said that he would favor one or two propositions: First, to have established there a training school for army nurses and army doctors, or a school for the signal corps, either one of which would give Fort Omaha a standing in military circles and at the same time bring to the post a much larger number of people than contemplated in making it a home for staff officers, which he did not look upon with favor.

Paid a Fine of $2,000

Fred Olsen, of Omaha, the postoffice clerk convicted of the embezzlement of $2,000 of government funds, was sentenced to pay a fine of $2,000 and costs, which makes the amount slightly over the amount of defalcation. The payment of the fine was guaranteed by Rome Miller, who was in the court room. Part of the amount is said to have been contributed by relatives and the remainder by the fraternal order of which Olson was a prominent member. The maximum penalty for the offense is $5,000 fine and imprisonment of five years. In passing sentence Judge Munger explained that yesterday he had sentenced a boy to the penitentiary for stealing $10 worth of stamps because he had a "criminal heart." He did not believe Olson was a criminal at heart and made the sentence light.

State Meeting of Y. M. C. A.

The Young Men's Christian association will hold the state convention in Lincoln on February 4, 5, 6, and 7. More than 200 delegates from the various associations in the state, and some of the celebrated speakers of the country will be present to discuss many of the questions which are constantly arising in the work of the organization. There have been associations in Nebraska for more than twenty-four years and this is the twenty-fourth annual meeting of this kind. There are ten of these organizations in the state. At Omaha, South Omaha, Fremont, Chadron, Grand Island, North Platte, York, Hastings, Beatrice and Lincoln, and all these will be well represented at the coming meeting.

Attorney General Knox Reports

Attorney General Knox at Washington transmitted to the house his reply to a resolution, asking for information regarding the manner in which he had expended the special appropriation of $500,000 for anti-trust prosecutions. A detailed statement of expenditures shows that $25,985 has been disbursed. Of this amount $5,-548 was paid to William A. Day, assistant to the attorney general; $3,750 to J. D. Purdy, assistant attorney general; $3,214 to W. M. Collier, special assistant to the attorney general; $839 to C. Todd, law clerk; $1,103 to J. C. Morcock, confidential clerk, $562 to H. Graves, confidential clerk and $100 to D. T. Watson as special counsel in the case of the government against the Northern Securities company. Under the head of "expenses" $ was disbursed. These expenditures cover the actions against the "beef trust," the Northern Securities company, the "salt trust," the "hay trust," the railroad mergers and several other important actions. Mr. Knox asks for a larger force to carry on the work on trusts.

Cleared of All Suspicion

The preliminary examination of James Maryott and Mike O'Brien, charged with being the parties who shot Marshal Samuel Burgess at Cody on the night of December 27, came to an end after a hearing before Justice Benedict occupying two days. The state had twenty-six witnesses and the two defendants testified in their own behalf. The court discharged both defendants. The examination created great interest. Burgess is slowly recovering, but his head and face present a distorted appearance.

HE WAS A FARMER

Governor Bailey of Kansas Talks to Stock-Breeders

THE DIGNITY OF FARMING

Says He Would Rather be Referred to As a Successful Farmer Than Anything Else on Earth.

In responding to the toast, "Governor or Farmer; Which is the Most Fun?" Governor Willis J. Bailey of Kansas made the hit of the evening at the banquet which was served to the members of the Kansas Improved Stock Breeders' association at the Throop hotel, Topeka. Governor Bailey was only one of many good speakers who were present at the banquet, but his talk, short as it was, created more enthusiasm than any. He said:

"If the subject of this toast referred to my relative abilities as a farmer and as governor of the state of Kansas, instead of which is the most fun, I have no doubt that many of those who are here tonight and who have their knives out and are thirsting for gore, would be more than willing to testify that I am better as a farmer.

"But seriously, gentlemen, I want you all to realize that I appreciate your position. Many of those who are about this table are farmers, and they should understand that the honor and dignity of their position is fully equal to that of a state office. Your humble servant began life as a farmer, and I say to you now that I would rather be referred to as a successful farmer than as anything else on earth. I would consider it an honor. I do not want you fellows to think, however, that I do not want to be governor again, for such is not the case. I wish to make myself clear on that point so that you will not misunderstand me."

Governor Bailey's talk was followed by cheers and cries of "You're all right."

Colonel E. Harrington of Hiawatha was another speaker who made a good impression at the banquet. Mr. Harrington responded to the toast of "Salt and Its Uses." His talk consisted largely of hot shot for Tom Anderson, who had handed Colonel Harrington a few, and the boss busters, who were in session in Security hall.

"Salt," said Colonel Harrington "has many uses. I remember that way back in my younger days I had an acquaintance who was a bald as a billiard ball, and who suddenly obtained a luxuriant growth of hair. When asked about it he said that he had used salt water, which was one of the best hair producers there was. Now, maybe it is not permissible, but I would advise our friend Thomas Anderson to use the same remedy. It would not doubt do him some good besides bringing out his hair, as it is said that salt is a great purifier.

"Another thing for which salt can be used: It is a fact that salt is a good cure for restlessness. Many a time I have used salt on my herd of cattle when they had become restless and were threatening to go through the fence. I do not remember a time when it has failed to quiet them. Consequently I would advise some one to use a little salt on these boss busters, who, I am told, are holding a meeting up the street a way. It would no doubt keep them quiet for the time being anyway."

C. H. Samson, secretary of the State Fair association, spoke on the subject of an appropriation for the fair. He said:

"During the last legislature we tried to get a bill through authorizing the appropriation of a small amount of money for the state fair. Many of the other states have large appropriations, but we would have been satisfied with a small one. The bill got past the senate all right but ran up against a snag in the house. I have no doubt but what the bill would have passed if it had ever been put to a vote, but such was not the case. The bill never reached the house, but was killed in the committee room, through the influence of a man whom you all know.

Want Information from Knox

A bill authorizing the construction of a bridge across the St. Francis river at Marked Tree, Ark., was passed by congress.

Mr. Jenkins, chairman of the judiciary committee, called up the resolution requesting the attorney general to furnish information as to what money had been expended under the act providing for the enforcement of the Sherman anti-trust law, favorably reported by the committee, but amended so as to make it read "insofar as it is not incompatable with the interest of the public." It was adopted without debate and without division.

Resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Skiles of Ohio were adopted and as a further mark of respect to the deceased member the house adjourned.

Elks Will Build at Parsons

Arrangements have been practically completed whereby the Parsons Elks will build a $50,000 opera house, to be ready for use by September 1. The site selected is one of the principal business corners of the city, owned by the city and which is for sale by it. A proposition for its purchase will be submitted to the council at its meeting shortly. A stock company wil be formed among the local Elks.

$85,000 to be Spent at Emporia

Fifteen or twenty stockmen gathered in the Commercial club rooms at Topeka for the purpose of forming a racing circuit to take in the county tracks of the state. It is believed that the circuit will have a membership of more than twenty towns when fully organized. C. H. Sampson of the State Exposition company, which has membership in the state circuit with Missouri, Iowa and the other middle west states, was at the meeting and led to the organization.

Furniture Dealers Assert Their Rights

The national association of retail furniture dealers, in annual session at Grand Rapids, Mich., submitted to the manufacturers of furniture in the United States the following for signature:

"We agree not to admit consumers, whether accompanied by a dealer or not, to our warerooms, factory of salesrooms; that we will under no consideration make sales to the consumer direct, including hotels and institutions. The members of this association being in accord with the above, an infringement on their part, coming to the notice of the secretary, they shall be disqualified for membership in this association and in their local association as well. And we earnestly request the members to notify our secretary of any infringement coming to their notice."

Liverymen Strike in Chicago Settled

The strike of the livery drivers, which since its beginning some weeks ago, has caused much annoyance to mourners and interference at funerals in Chicago, was ended today and the union men were ordered back to work. A committee of owners and drivers, the latter headed by President Young of the international teamsters' association, had a conference at which an agreement was brought about which recognizes the "closed shop," one of the chief points of disagreement. It was agreed that the matter of an increased wage scale shall be arbitrated as soon as possible by a committee of the union and employers.

Just Stole Clean $300,000

Bank Examiner Crummer, who has been investigating the affairs of the Bank of Highland, Kan., has reported to the county attorney other unlawful peculations of J. E. Marcell, cashier, as already reported to him, aggregate three hundred thousand dollars. The heaviest losers are the banks of St. Joseph, Mo., and Atchison, Kan.

Strikers Compete With Car Lines

The street railway strikers at Bloomington, Ill., have decided to inaugurate an automobile system to compete with the street cars, and will operate the machines as long as the strike continues. Arrangements will be concluded with a Chicago company for the required number of machines, and the patronage of the strike sympathizers will be solicited.

Hanna Not a Candidate

Senator Hanna, referring to published reports that a public announcement of his candidacy for the presidential nomination would be issued next week, declared that there was not the slightest foundation for such statement. He added that he had already issued an authorized statement showing his position, and it still held good.

Turks are Now Very Meek

The porte has notified the Austro-Hungarian and Russian ambassadors of his full acceptance of the Macedonian reform scheme and of his consent to the repatriation of the Macedonian refugees, promising amnesty to all political prisoners with the exception of dynamiters.

Enormously Rich Gold Strike

The most sensational gold strike in the Cripple Creek district in years is confirmed on the Iron Clad Hill. From a space no larger than a man's body ore to the value of $25,000 was shipped assaying by samples $23,000 a ton. The strike has caused great activity in the northern portion of the district.

Three-Cent Fares in Cleveland

An agreement between Mayor Johnson and the officials of the Cleveland Electric railway company for the establishment of a three cent fare within the city of Cleveland in accordance with the terms of the McKenna ordinance, passed by the city council recently, will be ratified by the directors of the railroad company at once.

Must Not "Make Up" Lost Time

The Chicago & Northwestern railway has issued an order that under no circumstances shall passenger trains exceed their scheduled speed. No matter how late a train may be, the engineer must not make up time by running faster than his schedule calls for. The explanation is made that the management does not care to risk disaster which might occur on account of fast running to make up for lost time.

Norway Women Lawyers Admitted

The upper house of Norway, by an almost unanimous vote, has adopted a bill authorizing women to act as attorneys and advocates in the Norwegian courts.

Mothers Meet in Chicago May 11

At a meeting of the executive committee of the national congress of mothers, arrangements were made for the annual meeting of the mothers' congress at Chicago May 11 to 14 and for mothers' congress day at the world's fair in St. Louis, May 26. A mothers' meeting is also to be held at Boston February 18. Mrs. C. L. Grout was elected as the representative of Nebraska on the board.

A line of twenty-two grain elevators along the Union Pacific railroad in Kansas was sold by A. J. Poor, of the A. J. Poor Grain company, to the C. Hoffman & Son Milling company, of Enterprise, Kan., for $75,000. The deal was closed at the Board of Trade building in this city.

Eight-Hour Bill to be Considered

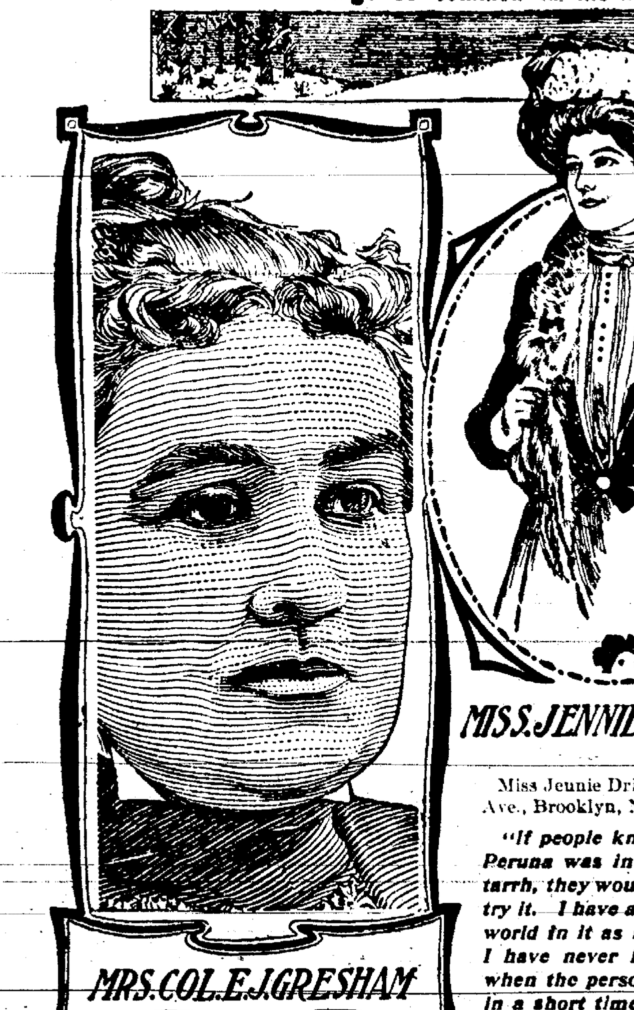
The house committee on labor fixed February 4 as the date to begin hearings on the eight-hour bill. The bill introduced by Representative Hitt will be the measure considered. It is practically, the eight hour measure as amended and reported to the senate in the last congress.

Such a large number of requests have been made for opportunity to be heard against the bill that the committee estimates the hearings will occupy a month.

MRS. COL. GRESHAM **Was Given Up** BY THE DOCTORS.

Pe-ru-na Saved Her Life.

[It was catarrh of the lungs so common in the winter months.]



Miss Jennie Driscoll, 870 Putnam Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., Writes:

"If people knew how efficient Peruna was in the cure of catarrh, they would not hesitate to try it. I have all the faith in the world in it as it cured me, and I have never known of a case when the person was not cured in a short time."—Jennie Driscoll.

Mrs. Col. E. J. Gresham, Treasurer Daughters of the Confederacy and President Hernden Village Improvement Society, writes the following letter from Hernden, Fairfax Co., Va.:

HERNDEN, VA.

The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio:

Gentlemen—"I cannot speak too highly of the value of Peruna. I believe that I owe my life to its wonderful merits. I suffered with catarrh of the head and lungs in its worst form, until the doctors fairly gave me up, and I despaired of ever getting well again.

"I noticed your advertisement and the splendid testimonials given by the people who had been cured by Peruna, and determined to try a bottle. I felt but little better, but used a second and third bottle and kept on improving slowly.

"It took six bottles to cure me, but they were worth a King's ransom to me. I talk Peruna to all my friends and am a true believer in its worth."—Mrs. Col. E. J. Gresham.

A PLAIN TALK

On a Plain Subject in Plain Language.

The coming winter will cause at least one-half of the women to have catarrh, colds, coughs, pneumonia or consumption. Thousands of women will lose their lives and tens of thousands will acquire some chronic ailment from which they will never recover.

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Unless you take the necessary precautions, the chances are that you (who read this) will be one of the unfortunate ones. Little or no risk need be run if Peruna is kept in the house and at the first appearance of any symptom of catarrh taken as directed on the bottle.

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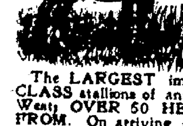

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120 bu. Beardless Barley per acre.
310 bu. Salzer's New Nat. Oats—per A.
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1,000 bu. Pedigree Potatoes per acre.
14 tons of rich Billion Dol. Grass Hay.
60,000 lbs. Victoria Rape for sheep—acre.
160,000 lbs. Teosinte, the fodder wonder.
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Now such yields you can have, Mr. Farmer, in 1904, if you will plant Salzer's seeds.

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There is hardly a single group of insects which does not suffer from the appetite of one or more species of birds. The eggs and larvae are dug and pried out of their burrows in the wood by woodpeckers and creepers; those underground are scratched and clawed up to view by quail, partridges and many sparrows; warblers and vireos scan every leaf and twig. Flycatchers, like the cat family of mammals, lie in wait and surprise the insects on the wing, more particularly those flying near the ground, while swifts, swallows and martins glean a harvest from the host of high-flying insects. When we think of humming birds are taking dainty sips of honey from the flowers, they are in reality more often snatching minute spiders and flies from the deep cups of the calyxes. When night falls the insects which have chosen that time as the safer to carry on the business of active life, are pounced on by crepuscular feathered beings; the cavernous mouths of whip-poor-wills engulf them as they rise from their hiding places and the bristles of nighthawks bring them into no less rapacious maws if, perchance, they have succeeded in reaching the upper air.—New York Post.

The Irishman's Protest.

The late Amos Cummings of New York used to tell this story of his first assignment as a newspaper reporter. He was sent out to write up an accident where an Irish hodcarrier was injured in a fall from a building. He arrived just as two officers were assisting the injured man into the ambulance.

"What's his name?" asked Cummings of one of his officers, at the same moment pulling out his pad and pencil.

The Irishman heard him, and mistaking him for the timekeeper on the job, exclaimed, with a look of disgust covering his face:

"Isn't it trouble enough to fall three stories without being docked for the few moments I lose goin' to th' hospital?"—New York Times.

Professor's Little Joke.

The late Prof. Samuel D. Gross was a man who, like many of his colleagues, was very fond of a good story, and was equally quick at repartee, says the Philadelphia Ledger. The following anecdote of his happy retort to an admiring patient is too good to be lost:

Dr. Gross had been ill for some time and was just beginning to get around, when he met a patient, who said:

"Professor, I am very glad to see that you are out again; while you were sick your patients were dying by the dozen."

A merry twinkle came into the doctor's eye, as he replied:

"I see! Now, I suppose, they will lie by the Gross."

Just as a Favor.

The man who knows it all had been talking, and in his superior way had settled every question that had come up, until the quiet little man was moved to speak.

"Will you grant me one little favor?" he asked humbly, as became a man who realized that he was addressing one who knows it all.

"Certainly," replied the other. "What is it?"

"Well, will you kindly permit me to know something about one or two subjects in which I am personally interested, if I will concede all the knowledge of everything else to you?"

And after that there was a lull in the conversation that seemed to indicate that permission had been given.

Feminine Criticism.

Camille Saint-Saens, the eminent French composer, is as interested in current criticism and in the work of his contemporaries as he is in his own music.

He was talking recently with a young woman who had just been to the recital of a young pianist whose talents had had much preliminary advertising. The young woman spoke enthusiastically of the pianist's good looks, his clothes, his way of sitting at the piano, his charming manner of acknowledgeing applause. Saint-Saens listened patiently until she stopped a moment for breath.

"Um," he commented, thoughtfully, "and did you notice anything about his playing?"—Harper's Weekly.

Life.

A catch of breath, a rising sun,
A few gray clouds, life's race begun.

Youth scales the heights, love seeks its end,
Wealth comes and goes, ties break and mend.

A few good friends, a tear, a smile,
Some days of cheer, a sigh meanwhile.

Time's text of change, old friends depart,
Late thoughts grow wise, grace leads the heart.

The sun drops down, the clouds swing low,
A few farewells, then time to go.

—Clifford Kane Stout.

Significant Name.

Rev. Dr. William T. McElveen, on the intelligent use of Scripture: "When I was a younger man I met a colored woman in Tennessee, who named her son 'Judas Iscariot,' and when I asked her why, she said: 'Dat's a Scripture name, massa. I reads in ma Bible dat it was good for dat man he neber been bawn. Well, me an' ma old man had sixteen children 'fore dis one come, and we jes' called him Judas Iscariot.'"

Farmers Pay Bondholders.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson says the farmers have paid the foreign bondholders.

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Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

One of the most unique railroads in the country in the matter of operation is located within a few miles of Pittsburg. This is the Westinghouse Interworks railroad and is connected with the immense Westinghouse interests in East Pittsburg and Trafford City. The uniqueness of the railway system consists mainly in the fact that it is probably the only steam railroad in the world operated entirely by telephone. There is not a telephone operator employed on this road. Here and there, however are small booth-like buildings, in which telephones are installed, and the operation of the road is perfected on the block signal system. When the Pennsylvania road desires to run a train to the Westinghouse interests, it is run by telephone, the operator at the "junction" with the Pennsylvania arranging the running of the train.

"To do God's will" is the simple and sole creed of a curious religious sect just found in Charlestown. Its name is the Society of Christian Israelites, and the followers are scattered through Boston proper, Somerville, Medford and Roslindale, Mass. The leader is W. B. Bourner of Charlestown, and in his house is the place of worship of the sect. He said that he and his followers believed that the millennium would come in 1916, and at that time every living thing on this planet will die, except the chosen 144,000, who will inhabit Palestine. He added: "The true seed of Israel will have everlasting life, which means that they will live on earth for 1,000 years. At the end of that time they enter heaven."

Dr. Williamson Swears.

Yorktown, Ark., Jan. 18.—Last week a statement was published from Leland Williamson, M. D., of this place, to the effect that Dodd's Kidney Pills are the best medicine for all Kidney Diseases and that he uses them with uniform success in his daily practice.

No one who knows Dr. Williamson will doubt for a moment the complete truth of his fearless declaration, but to completely clinch the matter in the minds of those who may not have the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with this celebrated physician, Dr. Williamson has appeared before Mr. H. E. Greene, J. P. for Montgomery County, and made a sworn statement.

In this sworn statement the doctor has cited a number of cases which have been completely cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills. Here is case No. 1:

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"For years I enjoyed the best of health and thought that I would always do so. I attended parties and receptions thinly clad, and would be suddenly chilled, but I did not think of the results. I caught a bad cold eighteen months ago while menstruating, and this caused inflammation of the womb and congested ovaries. I suffered excruciating pains and kept getting worse. My attention was called to your **Vegetable Compound** and the wonderful cures it had performed, and I made up my mind to try it for two months and see what it would do for me. Within one month I felt much better, and at the close of the second I was entirely well.

"I have advised a number of my lady friends to use it, and all express themselves as well satisfied with the results as I was."—MISS ROSE NORA HENNESSY, 410 S. Broadway, Lexington, Ky.

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"You cannot realize how pleased I was, and after taking the medicine for only three months, I found that I was completely cured of my trouble, and have been well and hearty ever since, and no more fear the monthly period, as it now passes without pain to me. Yours very truly, MISS PEARL ACKERS, 327 North Summer St., Nashville, Tenn."

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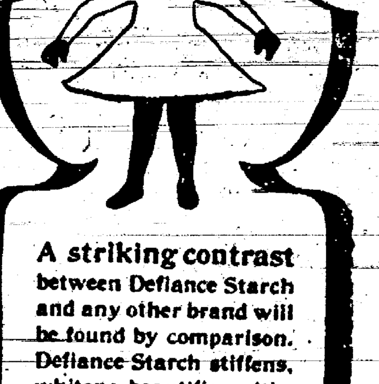

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BELIEVES IN WITCHCRAFT.

The Malay Has to Protect Himself with Charms.

The Malay is a firm believer in the efficacy of charms. He wears amulets pieces written words of magic in houses and carries a tiger's claw as a preventive of disease, says Popular Science. If he is especially primitive and backwoodsy, when he enters a forest, he says: "Go to the right, all my enemies and assailants! May you not look upon me; let me walk alone!" To allay a storm he says: "The elephants collect, they wallow across the sea; go to the right, go to the left; I break the tempest!" When about to begin an elephant hunt, according to Thompson he uses this charm: "The elephant trumpets; he wallows across the lake. The pot boils, the pan boils across the point. Go to the left, go to the right, spirit of grandfather (the elephant); I loose the fingers upon the bowstring." The Malay believes in witches and witchcraft. There is the bottle imp, the Polong, which feeds on its owner's blood till the time comes for it to take possession of an enemy. Then there is a horrid thing, the Penanggalan, which possesses women. Frequently it leaves its rightful abode to fly away at night to feed on blood, taking the form of the head and intestines of the person it inhabited, in which shape it wanders around. Such beliefs may, perhaps, have their origin in metempsychosis, which in other ways has some foothold among the common people. For instance, elephants and tigers are believed sometimes to be human souls in disguise, and so the Malay addresses them as "grandfather" to allay their wrath and avoid direct reference to them. Crocodiles also are often regarded as sacred, and special charms are used in fishing for them. One such, given by Maxwell, is as follows: "Oh, Dangsari, lotus flower, receive what I send thee. If thou receivest it not, may thy eyes be torn out!"

SMUGGLING SIBERIAN GOLD.

A Chinese Drink that Makes You Drunk When You Drink Water.

In spite of the most stringent Russian laws on the subject—the taking away of gold without government consent—there is an enormous business done all over Siberia in gold, both dust and, especially, nuggets stolen from the workings. It is a criminal offense to be found in possession of gold, but as so large a proportion of the population of Siberia consists of those sent there for punishment and the other further punishment they have to fear is deportation to some yet more distant region of the same barren and joyless land, the deterrent is by no means so formidable as mere perusal of the awful menaces of the statutes at first sight seems to convey. Moreover, the successful dealer in stolen gold rarely fails to escape the penalties of his offense, even when caught redhanded. The Russian official, even in Russia proper, is seldom altogether unreasonable, and in Siberia, where the pregnant saying of the dishonest "chinovnik," "It's a long way to Peter" that is, St. Petersburg—is especially significant, the official is good natured in the extreme, and a substitute can always be bought to accept the unpleasant responsibilities. A great part of the gold is conveyed over the China frontier—that is, across the River Amur, which is the sole defense of the frontier against smuggling from both sides—and finds a ready sale at ruinous sacrifices in exchange for a certain fiery Chinese vodka. The valuable properties of this spirit, much esteemed by Russian and native alike, are that it gives the customer the beatitude of intoxication one day and on the next he can attain the same exalted state by the cheap expedient of drinking water.

After a Separation of Forty-Two Years.

Mr. and Mrs. Jared Amsden of Seneca, Mich., disagreed over some family matters forty-two years ago, and a decree of divorce was granted the wife. The former husband and wife then went their several ways and entirely lost track of each other. After that the husband married three times and a few days ago secured a divorce from his third wife. His first wife married three times after her first divorce. A few days ago she secured a divorce from her fourth husband. Amsden, her first husband, was at the Court House when the decree was entered, and he introduced himself to her. They sat down and talked matters over and, as a result, a marriage license and wedding speedily followed, and after a separation of forty-two years both are living together again as husband and wife.

If Unwell.

Try a 50c bottle of Herbine, notice the improvement speedily effected in your appetite, energy, strength and vigor. Watch how it brightens the spirits, gives freedom from indigestion and debility! Isaac Story, Ava, Mo, writes, Sept. 10th, 1900: "I was in bad health, I had stomach trouble for 12 months also dumb chills. Dr. J. W. Mory prescribed Herbine, it cured me in two weeks. I cannot recommend it too highly, it will do all you claim for it." Sold by F. M. Colwell.

Jennie Stitzer, Omaha—"I have gained thirty-five pounds in two months. Nothing did me any good until I used Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. A blessing to sickly people." F. M. Colwell.

WHY HIS MARRIAGE FAILED.

He regarded children as a nuisance.

He did all his courting before marriage.

He doled out money to his wife as if to a beggar.

He never talked over his affairs with his wife.

He never had time to go anywhere with his wife.

He looked down upon his wife as an inferior being.

He never took time to get acquainted with his family.

He never dreamed that a wife needs praise or compliments.

He thought of his wife only for what she could bring to him.

He never dreamed that there were two sides to a marriage.

He had one set of manners for home and another for society.

He paid no attention to his personal appearance after marriage.

He married an ideal, and was disappointed to find it had flaws.

He thought his wife should spend all her time doing housework.

He treated his wife as he would not have dared to treat another woman.

He never dreamed that his wife needed a vacation, receration or change.

He never made concessions to his wife's judgment, even in unimportant matters.

He thought the marriage vow had made him his wife's master instead of her partner.

He took all the little attentions lavished on him by his wife as his by "divine right," and not as favors.

He always carried his business troubles home with him, instead of locking them in his store or office, when he closed.—By Orison Swett Marden, in Success.

"LITTLE DROPS OF WATER."

Cupid never bothers about the results.

If some men were worms they would be too lazy to turn.

A philosopher can explain almost anything—except his philosophy.

A woman never puts anything in her pocket that she can hold in her mouth.

People who live in glass houses ought to take panes not to cast reflections.

Some men never discover that they are on the wrong tack until they sit down on it.

A woman likes to have kisses stolen from her so that she can fight to take them back again.

To some people truth is stranger than fiction because they have so little to do with the former.

It is well to treasure the memories of youth, or at least, the kindest ones, since they brighten the shadows of age.—London Answers.

CHINFAYNE.

Time never hangs on the hands of those who improve it.

There are few bachelors who are really half as contented as married men.

Vacations are among the things that enjoy their chief charm in anticipation.

The meanest of all things to think of is that our crosses may be a means of education.

There are ten people who watch for your failures to one who glories in your success.

The most aggravating kind of sarcasm is the sort that is disguised behind a smile.

If it were good for no other purpose no one could dispute that in silence there is safety.

A man could stand it to let things go as they please if he could only regulate how they should come.

One bad man can do more harm in the way of demoralizing a force than three decent ones can do good.

A woman is really to be pitied when she has a lot of men friends who insist on taking her into their confidence.

So long as women are terribly in earnest men will continue to regard their greatest efforts for public reform as more or less of a joke.—"Uncle Dick," in Milwaukee Sentinel.

GEMS IN CAPSULES.

In a whisper is a bad habit.

No man is honest who pilfers from a good name.

It never pays to warp the character to reach money.

People who cannot forgive themselves are good people.

Money in the pocket will make more friends than money on the back.

Men who are not in the business for their health will soon need a doctor.

The man who squanders the money that belongs to his family is a mean thief.

Girls kiss each other in the most loving way when there are men around.

Apology may be made in fear, but honest men apologize in deference to their honor.

When a woman finds her fall suit duplicated on another women she condemns herself for lack of judgment.

The best thing to put by for a rainy day is good health.—Sioux City Journal.

SAYS THE OWL.

An innocent man dreads no eye and fears no tongue.

There's nothing better in this world than usefulness.

While living on hope it is well to hustle for a meal ticket.

Beer makes some men fat and others lean—against something.

The wise woman caters to a man's stomach instead of to his heart.

If you want to please a shallow man tell him he looks like an actor.

The harder it is to get a man to make a promise the easier it is to get him to make good.

Don't worry. A careful perusal of a patent medicine almanac should convince any one that there is a remedy for everything.

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The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used, failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption turn'd despair into joy. The first bottle bro't immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed. Bottles 50c and $1. Trial bottles free at Colwell's drug store.

JUST JOTTINGS.

A woman has more faith in some patent medicine than she has in her husband.

Seeing may be believing but there are occasions when it is safer to pass and risk being bluffed.

The Ohio town that has the fewest doctors also has the smallest death rate and the natives are trying to figure out which is the cause and which the effect.

UP-TO-DATE PROVERBS.

Modesty is not so easily shocked as prudence.

The more knowing a man is the less he knows.

A woman's train of thought is often on her dress.

Sometimes a comedian's divorce is his first serious part.

Mariage is seldom a failure when Cupid furnishes the capital.

Rev. Carlisle P. B. Martin, L. L. D.

Waverly, Texas, writes: "Of a morning, when first rising, I often find a troublesome collection of phlegm, which produces a cough, and is very hard to dislodge; but a small quantity of Ballard's Horehound Syrup will at once dislodge it, and the trouble is over. I know of no medicine that is equal to it, and it is so pleasant to take. I can most cordially recommend it to all persons needing a medicine for throat or lung troubles." Price 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

Why She Felt Hurt.

She—"What is the correct translation of the motto of that lovely ring you gave me?"

He—"Faithful to the last."

She—"The last! How horrid! And you've always told me before that I was the very first."

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headach, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

THE USES OF SALT.

Do you all know that—

Salt in whitewash makes it stick.

Salt puts out a fire in the chimney.

Salt used in sweeping carpets keeps out moths.

Salt in solution inhaled cures cold in the head.

Salt as a gargle will cure soreness of the throat.

Salt thrown on a coal fire which is low will revive it.

Salt and soda are excellent for bee stings and spider bites.

Salt and vinegar will remove stains from discolored teacups.

Salt in the water is the best thing to clean willowware and matting.

Salt thrown on soot which has fallen on the carpet will prevent stain.

Salt on the fingers when cleaning fowl, meat or fish will prevent slipping.

Salt put on ink when freshly spilled on a carpet will help in removing the spot.

Salt in the oven under baking tins will prevent their scorching on the bottom.

Salt thrown on a coal fire when broiling steak will prevent blazing from the dripping fat.

Simple Colds.

Cease to be simple, if at all prolonged. The safest way is to put them aside at the very beginninn, Ballard's Horehound Syrup stops a cold and removes the cause of colds. 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

When a woman can't think of anything else to do she washes her hair.

Most women suspect there is some mischief on tap every time their husbands smile.

A city man never sees the sights at home until his rural relatives come along and hunt them out.

An inch of rain seems to be about a foot long to the man who is caught in it without an umbrella.

It's almost as difficult for a medium to predict what is going to happen as it is for a historian to record what has happened.—Chicago News.

HEALTH

"I don't think we could keep house without Thedford's Black-Draught. We have used it in the family over two years with the best results. I have not had a doctor in the house for that length of time. It is a doctor in itself and always ready to make a person well and happy."—JAMES HALL, Jacksonville.

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AUNT JEMIMA'S VIEWPOINT.

De 'oman wid de new ring had jes ez leaf trump huh partner's trick ez not.

When a nigger run dyah's allers somebody ready tuh holler "stop thief!"

Dem dat's born tiahd 'ont believe hit's wuk dat meks de worl' go 'round.

Mos' men's conscience ain't nothin' mo' nor less den bein' foun' out by dey wives.

A young hat on a ole 'oman's haid is 'bout ez much outer place ez a razor at a pahlor soshible.

Dyah's some chanst o' keepin' a gal f'om gittin' ma'led long ez you don't tell huh she shan't do it.

De hardes' job a 'oman eber has tuh buck up against is tuh go in a sto' an' buy nothin' cep'n what she come fuh.

De diffunce twixt cha'cter an' reptation is yo' cha'cter 'longs tuh you, but yo' rep-tation is de property ob yo' neighbor.

De preacher say de Lawd is willin' tuh he'p us byah our troubles day by day, but he 'ont stan' 'sponsible fur us ef we piles up dem dat's past en' dem dat's tuh come on top o' dem dat's byah now.—Cally Ryland.

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W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

Our round the world missionaries, Misses Vincent and Cummins, are now at work in South Africa. At their first meeting over forty young people signed the total abstinence pledge. In their work among the miners in the gold fields at Melbourne and Sidney. Fifteen hundred men were converted through their efforts and three thousand signed the pledge. The Tasmanian women are now in possession of the franchise for the two federal houses and also for their own state. Mrs Ellis writes the Signal, that often renewed efforts in behalf of the work among foreigners, five matrons have been appointed for boarding duty at the part of New York. She urges that the work of petition and pleading with our congressmen be kept up. Voters here is a chance to make your influence felt for good, whatever your politics. Write to Congressman Burkett or Senator Millard urging the passage of those bills that tend to benefit humanity and save our nation from disgrace and ruin.

We don't do enough thinking. People who really mean to be good sometimes have that peculiar prejudice that can't see good in anything that isn't done just their way, and make sharp speeches and discouraging remarks about others who are honestly trying to do their best. It's so much easier to find fault and tear down the work of others than it is to do the work, or build for ourselves. We can each set a watch over our own selves, and if we rule our own words and actions so that they be not stumbling blocks to others, or hindrances to any good thing that might be done, then shall the way of the Lord be prepared and we confidently hope to see a revival.

Miss McCracken before leaving Denver expressed her appreciation of the courtesies everywhere shown her but said naively: I am sorry I cannot write of you just what I think but you see I am to be paid for an article on the other side.

Does not the article by Mrs Harriet B Kells, extracts from which were published last week, conclude that ours is a government of men, by men and for the protection of men? Imagine the great amount of mother-love represented in laws that permit such conditions.

Pawnee Chief.—A party of Table Rock young ladies drove over from our neighboring burg early Saturday morning to be examined by the county superintendent as to their qualification for teachers. The party consisted of Misses Mary Kovanda, Matilda Werner, Nellie Irwin, Blanche Mort, Maidie Buckles and Mabel Edwards.

3 THINGS About Colds

I

Never let a cough or cold get the start of you. Disease finds its best ally in our disdain of "only a cold."

II

Find a remedy you can rely on and keep it in the house. A reliable remedy is one that cures quickly and without the possibility of harm.

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For further information write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha.

Wonderful Nerve

Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental cuts, wounds, bruises, burns, scalds, sore feet or stiff joints. But there's no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It's the best salve on earth for piles, too. 25c at Colwell's.

Monday morning, near the post-office, Dr. J. W. Bullard slipped and fell on the icy pavement and cut a severe gash in the rear of his scalp. Dr. E. W. Bullard attended the injury, and the former is now recovering. The Junior doctor complained considerably, but the elder doctor told him to remember that which he sometimes told his own patients— to grin and bear it and it would soon be over. Doctors do not like to take their own prescriptions.—Pawnee Press.

A Very Close Call.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by Colwell. Price 50 cents.

Humboldt Leader.—Mrs John Voellers was down from Table Rock last Sunday.

Mrs J A Murphy went to Table Rock between trains Tuesday.

Willie Till and Hugh Leatherman visited over Sunday in Table Rock.

Miss Mabel Carnes went up to Table Rock Sunday to visit friends a few days.

Tecumseh Tribunal.—W L Sandusky of Table Rock was up Saturday on business.

Mrs Anna Sandusky and daughter went down to Table Rock last Saturday on a visit to relatives.

Two men were disputing over their respective churches. One was a Methodist, the other a Christian. Finally one of them called a neighbor who was passing by and asked his opinion as to which was the only church in which to be saved. "Well, neighbors," said he, "son and I have hauled wheat to mill for nigh on to forty years. Now there's two roads that lead to the mill, one's the valley road t'other takes over the hill, and never yet, friends, has the miller asked me which road I took, but he always asked: 'Is the wheat good?'"

One little, old, black skunk, not as large as a rabbit, can stink up a drove of a thousand sheep, and then trot off with its tail over its back. In like manner one long-tongued, lying, gossip can stir up a whole town and besmirch the fairest characters in it, and trot off unharmed. Of the two, we had rather be the skunk, for the gossip is sure to go to hell, but the skunk won't.—Muldrow Press.

L. Horton, wife and Miss Botchlett, of Table Rock, were the guests of Will Steinauer and family for a few days last week.—Steinauer Star.

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TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

Farmers who have good milling wheat are holding it for better prices, anticipating a good advance for such grades.

Tilden will have to provide more room in its schools, and is in fact in the same boat in this respect with many other Nebraska towns.

Roberts Bros., of South Omaha, have filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The firm has a capital stock of $50,000 and will do a live stock commission business.

George Duis died in a singular way at Gothenberg. While eating breakfast he choked on a piece of beefsteak and died in an hour, in spite of all that two doctors who were promptly called, could do.

Norfolk's city council lost no time in furnishing evidence that the town is in the metropolitan class by inaugurating a system of public inspection of buildings to prevent any disaster like that of Chicago.

They are talking at Gothenberg of raising money for boring a well from two to three thousand feet deep, just to see what might by lying around beneath the surface. They expect to be able to strike either artesian water, gas, or oil, any one of which, it is reasoned, would be a paying investment.

J. T. Royston of St. Edwards has leased ground from the Union Pacific railroad at Fremont on which he intends to construct a large flouring mill with a capacity of 300 barrels per day. Mr. Royston has moved to Fremont. The work on the mill will begin at an early date. It will cost in the neighborhood of $20,000.

The young men's co-operative association of Lincoln effected a temporary organization by electing the following officers: President, F. D. McAvoy; secretary, B. C. Hubbell, jr.; treasurer, Henry R. Kent. The object of the organization is to lease and remodel the Walton hotel for club purposes and quarters for young men.

A new grain tariff quoting proportional rates from Omaha to all points in Minnesota on the Minneapolis & St. Louis railway of 9 cents on wheat and 8 cents on corn has been issued by the Rock Island. The tariff also includes all grain products at the same rates. The only stipulation is that the grain shall originate west of the Missouri river.

Farmers who planted trees when they first located in Nebraska are now not only getting their fuel supply but much of their building material from the seedlings they started at that time. It is a good thing to have plenty of large trees and the farmers of the state will have an abundance in the future if they plant now and care for what they have.

While Lincoln is discussing the prospects of getting into the Western baseball league this year, Fremont fans are looking forward to another good season of amateur baseball. A meeting of the city league board of control will be held soon and a view will be taken of the outlook for the game there. If conditions are considered favorable, a schedule of games will be made out and the teams which expect to participate will begin making their plans.

Lost Bird, the Indian baby who was found clinging to its dead mother's breast on the wounded Knee battlefield two days after the battle, now grown into a bright faced girl 13 years of age, has become a student at All Saint's school in Sioux Falls, S. D. Shortly after being found on the Wounded Knee battlefield, she was adopted by General and Mrs. Colby, of Beatrice, Neb. Until the present time Lost Bird, whose Indian name is Zintka, has attended the public schools in the national capital. It was on the advice of Rev. Sherman Coolidge that Mrs. Colby decided to place her in All Saint's school, under the guardianship of Right Rev. W. H. Hare, Episcopal bishop of South Dakota.

Another state society has been added to the list that will meet in Lincoln annually making twenty-two that are now known to have arranged for meetings. The independent telephone companies of Nebraska have a state association which will meet in annual session at the Lindell hotel. The most important business coming before the association was the matter of connecting up the toll lines of the various independent organizations. There are 192 of these companies in Nebraska. They operate in groups throughout the state and it is the intention to connect all so that the toll system may be more complete. If the smaller companies are not able to do the work the Lincoln company may do it for them.

The chief of police of Nebraska City has ordered the arrest of every person found carrying concealed weapons and will prosecute under the state law. It was found that many small boys in school were carrying firearms and they are taken from them and sent to their parents. The police will make warfare on all persons found with a revolver on their persons in the future and the police judge has promised to aid in the matter by giving them the full benefit of the law. It is thought possible in this way to break up the habit many men have of carrying firearms.

The minimum wage paid teachers is now established at $40 in many of the country districts of Lancaster county and teachers of high attainment can not be had at that figure. In order to get instructors of experience and ability many districts are paying $50. Previous to this year the minimum wage was $35 and even $30. More than 90 per cent of the teachers of Lancaster county are women. County Superintendent Bowman states that men of muscle were demanded in some of the districts and school boards desired the sagacious application of the rod in some instances.

ARKANSAS TRAVELER RESPONDED.

Got Back in Rhyme at Missouri Pacific's General Passenger Agent.

H. C. Townsend, general passenger and ticket agent of the Missouri Pacific with headquarters at St. Louis, sent out a novel holiday greeting to patrons of the road and was surprised to receive a response in rhyme from a man in Arkansas. Here is the greeting followed by the answer:

This is the train that runs so fast
Across the plains to mountains vast;
This is the train that's never late,
And keeps its service up to date,
This is the train that runs out West,
And takes you there for work or rest;
This is the train that runs to the land
Of mountains high and canons grand;
This is a true hotel on wheels,
It serves to you the best of meals;
This is the train with lowest rate—
St. Louis to the Golden Gate;
If you should wish to go that way,
See H. C. Townsend, G. P. A.

This is what the Arkansas traveler wrote in response:

H. C. Townsend, G. P. A.:—
I received your card to-day,
And I'm writing now to say
That your train's Al—O. K.

I'm a reg'lar passenger
And I'm here to tell you sir
It's a corker—sure enough;
(Please don't take this as a puff—
All your trains are up to snuff—
Strictly in it—just the stuff!

Makes me restless when I read
Of the comfort and the speed—
Want to pack my clothes and skip—
On that train—Gee! What a trip!

Feed you like a millionaire—
Gosh! Just read that bill-of-fare!
Tender steaks, well done or rare;
Game and things from everywhere!

Salads, deserts, coffee, cake—
Wow! It makes my stomach ache!

And the rates—I'll swear to you,
Same as cutting naught in two!
(Shame to take such service cheap—
Ought to make us pay a heap!

Guess I've said about enough,
(Every word is straight—no guff.)
So I'll sign myself, with care;
Truly yours, A. PASSENJAIRE.

The art of dignifying labor and beautifying common things is well illustrated by a friend who is a conductor of a freight train. With a caboose ordinarily representing the tag end of a railway equipment, with its dirt, smoke and dust as ever present factors, he keeps his car a model of neatness, cleanliness and attractiveness. The stove is polished, the paint kept bright and clean, the windows washed and the floor scrubbed, while some nice pictures decorate the walls, which, coupled with his gentlemanly manners, make it always a pleasure to ride with him. He will not run a freight train much longer, for such as he get passenger runs without effort. There are plenty of other men in the business who will remain freight conductors in dirty cabooses as long as they remain on the road.

In 1902 the number of pieces of mail sent out of Kansas City was 110,320,848 pieces, showing an increase for the year of 18,537,742 pieces. In the stamp department the increase in sales during 1903 was $135,534.28. In 1902 hte sales for the year were $863,634.44, while those during 1903 were $999,168.72 lacking just $831.28 of being $1,000,000. The registry department more than doubled its business during 1903, as compared with the business done during the previous year. The total of money handled was $13,914,206.14.

The dollar's worth of sugar is the bait which traps more people in the purchase of bills of groceries than any other one thing. They will blindly and foolishly invest in teas, coffees, spices, soaps, condiments and shoeblacking, things about the value of which they know little or nothing, if they can see a chance to get an extra pound or two of sugar for a dollar.

A man's view of hard times is influenced very much by the use he has made of his credit. If he happens to have a balance in the bank upon which he is drawing 4 per cent interest he takes a more chipper view of things than if he has a note due in thirty days and has to ask for an extension.

Large plants on the Canadian side of the Niagara river as generating electricity which is conveyed into the United States and used by manufacturers and others The Canadian electricity enters the country duty free and competes on this side of the boundary. The American producers object to this and are thinking of asking for protection.

Howes—Don't like this cold weather, eh? Why only last summer you were complaining of the heat.

Barnes—Not of the heat itself, but because of its untimeliness. It would be all right if reserved for such weather as this.

Gertrude—Poor Madeline! She outmarried herself!

Blanche—Indeed?

Gertrude—Yes, she married a duke, you know, and didn't have money enough to pay his bills.

"Paw, how many kinds of trading stamps are there?"

"Well there is the ordinary kind, and then theres the stamp of determination your mother wears on her face when she is crowding her way to a bargain counter."

Nell—She's rather unpopular, isn't she?

Belle—Unpopular! Why, would you believe it, that girl can't event get anybody to put on her skates for her?

When a bachelor tells a married woman how happy he is she wouldn't be surprised to see him go the way of Ananias.

It's very foolish of a woman to lace so tight that when she gets hugged it doesn't seem any different.

If it wasn't for the fact that a fool and his money are soon parted, a lot of promoters would have to work.

The meaning of the three balls in front of a pawnbroker's shop is that it's two to one the proprietor wins.

What's the use of going away for the winter when you can stay at home and get all you want of it?

YOUR "UNCLE" IN CHINA.

Pawnbroking as an Institution in the Flowery Kingdom.

Pawnbroking is a great institution in the "flowery land," says Golden Penny. The Chinese pawnbroker's, however, is quite a different kind of establishment from ours of the city of London. The pawnshop of China is more a stronghold, a place of quiet and safe repose for valuable jewelry and miscellaneous and costly wardrobes of the people. It also, in many instances, performs the equally important but somewhat costly function of lending to the needy, and, as in the collection of our own land, one may see the much-prized jewels and trinkets of happier times, which caused their poor owners many a bitter pang to part with, heartaches that were perhaps brightened with the hope that one day they would be able to redeem them. To listen to the man selling these unredeemed pledges is one of the choice entertainments of the Pekin streets. He is selected by the pawnbroker for his fluency of speech and ready wit, to which he gives full play in his humorous descriptions of the quality and history of the furs and richly embroidered dresses, which are piled up on the platform of his tent. He at times runs off his speech in rhyme, making clever and sarcastic allusions to the requirements of his audience, pressing a satin robe on the attention of some naked beggar.

AMERICAN YELL WOULDN'T DO.

London Oarsman Decides Not to Adopt Cornell Slogan.

The late Dr. Cyrus Edson was a great athlete in his youth, and to the last he was not prouder of his fame as a physician than of his fame as an oarsman. Dr. Edson rowed in the notable Columbia crew of 1878 at Henley.

Talking one day about athletics abroad, Dr. Edson said: "Our college yells are an amazing thing to foreigners, who have no yells themselves. The 'tiger-sis-boom-ah' of Princeton, the 'I yell, yell, yell' of Cornell, and our 'brek-ek-ek-co-ax' and 'who-rah' and so on amuse the good people across the water enormously.

"I well remember the visit of the Cornell crew to London some years ago, and the comment on this crew's yell that an Englishman made. Cornell was to row the London Club, to which the Englishman belonged. He repeated, with a laugh, the Cornell slogan—'Cornell, I yell, yell, yell, Cornell'—and then he said:

"'It would never do for us to adopt a similar yell, would it? It would never do for us to shout: "London, done, done, I'm done, London!"'"

Wears Her Hair Short Now.

As she stepped bareheaded into the elevator in a Broadway business building all the men in the car admired her wealth of chestnut hair. It towered in a pompadour tier, built up mansard fashion, above her rosy little cheeks. But it glistened suspiciously. There was a smell of brilliantine, benzine or something like that. One of those men who cannot go around without a cigar blazing as fiercely as the one that William Gillette used in the famous dark scene of "Sherlock Holmes," got in at eighth floor and crowded his way behind the girl. Somehow or other the cigar and the hair came together and at once got busy. The pompadour fizzled, sputtered and sizzled like a pinwheel. One man put his hat on it, the elevator man stopped the car, and the shrieking girl was hustled into the hall with a badly damaged silk tile surmounting her neat wash-blouse. The fire was out in five seconds, without the assistance of hand grenades. The man with the cigar said he was sorry, and asked if there was anything he could do.

"Sorry!" shouted the girl. "Do! What can you do? You fool!"—New York Press.

Had Your Feet Massaged?

"Feet massaged, fifty cents," is a sign hung in many of the uptown manicure and pedicure parlors patronized by women who have plenty of money to spend. This charge, with $1 for finger nails and fifty cents for cutting corns, brings the cost of a treatment to $2, which has long been a desideratum of the manicure-pedicures. The whole process takes about one hour. For a massage, the feet are first bathed in warm water, strongly impregnated with sea salt. Five to ten minutes of this, followed by a dash of cold water, takes all the soreness out. The chiropodist then rubs in a pink paste which looks very much like the paste used for facial massage in barber shops, and which consists principally of mutton tallow. Every bone in the foot from the little toe to the ankle bone is squeezed, rubbed and patted. Persons who have tried the foot massage say it makes their shoes feel several sizes too small for them for twelve or fifteen hours afterward.—New York Press.

The Tropical Way.

Down in the far South countries,
There's much of war and loot.
They're always at each other's throat;
They shoot.

And cut, and carve, and curse the while
(A dog, or hound, galoot)
They're noisy, too, make many sounds,
And toot.

And blow their own cheap horns of tin.
But let outsiders crack
Their whips, and threat to rip 'em up
The back,

Down in the far South countries
Where men are wont to loot,
Behold! How fast the fighters scuttle
They scoot!
—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

May Grant Women Suffrage.

The Queensland government intends next year to introduce a bill in which the franchise will be conferred on women

FARMER SHIPPERS

They Meet in Lincoln and Plan for Self Defense

ARE NOT GIVEN A FAIR DEAL

Association Will Have a Committee of Five to Formulate Legislation for Independent Farmer Shippers

"We feel the want of legislation and of the enforcement of laws already enacted, and we recommend to this body the appointment of a committee on legislation."

In accordance with the above section of the report of the committee on resolutions, the Farmers' Co-Operative Grain and Live Stock State association, in session in Lincoln, selected five men who will work at the next session of the legislature in the interests of the farmers of the state. They are O. G. Smith, James T. Brady, H. H. Hanks, James Ryan and D. W. Baker.

The remainder of the adopted report of the committee on resolutions reads as follows:

"We most heartily endorse the principle of co-operation and we extend the invitation to every local organization to become a member of our state association, believing that the co-operative plan is the only effective way by which we can handle our produce for our mutual welfare.

"We further suggest that the board of directors use all its influence in the organization of new companies.

"We advise that the secretary of each local organization send to the secretary of the state organization the name of the organization with the names of its officers and the names of its members, together with post-office addresses. All local companies and those desiring to organize companies, are requested to correspond with the secretary of our state organization, James T. Brady, Albion, Neb."

The objects of the association as expressed by one of the members, are:

"To protect the members against discrimination.

"To furnish reports of crops and market conditions, and all information which will be of material benefit to the members of the local organizations; to procure the best possible markets and transportation for products that will bring the producer a better return for labor."

Offices were elected at a meeting of the board of directors. They are as follows:

J. S. Canady, president and organizer; H. H. Hanks, vice president; J. T. Brady, secretary; O. G. Smith, of Kearney, treasurer.

John Reese of Broken Bow, who has held the office of secretary, refused reelection for the reason that he has entered the federal service and has not time to devote to the work. Mr. Smith and Mr. Canady were re-elected.

These officers were chosen by the board of directors elected at the meeting of the delegates. One director was elected from each congressional district and one director at large. Following is the new board:

First—H. H. Hanks, Otoe county.

Second—No one present from this district and election left with board of directors.

Third—O. Brittell, Elgin, Antelope county.

Fourth—D. W. Baker.

Fifth—J. C. Canady, Minden, Kearney county.

Sixth—L. S. Deets, Buffalo county.

Director at Large—J. T. Brady, of Albion, Boone county.

It seems certain that the association will have a committee at the next legislature to secure the passage of a law that will make it easier for the elevator men to get concessions from the railroads. Members of some associations have notified the railroads that unless they get what they want, politics will not count in the selection of men from their neighborhood for the legislature. They advocate that candidates for the legislature be pledged in convention to work for a bill for the protection of the independent shipper.

It was said that there will soon be an opportunity for the railroads to test the Ramsey bill, as several suits will probably be filed soon by local associations.

They Stole One Million

That competition of turf investment companies promising to pay 5 per cent on weekly investments caused the merger of the Federal Securities company and American Finance and Mortgage company, at New York, offering respectively only 5 and 10 per cent monthly was testified by Fernando Baltes said that he had no duties except to lend his name as president, for Baltes, president of the Federal company, during a hearing on the application of depositors to have him and the other promoters of the concern declared bankrupt. The American Finance and Mortgage company was put out of business by the police, but not before it had secured, so the applicants, Joseph H. Clark, of Wyoming, Ohio, and E. E. Murphy and E. W. Spinning of Cincinnati, charge, more than $1,000,000 from various parts of the country by alluring advertisements.

Hon. D. E. Thompson Coming Home

D. E. Thompson, of Lincoln, minister to Brazil, is expected by his friends in New York. He left Brazil on a coastwise steamer, scheduled to reach New York on January 20. Mr. Thompson's friends announce that after he has gone to Washington he will visit for a short time in Michigan and Chicago, arriving in Lincoln about February 8.

Repairs for the Constitution.

Secretary Moody has directed that the historic ship Constitution shall be retained at the navy yard at Boston and from time to time repaired so that she may be preserved indefinitely. Part of the Constitution will be made into a naval museum, the nucleus of which is now at the Boston yard. The secretary also has decided to name the next battleship Constitution in order that the name may be preserved in the navy.

GOOD ADVICE TO UNIONISTS

President John Mitchell Earnestly Urges Non-Political Organization

At the opening of the convention of the united miners of America at Indianapolis, Ind., a resolution was considered providing for two delegates to attend the convention of the western federation of miners and endeavor to establish friendly relations or form a coalition between the two organizations. An effort may be made to have the federation join the American federation of labor and so be subject to the jurisdiction of the united mine workers.

A resolution was adopted urging the election of United States senators by direct vote.

Delegate Howell of Colorado introduced a resolution which, in a lengthy preamble, set forth all the doctrines of the socialists and asked the mine workers to take the initiative toward calling a world's convention of trades unions to consider plans for the distribution of wealth created by labor. After an hour's heated discussion it was tabled.

President Mitchell took the floor and urged the organization to confine itself to trades unionism. He said under it the miners were getting higher wages than ever before. He allowed every man his political opinions and the privilege of voting them, but the organization should have nothing to do with political tenets.

A resolution introduced asking that the $21,000 per week now being given the Colorado strikers be increased by a per capita assessment of fifty cents per week for one month brought forth a prolonged discussion of the Colorado strike. The amount that would be raised under the resolution would be $500,000. The discussion showed warm sympathy for the Colorado strikers. The resolution was referred to the national executive committee.

THE BREEDING OF CORN

Interesting Meeting of the State Corn Breeders Association

At the session of the corn improvers' association, which met in room 207 of the experiment station building, Lincoln, Joseph Hall of Tekamah spoke on Nebraska's progress in corn improvement. He said that Nebraska farmers formerly paid no attention to corn improvement and the only question they asked about seed corn was: Will it grow? Within recent years this condition has changed until the selection of corn to increase the yield has become quite generally understood.

Following Mr. Hall's address, Prof. C. G. Hopkins, of the Illinois experiment station, gave a very interesting talk on "Breeding Corn to Improve Its Yield and Composition." Professor Hopkins showed that every corn plant possesses an individuality the same as an animal, hence every ear of corn has an individuality. He showed that no two ears of corn were exactly alike in composition and that by selecting ears with the desired qualities the composition of corn can be greatly changed. In-breeding, he said, should be avoided in corn breeding as much as in animal breeding. The discussion following this address was very lively.

A resolution was passed asking the board of regents of the university for aid to carry on experiments with corn.

NEBRASKA'S TEAM WILL WIN

Volunteer Firemen Will Send a Hose Running Team to St. Louis

The principal item of business at the state firemen's association meeting at Fremont was the proposition to send an all-Nebraska hose team to St. Louis to compete in a series of interstate events at the Louisiana purchase exposition. An hour and a half was spent in debating a committee report on this matter. There was no opposition to sending the team, but the committee recommended assessing all volunteer firemen twenty-five cents apiece to pay its expenses, which was the bone of contention. It was finally voted to appropriate $200 out of the state association's funds, the balance of $600 or more to be made up by subscription from the various departments.

The next convention for 1905 was given to Columbus by a vote of 177 to 113 over Grand Island.

The following officers were chosen by acclamation: President, Michael Bauer, Nebraska City; first vice-president, John McKay, Blair; second vice-president, Charles Holtz, Wahoo; secretary, E. A. Miller, Kearney, re-elected; delegate to national convention, A. C. Hull, Fremont.

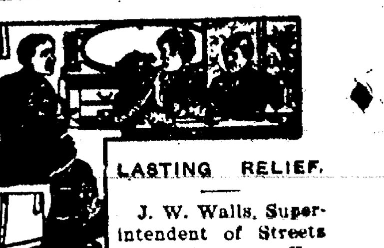
Want Quick Action Taken.

The national board of trade, at Washington, D. C., adopted a resolution declaring that "The timber and stone act, the desert land act and the communication clause of the homestead act should be forthwith repealed and in future all agricultural and irrigable land reserved exclusively for actual settlers under the homestead act, and that in future the government should reserve the title to forest lands, selling only the stumpage of matured timber; and also that the forestry work of the government should be consolidated in the bureau of forestry of the department of agriculture; that the great irrigation works necessary to save from waste and utilize for irrigation the waters of our large western rivers should be built as rapidly as the lands will be taken and utilized by farmers in farms of 160 acres, or less in area, and the entire cost of construction repaid to the government through a charge imposed on the lands reclaimed.

Want Reciprocity

The Detroit board of commerce has adopted resolutions declaring that "the joint high commission should be reconvened for the purpose of negotiating a new reciprocity treaty with Canada and the approach to its deliberations on the part of representatives of the United States should be in such a spirit of liberality and concession as may lead to agreements satisfactory and beneficial to both countries."

Wonder how much a man has to allow his wife to dress in the South Sea islands, where they don't.



LASTING RELIEF.

J. W. Walls, Superintendent of Streets of Lebanon, Ky., says:

"My nightly rest was broken, owing to irregularities of the kidneys. I suffered intensely from severe pains in the small of my back and through the kidneys and was annoyed by painful passages of abnormal secretions. Doctors failed to relieve me. I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills and I experienced quick and lasting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills will prove a blessing to all sufferers from kidney disorders who will give them a fair trial."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., proprietors. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

The U. S. Dept. of Agriculture

Gives to Salzer's Oats its heartiest endorsement. Salzer's New National Oats yielded in 1903 from 150 to 300 bu. per acre in 30 different States, and you, Mr. Farmer, can beat this in 1904, if you will. Salzer's seeds are pedigree seeds, bred up through careful selection to big yields.

	Per Acre.
Salzer's Beardless Barley yielded	121 bu.
Salzer's Home Builder Corn	300 bu.
Speltz and Macaroni Wheat	80 bu.
Salzer's Victoria Rape	60,000 lbs.
Salzer's Teosinte, the quick-growing fodder wonder	160,000 lbs.
Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass	50,000 lbs.
Salzer's Pedigree Potatoes	1,000 bu.

Now such yields pay and you can have them, Mr. Farmer, in 1904.

SEND 10c IN STAMPS

and this notice to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and you will get their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples free. (W. N. U.)

Burned out, but was insured in the STATE FARMER'S MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. of South Omaha, Nebr., which means that he got his money.

Has some agent tried to cancel your Mutual Policy? Telling you all sorts of things, almost crying for you. Why? Because he needs the money he would make out of you, wanted pay for the talk he gave. Don't be fooled. Keep your Mutual Insurance, and get more if you need it. Write to B. R. Stouffer, Secretary, South Omaha, Nebr.

You never hear any one complain about "Defiance Starch." There is none to equal it in quality and quantity, 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now and save your money.

Senator Spooner tells of a case tried in a Wisconsin court in which during the course of the cross-examination of an exceptionally youthful looking physician the opposing counsel was led to utter some rather sarcastic remarks as to the probability that so young a doctor should thoroughly understand his business.

"Are you," asked counsel, "acquainted with the symptoms of concussion of the brain?"

"I am," reponded the youthful looking physician.

"Then," went on the counsel, "let us take a concrete case. If my learned friend, counsel for the defense, and myself were to bang our heads together, should we get concussion of the brain?"

"Well," said the young doctor, "the probabilities are that the counsel for the defense would."

If you do not own a home of your own commence the new year by laying aside a certain sum each month toward the purchase price of one. There is nothing that makes a man or woman more independent and happier than living in a home of their own—no matter how humble it will be. A home is one thing a man is justified in going in debt for. The home-builder and home-owner is usually a good citizen, and he takes a personal interest in the community in which he lives, something a renter hardly ever does.

Some men can't because they think they can't, and some others can because they are in the canning business.

DR. FED HIMSELF.

Found the Food that Saved His Life.

A good old family physician with a lifetime experience in saving people finally found himself sick unto death. Medicines failed and —— but let him tell his own story. "For the first time in my life of sixty-one years I am impelled to publicly testify to the value of a largely advertised article and I certainly would not pen these lines except that, what seems to me a direct act of Providence, saved my life and I am impressed that it is a bounden duty to make it known.

"For 3 years I kept failing with stomach and liver disorders until I was reduced 70 lbs. from my normal weight. When I got too low to treat myself, 3 of my associate physicians advised me to 'put my house in order' for I would be quickly going the way of all mankind. Just about that time I was put on a diet of Grape-Nuts predigested food. Curiously enough it quickly began to build me up, appetite returned and in 15 days I gained 6 lbs. That started my return to health and really saved my life.

"A physician is naturally prejudiced against writing such a letter, but in this case I am willing to declare it from the housetops that the multiplied thousands who are now suffering as I did can find relief and health as easily and promptly by Grape-Nuts, if they only knew what to do. Sincerely and Fraternally yours." Name of this prominent physician furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each package for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XVI.

The Halfway House.

"Miss Ma'y Ellen," cried Aunt Lucy, thrusting her head in at the door, "oh, Miss Ma'y Ellen, I wish't you'd come out yer right quick. They's two o' them prai' dogs out yer a-chasin' ouah hens agin—nasty, dirty things!"

"Very well, Lucy," called out a voice in answer. Mary Ellen arose from her seat near the window, whence she had been gazing out over the wide, flat prairie lands and at the blue, unwinking sky. Gathering each a bit of stick, she and Aunt Lucy drove away the two grinning daylight thieves, as they had done dozens of times before their kin, all eager for a taste of this new feathered game that had come in upon the range. With plenteous words of admonition, the two corralled the excited but terror-stricken speckled hen, which had been the occasion of the trouble, driving her back within the gates of the inclosure they had found a necessity for the preservation of the fowls of their "hen ranch."

"It's that same Domineck, isn't it, Lucy?" said Mary Ellen, leaning over the fence and gazing at the fowls.

"Yess'm, that same ole hen, blame her fool soul! She's mo' bother'n she's wuf. We kin git two dollahs fer her cooked, an' seems like long's she's erlive she bound' fer ter keep me chasin' 'roun' after her. I 'clare, she jest keep the whole lot o' ouah chickens wore down to a frazzle, she traipsin 'roun' all the time, an' them a-follerin' her. An', of co'se," she added argumentatively, "we all got to keep up the reppytation o' ouah cookin'. I kain't ask these yer men a dollah a meal—not fer no lean ole hen wif no meat ontoe her bones—no, ma'am."

Aunt Lucy spoke with professional pride and with a certain right to authority. The reputation of the Halfway House ran from the Double Forks of the Brazos north to Abilene, and much of the virtue of the table was dependent upon the resources of this "hen ranch," whose fame was spread abroad throughout the land. Saved by the surpassing grace of pie and "chicken fixings," the halting place chosen for so slight reason by Buford and his family had become a permanent abode, known gratefully to many travelers and productive of more than a living for those who had established it. It was, after all, the financial genius of Aunt Lucy, accustomed all her life to culinary problems, that had foreseen profit in eggs and chickens when she noted the exalted joy with which the hungry cow punchers fell upon a meal of this sort after a season of salt pork, tough beef and Dutch-oven bread.

At first Major Buford rebelled at the thought of innkeeping. His family had kept open house before the war, and he came from a land where the thoughts of hospitality and of price were not to be mentioned in the same day. Yet he was in a region where each man did many things, the first that thing which seemed nearest at hand to be done.

From the Halfway House south to the Red River there was nothing edible. And over this Red River there came now swarming uncounted thousands of broad-horned cattle, driven by many bodies of hardy, sunburned, beweaponed, hungry men. At Ellisville, now rapidly becoming an important cattle market, the hotel accommodations were more pretentious than comfortable, and many a cowman who had sat at the board of the Halfway House going up the trail, would mount his horse and ride back twenty-five miles for dinner. Such are the attractions of corn bread and chicken when prepared by the hands of a real genius gone astray on this much miscooked world.

Thus the little Southern family quickly found itself possessed of a definite, profitable and growing business.

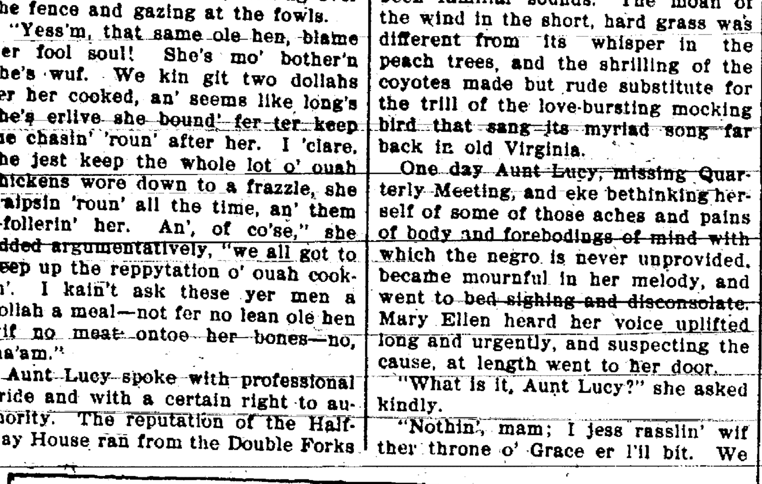
Buford was soon able to employ aid in making his improvements. He constructed a large dugout, after the fashion of the dwelling most common in the country at that time. This manner of dwelling, practically a roofed-over cellar, its side walls showing but a few feet above the level of the earth, had been discovered to be a very practical and comfortable form of living place by those settlers who found a region practically barren of timber, and as yet unsupplied with brick or boards. In addition to the main dugout there was a rude barn built of sods, and towering high above the squat buildings rose the frame of the first windmill on the cattle trail, a landmark for many miles. Seeing these things growing up about him, at the suggestion and partly through the aid of his widely scattered but kind-hearted neighbors, Major Buford began to take on heart of grace. He foresaw for his people an independence, rude and far below their former plane of life, it was true, yet infinitely better than a proud despair.

It was perhaps the women who suffered most in the transition from older lands to this new, wild region. The barren and monotonous prospect, the high-keyed air and the perpetual winds, thinned and wore out the fragile form of Mrs. Buford. This impetuous, nerve-wearing air was much different from the soft, warm winds of the flower-laden South. At night as she lay down to sleep she did not hear the tinkle of music nor the voice of night-singing birds, which in the scenes of her girlhood had been familiar sounds. The moan of the wind in the short, hard grass was different from its whisper in the peach trees, and the shrilling of the coyotes made but rude substitute for the trill of the love-bursting mocking bird that sang its myriad song far back in old Virginia.

One day Aunt Lucy, missing Quarterly Meeting, and eke bethinking herself of some of those aches and pains of body and forebodings of mind with which the negro is never unprovided, became mournful in her melody, and went to bed sighing and disconsolate. Mary Ellen heard her voice uplifted long and urgently, and suspecting the cause, at length went to her door.

"What is it, Aunt Lucy?" she asked kindly.

"Nothin', mam; I jess rasslin' wif ther throne o' Grace er I'll bit. We all po' weak sinners, Miss Ma'y Ellen."



Drove away the two grinning thieves.

"Yes, I know, Lucy."

"An' does you know, Miss Ma'y Ellen, I sorter gits skeered sometimes, out yer, fer fear mer supplercashuns ain't goin' take holt o' heaven jess right. White folks has one way er prayin', but er nigger kain't pray erlone—no, mam, jess kain't pray erlone."

"Now, Aunt Lucy," said Mary Ellen, sagely, "there isn't anything wrong with your soul at all. You're as good an old thing as ever breathed, I'm sure of that, and the Lord will reward you if he ever does any one, white or black."

"Does you think that, honey?"

"Indeed I do."

"Well, sometimes I thinks the Lord ain't goin' to fergive me fer all ther devilment I done when I was I'll. You know, Miss Ma'y Ellen, hit take a life er prayer to wipe out ouah transgreshuns. Now, how kin I pray, not to say pray, out yer, in this yer lan'? They ain't a chu'ch in a hunderd mile o' yer, so fer's I kin tell, an' they shoh'ly ain't no chu'ch fer cullud folks. Seems to me like, ef I c'd jess know er single nigger, so'st we c'd meet onct in er while, an' so'st we c'd jess kneel down togetheh an' pray comfer'ble like, same's of 'twus back in ole Vehginny—why, Miss Ma'y Ellen, I'd be the happiest ole 'ooman ever you did see."

Mary Ellen rose and went to her room, returning with her guitar. "Listen, Aunt Lucy," she said; "I will play and you may sing. That will make you feel better, I think."

It was only from a perfect understanding of the negro character that this proposal could come, and only a perfect dignity could carry it out with grace; yet there, beneath the floor of the wide prairie sea, these strange exercises were carried on, the low throbbing of the strings according with the quavering minors of the old-time hymns, until Aunt Lucy wiped her eyes and smiled.

"Thank yer, Miss Ma'y Ellen," she said; "thank yer a thousand times. You shoh'ly does know how toe comfort folks mighty well, even a pore ole nigger."

On the morning following Aunt Lucy's devotional exercises that good soul seemed to be altogether happy and contented and without any doubts as to her future welfare. Mary Ellen was out in the open air, bonnetless and all a-blow. It was a glorious, sunny day, the air charged with some essence of vital stimulus. Tall and shapely, radiant, not yet twenty-three years of age, and mistress of earth's best blessing, perfect health—how could Mary Ellen be sad?

"Chick-chick-chick-chickee!" she called, bending over the fence of the chicken yard. "Chick, chick, chick!"

"I'll be thah t'reckly wif ther feed, Miss Ma'y Ellen," called out Aunt Lucy from the kitchen. And presently she emerged and joined her mistress at the corral.

"Aunt Lucy," said Mary Ellen, "do you suppose we could ever raise a garden? I was thinking, if we had a few peas, or beans, or things like that, you know——"

"Uh-huh!"

"And do you suppose a rose bush would grow—a real rose bush, over by the side of the house?"

"Law, no, chile, whut you talkin' 'bout? Nothin' hain't goin' to grow yer, 'less'n hit's a little broom cohn er some o' that alfalafew, er that soht er things. Few beans might, ef we wortered 'em. My lan'!" with a sudden interest, as she grasped the thought, "whut could I git fer right fraish beans, real string beans, I does wohdeh! Sakes, ef I c'd hev string beans an' apple pies, I shoh'ly c'd make er foh'tune, right quick. String beans—why, law, chile!"

"We'll have to think about this garden question some day," said Mary Ellen. She leaned against the corral post, looking out over the wide expanse of the prairie round about. "Are those our antelope out there, Lucy?" she asked, pointing out with care the few tiny objects, thin and knifelike, crowned with short black forking tips, which showed up against the sky line on a distant ridge. "I think they must be. I haven't noticed them for quite a while."

"Yass'm," said Aunt Lucy, after a judicial look. "Them blame I'il goats. Thass um. I wish't they all wuzn't so mighty peart an' knowin' all ther time, so'st Majah Buford he c'd git one o' them now an' then fer to eat. I 'member mighty well how Cap'n Franklin sent us down er quarter o' an'lope. Mighty fine meat, hit wuz."

"Er—Miss Ma'y Ellen," began Aunt Lucy presently, and apparently with a certain reservation.

"Yes?"

(To be continued.)

WHERE HE GOT THEM.

Little Boy's Explanation Embarrasses Generous Teacher.

At recess one morning little Nathan Garowski withdrew to a corner and wept, and the heart of his pretty teacher was moved with compassion.

"What's the matter, Nathan?" she inquired gently. "Why don't you play with the others?"

Nathan looked up with dimmed eyes. Dust and tears mingled on his brown cheeks. He pointed mutely to his skirt and then broke into a roar: "It was the dress of Rebecca. Me mudder no money has for buy me any t'ing. I nefer have the trouser, and the children—the children—they stick out the finger on me, and make a laughs. They call me—call me—a gi-girl."

"Don't mind them, dear," said Alice Harmon with sympathy. "They shall not laugh at you long. I will get you a coat and trousers, too."

Several days later Nathan appeared in the glory of a new suit and strutted about basking in the admiring glances of those who had despised him. His cup of pride was filled to overflowing when the superintendent came in with the principal for a visit of inspection. Nathan, well in the foreground glanced at his garments and looked at the strangers for approbation.

"Why, little boy, what a fine pair of trousers!" said the superintendent affably. "Where did you get them?"

Nathan drew himself up to his full height, and outstretched his hand in the direction of his beloved teacher. "I got them off her," he announced. "I got them off Miss Harmon."

Then Alice Harmon, with the blush of confusion on her fair face, explained: "The—the children—on the East Side always say 'off' when they mean 'from.'"—Lippincott's.

GOT THERE AT LAST.

President's Messenger Long Delayed by Senatorial Courtesy."

One of the prerogatives of a United States senator is that when he steps aboard an elevator in the senate wing of the capitol he is carried immediately to his destination, no matter in which direction the elevator may be bound or who may be aboard. Three rings of the bell indicate that a senator wants to ride, and the conductor loses no time in responding to the call.

One day last week Mr. Barnes, the assistant secretary to the president, stepped aboard a senate elevator from the ground floor. In a portfolio under his arm he carried a message from the president of the United States to the Congress.

"Senate floor," said Mr. Barnes, as the conductor shut the door.

Just then there were three rings of the bell and the indicator showed that a senator wanted to be lifted out of the terrace The elevator went down instead of up, and Mr. Barnes went along. The senator in the terrace only wanted to go to the ground floor. As he stepped off, however, there was another senatorial ring from the terrace. The senator wanted to go to the gallary floor, and the elevator went there without stopping. As the car started down there were three rings from the ground floor, and again the car failed to stop at the destination of the president's secretary. Fortunately for Mr. Barnes, this senator wanted to get off at the senate floor, and the congress, after long delay, received the message from the president.—Washington Post.

SUMMER SUNSETS.

Spaces there are of silver, spaces of beryl green,
Fading blue and deepening rose the linden boughs between;
Jubilant thrushes calling while twilit veils are falling
Across the western roses, their fervent fires to screen.

A whitethroat sings his vespers, while far-off pigeons drawl,
Moths quit the shadowy shelter of ivy on a wall;
The spider stops her spinning, for her leisure time's beginning,
And filmed across with dewdrops are the hangings of her hall.

Gray clouds invade the silver, the green they overrun;
There is no stain of scarlet where lately died the sun.
Time's finger that was lifted falls; and a point has shifted
Upon the dial of the earth. Another day is done.
—Westminster Gazette.

THE LAST HOPE

By LURA VINE SMITH.

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"Ruthie, do you think James will come to-morrow? Will I see him once more before I die? He will come, if he knows, won't he?"

"Oh, grandma!" answered the girl, "don't don't talk that way! Maybe we will keep you with us a long time yet. Yes, I think James will come, and really, I believe you look better today. Now try and sleep a bit, and when you wake up I will make you some nice soft toast and we will have tea together."

Tenderly drawing the bed cover up over the shoulders of the old lady and smoothing her pillow, Ruth stepped softly to the kitchen and sinking into a low chair buried her face in her apron and sobbed bitterly. She knew her grandmother could live, but a few days at the most. The dear, helpless, old lady had passed her ninety-seventh birthday, and now it was only a step to the beyond where all sorrow and care would cease.

But this was not all the cloud that darkened Ruth's sky. Poor child! so young and frail to bear such a heavy burden! Drawing it from her pocket, she read for the hundredth time, perhaps, that crumpled letter:

"Dear Ruth: I am more than ashamed to beg you to help me out of another scrape, but I swear if you can fix me out this time, it shall be the last. Here I am, three hundred miles from home, grandma dying—asking for me, and I am in trouble again. It's a fine of ten dollars or—jail. The professor says he will see me go there this time, before he'll help me out, and I don't know as I can blame him. Sis, I haven't one cent! I've got that pass for home, but I can't leave here until I have paid the fine! Ruthie, I am a scoundrel, as I know better than anybody else, and I hate myself; but if you can get me out this once, so I can go home, I'll promise to come back and finish this year and be the steadiest fellow you ever saw. I mean it this time, sure, for I'm tired of the whole business, and I'll pay you back, for you shall have a good deal more than half of what grandma has to leave us. You will, won't you, Ruthie? Don't let her die till I get there! Your loving brother, JIM."

Ruth wasn't really his sister, though she loved him with all her big heart—perhaps more than she would if she had been. Grandma Hall, who had raised James, taking him when he was a little fellow in dresses, had adopted Ruth Wells and brought the two up as her own children.

"What shall I do? What shall I do?" cried the girl. "She must not, must not guess the truth—it would break her heart, for she thinks him perfect, and she—is—dying! How can I get the money without letting her know? O Jamie, Jamie! Why will you? I love him, anyway, and if it's in my power I'll get him home!"

Smoothing her pillow.

She sat and pondered—it seemed for hours, but the problem remained unsolved.

"Ruthie! Ruthie!"

"Yes, grandma, I'm coming; do you want your tea?"

"No, not now, dearie. Child, I want you to go up into the attic—here, take this key, unlock the big chest and bring down the music box you will find there—if you can carry it. Wait! let me tell you about it," and the dying woman's face lit up with a bright glow.

"It was years ago—one cold night in fall. Your grandpa and I lived right here, just as you and I do—and the wind howled just as it does tonight—perhaps that is what made me remember—that and——. There came a sound of music out under that old ironwood tree; it came nearer, and O, it was so sweet! It was 'The Last Hope,' the boy said, for father opened the door, and there stood the poor thing, cold and shivering, and sick. We took him in and put him to bed; I guess you would call him a 'Dago,' now, but he had a sweet soul.

For there was money!

The next morning his dark, curly head lay against the pillow—so quiet, but his eyes roamed over the room and he whispered, 'The Last Hope! Wind it up.' Your grandpa wound it, faintly, 'Again!' I was busy in the kitchen and thought it must be nearly run down; I came in just as the last sweet strain was dying and with it went the spirit of the little Italian boy. We never knew who he was, but we buried him and took the music box for our own—not for general use, but when dark places came we would wind it up and listen, and it always seemed to comfort us with the assurance that there was still one more hope. I need it now, so get it, dearie, and we will listen to it together; it will be the 'Hope' that Jamie will come before I go."

Ruth made her way to the attic and found the unknown, hidden treasure, though her eyes were blinded with tears so that she could hardly see, and she shivered and kept repeating, "O what shall I—what can I do?"

With difficulty she brought the box down the narrow stairs, for it was large and heavy, but it was finally placed on the round, old-fashioned table and wound up. Slowly—softly—the tune that had slept for years awakened and filled the room with its rich, sweet melody; once, twice it played the tune and they listened in silence, then—the music stopped. Ruth wound it tighter—still no sound; she tried to turn the sheet, but it refused to move. She tried the sprocket, pressed the pin wheel, but all to no purpose.

"I will take it to the kitchen and unscrew the cover and then I can surely find out what is the matter. You shall have some more music, grandma, indeed you shall," said Ruth, as she once more lifted the big box and bore it away.

The old screws were loosened with but little trouble, the cover raised, and there—Ruth almost screamed in delight and amazement—for there was money! nickels—nickels—nickels without end! No wonder the thing was so heavy! She counted; forty-two nickels! and there in one corner was a little leather bag with just one hundred more! One hundred and forty-two nickels—seven dollars and ten cents!

"And I have four dollars and eighteen cents; eleven dollars and twenty-eight cents! And it will only take ten to get James out of disgrace and bring him home! Poor, little, dead Italian boy! You did not know how happy your treasured nickels would make three hearts!"

In her joy Ruth almost forgot that her errand was to fix the music box. She didn't know any more what to do than the big cat who watched her, but she touched something, she couldn't tell what, and lo! the wheel turned and once again came the sweet tune. Carefully she laid the money in the table drawer, but the cover in place, closed the box and carried it back to the bedroom, saying cheerily:

"Well, grandma, the last hope is surely not dead. A card from James says he will be here to-morrow morning"—and God and the angels forgive her for the lie.

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The sweet, wrinkled, old face wore a happy smile, but the soul was gone. Softly the music-box played "The Last Hope." The door was closed; the dead woman was alone with the music she loved.

In the next room a boy and a girl—nay—a man and a woman stood side by side. Gently his arm stole around her waist.

"Ruthie, but for you her last hope—yes, and my own, had died. Had I not got here before she went I should never have forgiven myself."

He raised her sweet face to his and there were tears in her eyes.

"Why, my darling, is it so? Is there one last hope for me still?" and the girl replied:

"How I have loved you, James!"—and sweetly, softly, "The Last Hope" played—for the dead and for the living.

IT WAS UP TO BROKER TAYLOR.

Whether Beggar Should Take Lord's Name in Vain or Not.

Talbot J. Taylor, son-in-law of James R. Keene, is noted for his kindness of heart. Few are the beggars who, appealing to Mr. Taylor, are dismissed empty-handed.

One bright morning not long ago a gray-beard with one leg hobbled humbly up to Mr. Taylor on Broadway.

"For God's sake, sir—" he began, but the broker interrupted him with some severity.

"Don't take the Lord's name in vain, my friend," he said.

The beggar's rather intelligent face was illuminated with a faint smile.

"It will be your fault, sir," he said, "if I do take it in vain."

Thereupon the broker also smiled, and his hand went quickly to his pocket.

His Opinion of Wagner.

Augustus Thomas has a friend—a real Kentucky Colonel of the type one reads about in novels—who is very fond of the lighter music, but who has always entertained the opinion that the music of Wagner, Bach and other of the so-called classical composers is mere "sound and fury signifying nothing." When he was expressing his views on the subject of Wagnerian music it developed that he had never heard a Wagner opera. Thomas pleaded with him that it was hardly fair to condemn a thing without a hearing, and persuaded him to listen to a Wagner opera at the Metropolitan. The Colonel went, and the next day when Thomas met him, he asked:

"Well, Colonel, what is your opinion of Wagner now?"

"What do I think of him? Why, I think he was nothing short of a scoundrel, Suh! He could write a tune, but he wouldn't."—New York Times.

Queer Case of Forgetfulness.

What is pronounced by physicians to be a case of double consciousness was brought to public notice by a suit filed by David Charters against the city of Denver for $15,000 damages for injuries to his head, sustained by falling on a defective sidewalk, says a dispatch to the Philadelphia American. After the accident, which occurred Dec. 30, 1901, Charters proclaimed himself "Daniel the Prophet," and wrote a book, entitled "Daniel's Vision and Mission; Is Heaven Real? Is Hell Real?"

He preached on the streets, and established a prosperous mission. He also traveled about the country as an evangelist. Charters, a few weeks ago, recovered from his injury, and the attendant aberration, and declared that the interval following the accident was a blank to him. He had no knowledge of having written a book. After reading the book he pronounced its contents idiotic.

A Budding Romance.

They stroll away from all the rest
To talk of Girton, Golf and Gissing,
Till, by some strange caprice, at last
The conversation turns on—kissing.

He claims, with that convincing air
Of one whose knowledge is completest,
That kisses won beneath the rose
Are far the tenderest and sweetest.

A pause ensues. He begs her thought.
Her glance no gleam of guile discloses,
"I was just wondering," she observes,
"If this year would be good for roses."
—Beatrice Hanscom in Ainslee's.

Now is the Time.

To-day is the time for laughter;
To-morrow the time for tears,
Whatever may come hereafter,
Whatever of woe with years;
To-day is the time to borrow
The best that the gods can give.
We can sorrow if need be to-morrow,
But to-day is the time to live!
—Boston Traveler.

Americans in Australia.

In all the larger cities of Australia and New Zealand you will find some Americans. Melbourne especially has many, whose fathers voyaged from San Francisco when gold was first discovered.

Mountain Cranberry.

Mountain cranberry is one of the best remedies for kidney troubles. It grows wild on poor soil, but is not as plentiful as many of the herbs.

Giant Spiders.

In the East Indies there are [illegible] so large that [illegible] birds.

The Table Rock Argus.

F. H. Taylor, Publisher.

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A movement is on foot to have the coming state convention endorse a candidate for United States senator.

Friends of Harry Lindsay are pushing him forward as a candidate for clerk of the supreme court, one of the best paying jobs in the state.

Judge Kelligar is being criticized in some quarters for his appointment of John Martin as his court reporter. The criticisms come mostly from democratic sources.

A congregational meeting of the Presbyterian church was held today and a formal call to the pastorate was issued to Rev. J. B. Murphy, of Macon, Mo. It is expected that Mr. Murphy will be here the latter part of February.

The republican state central committee fixed the date for the state convention for May 18th at Lincoln. It also decided on only one convention, which will be satisfactory to the busy members of the rank and file of the party, if not to some of the professional politicians.

The grand jury found an indictment against Carter Harrison, mayor of Chicago, for responsibility for the Iroquois theater disaster, for carelessness in not seeing that provisions of the law for the protection of the public were carried out. The court, however, discharged the mayor, holding that he was in no way responsible for the disaster.

MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,

Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Monday, Jan. 25.—Comparative live stock receipts at Kansas City last week and same week a year ago are as follows:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	H M
1904	42,497	2,137	47,014	20,248	2,492
1903	37,891	2,053	36,047	20,833	2,008

A larger share of cattle receipts were stockers and feeders than for any week for some time. The demand was good, but not quite equal to the supply, and speculators held over good many cattle to end of week. Fat cattle were better cleared than thin cattle; all kinds showed irregular declines. Top fat steers bro't $5.10 Tuesday; these closed week not over 10 to 15c. Cheaper kinds lost 20 to 30c; most sales medium grade stock $4.10 to $4.65. Cows and heifers were lower 10 to 20c, making third week with prices on this class declined. Supply stockers and feeders was heaviest since range season closed; resulted in break of 15 to 30c on common grades. Bulk good stockers and feeders bro't $3.50 to $3.75. Choice light stockers and heavy feeders $3.75 to $4.25. The run today is light at 6000 head, severe weather is checking receipts at all markets, result, advance 10 to 20c.

Hog prices closed 10 to 15c advance; top price Saturday highest since November. Light weights sold badly first of last week, better end of week, opinion of traders, made bigger advance than heavies, of whole week. Run today 6000. Bulk sales $4.90 to $5.05.

Sheep. Loss of week 10 to 55c. Yearlings 35c under best time two weeks ago. Run today 5000, market 10 to 15c higher. Prices are $5.75 western fed lambs; $4 ewes; $5.15 yearlings.

Horses $5 lower Tuesday, regained before end of week. Loss on inferior mules $2.50 to $5.

Natural Defense in South Africa.

The South African veldt is the most easily defended country in the world —"the best defensive country," is how a military man might put it. On every mile or two there is a natural fort —or half a dozen of them. These are the so-called kopjes, short, thick, volcanic looking hills, often with a squared-off top or a crater-like bowl in the top, such as Majuba has.

Brazil Does Not Reciprocate.

Of the total exports of the United States in 1899, only 13.78 per cent went to the countries of the western hemisphere, and of that only 2.90 per cent went south of the equator. Although we buy more of Brazil's great staples —coffee and rubber—than all Europe combined, five other nations excel us in exports to Brazilian markets.

Dread of Forest Fires.

People in the thick forest regions of the west looked forward this fall with some dread to the season of forest fires. The hot and exceptionally dry summer had made the combustible material in the woods almost like tinder. A spark from a locomotive at any time might lead to a disastrous conflagration.

SWIMMING CATS.

May Develope Web Feet in the Course of Time.

"I read a description the other day of the retrieving cat owned by a sportsman on Metairie ridge," said a planter from the south coast to a New Orleans Times-Democrat man, "and while it is completely eclipsed, in my opinion, by a family of swimming cats owned by Capt. Bosco of Tarpon island. Capt. Bosco is well known in New Orleans, where he occasionally comes to do some trading and is immensely popular with the crowd that goes down to the Tarpon club for periodical outings. He is the kingpin fisherman of Bay Adams and as quaint and original a character as you could find on the whole coast. His swimming cats, about which I started to tell you, belong to a feline tribe that has lived at the captain's place from time out of mind. There are at present perhaps a dozen all told and they have apparently lost every vestige of the natural antipathy of their species for water. They will wade unhesitatingly through the shallows on the beach, hunting for small fish and three or four will actually swim out to near-by luggers to get oysters. Like all cats they are very fond of that kind of food and when the captain's lugger comes in from a visit to the beds several of them are certain to jump off the landing and swim to where it lies at anchor. It is very strange to see them come scrambling on board, mewing and shaking themselves and seemingly as indifferent to the wetting as so many setter puppies. How they developed such an extraordinary trait I don't pretend to say, but it has probably been a matter of gradual evolution. Capt. Bosco don't remember when his cats began to go into the water, but it was many years ago and with each generation the natural aversion must have become fainter and fainter. It wouldn't surprise me if they developed web feet in the course of time."

Interesting Relics of Nelson.

Two interesting relics of Nelson were sold at Christie's, London, England, for £77 and £100 respectively. The first was a cut and polished steel snuff box, lined with gold, and inscribed, "This box was presented to Horatio Viscount Nelson by the Society of Steelworkers of Birmingham, September 4, 1792. Let him wear the palm who has deserved it." The second was a small oblong oak box, with lid inlaid with a minute ivory carving of the British fleet before the battle of Trafalgar, mounted and lined with gold. The inscription stated that the box was formed from a splinter of the Victory, commanded by Lord Nelson at Trafalgar, on October 21, 1805, and it was formerly the property of Lady Hamilton.

IN A SERIOUS VEIN.

Better a little chiding than a great deal of heartbreak.—Shakespeare.

Gossip proves nothing but the bad taste of the speaker.—George Eliot.

For everything you have missed you have gained something else.—Emerson.

Never does a man portray his own character more vividly than in his manner of portraying another.—Richter.

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For coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma, weak throats, weak lungs, consumption, take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

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A good farmer allows his fields resting spells, or a change of crops, to recuperate. Why not allow himself and hard-worked wife the same chance? Take a trip somewhere after the summer work is over and see a little of what is going on in the world outside of your own quarter section. You will go through this world but once, and there is a great deal to learn about it. You will come back home with more strength and courage to tackle the every-day problems of farm life.

The Effect.

Castleton—What's the matter with Clubberly's automobile? It seems a little wild.

Fittleton—He got caught in the country where there was no gasoline and had to use drug store whisky.—Judge.

How He Knew.

Sue Brette—How do you know that the gallery gods threw eggs at you?"

Ham Lette—"How do I know? Ye gods! Didn't I catch them in the act? —Chicago News.

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We handle all building material usually kept in a first class yard. Items not in stock will be ordered promptly. Special prices on bills.

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MANY KINDS OF CACTUSES.

There Are Numerous Varieties of the Thorny, Thick-Leaved Species.

From the Scientific American: Cactus is a genus of plants, the type of the natural order of cactaceae, and comprises numerous species, all of which are native to America. The name was originally given by Theophrastus to a spiny plant found in Sicily. The stems of the cactus are usually leafless and fleshy, globular or columnar, and are armed with spines and bristles. The structure of many of the species is singular and grotesque in the extreme, and the roughness of the stalks and the beauty of the flowers make them one of the most interesting botanical curiosities of our continent. They are found chiefly in the hot, stony places of tropical America, and their tough and almost impenetrable skin incloses abundant juice, which enables them to support a sluggish vital action without inconvenience even in a parched soil. Some of the varieties of cactus are only a few inches high, while others attain a height of forty feet. It is a curious fact that the cactus flourishes even at the foot of Mount Etna in Sicily. The most splendid example of the cactus family is the giant cactus, of which a fine example is still standing, although it is slowly rotting and will soon fall. It was found at a point eight miles south of Phoenix, Ariz., near the Pima reservation. It is about forty feet high. What the date palm is to the African deserts the giant cactus is to our own arid lands. From it the Mexicans extract a drink called "mescal," and the Indians also obtain a beverage from it. On its fruit the Papago Indians live for weeks at a time. Woodpeckers dig their nests in the trunks and branches and even doves feed on the fruit. When the cactus of this kind dies its usefulness is not destroyed, for the tough ribs beneath the outer skin are used by the Papago Indians for the foundation of their graves. It is not this species of cactus from which travelers are supposed to obtain a supply of water, but the small cactus, which contains a plentiful supply of sap.

The low-wheeled, broad-tired wagon is not exactly the thing for rocky or sticky roads. On the one it jolts too much, on the other it picks up too much of the road. But for hauling on the farm, especially for hauling forage or unthrashed grain, it is the ideal wagon.

A large crop of wheat is assured, as is also fair prices for all that can be spared for export. In several foreign countries cereal crops are very short and deficiencies will have to be made up out of our surplus.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in stomach and liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. 25c at Colwell's drug store.

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FARMERS' INSTITUTE!

The Pawnee county farmers' institute will be held at Pawnee Tuesday and Wednesday, February 9 and 10. Besides some good home talent there will be a number of eminent speakers from other states. All who possibly can should plan to attend. This county had one of the best institutes in the state last year, and from present indications it will be as good or better this year. Don't forget the dates and be there.

Some of the best speakers on farm topics in the country will be at the farmers' institute February 9 and 10.

The state holds farmers' institutes for your benefit. You cannot afford to miss it. Feb. 9 and 10.

Take the wife and children to the farmers' institute this year. It will pay you. Bring the hired man along it will make a better hand of him. Persuade your neighbor to attend; he will thank you for calling his attention to it. Pawnee City, Feb. 9 and 10.

If you are a wide awake, progressive farmer you know the farmers' institute will give you new ideas. If you are not that kind of a farmer, well—that's different, and perhaps you do not realize how much it might help you. Why not go and see. Feb. 9 and 10.

A GOOD THING.

German Syrup is the special prescription of Dr A Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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John Gottula of Steinauer, was in town on business today.

A few holiday goods to go at prices below cost. Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

Mrs. J. W. Shaw visited friends in Elk Creek the fore part of this week.

Allen Bro's. are agents for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try them once.

E. D. Taylor attended the funeral of his grandfather, at Franklin, Wednesday.

The balance on hand in the county treasury on December 31st, 1903, was $56,033.65,

G W Myers, who lives on the Deck farm north of town, has been quite sick during the past week.

A baby girl, weighing twelve pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myers, Monday morning.

Mrs. Lilly Wood fell on the slippery walk last Friday and sustained severe bruises about the neck and head.

Miss Genevie Campbell, a teacher from Pawnee, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Parker, last Saturday.

Frank Leatherman sustained a severely sprained ankle last Friday afternoon by falling on the slippery sidewalks.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. Allen Bro's.

Dr. Campbell, D. D., of Pawnee City, was moderator at the congregational meeting of the Presbyaerian church held today.

Mrs Melville Whipple, who was a guest of friends here for a couple of weeks, returned last Friday to her home at McComb, Ill.

There will be a meeting of the Lecture Course committee next Monday evening at 7:45, at Wilson's drug store, to settle up affairs.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.

GEO. BUERSTETTA & CO.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

Mrs E A Peck, who has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs Myrtle Pepoon, for several weeks, returned to her home at Lincoln on Thursday of last week.

The case of Elshire vs. Chapman, which was tried in Justice Marble's court last week, and a verdict returned in favor of Mr. Chapman, has been appealed to the district court by Mr. Elshire.

Elder J. D. Lemon has accepted the pastorate of the Christian church of this city. Mr. Lemon is well known to many of our citizens, and Mrs. Lemon was raised here, being a daughter of S. T. Linn. The Argus joins with other friends in bidding them welcome to Table Rock.

J. F. Ford & Son, who have conducted a grocery store here during the past year, have shipped their stock of goods to Violet and will open a store there. They will also buy and ship grain from that point. They made many friends here who regret to have them leave, but who wish them unlimited success in their new home.

A petition has been circulated and numerously signed in our community asking congress to raise the salary of rural free delivery carriers to $600 for the first year, $720 for second year, and $850 per year for the third and succeeding years. The pay is too small now, as the carrier must keep a team of horses, and after this expense is met there is little left for the carrier to live on.

Coming your way. McNamara Bros' Superb Comedy Co., at the Table Rock opera house two big nights, Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 1 and 2. The opening bill will be "Grit, the Newsboy," a sensational melodrama in four acts well staged, in every particular, introducing during the action of the play, five of the finest specialties on the road. Tuesday night the the bill will be "Mr. Plaster of Paris," an amusing and sidesplitting farce introducing four specialties; also Mr. P. J. McNamara as "Nels Nelson" a pair Sweedish faller, positively the funniest Sweedish character on the boards today. The entire bill will be changed each night. Don't fail to see them. Ten high class artists in two great shows. See small bills for futher particulars.

See G. W. Pepoon & Co., for wood, either dry or green.

See Archer King's advertisement in another column.

B L Wilcox found a large chunk of fresh beef in one of his route boxes one day this week.

F R Clark or Blue Springs, is relief station agent here during the absence of Mr Whitson.

When in Pawnee City buy RELIABLE DRY GOODS of F. J. MUNEKE Pay less and dress better.

Miss Nellie Fellers pleasantly entertained a party of young friends at her home on Monday evening.

Miss Lela Bosserman of Lincoln, was a guest of Mrs. Jessie W. Phillips, from Saturday until Monday afternoon.

Regular Services at the Christian church, Sunday, Jan. 31st. All are cordially invited. Elder J. D. Lemon, minister.

Charley McCourtney accompanied Will Greiner and family to their new home in Washington, Kas., and returned home Monday.

Howard Cleaveland is able to push himself about some in his invalid's chair, and his parents are hopeful that he will walk again in the course of time.

The coldest weather of the winter has been experienced this week. On Monday morning the mercury was down to 16° below zero, and this morning 8° below.

Next Tuesday evening, Feb. 2, will be the regular meeting of the Eastern Star. All members are urged to be present as business of importance is to be transacted.

Lawrence Grifling went to Lincoln Tuesday afternoon and received instructions from Superintendent Butler of the mail service. He will take an examination on the 15th of February.

Sleighing has been very good from Elk Creek on north to Lincoln. Here the ground has been covered with a heavy coating of ice which makes pedestrianism somewhat dangerous and slow.

The board of directors of the Table Rock Clay Company met last Friday evening and elected the following officers: President and manager, Wm Sutton; secretary, J R Sutton; treasurer, D K Miller.

At the interstate exhibition sale and stock judging school at Superior last week, John Blain, of Pawnee City, sold "Pawnee Lass," a Poland China hog, to J. H. Hamilton of Guide Rock, for $400.

Considering the weather, a fair audience greeted Major Hendershot and Son and the local talent at the opera house last Friday evening. Those who were present were much pleased with the entertainment.

Gas has been discovered on the farm of Hon J F Wenzl, near Tait, and Mr Wenzl intends to push investigations far enough to learn whether or not there is enough of it to warrent the expense of putting down a well.

Will Greiner and family moved to their new farm in Washington county, Kas., last week. Will was born and raised in this county and has a host of friends who wish for them the fullest measure of prosperity and happiness.

An interesting series of bible studies was conducted in the M E church by Dr P C Johnson, last week, beginning Monday and closing Friday evening. While the inclement weather cut down the attendance, those who did attend were greatly benefitted.

Counterfeit nickels are in circulation in this city. They are of the year 1897 and are about half the thickness of the genuine. The side with the head and stars is a fair imitation but the other side is shallow cut and easily detected by its blurred appearance. The metal used in the construction appears to be nickel.—Elk Creek Herald.

On Saturday evening the recently elected officers of the local camp No. 224 D of H, were installed by Mrs Phoebe Wilson. Four new applicants were initiated in the lodge, and after the business session a delightful luncheon was served. The officers installed were: Chief of honor, Mrs Anna B Fellers; lady of honor, Mrs Mattie Grifling; chief of ceremonies, Mrs Jennie Patchin; recorder, Mrs May S Glenn; financier, Mrs Bessie McCaslin; receiver, Mrs May Smith; inside guard, Mrs Mary Layman; outside guard, Miss Myrl Craig.

See Archer King's advertisement in another column.

A few holiday goods to go at prices below cost. Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

Miss Mae Wilcox was detained from her school a few days this week by illness.

George and Chaley Munsinger's father, who has been here for several weeks, returned to his home on Monday.

Miss Minnie Buerstetta was up from Table Rock a couple of days the fore part of the week.—Elk Creek Herald.

It was reported the first of the week that Mr and Mrs Lee Horton's three-months-old baby was dead, but the information was not correct.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 4, there will be a special meeting and our chapter will be visited by deputy grand matron, Noy Neal of Peru.

The Woman Suffrage Association held their fourth evening meeting at the home of Mrs. Marble. After the rendition of a splendid program, a good, social time was enjoyed by all present.

Have you indigestion, constipation, headache, backache, kidney trouble? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well. If it fails, get your money back. That's fair. Tea or tablet form. 35 cents. F. M. Colwell.

Knoxville Ia. Express: The Colfax Clipper say that William Hentleo last Wednesday evening at the Lamb restaurant ate 28 bananas, smacked his lips and declared the last one tasted just as good as the first. That's nothing. Chester White of Knoxville ate 14 ears of corn, two pumpkins and a bucket of swill, and was still able to rub his brisile against the fence and grunt.

Last Chance

Don't Miss It

Madrigal Ladies' Quartette

Friday night—Opera House

35c Reserved; 25c General

Another

Hot House

McNamara Bros' superb comedy company are billed for the Table Rock opera house for two nights, Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 1st and 2nd. Manager Sutton has induced them to play at popular prices and they should be greeted by two packed houses. The company comes well recommended and is a guaranted city attraction, having played all the large cities from Portland, Oregon, to Sioux City, Iowa, including Grand Forks, Crookston, Fargo, Brainard and St. Cloud. The specialties introduced during the play Monday night are alone worth the price of admission. The bill for Monday night is "Grit, the Newsboy," and for Tuesday night that funny, funny piece, 'Mr. Plaster of Paris." See small bills for further particulars.

A Sioux Falls, S. D., correspondent says: "Lost Bird, the Indian baby who was found clinging to its dead mother's breast on the Wounded Knee battlefield two days after the battle, now grown into a bright faced girl 13 years of age, has become a student at All Saint's school in this city." Shortly after being found on the Wounded Knee battlefield she was adopted by Ganeral and Mrs. Colby of Beatrice. Until the present time Lost Bird, whose Indian name is Zintka, has attended the public schools in the national capitol. It was on the advice of Rev. Sherman Coolidge that Mrs. Colby decided to place her in All Saint's school, under the guardianship of Right Rev. W. H. Hare, episcopal bishop of South Dakota, whose work among her race has gained for him a prominent place in the estimation of the people of the people of the United States.

MARRIED.

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Morris, six miles northwest of Table Rock, Miss Lizzie Morris and Mr. Henry O. Ward were united in marriage by Rev. Lemon of Table Rock, on Wednesday, Jan. 27, 1904. The wedding was a quiet affair, only a few relatives being present. The bride is an accomplished young lady, and the groom is a respected young man and is well-known to the people of Table Rock, where he has grown to manhood. He is a son of W. G. Ward. We wish for them a happy life and abundant success. W.

"FIRE!"

The Central Hotel on Fire Monday Morning with the Mercury 16 Degrees Below Zero.

Mrs. Shreck Dangerously and Perhaps Fatally Burned.

Financial Loss Slight.

Monday morning fire was discovered in the Central hotel which is located on the south side of the square and is owned by Captain R. P. Jennings. The fire department was called out and was soon at the scene, but it was some time before it could get to work because of the intensely cold weather, the water freezing in the hose, and it was feared by many that the fire would get beyond control and the entire row of frame buildings be consumed, but men had got to work on building and with axes had reached the fire, and with buckets applied water, and kept the fire from spreading; by this time the fire boys succeded in getting water through the hose, and in a few moments the fire was put out, and the building was saved with comparatively slight damage. The building and contents were insured in the Royal insurance company for $500 and the loss is estimated at $125. The insurance had been in force only a few days, and Mr. Miller, the agent, had received instructions to cancell the policy on the morning of the fire, but he later received word to adjust the claim.

The fire was started by the efforts of Mrs. Shreck, who managed the hotel, to hurry the kitchen fire with kerosene and by mistake used gasolene; the explosion which followed set fire to Mrs. Shreck's clothing, which was beyond her power to extinguish in a very few moments, and she ran shricking for help, out doors and fell, overcome by the agony of her burns; Aubra Duncan, was in the telephone office, heard her call for help and hurried to her assistance, but when he arrived the lady's clothing was almost entirely burned from her; G. M. Lane was also soon at her side, and with other help the suffering victim was carried to Mr. Lane's home, where physicians attended to her injuries. She was awfully burned; her body, being a mass of blisters, and her face and neck being terribly burned. Just how much had been inhaled could not be ascertained, but very little hope for her recovery was entertained. This afternoon she seems somewhat improved, and it is now thought there is a chance for her recovery.

Other guests in the hotel were assisted out through the windows. An old German, who could not speak English, was sick in bed, and when the room was entered by men the old gentleman was badly frightened, imagining that he was about to be robbed; the condition was explained to him by Chris Buerstetta, and he was taken out of the building through the window; in the afternoon he had recovered sufficiently to resume his journey and he went north.

New Railroad for Table Rock

Among the railroad news in last Sunday's Omaha News was an item to the effect that at a meeting of Burlington officials held in that city it was resolved on many improvements and extensions in the system. Among the extensions contemplated was the building of a new line from Table Rock to Topeka, Kas., and it was said the surveyors were already in the field for this contemplated line.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

BY MAX MARBLE.

At the meeting of the literary society held last Friday, a good program was rendered.

Miss Mabel Edwards was not able to come to school two or three days last week on account of a fall she had.

A number of scholars were kept away from school Monday on account of the bad weather.

The next meeting of the literary society will be held Friday, Jan. 29.

Prof Davies went to Tecumseh last Friday afternoon.

The scholars skated to school the latter part of last week.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.

GEO. BUERSTETTA & CO.

The books and accounts of J. W. Kovanda are at the store of A. R. Kovanda, and all persons indebted to me are requested to make immediate settlement. J. W. KOVANDA.

Supposing you're busted—haven't a dime,
Getting poor isn't a serious crime;
Put on a bold front, work with all your might,
You're sure to win by taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night. F. M. Colwell.

For Sale:—A number of thoroughbred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Will Parker is reported very sick at present.

Mrs. Will Mellen was called to Bookwalter a week ago Sunday to attend the funeral of her brother's, Albert Cox, eight months old baby daughter.

Little Sadie Fuher is threated with an attack of pneumonia.

Henry Edman's sale was not very well attended Monday.

A baby daughter came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Lane Saturday, January 23.

Among the cases up for hearing at the next term of the district court, which convenes at Pawnee City on February 8th, are the following:

Hattie A. Wishard, adm vs First National bank; damages.

Avery Planter Co vs First National bank; damages.

H B Evitts vs Sarah E Evitts, et al; tax lien.

Ida M. Hiskett vs E H Lloyd, et al; specific performance.

Village of Table Rock vs P Stevens; appeal.

D. K. Miller et al vs W L Taylor et al; foreclosure.

C. Bice & Co vs Jacob Geiger; appeal.

Mary Donahue et al vs Thos Byrne et al; partition.

Frank Tschischka vs W C Starkey, et al; ejectment.

A J Palmer vs T C Bunyen; tax lien.

Lottie B. Fink vs H H Griffith et al; partition.

Joseph Uhler vs Mary L Uhler; divorce.

Jeff D. Brown vs Samuel Campbell et al; foreclosure.

Bank of Commerce vs Anton Billy; promisory note.

Chas S Spurr vs Grace U Spurr; divorce.

First National Bank vs C A Schappel, adm; equity.

Harvey T Shaw et al vs Francis E Coffman et al; to quiet title.

Seraphine Fentiman vs Earl C Fentiman; divorce.

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Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

The representatives of Pawnee county at the state Press association this week were: Mr. Ovenden of the Chief, Mr. Flory of the Press, and the Argus editor and his wife.

80-Acre Farm for Sale.

House, well with plenty of water, plenty timber; part of it good, rich bottom land. Can be bought for $3300. See D. K. Miller or O. D. Tibbets.

WANTED—Men who can furnish team and wagon and sell Dr. Master's Remedies, Extracts and Spices to farmers. A paying business. In writing state territory wanted and send reference. National Medical Co., Sheldon, Iowa.

Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Address, Manager, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

BEST LINIMENT ON EARTH.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

Boys Do You Want A Watch?

The Lincoln Daily Star desires to give away free to the boys of Nebraska, 1,000 new watches—first-class time keepers—stem wind and stem set. You don't have to pay any money to get one of these watches. Send us your name and address and we will mail you the full particulars. This is a splendid chance for the boys to get a watch free and we would like to hear from all of them. Address Watch Department, Daily Star, Lincoln, Neb.

LOCAL MARKET

Wheat	.65
Corn	.31
Oats	.27
Hay	$6.00
Cattle	3.00
Hogs	4.50
Potatoes	.80
Butter	.15
Eggs	.20
Apples	1.50

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret E. Smith, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on granting letters testamentary to George E. Nickelson, for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the executor be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in May and August, 1904; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 23rd day of January, 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the matter of the estate of Sarah Kerns, deceased.

The heirs and next of kin of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Wesley N. Kerns, praying that the administration of the estate of Sarah Kerns, deceased, be granted to C. H. Norris, it is ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 4th day of February, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause, if any there be why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 9th day of January, 1904

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How to Proceed if You Want One at Rosebud Agency

415,000 ACRES IN THE STRIP

Soldiers and Sailors Have Same Preference as Veterans of Civil and Spanish Wars—Other News

Representative Hinshaw has received many letters from his constituents in the Fourth district and from other residents of Nebraska inquiring concerning the lands in the Rosebud Indian reservation and the provisions of the bill which has been introduced in the house by Mr. Burke of South Dakota, providing for the opening of the lands to settlement. Mr. Hinshaw states that the bill probably will pass both the house and senate without amendment, and that it seems to be the general opinion among members that it is best that the president will give the measure his approval. It is believed the lands will be subject to entry in the spring or early summer. In explaining the provisions of the bill now pending in the house, Mr. Hinshaw says:

"The bill provides for the sale of 416,000 acres of land in Gregory county, South Dakota, at $2.50 per acre, to be paid as follows: Fifty cents an acre when entry is made, 50 cents within two years after entry, 50 cents within three years after entry, 50 cents within four years after entry, and the remaining 50 cents an acre within six months after the expiration of five years from date of entry.

"By paying the full price of the land the settler may commence at once and receive a patent for the land, as is provided in all homestead entries. These lands in the Rosebud reservation will be disposed of under the general provisions of the homestead and townsite laws of the United States and will be opened to settlement and entry at the time the president who will issue a proclamation prescribing the manner in which the lands shall be settled upon and entered.

"Union soldiers and sailors of the civil war and Spanish war will be given the same preference as is prescribed in the general homestead law, and the pending bill provides that sections 16 and 36 of each township shall be ceded to the state of South Dakota for school purposes."

The house committee on Indian affairs ordered a favorable report on the bill to open for settlement 400,000 acres of the Rosebud Indian reservation in South Dakota.

STILL HOPING FOR PEACE

If It Is War and Russia Wins, She Will Control Half the World

In peculiarly frank language Baron Hayashi, after consultation with the foreign office in London, summed up the situation for the Associated press as follows:

"I only hope the czar will give us peace, but my hopes are not strong. If we go to war it will be for issues wherein both America and England have insisted diplomatically. We have received no pledges from any country that in the event of defeat it will step in and save us from being absorbed by Russia. We can not count even in extremities on the armed support of any nation in the world. It would be a struggle to the death. Perhaps Japan is not strong enough to fight Russia. There are two opinions about that."

Baron Hayashi intimated that he thought Japan was bound to be beaten in the end.

"If we were beaten," the minister resumed, "Russia would take Korea and Manchuria by right of conquest and possibly Japan. No power on earth could then dislodge her from control in China and all the far east. I am sure it is better to go to war when you know you are right, even if defeat is possible, than to see your independence submerged under a continual aggression that is bound to absorb you eventually. Nothing can absorb you between Russia and Japan in future years, even if peace is procured now, so long as Russia pursues her present far eastern policy.

"The American action in forcing the opening of Manchurian ports was a splendid example of honest diplomacy. It was a straightforward step, which contrasts favorably with Russian methods. No other nation, save Great Britain, when the British admiralty sought that two Chilean warships, has taken any practical steps to live up to its diplomatic demands upon Russia anent the far east. We believe we are now fighting a diplomatic battle in behalf of America and Great Britain, but if only war can settle it we know we shall receive assistance from neither. We are prepared to fight our own battles and take the consequences."

One Russian Law Good

The law providing compulsory compensation for factory employes and others in the case of all accidents, one of the most important legislations of the present reign, has become effective in Russia. In the event of death an annuity is payable not only to widows and legitimate children, but to illegitimate children and to the mothers of such children and also to adopted children, the annuity to equal the wages of 260 days per annum, whereas the average of working days only numbers 220. As reliable statistics are not available, the insurance companies refused to issue accident policies except at enormous premiums, and the employers combined for mutual insurance.

Three Amendments to Panama Treaty

The three amendments to the Panama treaty relate to sanitation, protection of cities and control of harbor. The United States, by the amendment relating to sanitation, is granted more direct power in all sanitary regulations. The amendment concerning the limitation of the cities more specifically defines what are the limits of Panama and Colon in relation to the canal zone. The harbor amendment gives the United States control of the harbors for the purpose of improvements.

WILL MEET AT ST. LOUIS

Formal Notice Given the Party of St. Louis Gathering

The following official call was issued for the assembling of the democratic national convention at St. Louis, July 6, next:

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—The democratic national committee, in meeting met in the city of Washington on the 12th day of January, 1904, has appointed Wednesday, the 6th day of July, 1904, as the time and chosen St. Louis, Mo., as the place for holding the democratic national convention.

"Each state is entitled to representation therein equal to double the number of its senators and representatives in the congress of the United States, and each territory, Alaska, the Indian Territory and the District of Columbia, shall have six delegates.

"All democratic citizens of the United States who can unite with us in the effort for a pure, economical and constitutional government are cordially invited to join us in sending delegates to the convention.

"JAMES K. JONES,
"Chairman.
"C. A. WALSH,
"Secretary."

The Hon. James K. Jones, chairman of the democratic national committee, has announced the personnel of the committees on resolutions and rules of the democratic national convention, and has called a meeting of that committee for February 22, next, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the Southern hotel, St. Louis, Mo. The membership of the committee is as follows:

James K. Jones, chairman, ex-officio; William K. Stone, vice chairman, ex-officio; J. M. Guffey, Pennsylvania; Norman E. Mack, New York; Norman E. Mack, New York; J. G. Johnson, Kansas; John R. McLean, Ohio; J. M. Head, Tennessee; John E. Osborne, Wyoming.

ARRAIGNING OF ROOSEVELT

Mr. Bryan Pays His Respects to the Republican Trust Attitude

In his speech at the banquet held at the Lindell hotel, Lincoln, Mr. Bryan in opening made a feeling reference to the late Senator Hill, saying that he made few references to his trip to Europe, save such as were of friendly import. He said the greatest of all was the water. He suggested that none of them felt any animosity to the United States and that it was useless to talk of enlarging the navy as the time would never be any need to use it against these nations, for the people over there would think of it as a crime to fight or ever seek war with the United States.

He had scathing words for the friends of corporate interests in the democratic party and said that he wanted none of their assistance when they had brought the party to its ebb. He did not want to mortgage the party to the people who would contribute the most to the campaign fund and would afterward despoil the nation.

In speaking of trusts, after bitterly arraigning them, Mr. Bryan criticised the president for not being more outspoken in his opposition to these corporate interests. He said he had not carried on the war against them to the point where both America and England had insisted diplomatically. We have received no pledges from any country that in the event of defeat it will step in and save us from being absorbed by Russia. We can not count even in extremities on the armed support of any nation in the world. It would be a struggle to the death. Perhaps Japan is not strong enough to fight Russia. There are two opinions about that."

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FAVOR PURE FOOD

The Hepburn Food Bill Passed in the Lower House

FIXES STANDARD OF FOODS

Prohibits Interstate Commerce Importation and Exportation of Adulterated or Misbranded Foods and Drugs

The house passed the Hepburn pure food bill on a rising vote, 201 to 68, its opponents being unable to secure a roll call. An amendment, inserting the word "wilful" with reference to persons who sell adulterated or misbranded goods, which would have compelled the government to prove intent to violate the law by venders, was stricken out on a yea and nay vote in the house. Several attempts were made to amend the bill, but no material changes were made.

The bill fixes the standards of foods and drugs as to their purity, strength and character, and defines what shall be regarded as adulterations or misbranding of foods and drugs. It also prohibits interestate commerce importation and exportation of such misbranded and adulterated articles. It is proposed to enlarge the scope of the bureau of chemistry to include the bureau of foods and impose on it the duty of performing all chemical work for the other executive departments. Cases brought will be charged with the duty of inspecting food and drug products which belonged to interstate or foreign commerce. The secretary of agriculture is given authority to employ such chemists, inspectors, clerks and laborers as may be necessary for the enforcement of the act.

A THREE MILLION FIRE

United States Steel Works at Shelby, Ohio, are Burned

At a meeting of the county assessors held in the Nebraska senate chamber a permanent organization was effected by the election of J. R. C. Miller of Lancaster county president and J. M. Teegarden of Gage county secretary. The meeting was called at the suggestion of Secretary George D. Bennett of the state board of equalization and assessment. Auditor Weston and other members of the state board were present at the time and listened to the discussion. Secretary Bennett read the greater part of the law section by section and endeavored to answer questions asked. A running discussion was kept up and a great deal of information was brought out. It was fully demonstrated that the county assessors of Nebraska are good business men, fully determined to enforce the law to the letter and enforce the uniformity of taxation. They are alert and anxious to have the law interpreted so that there can be no question as to their duties and all seem to realize the importance of listing every species of property so that none will escape taxation.

A committee from the Nebraska improved live stock breeders' association called on them to ascertain whether they intended to assess pure bred live stock higher than grade stock. It is said to be the determination of the assessors to follow the law and assess such stock at its true value. The law requires this to be done with all kinds of property. No agreement was reached as to the manner of arriving at the value of fine live stock, each assessor being left to work out the methods in his own way in accordance with the intent of the law.

Demurrer Filed by Mr. Bryan

Counsel for William J. Bryan filed in the superior court at New Haven, Conn., a demurrer to the plea in abatement, recently filed by counsel for the heirs of Philo S. Bennett, of whose will Mr. Bryan is an executor. The plea in abatement was to set aside the appeal of Mr. Bryan from the decision of the judge of probate, excluding the sealed letter which was left by Mr. Bennett and which bequeathed to Mr. Bryan the sum of $50,000. The demurrer says the allegations in the plea constitute no reason for setting the appeal, that Mr. Bryan has no interest as executor or otherwise, adverse to the appeal, and that his purpose in appealing is to advance fees and not to thwart the intent of the testator.

Election of Officers

Election of officers was the most exciting phase of the morning session of the Nebraska state horticultural society at the university farm. Practically the whole list of the executive body was chosen to hold over another year, and but one new name appeared on the board of directors. By a suspension of rules, the officers were chosen by the secretary casting the unanimous ballot, as no one desired to oppose the men who had served the society so well in the past. The elections resulted as follows:

President, G. S. Christy, of Johnson; first vice president, Harry S. Harrison, of Otoe; second vice president, E. M. Pollard, of Nehawka; secretary, L. M. Russell, of Lincoln; treasurer, Peter Younger, of Geneva. Members of the board of directors are: Charles Saunders, of Omaha; C. H. Green, of Fremont, and George Marshall, of Arlington. These officers will serve one year.

C. P. Will Spend $30,000

Thirty thousand dollars is the sum the Union Pacific road proposes to expend for repairs in its headquarters building in Omaha. These repairs have been begun and are of a temporary nature, such as will keep the building within the requirements of city ordinances. A new headquarters building has been contemplated for some time, and this addition to the road's terminals was one of the proposed improvements of President Burt, before his retirement. The plan, however, has not been abandoned, and will be taken up by the new management in the near future. The obsolete location of the old building, at Ninth and Farnam streets, as well as its unsanitary and crowded condition, has made new and modern headquarters imperative. General Manager Bancroft so expects soon to have a conference with President Harriman, and the question of new headquarters is expected to be discussed at that time.

A Sister of Saint Joseph Dies

Mother Agatha, superior general of the Sisters of St. Joseph, died at the convent of the order in St. Louis. Mother Agatha was 74 years of age and had been in the order for more than fifty-three years. For the last thirty-two years she had held the position of superior general. Mother Agatha was formerly Miss Philomena Guthrie, of St. Louis.

Just because a man sprinkles ashes on his slippery walk it doesn't prove that he is going in the other direction when he dies.

COUNTY ASSESSORS MEET

They Are Alert and Desire to Be Correctly Interpreted to Them

Buildings and manufactured stock of the United States Steel corporation, worth three million dollars, were ruined by fire at the plant of the Shelby Steel Tube company, Shelby, Ohio. The fire started in one of the smaller rooms from a defective electric wire and spread to the larger stock rooms, destroying all of them. The product of the entire plant for the last six months was melted down within an hour. This stock consisted of 800,000 tons, making in all twenty-five million feet of finished product.

In an hour after the fire broke out the immense buildings fell in with a crash that could be heard for miles. Sheets and twisted, fire finished product lies in a heap and will have to be worked over.

This will delay the mills on other orders. The stock consisted mostly of locomotive boiler flues and other government work of various kinds. The fire was confined to the steel buildings, which were built at an expense of $100,000.

The building manufactured by the Shelby plant was used extensively by the government for boiler flues in United States war vessels.

The demand of the government alone is sufficient to keep a good sized plant running continuously the year around. The United States will probably be also the best customer of the local plant. The plant was erected in 1890, and now covers ten acres.

WANT FULL COAL WEIGHTS

Iowa and Nebraska Retail Dealers Will Meet in Omaha Feb. 5

The Coal Dealers' association of Iowa and Nebraska is to meet in Omaha February 3, to discuss the "short weight" evil. The meeting, which will be the first mid-winter meeting held by the association, somewhat of an emergency gathering, and coming in the busy season, will be held in Metz hall. The sessions beginnings at 10:30 o'clock in the morning and at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon. H. Van Brunt, of Omaha, president of the association, and R. E. Harris, also of that city, is secretary.

At a meeting held in Sioux City December 27, it was resolved that no dealer should weigh every car of soft coal, and when the shortage amounted to more than 1,000 pounds to the car a report of the shipper, load and other particulars should be made to the secretary. Bills of lading also were to be demanded. All claims were to be assigned to chosen individuals and when the amounts reached appealable size, suit was to be instituted. A fund was subscribed to. The meeting of next month is partly called to see what effect these measures have had.

Men in High Position Tremble

Adolph Fein, former vice president of the Fellow Citizens' league, now on convict in the missouri penitentiary, under a sentence of five years for complicity in the extensive boodle frauds recently investigated, appealed before the federal grand jury. Before entering the grand jury chamber, Fein said:

"I will tell the grand jury who the fellows were behind those frauds, and they are big fellows too. When I was indicted my friends said they would come to the front for me, and I made up my mind to keep my mouth shut, but they deserted me. I was indicted December 27. Then I made up my mind that if they wouldn't come to the front for me, the big men would have to, so I wrote Colonel Dyer, tne United States district attorney, and told him I would give up everything I knew."

French Diplomats Help Russia

There is a strong reason to believe that exchanges of communications are now going on between France and Russia concerning the position Russia will finally adopt in response to the last Japanese note. Long conferences between War Minister Delcasse and M. Neldoff, the Russian ambassador, are being held almost daily in Paris. Prior to these Russia had not consulted France and M. Neldoff went to Canada for an extended visit. Delcasse's colleagues that he happily had no part in the russo-Japanese negotiations. Following the presentation of Japan's last demands, M. Neldoff gave up his vacation and began frequent conferences with M. Delcasse. It is expected that the exchange of views will exert a strong influence in shaping the course Russia will adopt.

Honor to George Francis Train

The body of George Francis Train, who died in New York City, has been removed from Mills's hotel to a mortuary chapel, where it remained in state until the funeral hour. Thousands of children toward whom Dr. Parker displayed remarkable interest took a farewell view of the remains. The funeral was private and the interment made in Greenwood cemetery.

Of his once considerable fortune Mr. Train retained nothing personal, except the interest he had in 3,000 lots he once owned in Omaha. Protracted litigation has been carried on about them and will, it is said, be continued by his daughter.

Republican Convention on May 18

There will be but one republican state convention in Nebraska, and it will be held at Lincoln May 18. It was discussed in executive session of the committee at Lincoln. Mr. Rosewater rather favored two conventions, but when the vote was taken he voted for one. The action was unanimous. The committee also recommended that the state convention endorse a candidate for United States senator.

Prohibition Convention

The call for the national prohibition convention to be held in Indianapolis, Ind., beginning June 29, has been issued by National Chairman Oliver W. Stewart. The call names Indianapolis as the convention city.

Officeholders Eligible

Postmaster General Payne said there was nothing to bar postmasters or other federal officeholders from serving as delegates to political conventions, whether national, state or county.

ABSOLUTE SAFETY

Chicago City Council Considers Safety Above Greed

THE WORLD WILL FOLLOW

In All the Ages Theatre Construction Will Be On Lines of the Chicago Theatre Ordinance

Chicago theatre managers take an extreme pessimistic view of the legislation created by the action of the city council which has finally adopted a strident theatre law. The announcement was made at nearly every playhouse that under the new ordinance, there is no hope of continuing in business. The retroactive provisions of the measures put the older theatres beyond the hope of again opening their doors. In the new modern theatres the improvements and alterations required will make it impossible, the managers say, to operate with a profit. Without the galleries, it is claimed, no theatre in Chicago can do more than make expenses. The books of several theatres have been examined to show that the revenue from the top floor eliminated the receipts would fall below the expenses.

The change of "rise" in the gallery seats, it is said, would mean a virtual reconstruction of every theatre in the city.

The amended theatre ordinance was adopted by the city council after a session lasting from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m. The result is a much more stringent measure than had been proposed by the special committee on theatres. The ordinance was adopted by a vote of 47 to 8.

The most important matters settled in the ordinance are as follows:

In non-fireproof buildings the low cut bank of seats can not be higher than 14 inches from the floor.

In fireproof theatres they can not be more than twelve feet above this level. No gallery seats can have a rise of more than eighteen inches between rows of seats.

Cross aisles must be provided for every nine rows of seats on the ground floor and every nine rows in balconies or galleries. These cross aisles must run directly to exits.

In the rear of all banks of seats on all floors must be cross aisles leading directly to fire escapes or emergency exits.

Retail Implement Dealers Will Fight

A clash between the retail implement dealers' association, meeting in annual convention at Kansas City, and the syndicate that controls the harvesting machine business is expected when representatives of the association meet the accredited agents of the International Harvester company. The executive board of the dealers, after a discussion of the recent decision, decided to demand lower prices for harvesters and longer time for payment.

Previous to the meeting of the dealers and the agents the annual convention of the implement men's association was called to order and addressed by E. H. Meyers, of Lincoln, Neb., president of the national association. The annual address of Ed. Heeney, of Kansas City, followed. There are 300 delegates in attendance.

Cuban Congress Adjourns

President Palma of Cuba ordered congress to adjourn and the session came to an end soon after the receipt of the order. The presidential message said briefly that as the houses had not arrived at an agreement as to the date of closing the session, therefore to adjournment under the authority of the constitution. No objection was made by the other house.

Prior to adjourning the house passed the senate bill providing for the payment of interest on the revolutionary bonds and declaring the intention of paying the principal. There was no vote in either house on the lottery bill, and it is very evident the attendance was insufficient to pass this bill over the presidential veto.

Unless a special session of congress is called there will be no other session until next April, when the newly elected representatives, who comprise half the membership of the house, will take their seats.

Colby Trial in February

The trial of Gen. L. W. Colby in the federal court is likely to be commenced early in February. At present the accusation employed by Governor Mickey is going over the books in the office of the adjutant general during General Colby's term of office. What the result will be cannot be known until a report is made. The payment of $2,200 by General Colby to Governor Mickey to make good any funds used by him may turn out to be of importance at the trial. The question of whether the blankets which General Colby was to replace with this money was the property of the state or the government is also a point to be settled early in the trial. Recently Judge Munger held that blankets in possession of a national guard company were the property of the government.

May Wheat Goes to 90 Cents

Many bets were decided between brokers on the Chicago board of trade when May wheat sold at 90 cents. This is not only the top price for the season, but the highest price since September, 1902, when Armour "cornered" the market.

Brennan Making Legal Fight

Attacking the right of the criminal court to sentence Alderman Brennan, Herbert E. Kent and Charles A. McCarle of Chicago to the house of correction, counsel for the three men have secured the issuance of a writ of habeas corpus by which they hope to secure the release of the men convicted of vote buying. The petition was presented to Judge Brown and after the contentions of the three men had been voiced and the objection of the state's attorney's office made, the writ was issued and hearing set.

PANAMA GETTING READY.

No Serious Fear that Colombia Will Begin War

Addressing the constitutional convention of Panama, Senor Obarrie, minister of war, announced that the Panaman army was ready and prepared to defend the independence of Panama and stated that the reported invasions of the Panama territory by Colombian troops was a mere rumor.

Arthur M. Beaupre, of Chicago, United States minister to Colombia, said that there would be no war between the United States and Colombia, but that the little Panama unpleasantness would be amicably arranged.

Mr. Beaupre arrived in Chicago from Washington and at once went to the residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. T. D. McMichael, in Lake View. Speaking about Colombian affairs, Mr. Beaupre said:

"I do not want to say anything about the feeling in Colombia at the present time. I will say this: I do not believe there will be any wars. Matters are going to be amicably arranged and we will unquestionably have the Panama canal. Everything will be peaceful.

"So far as the situation in South America is concerned, I want to say that the messages of the president to congress and the correspondence of Secretary Hay with the Colombian minister in Washington so clearly and completely present the facts that there is no necessity of my discussing it."

Mr. Beaupre is accompanied by his wife, who has many friends in Chicago.

Great Issue for The Trade Review

Lincoln's business publication, the Trade Review, issued on January 2, 1904, as a special edition devoted entirely to an exposition of the financial, real estate, grain and other interests of the State of Nebraska. Wholesale, manufacturing, insurance, financial and other features of Nebraska's capital city are fully described and completed record of the volume of business in these lines, and is a great showing for Nebraska and Lincoln. The edition was a large one, more than eighteen hundred copies having been issued from the press of the Western Newspaper Union. The edition is full of interesting matter and illustrations and has a general distribution. Copies can be secured by addressing Trade Review, Lincoln, enclosing ten cents.

Getting Together

The northwestern lumbermen's association is in annual session at Minneapolis. A. L. Ward, W. Barry of Cedar Rapids, Ia., president, in his annual report, said the association was acting with the Yellow Pine association, now representing in all 7,200 yards, ranging from the Alleghenies to the Mississippi and Winnipeg to the Gulf. Ninety-four per cent of the lumber used in the building trades in this territory is handled by these yards. The combined stock of northwestern yards contains number 2,200, representing $32,000,000 capital and, its insured address $12,000,000 property in case of fire, saving $0 per cent in premiums.

Good Signs for Peace

The Pekin correspondent of the London Times declares in a dispatch that Japan's latest note is stronger in tone than the preceding one and that she will never agree from her present standpoint nor accept the mediation of a third power. Not only to the Japanese, but to the American and British ministers the correspondent continues, has China given satisfactory assurances of her intention to maintain strict neutrality in accordance with Lord Lansdowne's advice.

The German newspapers appear to be paving the way to explain the Russian retreat in the negotiations with Japan, and in all the capitals of Europe opinion now inclines to a peaceful issue in the Far east.

You Can Recover Lost Bets

In a decision by Judge C. C. Bland of the St. Louis circuit court of appeals the judgment of a lower court in favor of the defendant in a suit to recover $500 which was paid on an election bet was affirmed. The case was that of A. G. Dooley of Paris, Mo., who in a bet on Taft in a primary election put $500 with W. R. P. Jackson as stakeholder. Two days after the primary, before the result of the election was announced, Dooley tried to retract his bet, but Jackson would not allow him to do so. Dooley lost and the money was paid to his opponent. The lower court decided against Dooley, who appealed.

Nebraska Retail Merchants Meet

The Nebraska retail merchants' association met at room 624, New York Life building, Omaha, completed the organization of a mutual insurance company for the insurance of merchandise, buildings and household goods of members of the association throughout the state, adopted a constitution and by-laws and articles of incorporation, which will be filed, and elected officers and directors for a year.

$73,956,000 Army Appropriation

The army appropriation bill, which was completed by the house committee on military affairs, carries a total of $73,956,000. The estimates on which the bill is based amounted to $77,161,000. The estimate for transportation of soldiers and supplies of $15,500,000 was cut down by one million dollars.

The bill contains provision consolidating the record and correspondence division and the office of the adjutant general, and General Ainsworth, as military secretary.

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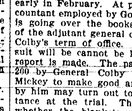

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Chicago City Council Considers Safety Above Greed

THE WORLD WILL FOLLOW

In All the Ages Theatre Construction Will Be On Lines of the Chicago Theatre Ordinance

Chicago theatre managers take an extreme pessimistic view of the legislation created by the action of the city council which has finally adopted a strident theatre law. The announcement was made at nearly every playhouse that under the new ordinance, there is no hope of continuing in business. The retroactive provisions of the measures put the older theatres beyond the hope of again opening their doors. In the new modern theatres the improvements and alterations required will make it impossible, the managers say, to operate with a profit. Without the galleries, it is claimed, no theatre in Chicago can do more than make expenses. The books of several theatres have been examined to show that the revenue from the top floor eliminated the receipts would fall below the expenses.

The change of "rise" in the gallery seats, it is said, would mean a virtual reconstruction of every theatre in the city.

The amended theatre ordinance was adopted by the city council after a session lasting from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m. The result is a much more stringent measure than had been proposed by the special committee on theatres. The ordinance was adopted by a vote of 47 to 8.

The most important matters settled in the ordinance are as follows:

In non-fireproof buildings the low cut bank of seats can not be higher than 14 inches from the floor.

In fireproof theatres they can not be more than twelve feet above this level. No gallery seats can have a rise of more than eighteen inches between rows of seats.

Cross aisles must be provided for every nine rows of seats on the ground floor and every nine rows in balconies or galleries. These cross aisles must run directly to exits.

In the rear of all banks of seats on all floors must be cross aisles leading directly to fire escapes or emergency exits.

Retail Implement Dealers Will Fight

A clash between the retail implement dealers' association, meeting in annual convention at Kansas City, and the syndicate that controls the harvesting machine business is expected when representatives of the association meet the accredited agents of the International Harvester company. The executive board of the dealers, after a discussion of the recent decision, decided to demand lower prices for harvesters and longer time for payment.

Previous to the meeting of the dealers and the agents the annual convention of the implement men's association was called to order and addressed by E. H. Meyers, of Lincoln, Neb., president of the national association. The annual address of Ed. Heeney, of Kansas City, followed. There are 300 delegates in attendance.

Cuban Congress Adjourns

President Palma of Cuba ordered congress to adjourn and the session came to an end soon after the receipt of the order. The presidential message said briefly that as the houses had not arrived at an agreement as to the date of closing the session, therefore to adjournment under the authority of the constitution. No objection was made by the other house.

Prior to adjourning the house passed the senate bill providing for the payment of interest on the revolutionary bonds and declaring the intention of paying the principal. There was no vote in either house on the lottery bill, and it is very evident the attendance was insufficient to pass this bill over the presidential veto.

Unless a special session of congress is called there will be no other session until next April, when the newly elected representatives, who comprise half the membership of the house, will take their seats.

Colby Trial in February

The trial of Gen. L. W. Colby in the federal court is likely to be commenced early in February. At present the accusation employed by Governor Mickey is going over the books in the office of the adjutant general during General Colby's term of office. What the result will be cannot be known until a report is made. The payment of $2,200 by General Colby to Governor Mickey to make good any funds used by him may turn out to be of importance at the trial. The question of whether the blankets which General Colby was to replace with this money was the property of the state or the government is also a point to be settled early in the trial. Recently Judge Munger held that blankets in possession of a national guard company were the property of the government.

May Wheat Goes to 90 Cents

Many bets were decided between brokers on the Chicago board of trade when May wheat sold at 90 cents. This is not only the top price for the season, but the highest price since September, 1902, when Armour "cornered" the market.

Brennan Making Legal Fight

Attacking the right of the criminal court to sentence Alderman Brennan, Herbert E. Kent and Charles A. McCarle of Chicago to the house of correction, counsel for the three men have secured the issuance of a writ of habeas corpus by which they hope to secure the release of the men convicted of vote buying. The petition was presented to Judge Brown and after the contentions of the three men had been voiced and the objection of the state's attorney's office made, the writ was issued and hearing set.

PANAMA GETTING READY.

No Serious Fear that Colombia Will Begin War

Addressing the constitutional convention of Panama, Senor Obarrie, minister of war, announced that the Panaman army was ready and prepared to defend the independence of Panama and stated that the reported invasions of the Panama territory by Colombian troops was a mere rumor.

Arthur M. Beaupre, of Chicago, United States minister to Colombia, said that there would be no war between the United States and Colombia, but that the little Panama unpleasantness would be amicably arranged.

Mr. Beaupre arrived in Chicago from Washington and at once went to the residence of his sister-in-law, Mrs. T. D. McMichael, in Lake View. Speaking about Colombian affairs, Mr. Beaupre said:

"I do not want to say anything about the feeling in Colombia at the present time. I will say this: I do not believe there will be any wars. Matters are going to be amicably arranged and we will unquestionably have the Panama canal. Everything will be peaceful.

"So far as the situation in South America is concerned, I want to say that the messages of the president to congress and the correspondence of Secretary Hay with the Colombian minister in Washington so clearly and completely present the facts that there is no necessity of my discussing it."

Mr. Beaupre is accompanied by his wife, who has many friends in Chicago.

Great Issue for The Trade Review

Lincoln's business publication, the Trade Review, issued on January 2, 1904, as a special edition devoted entirely to an exposition of the financial, real estate, grain and other interests of the State of Nebraska. Wholesale, manufacturing, insurance, financial and other features of Nebraska's capital city are fully described and completed record of the volume of business in these lines, and is a great showing for Nebraska and Lincoln. The edition was a large one, more than eighteen hundred copies having been issued from the press of the Western Newspaper Union. The edition is full of interesting matter and illustrations and has a general distribution. Copies can be secured by addressing Trade Review, Lincoln, enclosing ten cents.

Getting Together

The northwestern lumbermen's association is in annual session at Minneapolis. A. L. Ward, W. Barry of Cedar Rapids, Ia., president, in his annual report, said the association was acting with the Yellow Pine association, now representing in all 7,200 yards, ranging from the Alleghenies to the Mississippi and Winnipeg to the Gulf. Ninety-four per cent of the lumber used in the building trades in this territory is handled by these yards. The combined stock of northwestern yards contains number 2,200, representing $32,000,000 capital and, its insured address $12,000,000 property in case of fire, saving $0 per cent in premiums.

Good Signs for Peace

The Pekin correspondent of the London Times declares in a dispatch that Japan's latest note is stronger in tone than the preceding one and that she will never agree from her present standpoint nor accept the mediation of a third power. Not only to the Japanese, but to the American and British ministers the correspondent continues, has China given satisfactory assurances of her intention to maintain strict neutrality in accordance with Lord Lansdowne's advice.

The German newspapers appear to be paving the way to explain the Russian retreat in the negotiations with Japan, and in all the capitals of Europe opinion now inclines to a peaceful issue in the Far east.

You Can Recover Lost Bets

In a decision by Judge C. C. Bland of the St. Louis circuit court of appeals the judgment of a lower court in favor of the defendant in a suit to recover $500 which was paid on an election bet was affirmed. The case was that of A. G. Dooley of Paris, Mo., who in a bet on Taft in a primary election put $500 with W. R. P. Jackson as stakeholder. Two days after the primary, before the result of the election was announced, Dooley tried to retract his bet, but Jackson would not allow him to do so. Dooley lost and the money was paid to his opponent. The lower court decided against Dooley, who appealed.

Nebraska Retail Merchants Meet

The Nebraska retail merchants' association met at room 624, New York Life building, Omaha, completed the organization of a mutual insurance company for the insurance of merchandise, buildings and household goods of members of the association throughout the state, adopted a constitution and by-laws and articles of incorporation, which will be filed, and elected officers and directors for a year.

$73,956,000 Army Appropriation

The army appropriation bill, which was completed by the house committee on military affairs, carries a total of $73,956,000. The estimates on which the bill is based amounted to $77,161,000. The estimate for transportation of soldiers and supplies of $15,500,000 was cut down by one million dollars.

The bill contains provision consolidating the record and correspondence division and the office of the adjutant general, and General Ainsworth, as military secretary.

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PEACH CULTURE IN THE WEST.

Much patience and a determination not to be daunted by even serious obstacles has been exhibited by the orange growers of Florida. Within the past ten years their orange orchards have twice been cut down by the frost, yet they have not permitted themselves to be discouraged by this fact, and this season the crop shipped north will be nearly or quite a million boxes. The situation in the middle west with respect to peaches is no worse, if so bad, as that which the owners of the Florida orange groves have been obliged to meet. That much of the west is without peaches is due to the fact that the difficulties of peach culture in the section have not been generally studied, and no general effort has been made to overcome them. Here and there we find owners of peach orchards who make the peach profitable. They do it by a proper selection of varieties adapted to the locality, by careful cultivation and by a study of the obstacles peculiar to the section and of methods to overcome them. They have their years of failure, of course, but that is true of all fruit growing, and on the whole they make the crop pay very well. There is no reason why the peach should not be more generally cultivated than it is in the west. There are good varieties that are hardier in the section than the orange has proved in Florida, and the difficulties that stand in the way of success are no greater than those the orange grower has had to overcome. That they can be overcome is proved by the success that has attended the efforts of the few who have made the peach profitable in the West. No special kinds of soil are essential for the peach. It thrives best in a warm, loamy soil, but will do well anywhere except in strong, stiff clays. One leading objection to western efforts in peach culture is the lack of sufficient preparation of the ground. It will pay to plow it deep before planting peach trees and even to subsoil, except where the land has a sandy or gravelly subsoil. Two or three plowings are none too many, for the ground can profitably be made as perfect in tilth as the garden. No peach grower ever failed because he cultivated too well. A common mistake, moreover, is an attempt to get some other crop off the ground at the same time that it is expected to grow peach trees, but this is an error that is attended with more loss to the peach than gain in the other crops. It is a good general fact to remember, too, in connection with peach planting that high land is cooler in summer and warmer in winter than low land. Any farmer who will give the matter sufficient attention can grow peaches in the West if he will. It is only a question of studying the difficulties which attend the work in the locality and then directing one's efforts to meeting them. In nearly the entire West the development of the farm has reached a point where the farmer should have a good fruit orchard large enough to at least supply the wants of his own family and to furnish a surplus for sale that will pay or more than pay the cost of the family fruit, and in such fruit growing the peach should not be forgotten.

IF UNWELL,

Try a 50c bottle of Herbine, notice the improvement speedily effected in your appetite, energy, strength and vigor. Watch how it brightens the spirits, gives freedom from indigestion and debility! Isaac Story, Ava, Mo, writes, Sept. 10th, 1900: "I was in bad health, I had stomach trouble for 12 months also dumb chills. Dr. J. W. Mory prescribed Herbine, it cured me in two weeks. I cannot recommend it too highly, it will do all you claim for it." Sold by F. M. Colwell.

Current Wit.

"How long has Scruggins been an officeholder?" "Ever since he tried to earn a living and failed."—Detroit Free Press.

Bass—I do hate a man-woman; a woman, that is to say, who tries to assume man's defects. Fogg—Yes, a woman ought to be satisfied if she has a man's effects.—Boston Transcript.

Mrs. Farmer—What will you do if I give you a meal? Frayed Fagin—I'll send so many other hoboes here, mum, dat dey'll tread down a nice path fer yer from here to de front gate, mum.—Judge.

Satisfied.

"I hope your political ambitions are satisfied now," said Mrs. Curtsey to her husband.

"Well," replied her husband, tartly, "any man who could have political ambitions after spending as much money as I have and then being licked, would be a chump, and I am not that."

The Feminine "Ship."

"Some people have called me a 'plug,'" remarked the patient horse, "but just how I guess I'm a nail."

"A nail?" exclaimed the dog running along under the carriage.

"Yes. This woman doesn't seem able to drive me straight."

Jennie Stitzer, Omaha—"I have gained thirty-five pounds in two months. Nothing did me any good until I used Hollister's Rocky Mountain. A blessing to sickly woman. F. M. Colwell.

SOME CLOTHES DON'TS.

Don't suspend a pair of trousers by the buckle. Shapelessness is the inevitable result.

Don't wear the same jacket during business hours that you wear in the street. Slip on an old one.

Don't wear the same boots two days in succession. It's better for the boots and better for the feet.

Don't use a whisk broom on soft cloth. It wears down the nap and wears in the dirt. Use a brush.

Don't overlook a stain in the hope that it will disappear somehow. The older a stain the harder it is to remove.

Don't be parsimonious in the quality and quantity of your clothes. It's "saving at the spigot and wasting at the bung."

Don't neglect to brush jackets and trousers, hats and cravats before laying them aside. They'll appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Don't forget to wrap a garment in newspapers, freshly printed, if possible, before putting it away. The smell of the ink is a better rough-on-moths than camphor balls.

Don't carry heavy articles in the jacket or trousers pockets while a garment is in use. If you can't avoid it, be sure to empty the pockets before the garment is put away.

Don't fool with stain-removing preparations unless you know what you're about. Consult a tailor.—The ...

SOME DEFINITIONS.

Fool—One who is and doesn't know it.

Forgiveness—The noblest of all virtues.

Jealousy—The homage paid by failure to success.

Wise man—One who is and doesn't show it.

Success—To be perfectly satisfied with one's achievements.

Ambition—Never to be satisfied with one's achievements.

Money—The wise man's convenience; the fool's necessity.

Conversation—The idle man's business and the business man's recreation.

Charity—That which should appear cold to the giver and hot to the receiver.

Sleep—The only thing that makes a fair exchange, robbing us of time and giving us health.—New York Press.

SHE.

Behold now, Woman.

When she is young she frolics among the daisies and vies with the rose in its loveliness.

And when she is twenty she begins to look around, but declares that she wouldn't marry the best man on earth.

And after she has been married a while she calls on her neighbor to witness that she kept her vow. Even so.

"It is easy enough to be pleasant
When life flows by like a song;
But the man worth while is one who will smile
When everything goes wrong.
For the test of the heart is trouble,
And it always comes with the years,
And the smile that is worth the praises of earth
Is the smile that shines through tears."

Don't get the idea that there is only one dairy breed of cattle; a good cow is a good cow, no difference to what breed she belongs.

THE CANKERWORM.

The ravages of the cankerworm continue to increase from year to year. Spraying, perhaps because it is in some detail wrongly managed or is not often enough repeated, is frequently complained of as ineffective. Another measure which is usually efficient is banding the tree with cotton batting or printers' ink on a strip of paper. A loose band of the cotton is first placed around the tree and a string tightly tied around the tree near its lower edge. The upper edge is then pulled down or turned over the lower tied part, just as a glove is turned inside out in taking it off. The female moths, having no wings, are obliged to crawl up the trunk of the tree in order to lay their eggs early in the springtime just after the ground thaws out and also late in the fall. The cotton band acts as an effectual barrier so long as it remains fluffy and soft, as the insects get entangled and perish there. Try it and report.

The Apple Consumers' League proposes to encourage apple growing by consuming and inducing others to consume all the apples possible. It would seem to us that this work would be needless if we could supply the working people as well as the leisure class with an abundant supply of apples at all seasons of the year.

Undoubtedly the Man Lied.

Mabel—I must say that for absolute untrustworthiness there's nothing like a man.

Kate—Why, what makes you say that?

Mabel—Well, you remember when I rejected Mr. Bulfinch, about three weeks ago?

Kate—Yes.

Mabel—Well, he said he certainly should pine away and die, and I should be his murderess. Now, I just met him in the street, walking with another girl, and actually I believe the fellow has gained twenty pounds in weight.

His Own Coin.

A country doctor was driving down a narrow lane on his way to visit a patient when he espied an old woman in the middle of the road picking up some pieces of turf, which had evidently dropped from some passing car. Pulling his horse up to prevent running over her he said, rather sharply: "Women and donkeys are always in the way."

"Sure, sir," said she, stepping to one side. "I'm glad you've the manners to put yourself last."

NOTES OF THE RAIL.

The greatest of all mountain railways is that which ascends Mount Lowe, to an altitude of 6,000 feet at a 48 per cent grade.

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Judge—What are your grounds for divorce, sir? Plaintiff—My wife married me to reform me and after we settled down didn't have sense enough to give up the idea. Judge—Granted.—Brooklyn Life.

"I hear Bronson sung 'Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep' at the concert." "Yes." "Did he do it well?" "He did, indeed. It was so vivid that five people left the hall, overcome with seasickness."—Tit-Bits.

"Do you think Bacon wrote Shakespeare's plays?" asked the theorist. "I don't care who wrote 'em," answered the manager a little shortly, "so long as he isn't putting in any claims for royalties."—Washington Star.

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PROVERBS UP-TO-DATE.

It takes a big man to eat crow gracefully.

The more knowing a man is the less he knows.

A woman's train of thought is often on her dress.

Sometimes a comedian's divorce is his first serious part

Marriage is seldom a failure when Cupid furnishes the capital.

Marrying for money is more a matter of dollars than of sense.

It is not considered to a man's credit to merit success if he doesn't obtain it.

Many a woman employs a private detective when she looks in her mirror.

The heathen in his blindness uses a club; the civilized Christian a repeating rifle.

We shouldn't mind woman having the last word if she'd only get to it sooner.—L. de V. Matthewson in Everybody's Magazine.

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United Stated are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headach, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

THE FARM ORCHARD.

When we remember the old farm, there is nothing that comes to our mind bearing a greater sense of pleasure than the old orchard. It was the orchard that filled the air with perfume in the spring, thrilled us with promises in the summer and kept its promises of good things in the fall. What stronger influence is there binding the sons and daughters of the farm to their old home? Every farmer that owns a farm and expects to live upon it in the future should have a family orchard. This orchard is not the one that is to supply apples and other fruit for market, but for the family only. The commercial orchard must contain only a few varieties of fruit, but the family orchard should contain a great many different kinds. It is desirable that the family have apples from midsummer to the next spring. A few trees of early family apples should be set out. Then others that ripen at the end of summer and in the early fall. More should be grown that will keep till the next spring. A great variety of fruit will prove pleasing to the family rather than a few kinds. Then, too, it is a matter of education to the younger members of the household, for the furits and the lessons concerning them learned in childhood will never be forgotten. The grower should know the name of every fruit that grows on his grounds, and this will add to the interest the children show in the orchard. Lastly, the well kept orchard will add immensely to the value of the farm, if it ever has to be sold. The value of such an orchard will not be estimated in the value of the amount of fruit it will produce, but to a large extent in the sentiment connected with it. The prospective buyer sees in the orchard, not only so many bushels of apples, but he sees in it a certain element of pleasure to his family. He beholds in his mind's eye a mass of bloom in the spring, the waving of the fruit laden boughs in the summer and the glistening of dew-brightened fruit in the fall. He is generally willing to pay something for these. By all means, create an orchard for the family.

"What, Fosdick! Surely you are not swearing so soon after making your New Year's resolutions?" "Well, what makes all the tradesmen send in their bills on the first of the month? In January they ought to wait until the end."—Detroit Free Press.

First Suburbanite—I hear that Jones has adopted that hired girl of his so as to get her to stay with the family. Second Suburbanite—Yes; and now his adopted daughter wants to stay in the parlor and play the piano all day and let her mother do the housework.—Judge.

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The straw that broke the camel's back is often found in a mint julep.

Many a chain galls simply because one hangs on it instead of standing erect.

He is a mean joker who will rail at the chestnut. Old friends should never be slighted.

When one is after the stamps the only stamping ground worth while is where the ghost walks.

Most eccentric geniuses are called so because they are eccentric, not because they are geniuses.

If we were all as virtuous as we expect our friends to be what a lot of virtuous people there would be in this world.

The small boy who is forced to wear a vest and coat when he has a new and gaudy shirt thinks of the circumstance as a shirt waste.

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Poetry.

To me the world's an open book,
Of sweet and pleasant poetry;
I read it in the running brook
That sings its way towards the sea,
It whispers in the leaves of trees,
The swelling grain, the waving grass,
And in the cool, fresh evening breeze
That crisps the wavelets as they pass.

The flowers below, the stars above,
In all their bloom and brightness given,
Are, like the attributes of love,
The poetry of earth and heaven.
Thus Nature's volume, read aright,
Attunes the soul to minstrelsy,
Tinging life's clouds with rosy light
And all the world with poetry.

W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

Mrs Annetta Nesbitt, state vice president of the W C T U, will speak in the Christian church next Sunday morning, and at the Methodist church Sunday night. She attended our national convention at Cincinnati, and Sunday night will give us a brief glimpse of the good things done there, and short talk on the ten commandments.

We see in the January number of the Union Worker, very interesting notices of the way some of the Lincoln Sunday schools observed World's Temperance Sunday. Butler Avenue Congregational designated the day as Boys' Sunday. Cards were type-written announcing special services, and distributed by boys. Boys acted as ushers and boys sat up in foran and did the singing. Miss Wild, the pastor, preached a very practical sermon to the boys. The Third Presbyterian church had a program of songs and recitations that filled the hour and 211 signed the pledge.

At Trinity M. E. school they had a short program and obtained 100 new signers to the pledge, and Gov Pingree spoke on temperance at the platform meeting in the evening. Eight other schools had programs.

Our superintendent of Franchise, Mrs M E Patterson, says, early in December Miss Laura Gregg spoke here in the Presbyterian church at Stockham, to a crowded house. The large audience was very attentive and at the close how our women did crowd around to shake hands and speak words of appreciation.

The committee on selecting a suitable name for fruit juice (instead of fruit punch) selected this one, given by Mrs Carrie Paige Boyle of Dawson, Fruice, pronounced in one syllable as juice; 172 names from 30 different states were sent in.

Break The Chain

Josiah Leeds gave the public information through the Union Signal some time ago that the chain of cards and letters in reference to a mammoth petition against the sale of cigarettes to minors, had no responsible head and was useless. Now he says 9000 pieces of mail are received at this office each week for the U S Moral Society National League etc., of which 6500 are sent to the dead-letter office weekly, the balance returned to the writer. He thinks the general government should give notice through the Associated press that this claim has no responsible owner and that the public need not waste their stamps and cards for the pleasure of keeping it moving. Our W C T U women who keep posted know better than to waste their time in this way. There are plenty of legitimate channels through which to work, without giving a moment of time or money to anything doubtful.

Mrs Mary H Hunt, writing for our Union Signal, says: "The evidence is clear that the people of Germany have taken up the alcohol question with an energy excelled by no other people on the face of the earth. What nation on earth can furnish a parallel of the late Bremen congress, when 1500 people sat for four days to discuss the drink peril. What a deep unrest it must be that causes nearly a thousand different books to be dumped into a single language on a single topic, within twenty-five years. And who can measure the effect? Besides these, there are now thirty-seven newspapers, magazines and annuals published in Germany devoted to the temperance question.

A suffrage measure has recently been presented by a minister of the lowerhouse in Denmark. The bill proposes that suffrage be granted to every citizen over 25 years of age who has a fixed homestead and whose taxes for the year previous to the election have been paid. Not only this, but the bill provides that every eligible voter has the right to hold office.

3 THINGS About Colds

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Never let a cough or cold get the start of you. Disease finds its best ally in our disdain of "only a cold."

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THE REASONS:

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Nile Dam a Success.

Sir Benjamin Baker, who built the Nile dam, has just given out some new figures concerning the dam and its consequences. During the critical periods for the crops the supply of water for irrigation was doubled by the dam. The irrigation of rice, prohibited in previous years, was allowed, and the increase in value of land now converted to irrigation is calculated at over £5,000,000.

Beecher's Pretty Compliment.

Mme. Antoinette Sterling, the great contralto who died in England a few days ago, used to say that the prettiest compliment ever paid her was in a remark which Henry Ward Beecher made. The Brooklyn preacher said after hearing her sing in Plymouth church: "Ah, Mme. Sterling, you can preach a better sermon from the choir than I can from the pulpit."

A VERY CLOSE CALL.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy, a locomotive fireman, of Burlington, Iowa. "I was weak and pale, without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up I got a bottle of Electric Bitters, and after taking it, I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak, sickly, run down people always gain new life, strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by Colwell. Price 50 cents.

Railroad Service in Italy.

For ten or fifteen years the Italian government has built no new locomotives or rolling stock. Recently no fewer than twelve trains stopped, broken down, in one day. The cause of the government neglect is the system by which it owns the rolling stock and lends the use of it to private companies.

Americans Save Some Money.

In 1894 there was deposited in all the national banks, state banks, savings banks, and loan and trust companies in the United States, $2,874,589,406, by 5,545,867 depositors. In 1899 there was $4,608,096,005, by 7,655,414 depositors, an increase of $1,733,506,599 and 2,109,547 depositors.

Russell Sage as Farmer.

Russell Sage on his Long Island estate is a typical Long Island farmer. He drives about in an old straw hat and clothes selected for comfort, not style. His conversation is chiefly about the crops, and he watches the developments of every field for miles about his home.

Sedative to Departed Spirits.

The friends of the dead in China beg permission to burn quaint pasteboard images of men and cattle, shaped in crinkled paper, on the spot where the dead lie. The ceremony is a mark of respect, and is believed also to act as a sedative on the departed spirits.

"Master Toil" Beckons to Him.

Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, to whom was left $40,000,000, has entered the employ of the New York Central railroad. He expects to learn the railway business. His decision to go to work was sudden, and has caused a shock in Newport society.

Of Lamps in Paris.

Paris' latest innovation in street lighting is oil lamps. They are not the sort of lamps used a hundred years ago, when the cry was "aristocrats a la lanterne," but enormous structures that give out 1,000 candle power each.

WONDERFUL NERVE

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IS GREAT SUCCESS

Baker University Taking Front Rank in Eastern Kansas.

TO HAVE $1,000,000 BACKING

Fifty Thousand Methodists in the Official Territory of Baker University Back It With Money and Influence

An interesting story came to the surface at Baldwin, Kan. Five years ago Baker university seemed almost hopelessly in debt with no immediately prospect but that it would increase. But the friends of the institution rallied and the debt was paid in ninety days. From that time remarkable progress has been made. The churches in the supporting territory n w regularly contribute for current expenses a sum equal to an endowment of $300,000; ove $150,000 has been added to the equipment in laboratories, gymnasium, museum and astronomical laboratory, the new church and the new library building to be erected at once; the total annual enrollment of students has increased from about 500 to almost 1,000 this year.

Recently a vigorous campaign was outlined, looking to the further equipment and endowment of the university calling for a half million dollars. As there are 50,000 Methodists in the official territory of Baker it was deemed not too much to expect that, by the right sort of effort, each church could be persuaded to give an average of $10 per member for the endowment of Baker, now so firmly entrenched in the affections of the people. Conference with pastors and leading laymen throughout eastern Kansas led the officials to believe the plan feasible; it was endorsed by the board of trustees and will come up for consideration at the annual conference in March. The campaign is to continue through four years, culminating in 1908, the fiftieth anniversary of this "First College in Kansas."

But now comes the most interesting part of the story. When the campaign for debt paying was inaugurated five years ago assurances were given that, if the people at large would pay the debt, money would come from other sources for equipment and further enlargement. How generously this promise has been fulfilled is indicated by the above recital of Baker's growth. It is now said that if the people at large will contribute the half million dollars for endowment as above outlined, there are ten Kansas Methodists who intend to duplicate the gifts of the people, thus placing a million dollar endowment upon the institution. It is a favorite saying of President Murlin that he would rather have 50,000 people give Baker an average of $10 each than to have a few men give half a million. But that he would much rather have both methods prevail for Baker's enrichment. These methods have worked so successfully in the past five years that it lends color to the story that this is the policy outlined for the next four years. The story is further believed in that while President Murlin has little to say about it, there is an air of happy confidence in his manner when the subject is mentioned in his presence.

Fort Riley Buildings.

The constructing quartermaster at Fort Riley, Kan., Captain George O. Cress, will advertise within the next ten days for bids on the construction of an ordnance storehouse, band barracks, farrier shop, guardhouse and alteration and repairs to five artillery stables. The guardhouse will be 180 by 130 feet and will be the most complete struction of its kind in the service. The farrier shop will have accommodations for 12 blacksmiths and will be for the use of the farriers' and horseshoers' school. Bids will also be asked for constructing wall lockers for three remodeled artillery barracks and for the laying of cement and brick sidewalks. This work will begin in the early spring.

Cashier Got Away With $189,000.

The grand jury at Cleveland, O., returned an indictment against George A. Rose, cashier of the Produce National bank, which closed its doors. Rose is charged with having embezzled $189,000 of the bank's funds. A warrant for his arrest was immediately issued following the report from the jury.

Stockmen Protest Against Assessment.

The Lyon county cattlemen held a meeting at Emporia to protest against the high assessed valuation of cattle in that county. Evidence submitted shows that cattle were assessed from 3 to 10 per cent more in Lyon county than they were in surrounding counties. A committee of cattlemen was appointed to meet with the county board of assessors in an endeavor to have the mater adjusted.

Kansas Rural Routes.

These Kansas rural routes will be established March 1: Abilene, Dickinson county, one additional route; area covered, 24 square miles; population, 400. Cleburne, Riley county, one route; area covered, 30 square miles; population, 444. Hunter, Mitchell county, one route: area covered, 33 square miles; population, 520. Udell, Cowley county, one route additional; area covered, 27 square miles; population; 520. Vesper, Lincoln county, two routes; area covered, 58 square miles; population, 924.

Twenty Second Annual Convention.

The twenty-second annual state convention of the Y. M. C. A. will be held in Newton, Kan. It has been three years since the convention was held in that section of the state, not since 1900, when it was held in Newton with about 250 delegates, and this year's attendance is expected to exceed that by at least 100. The railroads offer a rate of one fare and a third. Representation is not limited, but entertainment will be provided by the Newton association for ten delegates from each association.

PHILIPPINES FOR FILIPINOS

Secretary Taft Declares His Attitude Toward New Possessions.

The Philippins for the Filipino will be the keynote of the policy of Secretary Taft toward the far east arcipelago. In almost the last speech he made before leaving the Philippines for home he reiterated this keynote, which he first sounded when he was inaugurated governor of the Philippine islands. This speech has been published by the insular government in an official form and has just reached the war department. In it Governor Taft declared that this doctrine does not exclude the encouragement of American enterprise or the American investment of capital in the Philippines, for the reason that nothing, not even education or a free form of government "can make for the elevation and civilization of the Filipino people more than the investment of American capital in the material development of these islands."

Official Washington gave a cordial welcome to Hon. William H. Taft, the incoming secretary of war, at a reception given in his honor by retiring Secretary Root. There was a very large attendance, including army and navy officers in the city above the rank of captain, the members of the cabinet, the committee on appropriations, military affairs and the Philippines of the senate and the similar committees of the house. The reception was a stag affair and there were no speeches.

Plans for the Nebraska booth in the agricultural building at St. Louis have been received. The structure is to be attractive, about 100x75 in size and will cost about $5,000. A small portion of it will be devoted to a small theater in which moving pictures illustrative of Nebraska's industries will be displayed.

Not a Candidate for President.

David R. Francis, president of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition company, declared to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch that he was not a candidate for president of the United States. Further than making that statement, however, he did not discuss the boom that prominent eastern democrats have started for him.

Japs Will Issue Bonds.

It is understood that the Japanese cabinet, assisted by the elder statesmen, has completed a financial program, which it is expected will be published shortly. It is said to include the issuance of exchequer bonds to the amount of one hundred million yen, increasing taxes to the extent of fifty million yen.

Beatrice's Carnegie Library Opened

The Carnegie free public library at Beatrice was thrown open to the inspection of the people of Beatrice and surrounding country, the books and fixtures having been removed to the new building. The reception was given by the librarian, assisted by the Woman's club, from 2 o'clock until 9 p. m. The building is one of the finest of Mr. Carnegie's gifts in the west.

Agricultural Prizes Awarded.

At the annual contest between the Agricultural college literary societies, at Manhattan, Kan., Miss Wilma Cross of Topeka was awarded first place and a prize of $20 worth of books. Thomas Buell was second.

Keep Unions Out of Politics

President John Mitchell of the mine workers, said in a speech:

"This union will welcome every eligible man, whether he be democrat, republican, populist or socialist. All I ask is that he shall not thrust politics down the throats of other members."

He denied having an intention of accepting a government position, saying: "I prefer to be at the head of this organization."

Justice White Hurt by Fall.

Justice White of the United States supreme court, at Washington, D. C., had a fall resulting in injuries which will keep him confined to the house for some days. While the justice was going to his home after the adjournment of the court for the day he slipped on the snowy sidewalk and fell on his back. He is of large build and in addition to the shock he suffered a severe strain of the abdominal and other muscles. No bones were broken.

Co-Operative Societies Meet.

At a meeting at Topeka, Kan., of the Kansas state co-operative union, the members discussed favorably the organization of a state agency to do all the buying, estimated a $3,000,000 a year for the thirty-five co-operative stores in Kansas.

The central buying agency, it is planned, is to be but a preliminary step to the establishment of a great co-operative wholesale house.

A wealthy Iola family will donate a pipe organ to the new Presbyterian church.

State Veterinarian Lucky of Missouri made the statement that hog cholera was spreading with alarming rapidity through Missouri and neighboring states, and it seems probable the disease will break all records during the next year. The state board of agriculture of Missouri has secured figures showing that the loss last year amounted to $5,000,000.

Summerfield, weary of candles and kerosene, is to put in acetylene lights.

One by one the old board walks of Hays are giving way to those of brick.

Mr. Dann, who lives in Beatrice, is an expert in bee culture, and the returns he gets are surprising. Last year his bees earned him nearly $400, and he did not have nearly as many colonies as usual.

An Atchison jury convicted a man for killing a saloonkeeper. Atchison is on the Kansas side of the Bid Muddy.

The champion hog of the Central Branch territory dwells in an Effingham barn yard and weighs 775 pounds.

CUT IN GRAIN RATE

The Chicago Great Western Cuts Rate from 14 to 9 Cents.

RATES TO SOUTH REDUCED

The Santa Fe Meets the Reduction—And There's a Chance for Railroad War.—Other News.

The Chicago Great Western railway has announced a drastic cut in the freight rate on wheat from Kansas City to Minneapolic, that completely overcomes the discriminating rate recently adopted from Omaha to Minneapolis. The present rate is 14 cents a hundred pounds. The Great Western announces that from January 30 it will haul wheat for 9 cents, which is the rate recently put on at Omaha.

The 9-cent rate from Omaha, while the Kansas City rate was 14 cents, almost completely shut the market out of Nebraska wheat business. When the Omaha rate was adopted Commissioner Trickett of the Kansas City transportation bureau, immediately went to work to get the Great Western either to restore the rate to 14 cents from Omaha or to reduce it to 9 cents from Kansas City. His efforts were crowned with success when he received from P. C. Stohr, general traffic manager of the Great Western, a message announcing the cut to 9 cents from Kansas City.

Intimations of the reduction in the rate have been had by a few large grain shippers for several days and fully one-half million bushels of wheat have been sold to go to Minneapolis on the new rate.

The Great Western road not only announced a reduction of 5 cents in the Minneapolis wheat rate, but it also will cut 2 cents from the rate from Kansas City to Chicago, and to the Mississippi river. The result is likely to be a demoralization of the whole western rate situation, for the other roads will meet the reduction made by the Great Western, and it is likely also that there will be a big cut in the rates to gulf points. It is not unlikely also that the reductions may extend to some lines of merchandise.

Following similar action by the Great Western and Northwestern roads, the Santa Fe has given notice that it will reduce the rate on grain 5 cents from interior Kansas points by direct route to Galveston. In addition, the Rock Island and Missouri Pacific gave notice of a two-cent reduction from the west territory involved, through Kansas City to Chicago.

Drug Treatment Useless in Pneumonia

"Drug treatment is useless in cases so far as medicines are concerned, can be of no assistance in the fight against this disease. The sooner the profession will acknowledge this to the public and set to work to discover some specific to save pneumonia patients the better for all concerned."

This startling statement by Dr. Arthur D. Bevan, who stands high in the profession, stirred up the members of the Chicago Medical society at their meeting. Several physicians sprang to their feet against this arraignment. All had to admit, however, that there is no definite remedy known and they based their protests solely on the contention that they might influence the patient favorably by easing somewhat and by the moral effect of their presence.

New Homestead Bill

Representative Kinkaid introduced in the house a bill to amend the homestead laws as to certain unappropriated lands of Nebraska. The bill provides that the size of homesteads shall not exceed one section containing 640 acres. Holders of homesteads already registered may take additional land to make their entire holdings the same as above. Lands affected are in the counties of Sioux, Scottsbluff, Banner, Kimball, Dawes, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Sheridan, Deuel, Cherry, Grant, Keith, Lincoln, McPherson, Hooker, Thomas, Logan, Custer, Blaine, Keya Paha, Rock, Loup, Holt, Garfield, Valley, Sherman, Buffalo, Howard, Greeley, Wheeler, Boyd, Perkins, Dundy, Hayes and Hitchcock.

Two Killed at Broken Bow.

Two men were killed and two seriously, perhaps, fatally injured, in a collision in the B. & M. yards at Broken Bow, Neb. Tom Kelly, an engineer, was pinned under his engine and it is believed died instantly. Fireman Eaton was killed outright, as was the head brakeman, whose name can not be at this hour, learned. A passenger in the caboose of the head train was seri into the rear of freight No. 48, as it into the rear of reight No. 48, as it stood on the main line. Both trains were eastbound. A curve and a deep cut obstructed the view of Engineer Kelly.

Minister Thompson in Washington.

D. E. Thompson, minister to Brazil, of Lincoln, arrived in Washington from New York accompanied by Elmer B. Stephenson of Lincoln. Mr. Thompson expects to return to New York, where he will attend to some business matters and will arrive in Lincoln about the 5th of February. Mr. Thompson, together with Senator Millard and Mr. Stephenson and Senator Scott of West Virginia, called on President Roosevelt. Mr. Thompson's call on the president was of an official nature and matters pertaining to the minister's post in Brazil were discussed in the interview.

Victor Rosewater Married.

Victor Rosewater, editor of the Omaha Bee of Omaha, was married to Miss Katie Katz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kaufman Katz, of Baltimore. The ceremony was performed at Rosenau, Rabbie of Eautaw place temple, the home of the bride's parents, 922 West North Avenue. The Rev Dr. William officiated. There were no attendance. Among the out of town guests were the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rosewater, and his sister Miss Blanche Rosewater, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Rosenau, relatives of the groom.

SNOW IN SUNNY SOUTH.

Thirteen Inches of the Beautiful in Alabama and Mississippi.

According to the weather bureau the snow fall at Birmingham, Ala., amounted to eight inches, the heaviest of which there is an official record. Street car and railroad traffic is delayed.

Thirteen inches of snow fell at Jackson, Miss., the heaviest fall of snow known in that section in the last twenty-five years.

The heaviest snowfall every known at Birmingham, Ala., sinve the local weather bureau was established fell to a depth of sevral inches. The tmperature dropped to a freezing point and street car traffic was greatly delayed.

Working the Congressmen.

Detective F. N. Weber of Washington arrested M. F. McKesson charged with "soliciting with intent to defraud." McKesson gave his address as New York, and his occupation as representation of the "Writers' Press Association." He was soliciting contracts for illustrated "write ups" in a proposed publication entitled 'Personal Reminiscences of the 58th Congress." In a prospectus he carried were portraits of President Roosevelt and his cabinet and many prominent senators and members of the house with whom he said he had contracts. Representative Mudd of Maryland, who admits paying $25 for a "write up" says he did it solely on the statements of McKesson that the money was for the benefit of newspaper men working in the capitol. McKesson was turned over to the Washington police.

Members of the Academy Science Meet

The fourteenth annual convention of the Nebraska Academy of sciences was opened in the Mechanics Art building at the state university. This meeting was a business session, and the work of the society was discussed and passed upon. The meeting closed, with a social session at the home of the present president, Prof. Lawrence Bruner, 2314 South Seventeenth street, on Friday afternoon.

President Bruner gave his opening address in University hall, room 10 1-2, the subject of his talk being on the "Migration of Birds."

The program consisted of the reading of papers by the various professors.

Omaha Y. M. C. A. Sell Building.

The Y. M. C. A. building, at Sixteenth and Douglas streets, Omaha, has been sold to the McCague Investment company for $200,000 cash. The investment company will hold the property as trustee for an investor, whose name the company will not give out. Under the terms of the sale the Y. M. C. A. will occupy the building for two years. In the meantime the directors will decide upon new quarters. The new building will be a pretentious affair near the business center of the city, part of which will be let to business enterprises, or a smaller building a few blocks away, all of which will be devoted to the Y. M. C. A. work.

Lincoln Left Out of Schedule.

Magnates of the Western league were late in getting into session to settle the matter of the 1904 circuit in their meeting at Chicago. Sioux City sent W. B. Nation to make a plea for that town, and it is not unlikely that the Iowa city will be included in the circuit. Lincoln, Neb., and Pueblo, Colo., are not seriously considered. Doubtless after the legal troubles over Denver are adjusted the circuit will consist of six clubs, Sioux City, Denver, Colorado Springs, Des Moines, Omaha and St. Joseph. Baseball men prominent in the meeting were "Tom" Burns, of Colorado Springs; "George Tebeau of Louisville and Denver; Myrick and Watson of Des Moines; "Bill" Rourke of Omaha; President Wiley of St. Joseph and president of the league, M. H. Sexton.

Successful Hog Show at Superior.

About 200 stockmen from all parts of Nebraska and Kansas were in attendance at Surperior, Neb., and about 150 hogs were entered in the show. Lectures on cattle, hogs and corn judging were given by Professors Smith and Hendricks of the state university. The hog scoring was done by George W. Berry of Emporia, Kas. The stockmen met in a hall for a social evening and discussed matters that interested them, Jacob Wolf, former land commissioner, being among the speakers. The citizens of the town gave the visitors a smoker in the opera house.

Thirty Seven Killed by Tornado

A disastrous tornado swept over Moundville, Ala., a town of 300 inhabitants, fifteen miles south of Tuscaloosa, and as a result thirty-seven persons were killed and more than one hundred injured. Every business house, with the exception of a small drug store, was completely destroyed. The tornado struck the city from the southwest and mowed a path a quarter of a mile wide through the town.

Two Evenly Matched Pugilists.

Jack O'Brien of Philadelphia and Tommy Ryan fought six fast rounds at Philadelphia before a large crowd at the National Athletic club for equal parts of a $5,000 purse and the middleweight championship. Under the Pennsylvania law no decision can be given. Many pugilists of national reputation were present. Both O'Brien and Ryar were almost knocked out in the fifth.

She Shamed the Judge.

"That's high enough," sternly remarked Judge Neelen of Milwaukee, to Rosie Knopp, when the young woman raised her skirts to show the court the injuries Joseph Cowall inflicted upon her ankle with an ax. After exhibit "A" was ruled out of order, exhibit "C," consisting of a black eye, and exhibit "D," comprising a jackknife and a handful of hair, was introduced. Miss Knopp claimed she was assaulted when she asked the defendant to pay his board. He was fined $25 and costs.

JUST PENSION BILL

A Measure that Should Immediately be Made a Law.

90-DAY MEN RECOMPENSED

Increase for 125,394 Men Who Fought Through Entire War and for Their Widows.—Other News Notes.

Representative Sulloway of New Hampshire, chairman of the committee on invalid pensions, introduced a distinctly service and age pension bill, which will give to each soldier who served ninety days and who reaches the age of sixty-two years, $8 per month; sixty-six years, $10 per month, and seventy years, $12 per month. In addition to the above rates his bill gives to the men who served two years more an additional increase of $2 per month in each of the above classes. The bill increases the minimum of pensions allowed to $8 per month, instead of $6, which will increase the pensions of 125,394 soldiers who are now on the rolls at $6 per month. The bill further provides that the pensions of widows who married soldiers prior to January 1, 1870, and who are now on the rolls drawing $8 shall be increased to $12. Heretofore the law has been that they could not get $12 unless their husbands died of disease contracted in the service. This bill will give an increase for the men who fought throughout the entire war, and also increases the pensions of the widows who married the soldiers during or immediately following the war.

WON OVER WITH "GRUB"

Obstreperous Indians in Panama Won Over With a Feast.

Four Indian chiefs; with forty-eight of their lieutenants representing the districts of Capira, Lapintada and two sections of Penocoe, have arrived, says New York Herald dispatch from Panama, to make a formal protest because the authorities of the new republic named Jaundedios Rodriguez, head chief of the Indians with the title of governor general.

The visiting chiefs declared they were unwilling to recognize the governor general's authority and they threatened to revolt. After some persuasion the chiefs agreed to individual conferences with General Hueritas, commander-in-chief of the republic's army, who persuaded all to unite at a banquet and sit down at a table with Rodriguez. The event proved a love feast and all differences were forgotten in the good cheer that followed.

After a tour of sight-seeing about the city the Indians will return to their homes and order their followers to perform the new ceremony of baptizing the Panama flag in a special honor of the new head chief.

The Indians are well armed and hold special drills daily, and are said to be ready to fight Colombia when the occasion arises.

Details Wanted in Machen Trial.

In the trial of August W. Machen and others in Washington, charged with conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with the sale of Groff letter box fasteners, the prosecution rested its case. Testimony was confined entirely to postoffice inspectors. Inspector Mayer, under continued cross-examination, declared that he made no promises of immunity from prosecution to D. B. Groff. Inspectors Williams and Farrell detailed their conversations in Toledo to Dr. and Mrs. Lorenz prior to their arrest. From Mrs. Lorenz they said they had secured a statement that she never heard or knew D. B. Groff and that she had received no checks from him and had no knowledge of her husband receiving any. In answer to various questions, both inspectors said that Dr. Lorenz said: "That is none of your business. That is my personal affair and I don't propose to answer."

Japs and Russians on Move.

Reports at St. Petersburg of an alarming nature of the situation there continue to pour out of the far east. These include the statement that the Japanese are landing an army at Ma-Sam-Pho, Korea, and that 3,000 Russian troops are crossing the Yalu river. The reported dispatch of a Chinese army of soldiers trained by European officers beyond to great wall to preserve order in Manchuria can not be confirmed, and the reports of the Japanese at Ma-Sum-Pho and the Russions at Yalu are discredited at the foreign office there and by M. Kurino, the Japanese minister to Rusela.

Heavy Snow at St. Louis.

From before dawn snow has fallen in St. Louis without cessation and it is likely that the fall will continue during the entire night. Street car schedules are very irregular and all the snow plows in the city have been brought into requisition. At the union station all in-bound trains were reported to average about an hour late.

Maintain the Parity.

The act for maintaining the parity of the currency of Manila has been passed. It provides for the purchase of Mexican silver coin as bullion and imposes a tax on all contracts made in debased currency after October 1, 1904.

Senator Burton's Trial.

United States Senator J. R. Burton of Kansas was admitted to $5,000 bail to answer in the United States circuit court on March 7 in St. Louis for trial on an indictment charging him with accepting money for the alleged use of his influence with the postal authorities to prevent the issuance of a fraud order against the Rialto Grain & Securities company. When arraigned before Judge Adams, Burton pleaded "not guilty" to the charge. Senator Burton asked for an early trial and he was ordered to appear in court on March 7.

SPEED ASSOCIATION DATES

The State Association Meets at Lincoln and Arrange Program.

Speed programs for the coming season were outlined by the Nebraska Speed association in annual meeting at the Lincoln hotel. Fourteen applications for membership were submitted and all were accepted with the exception of Wahoo. This town was omitted because of difficulty in outlining routes.

For running events the purses will be $75 and for pacing and trotting events the purses will be $250. The following dates were agreed on:

Tekamah—July 12 to 15.
Blair—July 19 to 23.
Fremont—July 26 to 29.
York—August 2 to 5.
Friend—August 9 to 12.
Beatrice—August 16 to 19.
Seward—August 23 to 26.
Lincoln—August 29 to September 3.
Tecumseh—September 6 to 9.
Auburn—September 12 to 16.
Wymore—September 20 to 23.
Nelson—September 27 to 30.
Hastings—October 4 to 7.

Classes were agreed on as follows: Trotting—2:18, 2:23, 2:27, 2:40. Three year-old—2:40. Running—Half, five-eights, three-quarters and repeat. Pacing—2:17, 2:22 and 2:35.

Cities in various parts of the state were represented as follows: Tekamah, B. R. Latta, J. R. Sutherland; Freomnt, B. E. Fields, N. J. Donin; Blair, John P. White; York, T. E. Bennett; Hastings, W. P. McCreary; Beatrice, T. E. Kimball, and F. E. Cook; Seward, E. McIntyre; Nelson, I. M. Brown; Tecumseh, C. W. Pool, A. G. Shaw; Auburn, C. M. Buck; Friend, G. Hulschizer; Wahoo, P. P. Church; Wymore, M. S. McGogan, L. W. Colby.

Fred Perry, representing The Horseman of Chicago, was present at the meeting.

The committee which farmed the report of dates consisted of B. E. Fields, R. J. Ronin, Fremont; W. P. McCreary of Hastings; Mr. Smith, York; C. M. Buck, Auburn; J. P. White, Blair.

Employs Habeas Corpus.

It has been decided by Mayor Harrison of Chicago to sue out a writ of habeas corpus for his immediate release from the coroner's jury charge holding him to the grand jury as one of the culprits responsible for the wholesale loss of life at the Iroquois theatre fire. Promptly following the decision the mayor, acompanied by his bondsmen and an attorney, appeared at the criminal court building, where Mayor Harrison formally surrendered himself to Sheiff Barrett and thus nullified the bond of $5,000 given in court to secure the mayor's freedom from literal custody. Notice was immediately and simultaneously served on the state's attorney that an application for a writ of habeas corpus would be at once filed with Judge Tuthill.

Has Outgrown Denominationalism.

"The univesity of Chicago is no longer a Baptist institution." Almost in so many words President Harper announced to the senior class that the university had outgrown its denominational character. He declared that in the nature of its faculty, its students and its methods it had spread beyond its allegiance to the Baptist church. Most of the students and most of the professors, he said, were non-Baptists. All the buildings on the campus were paid for by people of other creeds, he said, and $99 out of every $100, except that given by J. D. Rockefeller, who was a Baptist, was contributed by people not members of that church.

Radium a Wonderful Thing.

Professor Prince Tarkhanov, of St. Petersburg, the well known scientist, lecturing recently before the military association, made some interesting statement in regard to the possibilities of radium. He presented to his audience two cancer patients who had been cured of malignant growths on the face by the use of radium and expressed the opinion that the problem of determining the sex of children, which Professor Schinck had failed to solve will shortly be settled by the use of radium. The prince added that he had prevented the development of hydrophobia in dogs inoculated with rabid virus by using radium. When large quantities of radium were available the prince contended that the whole system of modern warfare would be reversed as powder magazines, whether in forts or in the holds of vessels, would be at the mercy of radium rays—which could explode them at long distances.

State Band May Go to St. Louis.

Plans are under way to take the university cadet band to St. Louis next summer. Commandant Chase has announced that word has been received from the managers at St. Louis, saying that the members of this organization will be received upon the same conditions that the cadets will be accepted as a battalion. They will receive their quarters free while there, will be admitted to the grounds free of charge, and their only expenses will be their meals while there and transportation. There will be reduced rates on the railroads so that this item of expense will not be a very large one. Meals may be had for 75 cents a day.

Quarter Million Fire at Louisville.

Fire destroyed the Goddard storage warehouse at Louisville, Ky., entailing losses which aggregate about $225,000. The fire caused a slight panic among the guests of the Galt house, which fortunately did not result in harm to anyone.

Another Cut in Grain Rates.

The Chicago Great Western railroad announced at Omaha a further reduction of wheat and corn between Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Louis and Missouri river points. The new rate, effective on January 20, makes a 2 cent cut, reducing the rate to 12 cents on wheat and 11 cents on corn. The rate is made to meet one recently announced on through shipments from Nebraska and Kansas by the Chicago & Northwestern.

Mrs. Hughson, of Chicago, whose letter follows, is another woman in high position who owes her health to the use of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.**

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I suffered for several years with general weakness and bearing-down pains, caused by womb trouble. My appetite was fitful, and I would lie awake for hours, and could not sleep, until I seemed more weary in the morning than when I retired. After reading one of your advertisements I decided to try the merits of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound,** and I am so glad I did. No one can describe the good it did me. I took three bottles faithfully, and besides building up my general health, it drove all disease and poison out of my body, and made me feel as spry and active as a young girl. Mrs. Pinkham's medicines are certainly all they are claimed to be."—MRS. M. E. HUGHSON, 347 East Ohio St., Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Pinkham Tells How Ordinary Tasks Produce Displacements.

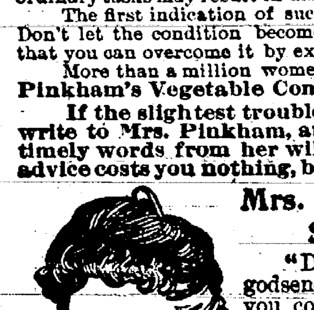
Apparently trifling incidents in woman's daily life frequently produce displacements of the womb. A slip on the stairs, lifting during menstruation, standing at a counter, running a sewing machine, or attending to the most ordinary tasks may result in displacement, and a train of serious evils is started.

The first indication of such trouble should be the signal for quick action. Don't let the condition become chronic through neglect or a mistaken idea that you can overcome it by exercise or leaving it alone.

More than a million women have regained health by the use of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.**

If the slightest trouble appears which you do not understand write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., for her advice, and a few timely words from her will show you the right thing to do. This advice costs you nothing, but it may mean life or happiness or both.

Mrs. Lelah Stowell, 177 Wellington St., Kingston, Ont., writes:

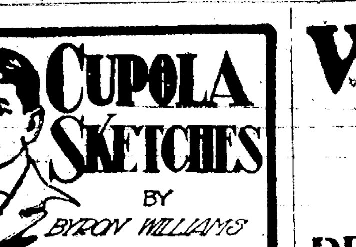


"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—You are indeed a godsend to women, and if they all knew what you could do for them, there would be no need of their dragging out miserable lives in agony.

"I suffered for years with bearing-down pains, womb trouble, nervousness, and excruciating headache, but a few bottles of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** made life look new and promising to me. I am light and happy, and I do not know what sickness is, and I now enjoy the best of health."

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound can always be relied upon to restore health to women who thus suffer. It is a sovereign cure for the worst forms of female complaints,—that bearing-down feeling, weak back, falling and displacement of the womb, inflammation of the ovaries, and all troubles of the uterus or womb. It dissolves and expels tumors from the uterus in the early stage of development, and checks any tendency to cancerous humors. It subdues excitability, nervous prostration, and tones up the entire female system. Its record of cures is the greatest in the world, and should be relied upon with confidence.

$5000 FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness.
Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.



An "Obstrich" Farm.

A fool with money and a promoter with experience once agreed to start an ostrich farm.

"Vot id is, dis 'obstrich' farm?" asked the fool. "Is it yet a brewery or a steel trust—Yes?"

"No, no!" explained the promoter "the ostrich is a bird with long legs and neck, and a balloon-shaped body with a feathery tail!"

"That is a 'obstrich,' is it, yet?" interrogated the fool with bulging eyes as he drew a mental picture.

"Yes, that is an ostrich!"

"Vere you get dis 'obstrich'? From der seet?"

"No, not from the seed; from the egg!"

"Vere you get der egg?"

"From the ostrich, of course!"

"WHO STARTED THIS GAME?"

"Yah, vere you get der 'obstrich'?"

"From the egg?"

"Yah, but vere you get der egg, already?"

"I just told you, from the ostrich!"

"Egg, 'obstrich,' 'obstrich' egg—vere you get—say! who started dis game anyhow!"

Scraps.

The serpent left alone will bite no one. Many unnecessary wounds are received by triflers.

A close mouth often gives a man credit for wisdom.

It is not so much the triumphs as the obstacles overcome in trying.

Act not in the eyes of the world, but in the benediction of your conscience.

Decay attacks that which has ceased to grow. This is as true of men as of cherry trees.

It is senseless, like Sisyphus, to roll a stone up hill with no object in view. Carry loads only for a purpose.

Two Hindoo twins cut apart in Paris were found to have a common liver. Not being used to a boarding house, they died. Couldn't live on cut liver!

In the description of a funeral the reporter noted that the deceased "lay quietly in his coffin." Investigation may have shown the corpse to have been nailed down.

The Salvation Army wants old clothes. "Youse fellows" who are not wearing yours, dig up.

John's Arithmetic.

Teacher—"Now, Johnnie, the farmer's wife has four eggs left after sending her husband to market, and her three stalwart sons are clamoring for breakfast. If she divides them equally what will she have left?"

Johnnie—"Nuthin'!"

Teacher—"Nothing? Why, John, how stupid you are!"

Johnnie—"She has four eggs and three boys?"

T.—"Yes."

J.—"Aint none of 'em bad?"

T.—"No, not one."

J.—"She won't have nuthin' left, ceptin' the shells! Who ever heard of three boys leavin' anything left of four scrambled eggs!"

A VITAL MOMENT.

A knot-hole in the baseball park fence is worth more to a boy than a bank account.

Good Reason.

Bings—"Why didn't they play poker on the ark?"

Wings—"Because Noah sat on the deck!"

Bings—"Guess again!"

Wings—"No use; why didn't they play poker?"

Bings—"Because there was only one jack on board, and nobody could draw openers!"

WOMEN ARE ESPECIALLY LIABLE TO COLDS

Colds Invariably Result in Catarrh Which Sets Up a Host of Distressing Diseases.

PE-RU-NA Both Protects and Cures a Cold—Read Proof

Miss Rose Gordon, 2,102 Oakland Ave., Oakland Heights, Madison, Wis., writes:—

"A few years ago I caught a severe cold, which resulted in chronic bronchitis and catarrh. Our family physician prescribed medicines which gave temporary relief only. I began taking Peruna and improved at once. Two bottles cured me. I recommend Peruna to all sufferers, and am most grateful to you for your valuble medicine."—Miss Rose Gordon.

Washington, D. C., 609 H street, N. W.

Dear Dr. Hartman:—"I used to think that the doctors knew all about our aches and pains and were the proper ones to consult when sick, but since I have been sick myself I certainly had good reason to change my mind. During the winter I caught a heavy cold, which developed into catarrh of the bronchial tubes and an inflamed condition of the respiratory organs. The doctors were afraid that pneumonia would set in and prescribed pills, powders and packs until I sickened of the whole thing, as I did not improve. One of the ladies in the Home had a bottle of Peruna and she advised me to try that. Shortly after I began using it I felt that I had found the right medicine, I used two bottles and they restored me easily and pleasantly to perfect health. While my stomach was very delicate, Peruna did not nauseate me in the least, but gave me a good appetite, and I wish to express my gratitude to you for restored health."—Miss Rosalie Von Struenning.

CATCHING COLD

Is the Beginning of Most Winter Ailments—Pe-ru-na Protects Against and Cures Colds.

There is no fact of medical science better established than that a teaspoonful of Peruna before each meal during the winter season will absolutely protect a person from catching cold. Now, if this is true (and there is no doubt of it), thousands of lives would be saved, and tens of thousands of cases of chronic catarrh prevented, by this simple precaution within reach of every one.

After a cold has been contracted a teaspoonful of Peruna every hour will shortly cure it, leaving no trace of it behind. After chronic catarrh has become established, or the first stages of chronic bronchitis or consumption have been reached, it will take much longer to effect a cure.

It seems strange that as well known and well established as these facts are any one should neglect to profit by them, and yet no doubt there are many who pay little or no attention to them and go on catching cold, acquiring chronic catarrh, bronchitis and consumption.

Catarrh May Permeate the Whole System.

Mrs. Mary E. Sampson, West Derry, Rockingham County, N. H. writes:—

"I had terrible headaches, both ears run and I was nervous all the time, also had trouble each month; was deaf in one ear for thirty years. I took six bottles of Peruna and one of Manalin and am happy to say that it is the best medicine that I ever used. I am not so nervous, my appetite is good, everything I eat agrees with me, and I am feeling better in every way. I think Peruna is a Godsend to women and a blessing to suffering humanity."—Mary E. Sampson.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

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Of Salzer's Renovator Grass Mixture, just the thing for dying out pastures and meadows, Mr. E. Rappold, East Park, Ga., writes, "I sowed Salzer's Grass Mixture on soil 'so poor two men could not raise a fuss on it,' and in forty-one days after sowing I had the grandest stand of grass in the county. Salzer's Grass Mixtures sprout quickly and produce enormously." 100,000 barrels choice Seed Potatoes.

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Here is a winner, a prodigy, a marvel, enormously prolific, strong, healthy, vigorous, producing in thirty states from 150 to 300 bu. per acre. You had best sow a lot of it, Mr. Farmer, in 1904, and in the fall sell it to your neighbors at $1 a bu. for seed.

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Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

Clear white clothes are a sign that the housekeeper uses Red Cross Ball Blue. Large 2 oz. package, 5 cents.

Mrs. Wise—I wouldn't have bought cigars for my husband if I were you. A man doesn't like his wife to do that.

Mrs. McBride—I know it's risky unless you're very careful about the best. But I was careful.

Mrs. Wise—Were you?

Mrs. McBride—Yes, I picked out a box called "Best Ever." There could not possibly be anything better than that, you know.

One of the features of the Paris motor show is an absolutely noiseless car. Persons in the neighborhood of one of these will not know that there was a car within a mile until they wake up in the hospital.

Husband—What! A hundred dollar for an opera cloak? Why, it's perfectly ridiculous, my dear?

Wife—Yes, I know it is; but you said you couldn't afford an expensive one.

"You delivered your speech in a manner that was both timely and effective."

"Yes," answered the political orator, "I had to be particular about the delivery of that speech. It was a C. O. D. transaction."

Best in the World.

Estherville, Ia., Feb. 1st.—Mr. George J. Barber of this place says:—

"Dodd's Kidney Pills are the best medicine in the world. There is nothing as good. I had been sick for over 15 years with Kidney Disease which finally turned into Bright's Disease. I was treated by Doctors in Chicago but they didn't do me any good. The best Doctor in Estherville treated me for five years with no better success. I heard of Dodd's Kidney Pills and made up my mind to give them a trial.

"I am very thankful to be able to say that they cured me completely and I think they are the best medicine in the world."

The honest, earnest, straightforward experiences of real living men and women are the only material used in advertising Dodd's Kidney Pills. One such testimony is worth more than a thousand unsupported claims. The people who have used Dodd's Kidney Pills are those whose evidence is worth consideration and surely nothing can be more convincing than a statement like Mr. Barber's. There are thousands of others just as strong.

The price of membership in the New York stock exchange has been advanced to $57,000 and no questions asked as to pedigree of bull or bear.

Burned out, but was insured in the STATE FARMER'S MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. of South Omaha, Nebr., which means that he got his money.

Has some agent tried to cancel your Mutual Policy? Telling you all sorts of things, almost crying for you. Why? Because he needs the money he would make out of you, wanted pay for the talk he gave. Don't be fooled. Keep your Mutual Insurance, and get more if you need it. Write to B. R. Stouffer, Secretary, South Omaha, Nebr.

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The Table Rock Argus.

F. H. Taylor, Publisher.

Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

How about organizing a Roosevelt Club? Shall we get in the band wagon?

In the apportionment of delegates to the republican state convention Pawnee county has thirteen.

The ground hog certainly saw his shadow in Nebraska and now we may look for the six weeks more of winter.

Miss Nannie Bryan, a sister of W J Bryan, died at the residence of her sister, Mrs T S Allen in Lincoln on Sunday morning. The body was taken to the old home at Salem, Ills., for burial.

W. C. Whitney, one of the best known democratic statesmen in the United States, died at his home in New York city Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He was taken ill Friday while attending the theatre; he was taken home and submitted to an operation for appendicitis; the reports sent out from this operation were very favorable, and the country was shocked at the news of his death, which occured while the physicians were preparing to subject him to a second operation.

Senator Dietrich is to have a senatorial investigation of the charges which led to his indictment by the federal grand jury. On Monday he introduced a resolution asking for the appointment of a committee with power to summon witnesses and hear evidence. The resolution was adopted, and the senate president appointed the following persons as the committee: Hoar, chairman; Platt (Conn), Spooner, Cockrell and Pettus. The senator has now done what every innocent man charged with crime ought to do—demanded a thorough investigation; and the public will withhold its verdict until it hears the evidence for and against.

MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,

Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Monday, Feb. 1.—Comparative live stock receipts at Kansas City last week and same week a year ago are as follows:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Sheep	H M
1904	29,884	1,435	42,707	20,431	2,132
1903	34,774	1,642	30,328	10,668	1,722

Weather conditions played a most important part in the cattle market last week, and were largely adverse to sellers. Monday and Tuesday prices jumped up 10 to 20c, account of short supplies, incident to storms in the west. This advance drew good runs later in the week, and as packers were indifferent and wanted few cattle, the advance was more than wiped out before the close of the week. Packers claimed storms in the east had shut off their supply of refrigerator cars, leaving their coolers full, thereby forcing them to cut down operations. Fat steers and butcher stuff closed the week barely steady with close of previous week. Veal calves sold strong. Bad weather also shut off country demand for stockers and feeders, leaving speculators with many cattle on hand. Late in the week this class of cattle were 30 to 60c below the good markets of two weeks ago. Run today is 8000 head, and market barely steady. Buyers were cautious at the beginning today, and fat steers and killing kinds of cattle sold no better than steady. The best stockers and feeders, however, were strong, with others showing little life. Receipts were moderate at all markets today, and should this continue during the week, prices may recover the loss of the last half of last week.

Hog prices changed for the worse after Monday of last week. Top was $5.15 last Monday, highest day of the winter. Net loss was 15 to 20c for the week, with most loss on light weights. Run today is 7000 head, and market 5 to 10c lower again. Top today $4.90, bulk of all sales $4.65 to $4.85, Packers dread the $5 mark, and resolutely fight any approach to that figure.

Sheep market has been somewhat erratic for the past two weeks. Prices, however do not lose much ground averaging 10 to 20c under the high [illegible] off. Run today [illegible] steady. Western wethers bring $4.25 to $4.40, ewes $3.80 to $4, yearlings $4.75 to $5.10 and lambs up to $5.75.

Horse and mule operations last week were confined mostly to local dealers, weather interfering with shipments. Horses probably brought a shade better prices. Good mules 15 hands and above, were steady, but inferior grades were again weak.

Following is the roll of honor for December and January. Those with (2) after their names were perfect in attendance for both months, the others for one month:

I Primary

Earl Bicknell 2, Harry Hanna, Bryan Kimes, Minnie Kerns, Willie Mead, Lowrain McCrea 2, Frank Tomek, Ethel Tibbets 2, Bert Barrett, Irene Freeman, Amos Dvorak, Stella McClane, John Kimes, Merice Munsinger 2, Mearl Shepherd.

II Primary

Leata Baitey 2, Hallie Bicknell, Myron Glenn, Eva Irwin, Ines Linn, Eva Munsinger 2, Lester Nichols 2, Clyde Porter 2, Ada Talbot 2, Chas Wood 2, Lloyd Andrew 2, Clarence Bicknell, Charlie Dvorak, Greta Nichols, Freddie Tomek, Ruth McCoy, Jamie Chambers, Cloyd Freeman, Earl Munsinger.

Intermediate

Raymond Andrew 2, Lizzie Barrett 2, Grant Freeman, Lee Kerns, Lesley Munsinger 2, Ella Munsinger, Imo Mead, Bessie Perry, Jay Patchin, Lula Shepherd 2, Gracie Hayek, Theophil Brothers, Callie Barrett 2, Della Mead, Gladys Millage, Ruth Parrish.

I Grammar

Ella Beck, Anna Dvorak 2, Guy Kerns, Fred Kucera, Carrie McClain, Fred Barrett 2, Frank Cope, Frank Dvorak 2, Georgie Fulmer, Raymond Fulton 2, Fay Groom 2, Rudolph Kovanda 2, Zelma McCrea 2, Anna Bell McNutt 2, Lloyd Phillips 2, Kora Tenk 2, Earl Threlkeld, Lena Threlkeld 2, Pearl Voeller 2, Huber Voeller, Bessie Hickman.

II Grammar

Gladys Mead, Eunice Norris, Jennie Porter 2, Ella Snyder, Eugene Woods, Lillian Causey, Dee Brock, Elva Fulton 2, Stella Fulton 2, Pearl Groom, Veda McCrea 2, Ural McCrea 2, Cilvia Lane, Harry Smith, Julia Strejc, Emma Schurr 2, Gilbert Beard, Grace Horton.

High School

Ralph Bennington 2, Mary Dvorak 2, Nellie Irwin 2, Max Marble, Edgar Norris, John Tomek 2, Fannie Phillips, Carl Beck, Roy Kerns, Frank Kerns, Jennie Mitchell, Myaylwin Scism.

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Senator Randolph Burton, of Kansas, while in Hawaii with the Congressional commission, was sitting one morning in the dining room of a Honolulu hotel. A Japanese, in Occidental dress of extreme fashion, who was sitting close by, heard Mr. Burton addressed as Senator. He rose, walked over to the Senator and presented his card.

"If your charming Excellency should become contaminated with the climatic anhelation," he said, "he will find palliative ferbifuges at the above indicated location."

The Senator was astonished, but long years in politics have developed a singular readiness, and he answered in kind.

"Your Samaritan commiseration overcomes me, sir. Should I stand in need of proficient medication, I will call at your justly-famed establishment. If I have appeared stultified in my paraphrasos of gratitude, it is due, believe me, rather to a paucity of vocabulary than to any insufficient appreciation of your beneficience."

The little Asiatic bowed away, dazed but beaming.

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He Was Ready With an Answer.

The late Samuel Kimberley, for a long time in the consular service of the United States, obtained his first appointment through personal friends of Mr. Blaine, then secretary of state.

Mr. Kimberley wished to serve his country as consul at one of the ports in Japan. Mr. Blaine glanced over the credentials presented to him by Mr. Kimberley.

"Well," said he, "I should like very much to appoint you, Mr. Kimberley, to a Japanese post; but I have made it a rule not to recommend to the president the appointment in the consular service of any one who does not speak the language of the country to which appointment is desired. Now, I do not suppose that you speak Japanese?"

Mr. Kimberley smiled furtively.

"If you will ask me a question in Japanese, Mr. Blaine, I think I can answer you."

The applicant received an appointment, but not to Japan.—Youth's Companion.

Sticking to One Style.

Our trans-Atlantic cousins are often a subject of jest on the score of their clothes. This is only partly fair, however. The working out of their ideas is frequently defective, but for one guiding principle they deserve unlimited credit; if an Englishman believes that a certain style becomes him personally it takes a yoke of oxen and a two-inch chain to drag him away from it. Within certain well-defined lines English dressers will follow each other like a flock of sheep, but when it comes to the treatment of their individual peculiarities they have their own ideas and they stick to them.—Washington Post.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in stomach and liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. 25c at Colwell's drug store.

Uses of the Sermon.

Teddy and Mary had been taken to church for the first time, and on the way home they discussed what they had heard and seen.

"Well, now," said Teddy, with a frown. "I'd like to know what the sermon was for, anyhow."

"Why Teddy," said little Mary, with a superior air; "don't you know that yet? It's to give the singers a rest, of course."

Dew Curiosity.

The amount of dew that is nightly deposited on any object depends to a great extent upon the particular color of that object. If four pieces of board are taken and painted respectively red, yellow, green and black, then exposed during the night, it will be found next morning that there is no dew at all on the red and black boards, that the green is damp, and the yellow covered with moisture.

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FARMERS' INSTITUTE!

The Pawnee county farmers' institute will be held at Pawnee Tuesday and Wednesday, February 9 and 10. Besides some good home talent there will be a number of eminent speakers from other states. All who possibly can should plan to attend. This county had one of the best institutes in the state last year, and from present indications it will be as good or better this year. Don't forget the dates and be there.

Some of the best speakers on farm topics in the country will be at the farmers' institute February 9 and 10.

The state holds farmers' institutes for your benefit. You cannot afford to miss it. Feb. 9 and 10.

Take the wife and children to the farmers' institute this year. It will pay you. Bring the hired man along it will make a better hand of him. Persuade your neighbor to attend; he will thank you for calling his attention to it. Pawnee City, Feb. 9 and 10.

If you are a wide awake, progressive farmer you know the farmers' institute will give you new ideas. If you are not that kind of a farmer, well—that's different, and perhaps you do not realize how much it might help you. Why not go and see. Feb. 9 and 10.

A GOOD THING.

German Syrup is the special prescription of Dr A Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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Don't forget the Mask ball at the opera house next Friday night.

Mrs Grace Asbury, of Rulo, is a guest this week of Mrs J H Stewart.

Allen Bro's. are agents for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try them once.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Brown visited Mrs. Brown's mother at Hiawatha, Kas., this week.

Attend the crazy tea at the home of Mrs Dottie Smith on next Wednesday evening.

E. M. Heywood, who makes Grand Island his home, arrived last Friday for a week or two's visit with his parents.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white: we guarantee they will have no rough edges. Allen Bro's.

Mr. Summerfield arrived from Indiana last week on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Wm. Myers, and will remain about three weeks.

E. L. Mitchell spent a couple of days at Humboldt this week, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Will Lonneke. Will is bedfast with the grip.

Bert and Blanche Avord, of Keokuk, Iowa, were guests last week of Mr and Mrs Fred M Colwell. They are cousins of Mrs Colwell.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.

GEO. BUERSTETTA & Co.

Mrs J H Stewart pleasantly entertained a progressive flinch party at her home on Wednesday evening, in honor of her guest, Mrs Asbury, of Rulo.

Mr. A. S. Crissler, a prominent farmer of Clear Creek precinct, was stricken with appoplexy yesterday afternoon and now lies in a very critical condition, with very little hope of his recovery.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

Frank Kovanda, Jr., will sell a lot of household goods, a top buggy and numerous other articles, at public auction at his residence in Table Rock, on next Saturday afternoon, commencing at 2 o'clock.

Hon. Wm. Sutton left last Sunday afternoon to attend the national brick makers' convention, which is in session at Cincinnati, O., this week. Mr. Sutton is a firm believer in gatherings of this kind, believing them helpful in many ways and he usually makes it a point to attend those in which he has a practical interest.

Monday evening the annual meeting of the Table Rock Telephone Company was held and W. C Fellers elected president; Wm Sutton, first vice president; W H Wilson, second vice president; C J Wood, secretary; C H Barnaid, treasurer. The company has done a very satisfactory business during the past year, and has extended its business into the country, so that now it serves more than 125 patrons.

The little one-month old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Horton died on Sunday afternoon, after a short illness. Funeral services were held at the home on Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. A. C. Allinson.

The sorrowing parents desire to express their thanks to neighbors and friends, and to members of the Degree of Honor, for the many acts of kindness and sympathy during the illness, death and burial of their little one.

George Buerstetta was down from Elk Creek Monday and while here made arrangements for the erection of a business block in this city to be used as a store room. He bought ground from Captain R. P. Jennings and will take the lot where the hotel stands if he can get adjoining ground and if not he takes the ground where the restaurant is. Mr. Jennings will also put up a brick block on the lot Mr. Buerstetta does not take, and J. H. Purcell contemplates putting up a brick in place of the old frame on his lot. M. H. Marble will also erect a brick block on his lots and the prospects are that there will be some splendid improvements made in Table Rock as soon as the season opens.

See G. W. Pepoon & Co., for wood, either dry or green.

L C Schurr returned last Saturday from a month's visit at his old home in Ohio.

Frank Kovanda, Jr., has sold his residence property to his father, and will soon move to Oregon.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.

GEO. BUERSTETTA & Co.

If you are interested in temperance work, don't fail to hear Mrs Nesbitt next Sunday morning at the Christian church, and Methodist at night.

All members of the fire department are hereby notified that a special meeting will be held on next Wednesday evening, and it is important that all members be present.

C. C. COVERT.

Sam Shawhan will hold a public sale at the A. Fellers farm, 5½ miles southeast of town, on Wednesday, February 10, and will sell some horses, cattle, hogs, harness, wagon, buggy, farm implements, and household goods.

The birthdays of Mrs. A. A. Widdifield and Cal. Aucker, were celebrated at the Widdifield home on Friday evening by an oyster supper. There were a number of friends and neighbors present and the time was very pleasantly passed. Mrs. Widdifield was 44 and Mr. Aucker 42 years of age.

With a new railroad in prospect, an unprecedented building boom on, the brick yards doing all they can, and every business man and citizen doing their utmost to make things move, the prospects for lively times in Table Rock during the coming season are flattering in the extreme. Don't stand in the way, but go with the crowd and pull all you can!

Fred Colwell took an appetizer for breakfast on Monday morning. With Mrs. Colwell he spent Sunday with the lady's parents, nine miles from Pawnee City. At 4 o'clock Monday morning he drove to Pawnee where he caught No. 14 and came to Table Rock, where at 7 o'clock, he took breakfast at Hotel Murphy, and Mr. Murphy asserts the hotel's profits for a week were consumed in that one meal.

A missionary praise meeting will be held at the Presbyterian church, Sunday evening, Feb. 7th, at 8:30, with this program:

Song

Scripture reading

Prayer

Anthem

Recitation—Pearl Voellers

Reading on Home Missionary topics

Duett—Mr and Mrs Boyd Phillips

Letter from India—Mrs D K Miller

Recitation—Victor Fellers

Duett—Misses Buby Allen and Mabel Miller

Paper, subject, China—Mrs Jessie Phillips

Recitation—Mabel Barnes

Duett—Miss Brown and Dr C C Covert

"Invitation to a Missionary Meeting"—Mrs Jennie Stewart

Offering

Song

Mrs Margaret Schreck, who was so seriously burned in the fire at the Central hotel on Monday morning of last week, died on Sunday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs Ben Carter. On Saturday afternoon she was removed from the home of G M Lane, where she had been taken after her accident, to her daughter's home, at her urgent request. She suffered untold agonies during the days she lived after being so terribly burned, and death came to her relief on Sunday afternoon.

Margaret Jones was born in Fulton county, Illinois, August 1, 1851; she came west at the age of 19, and on December 4, 1873, was united in marriage to Henry Schreck, and moved to Hiawatha, Kansas; she was the mother of nine children, three of whom died in infancy; on Monday, January 25, 1904, she received burns from which she died at 2:10 p. m., on Sunday, January 31st. Her husband, four children and one sister were at the bedside when she passed away.

On Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock, Rev. Morrow held a brief funeral service at the home of Mrs. Carter, and the remains were shipped to Hiawatha, Kas. on the early morning train, where the burial took place, and were accompanied by the immediate relatives of the deceased.

Masquerade ball Friday night, Feb. 12.

Fred Runnion is spending the week at Tecumseh.

See Archer King's advertisement in another column.

W P Slayton of Tecumseh, spent Sunday with relatives and friends here.

You'll have a good time if you attend the crazy tea at Dottie Smith's next Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Shepherd are the pround parents of a baby girl, born on Tuesday morning.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

For Sale—40 acres of land one mile south of Table Rock.

L. K. CARMICHAEL.

District 49, near Table Rock, Miss Gleola Linn, teacher, held a basket social and entertainment at the school house and secured funds to start a school library.—The School Journal.

Mrs Katie Henry, who had been a guest of her mother in Clear Creek for several weeks, returned to her home at Courtland, Kas., last week, her husband having come to accompany her.

A Missouri editor in response to the question: "do hogs pay?" said: "A great many do not. They take the paper for several years and then some day it will be sent back marked 'refused.' "

Have you indigestion, constipation, headache, backache, kidney trouble? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well. If it fails, get your money back. That's fair. Tea or tablet form. 35 cents. F. M. Colwell.

Mrs J D Nesbitt of Pawnee, will give an address on temperance at 11 a. m., in the Christian church next Lord's day. Her subject will be "Sowing and Reaping." She will speak in the Methodist church at night, and we bespeak for her large audiences, as she never fails to interest you from first to last. Collection will be taken for the benefit of the state work.

Table Rock, Neb., Feb. 2, 1904.—Mr. D. K. Miller, Agent: I wish to thank you as agent, and also the Royal Insurance Co., of Liverpool, for their prompt and liberal adjustment of damage by fire to my hotel, as you paid me every cent that was appraised by a carpenter of my own selection and all that I claimed myself. I would cordially recommend this company to any who desire to insure for honest and kind treatment

R. P. JENNINGS.

Monday night the K of P lodge of this city was kept busy all night taking in new members, eating a nice supper and enjoying the beautiful work of the order. The work was was done by the Humboldt team, composed of from fifteen to twenty members. The lodge of this city is getting a nice membership among the best people of the town, and from the manner in which they took hold of the work Monday night and the persistency with which they stayed with it—it was six o'clock Tuesday morning when it adjourned—it will not be long until it is one of the largest orders in town.

A special dispatch from Humboldt to the State Journal, under date of Feb. 2, says: A jury in the district court at Falls City yesterday afternoon decided the case against the First National bank of this city which was filed by Mrs. Sarah Patterson of this place early in October. As was stated in dispatches at the time the suit is the outgrowth of some irregularities on the part of F. W. Samuelson, until recently president of the above banking house. It is claimed there are a number of cases where parties hold Samuelson's personal notes for borrowed money, when the parties claim they supposed they were depositing the funds in the bank. A few other suits have been filed of a similar nature, the cases being in charge of Judge Broady of Lincoln, and Reavis & Reavis of Falls City, but it is generally understood that the interested parties were making a test case of the Patterson suit, and on its decision would depend largely the fate of the others. After a determined legal battle the case went to the jury and yesterday a verdict was brought in favorable to the defendant bank. The present officials of the bank are pushing for a hearing of the other cases and are confident of their ability to win in each.

When in Pawnee City buy RELIABLE DRY GOODS of F. J. MUNEKE Pay less and dress better.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

The Pawnee Republican this week, registers a kick on the B & M passenger service, and advocates a permanent hack service between Table Rock and Pawnee. Let's build an electric railroad, brother, and operate it to suit the convenience of the people of our respective cities.

The Turkish Cream Candy Kitchen H. E. Robertson, proprietor, moved this week into the room in the opera house block, recently vacated by J. F. Ford & Son. A partition has been placed in the room and it is also otherwise fitted up so as to make an idea restaurant and Mr. Robertson invites the public to call and see him in his new quarters.

The regular meeting of the Table Rock W S A will be held at the home of Mrs Chas Smith, Thursday afternoon at 2:30, Feb. 11th. The following program will be rendered:

Opening song—The New America

Roll Call—Response with quotations from Whittier

Paper—Has school suffrage for women been of benefit to the women and schools of Nebraska—Mrs Kate Jennings

A discussion will follow the reading of this paper—leader, Mrs Walter Smith

Duett—Mrs Harold Smith, Mrs Bruce Woods

All are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

The death of "Citizen" George Francis Train, at the Mills hotel in New York City, Monday, brought back memories of the old days in Brownville and Nemaha county to the pioneer residents of this section.

It was George Francis Train who conceived the plan of building the Union Pacific railroad. He organized the credit foncier and credit mobiller to raise money for the construction of the Overland route.

When the prospect was first under way, he visited Brownville, in this county, for the purpose of establishing the eastern terminus of the road at that point.

He called several meetings for the purpose of interesting the citizens of that then thriving town, in the plan, but because of his eccentricities they only gave him a lukewarm support.

With his other hobbies, Train had peculiar views on politics and in 1872, at Brownville, he announced his candidacy for the presidency on an independent ticket. He made a speech there, outlining his politics, and his audience jeered him. One man got up and made a reply. His very sarcastic thrusts caused Train to fly into a perfect frenzy of rage and he left Brownville, vowing never to return.

He went to Omaha, then an insignificant village, organized the Union Pacific railroad and put Omaha on the high road to its present commercial greatness.—Nemaha County Herald.

SOMETHING NEW.

The ladies of the Woman's Home Missionary society of the M. E. church will give a crazy tea at the home of Mrs. Dottie Smith, Wednesday evening, Feb. 10. Tea will be served at 6 o'clock, and a silver offering for home missionery work taken. A patriotic program will be rendered after tea. Everybody, whether interested in missions or not, is urged to come and have a good time at the crazy tea. Some articles on the bill of fare: Spihc Otatop, Nekcihc, Dalas, Doof Legna, Aococ, Selkcip.

Committee.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Mrs. Louis Heer has been very ill for a week past,

John Reynolds came in from Beaver City Sunday for a few days' visit with relatives.

Mrs. Henry Robinson was brought out home Saturday, after six weeks of sickness in Humboldt.

Will Brannan's youngest child is quite sick at present.

Joy Myer attended the ball at Humboldt Friday evening.

Miss Edith Allen is expected home this week from St. Joe, where she has been visiting her aunt for the past seven months.

W. D. Elmore and Henry Kuper took a trip to Lincoln a couple days last week.

REMOVED!

The Turkish Cream Candy KITCHEN

has been removed to the room in the Opera House Block, formerly occupied by J F Ford & Son, and has been fitted up with a view of meeting the demand for a first-class confectionary and lunch room; a large stock of

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The undersigned will receive proposals for purchase or rent for the year 1904, S E ¼ 17-3-12 Pawnee county, Nebr., known as the Joseph Hubka farm, 2½ miles north from Table Rock, 100 acres in cultivation, 87 acres in corn, 13 acres in Timothy last year, 60 acres in pasture and meadow; all smooth first and second bottom land. Two sets of improvements, two good orchards—100 apple and 100 peach trees in bearing condition, heavy timber, fine shelter for stock. No proposition for purchase at less than $50 per acre will be entertained. Will consider proposition for rent one year; all cash or 2-5 of crop and cash for pasture, meadow and fruit.

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You're sure to win by taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night. F. M. Colwell.

BEST LINIMENT ON EARTH.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains, I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

LOCAL MARKET

Wheat	.60
Corn	.30
Oats	.25
Hay	$6.00
Cattle	2.50
Hogs	4.50
Potatoes	.85
Butter	.15
Eggs	.20
Apples	1.50

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret E. Smith, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on granting letters testamentary to George E. Nickelson, for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the executor be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in May and August, 1904; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 23rd day of January, 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

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TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

Sutherland people are talking seriously of putting in a telephone line.

The fire drill has already been introduced in many Nebraska public schools.

Omaha is having its street signs repainted and reset. It is a reform that is necessary in a good many other Nebraska towns.

There is nothing quiet in Norfolk except the police business, which is so quiet and dull that the local papers are actually bragging about it.

As a result of the inspection by Deputy Labor Commissioner Bush, a number of buildings at Norfolk, including hotels, schoolhouses, manufacturing plants, etc., will have to be equipped with fire escapes.

Some one near Humphrey in Platte county takes a queer way to protest against the kind of school books lately adopted in one of the districts. He entered the school house at night and simply burned up the books.

The Fremont bankers met the other day and agreed not to pay more than 2 per cent on county deposits. The board of supervisors had resolved to demand more. Later they rescinded the resolution. The rate heretofore has been 2 per cent.

Charles Keckley of York shipped 290 fat cattle or seventeen cars to Chicago, one carload averaging 1414 pounds. They were sold in Chicago for $5.65 per hundred, at which price Mr. Keckley will be a heavy loser as he had fed the cattle nearly sixteen months.

The advance of price of sugar beets will have a tendency to increase the acreage. Inasmuch as the manufacturing is proportionate to the volume of raw material to be had the increase will doubtless prove mutually profitable to the manufacturer and grower.

In Douglas county the last two years the fees of the county clerk's office amounted to $6,409.15, or $1,049.15 more than the expense of conducting the office. The balance has been turned into the county treasury—a very good record, apparently.

For the first time in the history of Saline county, interest on deposits in the banks of county money has been turned into the treasury and will be used to pay county warrants. The amount turned in last October was $131.41, and in December, $165.38, making nearly $300. This is a good beginning.

General Culver has issued an order to the national guard of the state to prepare for a state inspection to be held in the near future. The inspection will be made by General Culver and General Daggett and is preliminary to the inspection to be made by the war department before the first of May.

A special train of nine cars of corn was taken out of Clarkson, Colfax county, the other day. And there's a world of corn still left in that section.

The farmers are said to be very generous to the rural mail carriers. One of the latter at Beatrice says that he finds a nice chunk of meat waiting for him at some mail box nearly every day.

The school which the state board of charities and corrections proposes to establish at the penitentiary will not be started until after the new cells hav been erected in the west cell house. At present all the prisoners are busy in the improvement work and have no leisure to devote to learning. As soon as the cells have been completed several classes in common school branches will be formed and a Chautauqua reading circle organized. These classes will be instructed by convicts who formerly were engaged in educational work. The library at the penitentiary is also to be enlarged by the addition of a number of standard works. There is at present a considerable fund at the disposal of the officers for library purposes and it is all to be expended.

It is anticipated that the increase of 50 cents a ton paid by the sugar factories for beets the coming season will result in a largely increased sugar beet acreage. It is an increase of 12½ per cent, and is a flat price, which the farmers prefer to a graduated scale. It is said that at this price beets will be one of the most profitable crops for the farmer.

At the closing meeting of the state board of agriculture Secretary R. W. Furnas of Brownville and Treasurer E. McIntyre of Sewad, were unanimously re-elected to their respective offices by acclamation. J. B. Dinsmore, of Sutton, being defeated for president by a close race by W. R. Mellor of Loup City. Of the members whose terms expired the folowing were reelected: Charles Mann, Dawes county; V. Arnold, Richardson; S. C. Bassett, Buffalo; E. McIntyre, Seward; W. R. Mellor, Sherman; L. Morse, Dundy; T. A. McKay, Hamilton; Peter Youngers, Fillmore; G. W. Hervey, Douglas; and W. Foster, Lancaster. Two retiring members, E. L. Vance of Pawnee, and W. W. Cole, of Neligh, were not reelected. New members elected are: W. A. Apperson, Johnson; Joseph Roberts, Dodge; R. M. Wolcott, Merrick; E. Q. Russell, Washington; to fill vacancy, Cyrus Horton, Furnas.

Our idea of an original man is one who can tell how long he has been married without adding that it seems longer.

The Rev. J. Forrest Marston, who for the last five weeks has been in the county jail at Plattsmouth, Cass county, awaiting trial for obtaining money under false pretenses, has pleaded guilty to soliciting insurance without a license and has been sentenced to pay a fine of $50 and costs. Not having the necessary amount about him Mr. Marston kindly consented to be the guest of Cass county for $50 worth.

CUT IN GRAIN RATE

The Chicago Great Western Cuts Rate from 14 to 9 Cents.

RATES TO SOUTH REDUCED

The Santa Fe Meets the Reduction—And There's a Chance for Railroad War.—Other News.

The Chicago Great Western railway has announced a drastic cut in the freight rate on wheat from Kansas City to Minneapolis, that completely overcomes the discriminating rate recently adopted from Omaha to Minneapolis. The present rate is 14 cents a hundred pounds. The Great Western announces that from January 30 it will haul wheat for 9 cents, which is the rate recently put on at Omaha.

The 9-cent rate from Omaha, while the Kansas City rate was 14 cents, almost completely shut the market out of Nebraska wheat business. When the Omaha rate was adopted Commissioner Trickett of the Kansas City transportation bureau, immediately went to work to get the Great Western either to restore the rate to 14 cents from Omaha or to reduce it to 9 cents from Kansas City. His efforts were crowned with success when he received from P. C. Stohr, general traffic manager of the Great Western, a message announcing the cut to 9 cents from Kansas City.

Intimations of the reduction in the rate have been had by a few large grain shippers for several days and fully one-half million bushels of wheat have been sold to go to Minneapolis on the new rate.

The Great Western road not only announced a reduction of 5 cents in the Minneapolis wheat rate, but it also will cut 2 cents from the rate from Kansas City to Chicago, and to the Mississippi river. The result is likely to be a demoralization of the whole western rate situation, for the other roads will meet the reduction made by the Great Western, and it is likely also that there will be a big cut in the rates to gulf points. It is not unlikely also that the reductions may extend to some lines of merchandise.

Following similar action by the Great Western and Northwestern roads, the Santa Fe has given notice that it will reduce the rate on grain 5 cents from interior Kansas points by direct route to Galveston. In addition, the Rock Island and Missouri Pacific gave notice of a two-cent reduction from the west-territory involved, through Kansas City to Chicago.

Drug Treatment Useless in Pneumonia

"Drug treatment is useless in cases so far as medicines are concerned, can be of no assistance in the fight against this disease. The sooner the profession will acknowledge this to the public and set to work to discover some specific to save pneumonia patients the better for all concerned."

This startling statement by Dr. Arthur D. Bevan, who stands high in the profession, stirred up the members of the Chicago Medical society at their meeting. Several physicians sprang to their feet against this arraignment. All had to admit, however, that there is no definite remedy known and they based their protests solely on the contention that they might influence the patient favorably by easing somewhat and by the moral effect of their presence.

New Homestead Bill

Representative Kinkaid introduced in the house a bill to amend the homestead laws as to certain unappropriated lands of Nebraska. The bill provides that the size of homesteads shall not exceed one section containing 640 acres. Holders of homesteads already registered may take additional land to make their entire holdings the same as above. Lands affected are in the counties of Sioux, Scottsbluff, Banner, Kimball, Dawes, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Sheridan, Deuel, Cherry, Grant, Keith, Lincoln, McPherson, Hooker, Thomas, Logan, Custer, Blaine, Keya Paha, Rock, Loup, Holt, Garfield, Valley, Sherman, Buffalo, Howard, Greeley, Wheeler, Boyd, Perkins, Dundy, Hayes and Hitchcock.

Two Killed at Broken Bow.

Two men were killed and two seriously, perhaps, fatally injured, in a collision in the B. & M. yards at Broken Bow, Neb. Tom Kelly, an engineer, was pinned under his engine and it is believed died instantly. Fireman Eaton was killed outright, as was the head brakeman, whose name can not be at this hour, learned. A passenger in the caboose of the head train was seriinto the rear of freight No. 48, as it into the rear of reight No. 48, as it stood on the main line. Both trains were eastbound. A curve and a deep cut obstructed the view of Engineer Kelly.

Minister Thompson in Washington.

D. E. Thompson, minister to Brazil, of Lincoln, arrived in Washington from New York accompanied by Elmer B. Stephenson of Lincoln. Mr. Thompson expects to return to New York, where he will attend to some business matters and will arrive in Lincoln about the 5th of February. Mr. Thompson, together with Senator Millard and Mr. Stephenson and Senator Scott of West Virginia, called on President Roosevelt. Mr. Thompson's call on the president was of an official nature and matters pertaining to the minister's post in Brazil were discussed in the interview.

Victor Rosewater Married.

Victor Rosewater, editor of the Omaha Bee of Omaha, was married to Miss Katie Katz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kaufman Katz, of Baltimore. The ceremony was performed at Rosenau, Rabbie of Eautaw place temple, the home of the bride's parents, 922 West North Avenue. The Rev. Dr. William officiated. There were no attendance. Among the out of town guests were the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rosewater, and his sister, Miss Blanche Rosewater, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Rosenau, relatives of the groom.

SNOW IN SUNNY SOUTH.

Thirteen Inches of the Beautiful in Alabama and Mississippi.

According to the weather bureau the snow fall at Birmingham, Ala., amounted to eight inches, the heaviest of which there is an official record. Street car and railroad traffic is delayed.

Thirteen inches of snow fell at Jackson, Miss., the heaviest fall of snow known in that section in the last twenty-five years.

The heaviest snowfall every known at Birmingham, Ala., since the local weather bureau was established fell to a depth of sevral inches. The temperature dropped to a freezing point and street car traffic was greatly delayed.

Working the Congressmen.

Detective F. N. Weber of Washington arrested M. F. McKesson charged with "soliciting with intent to defraud." McKesson gave his address as New York, and his occupation as representation of the "Writers' Press Association." He was soliciting contracts for illustrated "write ups" in a proposed publication entitled 'Personal Reminiscences of the 58th Congress." In a prospectus he carried were portraits of President Roosevelt and his cabinet and many prominent senators and members of the house with whom he said he had contracts. Representative Mudd of Maryland, who admits paying $25 for a "write up" says he did it solely on the statements of McKesson that the money was for the benefit of newspaper men working in the capitol. McKesson was turned over to the Washington police.

Members of the Academy Science Meet

The fourteenth annual convention of the Nebraska Academy of sciences was opened in the Mechanics Art building at the state university. This meeting was a business session, and the work of the society was discussed and passed upon. The meeting closed with a social session at the home of the present president, Prof. Lawrence Bruner, 2314 South Seventeenth street, on Friday afternoon.

President Bruner gave his opening address in University hall, room 10 1-2, the subject of his talk being on the "Migration of Birds."

The program consisted of the reading of papers by the various professors.

Omaha Y. M. C. A. Sell Building.

The Y. M. C. A. building, at Sixteenth and Douglas streets, Omaha, has been sold to the McCague Investment company for $200,000 cash. The investment company will hold the property as trustee for an investor, whose name the company will not give out. Under the terms of the sale the Y. M. C. A. will occupy the building for two years. In the meantime the directors will decide upon new quarters. The new building will be a pretentious affair near the business center of the city, part of which will be let to business enterprises, or a smaller building a few blocks away, all of which will be devoted to the Y. M. C. A. work.

Lincoln Left Out of Schedule.

Magnates of the Western league were late in getting into session to settle the matter of the 1904 circuit in their meeting at Chicago. Sioux City sent W. B. Nation to make a plea for that town, and it is not unlikely that the Iowa city will be included in the circuit. Lincoln, Neb., and Pueblo, Colo., are not seriously considered. Doubtless after the legal troubles over Denver are adjusted the circuit will consist of six clubs, Sioux City, Denver, Colorado Springs, Des Moines, Omaha and St. Joseph. Baseball men prominent in the meeting were "Tom" Burns, of Colorado Springs; George Tebeau of Louisville and Denver; Myrick and Watson of Des Moines; "Bill" Rourke of Omaha; President Wiley of St. Joseph and president of the league, M. H. Sexton.

Successful Hog Show at Superior.

About 200 stockmen from all parts of Nebraska and Kansas were in attendance at Sarperior, Neb., and about 150 hogs were entered in the show. Lectures on cattle, hogs and corn judging were given by Professors Smith and Hendricks of the state university. The hog scoring was done by George W. Berry of Emporia, Kas. The stockmen met in a hall for a social evening and discussed matters that interested them, Jacob Wolf, former land commissioner, being among the speakers. The citizens of the town gave the visitors a smoker in the opera house.

Thirty Seven Killed by Tornado

A disastrous tornado swept over Moundville, Ala., a town of 300 inhabitants, fifteen miles south of Tuscaloosa, and as a result thirty-seven persons were killed and more than one hundred injured. Every business house, with the exception of a small drug store, was completely destroyed. The tornado struck the city from the southwest and mowed a path a quarter of a mile wide through the town.

Two Evenly Matched Pugilists.

Jack O'Brien of Philadelphia and Tommy Ryan fought six fast rounds at Philadelphia before a large crowd at the National Athletic club for equal parts of a $5,000 purse and the middleweight championship. Under the Pennsylvania law no decision can be given. Many pugilists of national reputation were present. Both O'Brien and Ryan were almost knocked out in the fifth.

She Shamed the Judge.

"That's high enough," sternly remarked Judge Neelen of Milwaukee, to Rosie Knopp, when the young woman raised her skirts to show the court the injuries Joseph Cowall inflicted upon her ankle with an ax. After exhibit "A" was ruled out of order, exhibit "C," consisting of a black eye, and exhibit "D," comprising a jackknife and a handful of hair, was introduced. Miss Knopp claimed she was assaulted when she asked the defendant to pay his board. He was fined $25 and costs.

WILL FIGHT LAW

Foreign Insurance Companies Oppose Nebraska Law.

IS UNJUST DISCRIMINATION

Think They Can Save Enough by Proving Law Inoperative to Fee Lawyers Liberally.

Foreign fire insurance companies doing business in Nebraska will attack the validity of the insurance sections of the new revenue law, and Attorneys Greene, Breckenridge and Kinsley, attorneys for the companies, will enjoin the Omaha city tax, which will be levied on February 2.

The supreme court of Nebraska last month decided that the new revenue law as a whole, is valid, but intimated that single sections might be attacked, if deemed inequitable.

The ground for the attack upon the tax levy will be that section 58, under which assessment and levy are made, is void because the fire insurance companies are discriminated against, contrary to the constitution, which requires property taxes to be by valuation and uniform.

Should this section be held constitutional, the old law will not thereby be revived, but foreign fire insurance companies will be taxed under section 12 of the new law, which relates to the assessment and taxation of personal property, and which provides that it shall be assessed at 20 per cent of its actual cash value. The only personal property owned by insurance companies is the cash in the hands of their agents.

At the time of filing their bill the attorneys intend to tender to the city the tax which they think it has the right to exact under section 12. To this end they have called for information as to the amount of money due on Oct. 1, 1903, from the agents of the foreign fire insurance companies doing business in Nebraska to their respective companies.

The total assessment of the fire insurance companies this year is $583,240. This, on a 12-mill levy, would yield about $7,000. The greater part by far of the assessment is upon foreign companies.

Senator Dietrich Will Try.

United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich, against whom charges of trafficing in federal appointments were brought recently in the United States circuit court, left for Washington. He said that he would submit to the senate a detailed statement of the case, together with documentary proof of his statements. "I will ask the senate to make a searching investigation," said the senator, "which I wish to be an impartial inquiry. It was my desire that the matter should have been fully aired in court, but legal complications arose which made it impossible to proceed without taking a risk of shutting out all testimony my counsel were ready to produce for my defense."

President John Mitchell Re-Elected.

President John Mitchell, Vice President Lewis, and Secretary-Treasurer Wilson of the United Mine Workers have been re-elected without opposition, according to the vote of the convention. The full vote of th organization was not cast. Mitchell received 92,633 votes; Lewis, 91,810, and Wilson, 91,875. The report of the scale committee was adopted. Indianapolis was selected for the next national convention. A committee was appointed to draft a memorial in honor of the Harwick mine victims and adjournment was taken till tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Full-Blooded Cherokees Troublesome.

Runners report an uprising among the full blooded Indians of the Cherokees and ask the protection for the whites who live in that country. The Cherokees belong to the Ketoowah band, which has opposed the government ni the allot ment of lands. They have left their homes around Poorman's Gap, gone to Greenleaf mountains and threaten to raid the settlers. The Snake Indians have been gathering at Flat Rock for two weeks. Runners are going constantly between the Ketoowahs and the Snakes and they are trying to get their forces together. If this is done trouble and bloodshed is feared. It was the Snakes and Ketoowahs that led the uprising in 1896.

Corn Show Prizes Awarded.

The judges of the corn show held at the state farm last week, have completed their work, and Prof. T. L. Lyon of the farm has prepared a list of the exhibitors, together with the score of the grain placed on exhibition by each. The five scoring highest are as follows:

R. Hogue, Crete, Saline, Hogue's Yellow Dent, 89.75.

F. B. Liphardt, Graf, Johnson, Mammoth Golden Yellow, 89. 25.

J. M. Wild, De Soto, Washington, Mammoth White Pearl, 88.25.

John C. Lloyd, Utica, Seward, Legal Tender, 88.00.

A. Marton, DuBois, Pawnee, Reid's Yellow Dent, 87.75.

No Gambling in Panama.

The constitutional convention of Panama continued the discussion of the proposed constitution, and an article prohibiting gambling in the republic of Panama was approved.

Wyandotte Boodlers Indicted.

Three indictments were returned by the special grand jury which was called in Wyandotte county, Kas., to investigate charges of boodling against members of the school board and other public officials for violation of the antigambling and liquor laws and other alleged infractions of the law in Kansas City, Kas. Those indicted for bribery are Frank M. Campbell and Charles M. Bowles, members of the school board, and Chris Kopp, an ex-councilman.

TAKES HIS OWN LIFE.

Thomas Ewing of Lincoln Passes to the Great Beyond.

Thomas Ewing, president of the Ewing Clothing company of Lincoln, and an old resident of Lincoln, shot himself in his store on O street. The bullet from a .38 calibre revolver entered his left breast just below the nipple, probably piercing an artery near the heart, passed through his body and was found on the sofa on which he was lying at the time. Death followed the shot in an instant. Those near the part of the store where the act was committed thought they heard a groan following the shot, but on this point they are not quite certain.

On his hat on the desk in the little office, enclosed by a railing not far from the center of the store, a letter was found, addressed to his brother, E. P. Ewing, secretary of the company. The note, when opened, was found to read:

"Good bye dear family, one and all.

"My will is in the safe. It will take better care of you all than I can.

"It is either this—or the asylum.

"This will be the best for you all.

"With love for all, etc. T. E."

The note was legibly written and found under other circumstances would not have indicated great mental excitement. The wording of the note indicated to the coroner's jury that the act was not that of an insane man, but rather that he had borne the pain of his afflictions until it seemed that death would be preferable. The jury, empanelled by Coroner Graham, and consisting of W. A. Howard, W. M. Morning, S. J. Dennis, C. B. Eckhart, C. B. Robinson and Wm. Lawlor, after listening to the evidence given by his brothers and Thomas Robinson, a clerk in the store, returned the verdict:

"That Thomas Ewing came to his death from a gun shot wound self inflicted, while suffering from a complication of diseases and general ill health."

Patonizing American Ships.

Secretary Root has addressed a letter to Senator Frye, president pro tem of the senate, expressing his views further on the pending legislation to require all government freights for the Philippines to be carried on American bottoms. The secretary says he is willing, in the effort to protect American shipping, to go to a reasonable extent, even so far as giving such ships 100 per cent premium on Philippine business. But he does not approve of a proposition to tie the government absolutely in the manner proposed, and suggests that the government should be permitted to suspend operation of the proposed act when tenders for transportation in United States vessels can not be had at reasonable rates.

No Hope that Any Are Alive

The last hope for the lives of any of the 184 men entombed in the Harwick mine of the Allegheny Coal company, two miles from Cheswick, Pa., was given up when George W. Scheetze, manager of the mine, admitted that he believed that not one of them would be brought up alive. Now the cry is for more men to come to the work of rescue.

Volunteers are needed to work back through the debris to where the miners are imprisoned, and where possibly some may have managed to survive. Already four men are known to be dead, among them Selwin M. Taylor, of Pittsburg, who was the first of the rescue party to reach the bottom of the shaft. His body was brought to the top of the shaft this morning.

Wright's Conviction Killed Him

The trial of Whitaker Wright, in London, England, ended in a tragedy. Within an hour of being found guilty and sentenced to seven years' penal servitude, the most severe sentence the law allows for the fraud of which he was convicted, the financier whose colossal dealings have created a sensation on both sides of the Atlantic, lay dead in the ante-room of the court. Whether Wright's death was due to heart disease, following the excitement of the trial as announced by the doctor, or by poison grimly hinted by his friends, is still undecided and possibly will not be ascertained until the coroner's verdict.

Take Revenge on Americans.

It is learned that the insurgents are destroying American property in San Domingo, consequently the United State cruiser Columbia left for San Pedro Macorsis to protect American interests there, the American consul at San Pedro having telegraphed Minister Powell advising him of the necessity of the cruiser's presence and saying also that other foreign interests were imperilled. The government is unable to afford the necessary protection. Certain American sugar estates at San Pedro are considered to be especially threatened, as they are some distance from the town and without protection.

Burkett Favors Higher Pay.

Representative Burkett appeared today before the sub-committee on appropriations and made a plea for higher salaries for rural free delivery carriers.

West Point to Have New Depot.

Arrangements have finally been made to locate the new Northwestern depot at West Point, Neb., at a very advantageous point near the center of the city. In consideration of the citizens donating the site the company has agreed to erect a $12,00 structure.

Bank at Murdock Robbed.

The bank of Murdock, Neb., was entered by burglars and robbed of $1,200. The robbers gained access by digging through the walls of the vault. The safe was not locked. It is not known how many men were implicated in the affair, and nothing has yet been found which might lead to the discovery of their identity. Murdock is in Cass county.

Many a man gets the best of a fight because he hasn't the nerve to run away.

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"I beg your pardon,' said a man who had approached another, apparently a stranger to him. "I saw you lift your hat to the driver on the wagon at the crossing. Of course, it's none of my business, but just to satisfy my curiosity, wish you'd tell me why you did it."

"With pleasure. Didn't you see that he pulled up his horse and gave me a chance to cross, instead of trying to run me down?"

Towne—I understand Melba was engaged to appear at a swell musicale recently and she got $1,000 for one song.

Browne—Ah! I think I understand what my wife meant when she said she got that last bonnet of hers for a mere song.

"Wat's all this fuss about?" asked the policeman, stepping between the two young men. The one that had got the worst of it was wiping the blood from his nose, and he pointed to the other fellow. "He can tell you her name, if he wants to," he said. "I won't."

"Our friend Lushman has reformed completely since his marriage."

"Why, he told me he still had his beer steins at the house and his wife kept them full for him."

"So she does—full of temperance abstracts."

The way to make a woman happy is to be sure she is awake and then pretending you think she is asleep, to kiss her softly, as if you did not want her to know it.

DIDN'T BELIEVE

That Coffee Was the Real Trouble.

Some people flounder around and take everything that's recommended to them but finally find out that coffee is the real cause of their troubles. An Oregon man says:

"For 25 years I was troubled with my stomach. I was a steady coffee drinker but didn't suspect that as the cause. I doctored with good doctors and got no help, then I took almost anything which someone else had been cured with but to no good. I was very bad last summer and could not work at times.

"On December 2, 1902, I was taken so bad the Doctor said I could not live over twenty-four hours at the most and I made all preparations to die. I could hardly eat anything, everything distressed me and I was weak and sick all over. When in that condition coffee was abandoned and I was put on Postum, the change in my feelings came quickly after the drink that was poisoning me was removed.

"The pain and sickness fell away from me and I began to get well day by day so I stuck to it until now I am well and strong again, can eat heartily with no headache, heart trouble or the awful sickness of the old coffee days. I drink all I wish of Postum without any harm and enjoy it immensely.

"This seems like a wonderfully strong story but I would refer you to the First National Bank, The Trust Banking Co., or any merchant of Grant's Pass, Ore., in regard to my standing and I will send a sworn statement of this if you wish. You can also use my name." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Still there are many who persistently fool themselves by saying "Coffee don't hurt me," a ten days' trial of Postum in its place will tell the truth and many times save life.

"There's a reason."

Look for the little book "The Road to Wellville" in each package.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XVI.—Continued.

Aunt Lucy came over and sat down upon a sod heap, resting her chin upon her hand and looking fixedly at the girl, who still stood leaning against the post.

"Er—Miss Ma'y Ellen—" she began again.

"Yes. What is it, Lucy?"

"Does you know who's jess erbout ther fines' and likelies' man whut lives in all these yer pahts erroun' yer?"

Mary Ellen stopped tossing bits of bread to the chickens. "No, Aunt Lucy," she said. "I hadn't thought about that."

"Yes, you has!" cried Aunt Lucy, rising and shaking a bodeful forefinger. "Yes you has, an' yes you does! An' you don' 'preshuate him, thass whut. Him a wushshippin' you!"

Mary Ellen began tossing bread again. "How do you know that?" she asked.

"How does I know?—law me, jes listen to thet chile! How does I know? Ain' he done tole me, an' yo' An' Lizzie, an' Majah Buford—an' you? Ain' he done tole you a dozen times? Don' everybody know hit? An' he's a gemman, too, mo'oveh; he's a gemman! Reckon I knows quality! Yas, sir, Cap'n Franklin, she shoh'ly am the bestes' man fer a real lady to choosen—bestes' in all this yer lan', Uh-huh!"

"I never thought of him—not in that way," said Mary Ellen, not quite able to put an end to this conversation.

"Miss Ma'y Ellen," said Aunt Lucy solemnly, "I'se wukked fer you an' yo' fam'ly all my life, an' I hates to say ary woh'd what ain't fitten. But I gotto to tell you, you ain' tellin' the trufe to me, toe yo' old black mammy, right now. I tells you, an' I knows it, tha' hain't nary gal on earth ever done look at no man, I don't care who

"No, Aunt Lucy, I hadn't thought about that."

he wuz, 'thout thinkin' 'bout him, an' 'cidin' in her min', one way er otheh whetheh she like fer to mah'y that ther man er not! If er 'ooman say she do different f'om thet, she shoh'ly fergettin' o' the trufe, thass all! Ain' thought o' him! Go 'long!" Aunt Lucy wiped her hand upon her apron violently in the vehemence of her incredulity.

Mary Ellen's face sobered with a trace of the old melancholy.

"Aunt Lucy," she said, "you mean kindly, I am sure, but you must not talk to me of these things. Don't you remember the old days back home? Can you forget Master Henry, Aunt Lucy—can you forget the days—those days—?"

Aunt Lucy rose and went over to Mary Ellen and took her hand between her own great black ones. "No, I doesn't fergit nothin', Miss Ma'y Ellen," she said, wiping the girl's eyes as though she were still a baby. "I doesn't fergit Mas' Henry. Gord bless him! I doesn't forgit him any mo'n you does. But now listen toe yo' old black mammy, whut knows a heap mo'n you does, an' who is a-talkin' toe you because you ain't got no real mammy o' yer own no mo'. Now, I done had fo' husban's, me. Two o' them done died, an' one distapeart in the wah, an' one he turn out no 'count. Now, you s'pose I kain't love no otheh man?"

Mary Ellen could not restrain a smile, but it did not impinge upon the earnestness of the other.

"Yas'm, Miss Ma'y Ellen," she continued, again taking the girl's face between her hands. "Gord, he say, it hain't good fer man toe be erlone. An' Gord knows, speshul in er lan' like this yer, hit's a heap mo' fitten fer a man toe be erlone then fer a 'ooman. Some wimmen-folks, they's made fer grievin', all there time, fer frettin', an' worr'in', an' er-mopin' 'roun'. Then, agin, some is made fer lovin'—I don' say fer lovin' mo'n one man to er time; fer ther ain't no good 'coman ever did thet. But some is made fer lovin'. They sech er heap o' no 'count folks in ther worl', hit do seem like a shame when one o' them sort don' love nobody, an' won't let nobody love them!"

Mary Ellen was silent. She could not quite say the world to stop the old servant's garrulity, and the latter went on.

"Whut I does say, Miss Ma'y Ellen," she resumed earnestly looking into the girl's face as though to carry conviction with her speech—"whut I does say, an' I says hit fer yo' own good, is this: Mas' Henry, he's daid! He's daid an' buh'ied, an' flowehs growin' oveh his grave, yeahs 'n yeahs. An' you never wuz mahied toe him. An' you wan't nothin' but a gal. Chile, you don't know nothin' 'bout lovin' yit. Now, I says toe you, what's ther use? Thass hit, Miss Ma'y Ellen, what's ther use?"

CHAPTER XVII.

En Voyage.

"I wish, Sam," said Franklin one morning as he stopped at the door of the livery barn—"I wish that you would get me up a good team. I'm thinking of driving over south a little way to-day."

"All right, Cap," said Sam. "I reckon we can fix you up. How far you goin'?"

"Well, about twenty-five or thirty miles, perhaps."

"Which will bring you," said Sam meditatively, "just about to the Halfway House. Seein' it's about there you'll be stoppin', I reckon I better give you my new buggy. I sort of keep it, you know, for special 'casions."

He disappeared within the barn, whence presently arose sounds of tumult. The "span" emerged with one half of its constituent parts walking on its hind legs and lashing out viciously in front.

"Well, I don't know about that black," said Franklin critically. "He's a bit bronco, isn't he?"

"What, him?" said Sam. "Naw, he's all right. You don't suppose I'd run in any wild stock on you, do you? He's been hitched up several times, an' he's plumb gentle. May rare up a little at first, but he's all right. Of course, you want to have a little style about you, goin' down there."

Franklin got into the buggy, while Sam held the head of the "plumb gentle" horse. When cast loose the latter reared again and came down with his fore feet over the neck yoke. Nimbly recovering, he made a gallant attempt to kick in the dashboard. This stirred up his mate to a thought of former days, and the two went away pawing and plunging. "So long!" cried Sam, waving his hand. "Good luck!"

Franklin was for a time busy in keeping his team upon the trail, but soon they settled down into a steady, shuffling trot, to which they held for a mile over the hard prairie road. An hour's drive from the town, and the traveler seemed in a virgin world. A band of antelope lined up on the crest of a ridge and stood staring steadfastly. A gray-winged hawk swept wide and easily along the surface of the earth on its morning hunting trip. Near by the trail hundreds of cheerful prairie dogs barked and jerked their ceaseless salutation. An ancient and untroubled scheme of life lay all around him, appealing in its freshness and its charm.

Lifting and shimmering mysteriously in the midday sun, as though tantalizing any chance traveler of that wide land with a prospect alluring, yet impossible, the buildings of the Halfway station now loomed large and dark, now sank until they seemed a few broken dots and dashes just visible upon the wide gray plain. Yet soon these seemed to grow closer, and Franklin found himself again at the spot with which he was already so well acquainted that every detail, every low building and gnarled bit of wood, was tabulated surely in his mind. The creak of the windmill presently came to his ears as a familiar sound, but rasping and irritating on his strong nerves as the croak of the elder Fate.

Buford met him in the yard, and the two together busied themselves in taking care of the team, the former apologizing that he still had no servant for such work. "I'm mighty glad to see you again, captain, for it looked as though you had forsaken us. It certainly is a comfort to see a gentleman like yourself once in a while. We meet plenty of cowmen and movers, decent folk enough, but they have a lack, sir, they have a lack. I maintain, sir, that no gentleman can flourish without that intelligent social intercourse with his kind which is as much a part of his livin', sir, as the eatin' of his daily bread. Now, as I was sayin' about Gen. Lee, sir. I am willing to admit, sir, that the war is over, but I never did admit, and, sir, I contend yet, that Lee was the greatest general that the world ever saw—far greater than Grant, who was in command of resources infinitely superior. Now, then—"

"Oh, uncle, uncle!" cried a voice behind him. "Have you begun the war over again so soon? You might at least lot Mr. Franklin get into the house."

Mary Ellen stood at the door of the dugout, just clear of the front, and upon the second step of the stair, and her hand half shading her eyes. The sun fell upon her brown hair, changing its chestnut to a ruddy bronze, vital and warm, with a look as though it breathed a fragrance of its own. A little vagrant lock blew down at the temple, and Franklin yearned, as he always did when he saw this small truant, to stroke it back into its place. The sun and the open air had kissed pink into the cheek underneath the healthy brown. The curve of the girl's chin was full and firm. Her tall figure had all the grace of a normal being. Her face, sweet and serious, showed the symmetry of perfect and well-balanced faculties. The vision of her standing there caused Franklin to thrill and flush. Unconsciously he drew near to her, too absorbed to notice the one visible token of a possible success; for, as he approached, hat in hand, the girl drew back, as though she feared.

There was something not easily to be denied in this tall man, his figure still military in its self-respect of carriage, with the broad shoulders, the compact trunk, the hard jaw, and the straight blue eye of the man of deeds. He looked so fit and manly, so clean of heart, and so direct of purpose as he came on now in this forlorn hope that Mary Ellen felt a shiver of self-distrust. She stepped back, calling on all the familiar spirits of the past. Her heart stopped, resuming at double speed. It seemed as though a thrill of tingling warmth came from somewhere in the air—this time, this day, this hour, this man, so imperative, this new land, this new world into which she had come from that of her earlier years! She was yet so young! Could there be something unknown, some sweetness yet unsounded? Could there be that rest and content which, strive as she might, were still missing from her life? Could there be this—and honor?

Mary Ellen fled, and in her room sat down staring in a sudden panic. She needed to search out a certain faded picture. It was almost with a sob that she noted the thin shoulders, the unformed jaw, the eye betokening pride rather than vigor, the brow indicative of petulance as much as sternness. Mary Ellen laid the picture to her cheek, saying again and again that she loved it still. Poor girl, she did not yet know that this was but the maternal love of a woman's heart, pitying, tender and remembering, to be sure, but not that love over which the morning stars sang together at the beginning of the world.

(To be continued.)

Mine Drainage Planned.

Mine drainage operations in South Staffordshire, England, by which 40,000,000 tons of coal may be won from flooded pits, are now contemplated. These mines have been flooded for a quarter of a century. The coal area has been split up into various ownerships, and before a drainage commission came into existence each owner was supposed to pump the water from his own pits. Some of them failed to do this and in the end all of the pits were abandoned. A drainage commission has obtained power to pump out the pits and has secured a loan of $500,000 to do it with. The project is an extensive and difficult one, but mining experts declare that it offers no obstacles which modern engineering resources are unable to conquer. The re-starting of the mines means a large access of property to a district that stands in urgent need of it, and the prospect of restoring this long abandoned industry has created great interest in the neighborhood.

Digging Well to Drain a Bog.

An ingenious Yankee who lives on the west coast of Florida adopted a novel method to drain a bog on his plantation. He put down a four-inch well in the middle of his bog deep enough to tap the water bearing gravel. A nice flow of water was encountered, which rose in the well nearly to the surface. As soon as the top of the pipe was pushed down to a level with the bottom of the bog, the water in the pond rushed down into the well and passed off through subterranean channels. In a few hours the bog was drained. The land has since been plowed and is now a valuable truck farm. Scientists declare that wet lands in many sections of the country can be drained by this simple method. Care must be taken not to permit the well to fill up with rubbish, which might impede the ingress of the water.

Plenty of Raw Material.

"Grandpa," said the children, "tell us another story about the time when you were a young man and traveled with the show."

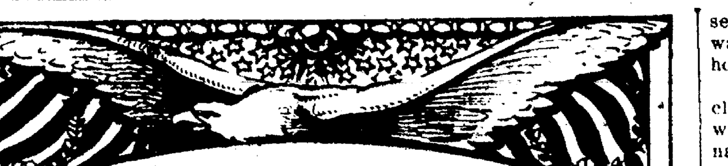
"Well," said Grandfather Dutton, "when I was with Nixon & Kemp's circus, forty or fifty years ago, one of my great acts was to get a boy to put an apple on top of his head and then I would stand ten paces away and shoot a rifle ball through it."

"But didn't you sometimes miss the apple and shoot the boy?"

"Not often, but it happened once in a while, of course."

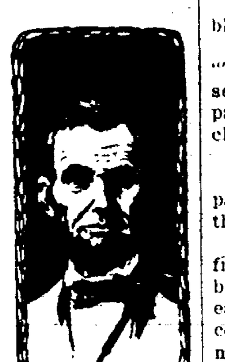
"What did you do then?" they asked breathlessly.

"Do?" said Grandfather Dutton, shrugging his shoulders. "Why, sometimes I had to wait two or three minutes before I could find another boy, but not often. There are always plenty of boys."



ABRAHAM LINCOLN

[From "Commemoration Ode," by JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL]



For him her old world molds aside she threw,
And, choosing sweet clay from the breast
Of the unexhausted west,
With stuff untainted shaped a hero new,
Wise, steadfast in the strength of God, and true.

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His was no lonely mountain peak of mind,
Thrusting to thin air o'er our cloudy bars,
A sea mark now, now lost in vapors blind;
Broad prairie rather, genial, level lined.

Hawthorne's Pen Pictures of Abraham Lincoln.

The renowned writer, Hawthorne, once penned the following memorable sketch of Abraham Lincoln's character:

"Mr. Lincoln's whole physiognomy is a coarse one, but withal it is redeemed, illuminated, softened and brightened by a kindly though serious look out of his eyes, and an expression of only sagacity that seemed weighted with rich results of village experience. A great deal of native sense, no bookish cultivation, no refinement, honest at heart, and yet in some sort sly—at least endowed with a sort of tact and wisdom that are akin to craft and would impel him, I think, to take an antagonist in flank rather than to make a bull run at him right in front. But on the whole, I liked this sallow, queer, sagacious visage, with the homely human sympathies that warmed him; and for my small share in the matter would as lief have Uncle Abe for a ruler as any man who would have been likely to be put in his place."

Lincoln was a human being. He was not a god, although Mr. Pratt approvingly quoted from Mr. John Hay this absurd paragraph: "I consider Lincoln Republicanism incarnate, with all its faults and virtues, and in spite of some movements Republicanism is the sole hope of a sick world, so Lincoln, with all his foibles, is the greatest character since Christ."

He may not have been that, but he was too great a man to be emasculated, toned down and falsified into a conventionalized puppet. His faults were a part of his rugged manhood and individuality. Paint him with his warts on; that is how he would have wished to be painted.

It must have been a pleasure to Mr. Pratt to have recorded the statements of an artist, a clergyman and of William H. Seward, that they never heard the President tell any anecdotes which could not have been repeated with propriety in the presence of ladies. "Nevertheless," said he, "the clergyman and the artist must have been comparative strangers to Lincoln, and Mr. Seward, if correctly quoted, was doubtless lying in the interest of what he conceived to be propriety. Hawthorne did not deem it necessary to dab a fig leaf over Lincoln's nudity of speech. He regrets that he himself had not lingered longer in the Presidential presence and see him cross his legs (which, I am told, is a very extraordinary performance), and hear him tell one of his electrical stories, for which he was so famous. A good many of these are afloat in the common talk of Washington and are certainly the aptest, prettiest and funniest little things imaginable; though, to be sure, they smack of the frontier freedom and would not always bear repetition in the drawing room."

Gov. Andrew G. Curtin was one of Pennsylvania's greatest men. He was twice elected governor during war times. Col. Alec. McClure was the power behind the throne of Gov. Curtin. McClure was asked why he didn't run for governor of Pennsylvania himself, but replied: "It is better to own a governor than to be a governor." He turned Curtin against the administration, and three days before the battle of Gettysburg the governor, in a speech to the soldiers in the public square said: "Soldiers, remember, I promise you I will not play the administration at Washington on you." This angered Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War, very much. He complained to Lincoln of the manner in which the Governor of Pennsylvania performed the orders of the War Department, complaining bitterly over the order and yet performing them. In other words, he kept the word of promise to the hope, but broke it to the ear.

Mr. Lincoln was a good judge of men, and quickly learned the peculiar traits of character of those with whom he had to deal. He pointed out a marked trait in Gov. Andrew G. Curtin, of Pennsylvania, who was earnest, able and untiring in keeping up the war spirit of his state, but was at times overbearing and exacting in his intercourse with the general government.

Upon one occasion he complained and protested more bitterly than usual and warned those in authority that the execution of the War Department orders in this state would be beset with difficulties and dangers.

The tone of the dispatches gave rise to an apprehension that he might not co-operate fully in the enterprise at hand. The Secretary of War, in anger, laid the dispatches before the President for advisory instructions. They did not disturb Mr. Lincoln in the least. In fact, they rather amused him. After reading all the papers he said, in a cheerful and reassuring tone, "Mr. Secretary, never mind these dispatches; they don't mean anything; just go right ahead. Gov. Curtin is like a boy I once saw at the launching of a ship. When everything was ready they picked out this boy and set him on the ship to knock away the trigger and let her go. At the critical moment everything depended on that boy. He had to do the job well, by a direct, vigorous blow, and then lie flat and keep still while the ship moved over him. The boy did everything right; but he yelled as if he were being murdered from the time he got under the keel until he got out. I thought the skin was all scraped off his back, but his hide was not touched."

"The master of the yard told me that this boy was always chosen for that job, that he did his work well; that he had never been hurt, but that he always squealed in that way. That's just the way," continued Mr. Lincoln, "that Gov. Andy Curtin does. Make up your mind that he is not hurt, that he is doing the work right and pay no attention to his squealing. He only wants to make you understand how hard his task is."

Sometimes the President yielded to Secretary Stanton's judgment. Rev. Charles W. Heisler, a Methodist minister, who still survives, had rather a "soft snap" as chaplain of a hospital in Philadelphia. His wife was very ill, and the Secretary of War had just ordered him to his post of duty at the Dry Tortugas, or some place equally unsatisfactory. Heisler wanted the order rescinded. He saw Mr. Lincoln, explained the whole matter to the President, who said: "I think this preacher ought to be allowed to remain where he is."

Lincoln reached to a pigeon hole in his desk and took out a card, on which he wrote:

"Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War: If the exigencies of the service will permit, let up on Mr. Heisler and leave him where he is. A. Lincoln."

Rev. Heisler went over to the War Office in high spirits. Stanton was in one of his uproarious humors. For the modern Carnot, in spite of his many virtues and his solid Presbyterianism, could, when angered, swear like a moss trooper. He read Mr. Lincoln's card and said to the minister, "Go back and tell Mr. Lincoln I will be d—d if I will do what he requests." After the President had listened patiently to Stanton's message he said with a twinkle in his eye, "Well, I never did have much influence with this administration."

Rev. Mr. Heisler resigned next day as chaplain in the United States service.

The next time the writer saw the President the first thing he said was: "I did something this morning which has aroused the ire of Secretary Stanton. Congressman Dennison, of Pennsylvania, came to me with the mother of John Russell, a soldier who was to be shot within forty-eight hours for insubordination, and I gave a peremptory order pardoning the soldier and restoring him to his regiment. At a recent battle in the face of the enemy John Russell's captain ran away. When the battle was over, in which half of the company was lost, this soldier met his captain, and walking up to him, rifle in hand, he said: 'Captain ———, you are a d—d coward, and ought to be shot for cowardice.'

"The captain pulled out his revolver and attempted to kill Russell. They were separated. The captain preferred charges of insubordination against the soldier, and a subservient court-martial sentenced Russell to be shot, and did not even censure the cowardly officer. Congressman Dennison has just given me all the facts of this case, and I have just made the poor mother happy by saving the boy, and I did more. I dismissed the cowardly captain from the army."

John Russell still lives to tell this story how the great head of the army and navy had saved his life. He re-enlisted at the end of his term of service and fought to the end of the war and still wears "his wounds and honors" a'front.

Two boys, named Snyder and Ratcliffe, ran away from their parents, while under age, and enlisted in the navy. The parents got an interview with Mr. Lincoln. They told him the only faults the boys had was this one of disobedience to their parents.

"Well," he said, reaching for a blank card, "I think I can help you."

He wrote to Secretary Welles: "The United States don't need the services of boys who disobey their parents. Let both Snyder and Ratcliffe be discharged.

"A. LINCOLN."

This card is still retained by the parents of the runaway boys, and they often tell the tale as one of Mr.

In the congressional delegation from a western state were two members who were intensely jealous of each other. He listened to the hot contest between these two congressmen about the appointment of a big postmaster. He heard them patiently, and said: "I will take your papers and decide your case the last of the week. Your rivalries recall to my mind the intense feeling between two class leaders in Sangamon County Methodist Church. Farmer Jones was exceptionally gifted in prayer. Farmer Simpkins, Jones' neighbor, was a large land owner, who could not boast of a similar gift, but was known all over the country for his skill as a fiddler, which made him a welcome guest at every country 'hoe down.' Simpkins never concealed his jealousy of Jones' power when he appealed to the throne of grace. After a remarkably effective display of Jones' vigor and eloquence as a praying man at Wednesday evening service Jones seated himself. Simpkins walked up the aisle of the little frame church and began: 'Brethering and Sistring—I know very well that I can't begin to make half as good a prayer as old man Jones can, but, by the grace of God, I can fiddle the shirt off of him.'"

Gen. Campbell, of Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, was one of the ablest members of the Union side in Congress. He was a close friend of Jay Cooke, and vastly useful to him in his great enterprise, the Northern Pacific railroad. Gen. Campbell was much beloved by both Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Stevens, the grand old commoner of Pennsylvania. Gen. Campbell said: "The last time I was in Washington I had a lovely interview with Abraham Lincoln." Mr. Campbell had just been Minister to Norway and Sweden. The President was in one of his brightest humors. He said to the general: "I am as happy to-day as if our army had won a victory over the rebels. Thaddeus Stevens brought me one of his constituents, a lady of sixty-five years old, with white hair. Her son, only 19 years of age, was sentenced to be shot to-morrow at noon for sleeping at his post. I took half the night to examine into the case. I cannot consent that a farmer lad, brought up to keep early hours in going to bed and in rising, shall be shot to death for being found asleep when he ought to have been awake. I pardoned the boy and I sent a messenger early this morning with the welcome news to the boy's regiment. The mother, like Niobe, all tears, has just left me, and as she went out, my heart came up in my throat, when, between her tears, she got up to old Thad Stevens, who had helped her to save her son's life, and, sobbing, said: 'You told me Mr. Lincoln was ugly. How could you say that, Mr. Stevens? for I think he has one of the most beautiful faces that I ever saw.'" Then the President laughed his sweet, soft laugh, as merry as a boy, but there were tears in his eyes."

Mr. Lincoln's Philadelphia speech, on his way to his first inauguration, was the key to the unselfish and pathetic self-abnegation of a pure and lofty life, and he died as did the common soldier in battle, slain by a dastard in defense of the rights of man, imperishable and imperscriptible.—James Matlock Scovill to Cincinnati Enquirer.

Great Because Sincere.

Paul speaks of the Christians at Corinth as "epistles, known and read of all men." Each noble human life becomes a chapter in that larger Bible which is made up of the acts of the apostles of all time. Men who could not read an epistle in Greek or Aramaic could understand every jot and title of Christianity that found expression in men and women.

Thousands, nay, millions, doubtless have thus come to a clearer apprehension of real Christianity through the life of Abraham Lincoln than through Holy Scripture itself. He became to many minds a concrete illuminative beauty, purity and nobility of his character and conduct.

Lincoln was a great man because he was animated by a great principle. That principle gave him the fortitude to stand fast for right when he stood almost alone; it is imparted to him that noble and unselfish character which so easily forgave and cherished no resentment; that principle aroused within him an intense hatred of injustice; it fired his heart with that unquenchable ardor for liberty; that principle made him a great statesman, because it made him God's statesman, for he took his statesmanship not from the axioms of worldly policy, but from the teachings of the Word of God.

Here is the secret of that in him which shall compel the admiration of ages yet to come; he was saturated in mind and in spirit with the teachings of Jesus Christ.—Rev. Frank D. Burhans.

A man takes a game bag with him the first time he goes gunning for quail.

PRINT TOASTS ON CUPS.

China Makers Start a New Fad, and Verses Cover Dishes.

Hostesses who do not approve of serving wines, and yet want to introduce a convivial flavor to the conversation, can now get china that is decorated with toasts. There are German drinking songs on teacups that make one wonder if he is awake or dreaming, and there are some brown earthenware dishes from Scotland which look as if they might have been used in Nannie Webster's cottage when the Little Minister took tea with her.

"Come droon your sorrows in a cup o' tea," and "Take a cup o' tea, it's unco' refreshin'," is written on the cups, and the pots and cream jugs are covered with such comforting assurances as "Be happy while you're living, for you're a long time dead," and "There's mair in the kitchen."

The history of the widow and her friends is depicted on lunch plates, and there are egg cups with little rhymes in the same kind of gilt lettering in which "Souvenir," and "Baby," and "From a Friend" formerly were written on bread and milk bowls.

The following is an example of the chicken philosophy on the egg cups:

The saddest words of tongue or pen
Are not consoling anyhow;
Whatever fate mine might have been,
It is all over with me now.

The most exclusive thing in china decoration is the Chinese dragon as it is seen on a meat set at one Chicago shop. The design is an exact reproduction of that on the dinner set of the empress dowager, and which was copied by the factory—so the story goes—from a plate stolen from the royal palace by a German soldier during the flight of the troops from Chinese territory.

ARE MOVING TO WASHINGTON.

New York Society Dames Find Atmosphere More Congenial.

For the sake of a congenial atmosphere many prominent New York women are moving to Washington for the season. A New Yorkish literary set is being formed with Mrs. Burton Harrison and Mrs. Van Rensselaer Cruger as backbones. The Duer girls will visit Mrs. Cruger. There is Mrs. Nicholas Fish, the widow, who hates New York since her husband's tragic death, and she has taken a house in Washington. While not precisely a literary woman, Mrs. Fish is extremely musical and in a small way will do some entertaining. Mrs. Cruger is the magnet that has drawn Mrs. Fish to the capital.

Ambassador Saved His Head.

In the days of King George III. of England the Persian ambassador to his court demanded but was denied precedence over all other foreign representatives. He refused to go to court, causing it to be reported abroad that he was ill. He met the prince regent at the house of the Lady Salisbury of the time. "I am very sorry to offend your royal highness by not going to court," he said. "Now, sir, my sovereign, he tell me I go first; your people say I must go last. Now, this very bad for me when I go back to Persia." So saying he made a significant pass towards his head expressing decapitation. The prince tried to appease him. "But sir, you still angry with me; you have not invited me to your party to-morrow night." The prince explained that it was only a children's party, but the ambassador might come if he chose. He did choose; for he went and, being the only ambassador there, led all the guests, thus scoring heavily for Persia, which made him comfortable about the neck again.

Dullness of Court Life.

Thomas Creevey, who lived in the early part of the nineteenth century, has presented some queer pictures of English court life. During the reign of King William IV. Creevey wrote: "The Greys had just come from Windsor castle. Lady Grey, in her own distressed manner, said she was really more dead than alive. She said all the boring she had ever endured before was literally nothing compared with her misery of the two preceding nights. She hoped she never should see a mahogany table again, she was so tired with the one that the king and the queen, the Duchess of Gloucester, Princess Augusta, Mme. Lieven and herself had sat around for hours, the queen knitting or netting a purse, the king sleeping and occasionally waking for the purpose of saying, 'Exactly so, ma'am,' and then sleeping again. The queen was cold as ice to Lady Grey till the moment she came away, when she could afford to be a little civil at getting quit of her."

Roman Relics in Paris.

Roman relics have recently been dug up in the heart of Paris. The distinguished French archaeologist, Charles Magnew, has made excavations in the Rue Cassini, where he had long suspected there lay the remains of old Roman glories. He discovered the cover of a tomb on which is sculptured in bas relief a Roman blacksmith, wearing his apron. In his left hand he brandishes a long pair of pincers and forceps. The right arm is broken off, but probably held a hammer. M. Magnew judges that the work is of the first century.

Jennie Stitzer, Omaha—"I have gained thirty-five pounds in two months. Nothing did me any good until I used Hollister's Rocky Mountain." A blessing to sickly woman. F. M. Colwell.

MISTRESS HARD TO PLEASE.

Swedish Cook's Resentment at Last Found Vent in Words.

Misunderstandings sometimes arise from very slight causes, and occasionally one occurs which seems to prove that silence is not always golden. In this case, trouble was brewed without a word being spoken. Young Mrs. Bond's Swedish cook was scrupulously neat about her work; but her figure was so unlovely and her countenance so unprepossessing that her overfastidious young mistress could never bear to look at her. Instead, whenever the young housekeeper found it necessary to interview her unattractive maid, she kept her eyes fixed upon a large black coal scuttle that always stood beside the kitchen stove.

One day, as Mrs. Bond stood, as usual, in the doorway, gazing intently at the coal-hod while Matilda was telling what groceries were needed, the handmaiden unexpectedly changed the subject, and proceeded to give vent to the pent-up feelings of many weeks.

"Vat for you all the tam luke at my's coal-bocket, Meesis?" exclaimed Matilda, with evident resentment. "Every day I scrob heem inside, and I scrob heem outside, until he vas yust so clean as my can vash heem—luke, meesis, I have scrob all she's skeen off heem—but all the tam you luke—luke at heem like you tank I dondt vash heem at all! I neffer see no lady so particular about she's coal bocket!"—Youth's Companion.

ONLY A QUESTION OF TIME.

How Patience Will Enable One to Carry Water in a Sieve.

John Diedrich Spreckels, the son of Claus Spreckles, is the proprietor of a San Francisco newspaper. To an editor one day Mr. Spreckels was talking about persistence and in the course of his remarks he said: "My father is a great believer in persistence—in patience. Once when I was a boy I abandoned in despair some childish task that I had undertaken and my father reproved me for it. 'Persistence will do anything,' he said. 'There's nothing you can't accomplish with patience.' And then he smiled slightly and added: 'You could even carry water in a sieve if you would have the patience to wait long enough.' How long would I have to wait? I said. 'Till it froze,' my father answered."

Bound By His Reputation.

Oliver Wendell Holmes discovered that "it is a very serious thing to be a funny man," and one of the younger New England poets is said to have warned a beginner in literature never to publish humorous verse if he wished to make and keep a reputation as a serious poet.

A story which is told of Mark Twain illustrates the theory that a humorist's reputation debars him from other kinds of credit.

Mark Twain is a lover of Browning and reads him aloud with excellent power. Once he read several passages to a company gathered in the house of a friend. Among the guests were some young ladies. One of them laughed during the reading. Afterward she condoled with Mark Twain for the soberness of his audience.

"I was so sorry for you!" said she. "The others did not seem to see the joke in it. I, I suppose you wrote it yourself; it was a skit on Browning, wasn't it? I understand about as much of it as I do of most of Browning."

The humorist explained humbly that he had tried to give the words as Browning wrote them.—Montreal Herold.

Budding Genius Crushed.

Judge Burr of Connecticut, who resigned from the bench last month on account of deafness, displayed in his address of resignation a vigor of speech that has always marked him.

His honor, it will be recalled, thought Providence had been unjust in inflicting him with blindness. This utterance surprised the public, but it did not surprise the friends of the jurist.

A lawyer of New Haven recently told how he introduced to Judge Burr a novelist now famous. The writer was young and obscure, but what he lacked in years and fame he made up in self-confidence. He believed in himself; he had no doubt of his powers; he delighted in calling attention to the brilliance of his mind.

Judge Burr observed the young man closely and sternly. Finally he said:

"So you expect to be famous some day, eh?"

"Some day," said the young man, "I expect to have the world at my feet."

"What have you been doing all this time," said the judge, "walking on your hands?"—Boston Post.

SAVED FROM TERRIBLE DEATH.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt of Bargerton, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used, failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption turn'd despair into joy. The first bottle bro't immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed. Bottles 50c and $1. Trial bottles free at Colwell's drug store.

NONE OTHER ARE GENUINE.

Americans Are the Only People Who Know the Art of Hustling.

We are the only nation of hustlers, and the idea suggests itself that all the rest of the world cannot be entirely wrong and we alone right in the conduct and object of life. The Germans and the French work for a certain number of hours with a steady but not a feverish industry, and then they enjoy themselves in which we should consider rather a childish way. They gather in their cafes or beer gardens with their families and chat good-humoredly about trivial subjects. Even the English, though abounding in physical energy, take life easily.

They seem to us to make too much of their leisurely game of cricket. But all these nations have accomplished great things not only in science, art and literature, but in the material advance of civilization. They do not expend nervous energy as rapidly as we do, and in consequence the period of life among their men is longer. They do not consume life so fast. May it not be that they in their old-fashioned way are wiser than we? They have embodied their views of life in proverbs like: "More haste worse speed," "He who goes slowly goes far," "It's the pace that kills," and others to the same purport, and proverbs are entitled to respect, because they embody the wisdom of humanity. There is no proverb enjoining the necessity of continuous restless activity.—Hartford Times.

MANY NOW STUDY CHINESE.

Columbia University Students Becoming Greatly Interested.

Prof. Frederick Hirth, who holds the Dean Lung chair of Chinese at Columbia university, says that interest in the study of China's language and literature throughout the United States is rapidly on the increase. Although this is only the second year of the Chinese school at Columbia, the number of students registered has become so great as to tax the present facilities. There is a great demand for lectures on Chinese subjects in New York and elsewhere. The Columbia library has secured a copy of the cyclopedia T'u-Shue-Tsi-Ch' Ong, consisting of more than 500 native volumes, as a gift from the Chinese government and has had these bound in European style. It is, outside of certain serials, the most voluminous print ever published in the world. Its translation into English would, Prof. Hirth calculates, furnish no fewer than 109 volumes of the size of Appleton's encyclopedia.

The Four Leaved Shamrock.

The New York Tribune thus remarks:

"A shamrock is a trefoil. How can there be a Shamrock IV?

Here in this country when a gentle maiden plucks a "four leafed clover" she tucks it into her shoe and devoutly believes that the first man she walks with will be her future husband. Some men will never pass one of these specimens, because they believe they are "lucky." It is barely possible that the shamrock, which is closely allied to the clover family, has this same tendency to put forth an extra leaf occasionally. That is for the botanists to answer. But it will certainly be no breach of scientific etiquette for Sir Thomas Lipton to send over a boat which will suggest the four-leaved clover, even though he may be going counter to the tradition of the Irish plant. He is certainly entitled to all the good luck running, and no one will blame him for stretching a point of fact just a trifle if he decides to build a new Shamrock.

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Value of Manual Training.

The spirit of the age in the field of education is becoming more practical and aiming at the utilitarian ends of public instruction. This is a nation of workers—workers who think and do things that have been carefully thought. The fad of ornamental and perfunctory education has gone out of vogue. The banker and the breadwinner in the trench or behind the truck both are of one desire now—each is equally eager that his son and daughter shall be taught the knowledge and practice of the actual arts of the independent life. Liberal expenditures for the practical teaching of domestic and manual trade knowledge would work wonders in making efficient and profitable men and women of our children whose school days at best are all too few and whose life-work begins so early and needs trained minds and hands.—Atlanta Constitution.

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WOULD QUIT OFFICE FIRST.

Mayor of Monterey Has Bad Experience with Fourth of July Cannon.

Rear Admiral Henry Palliser of the flagship Imperiense, commanded the British squadron on the Pacific. The English government had just made Monterey, the old Mexican and Spanish capital of California, a supply station, and the admiral was going in there for the first time. Desirous of honoring the little port, Admiral Palliser sent an officer ashore to ask the mayor if the warship fired a flag salute could Monterey return it. The mayor was greatly disturbed. To forfeit the salute to the American flag was not to be thought of, but how was the compliment to be returned? Upon the hill overlooking the bay was an ancient Mexican cannon, remnant of Spanish rule. It was used every Fourth of July, and the mayor concluded it would do. But the main difficulty to overcome was to collect a supply of powder large enough to fire twenty-one guns. However, by two o'clock all was ready, and the mayor sent word to the admiral that Monterey was prepared. The flagship began booming her salute at intervals of five seconds, and in a couple of minutes the flag salute of twenty-one guns had been fired. A large crowd had gathered on the hill to watch the progress of the seventeenth century cannon. "Boom!" went the first report, and a cheer went up. And then something happened. The old cannon got so hot and acted so queerly that fully fifteen minutes elapsed before the second shot was attempted. But the mayor was determined, so just at sunset the twenty-first shot to the British flag was fired. As the mayor left the hill he was heard to say: "If another foreign flagship comes here to be saluted I'm going to resign office."

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headache, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

Professor's Little Joke.

The late Prof. Samuel D. Gross was a man who, like many of his colleagues, was very fond of a good story, and was equally quick at repartee, says the Philadelphia Ledger. The following anecdote of his happy retort to an admiring patient is too good to be lost:

Dr. Gross had been ill for some time and was just beginning to get around, when he met a patient, who said:

"Professor, I am very glad to see that you are out again; while you were sick your patients were dying by the dozen."

A merry twinkle came into the doctor's eye, as he replied:

"I see! Now, I suppose, they will die by the Gross."

Just as a Favor.

The man who knows it all had been talking, and in his superior way had settled every question that had come up, until the quiet little man was moved to speak.

"Will you grant me one little favor?" he asked humbly, as became a man who realized that he was addressing one who knows it all.

"Certainly," replied the other. "What is it?"

"Well, will you kindly permit me to know something about one or two subjects in which I am personally interested, if I will concede all the knowledge of everything else to you?"

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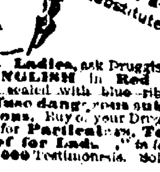

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FIREMEN GAIN UPPER HAND.

Loss on Buildings Alone Is Placed at $150,000,000—Few Persons Injured and No Deaths—City is Under Military Control.

Baltimore, Feb. 9.—When darkness fell last night the people of this stricken city knew the worst, was over. The flames, which for more than twenty-four hours, had swept resistlessly through the heart of one of the world's greatest markets of trade, were checked. An army of firemen from many cities, working unweariedly and aided by a muddy little stream, finally conquered a fire which will rank among the world's great conflagrations.

Worn out by a night and day of terror, the great crowds that watched the ruin of their city, turned homeward, and after midnight the streets were deserted, save for the police and militia, who guarded the burned area. To the south a red glow marks 140 acres of devastation—seventy-five squares of property that represented values to the extent of from $75,000,000 to $125,000,000. Not even a close approximation can be made of the loss. No guess can be made of the insurance.

Not a single life has been lost and not a human being has even been dangerously injured. The hospital lists consist of minor burns, with the exception of Jacob Ilgenfritz, a fireman from York, Pa. He has a fractured leg and is badly burned.

So far there has been no call for aid. Proffers of aid have come from many quarters, from sister cities, from corporations and from private citizens, but Baltimore can not say whether or not it will be needed or accepted.

Men talk in figures that are appalling and almost incomprehensible in their vastness. An expert, the city building inspector, estimates the loss in buildings alone at $150,000,000. On the other hand, it is said that insurance estimates do not place the total loss at a greater figure. So far there has been no systematic attempts to fix the values that were represented in the district which is a devastated waste.

The city is overcast with gloom. The stores are closed in nearly all streets. The avenues are full of jostling people, talking of one subject. Apparently there is but one cause for gladness and that is that there are no homeless. The residence section of the city escaped. This phase of the situation relieved the officials from any thought other than the saving of property.

A score of times flames of fire were found lapping the sides of lumber piles on the east bank of the falls. In some instances the lumber was tossed into the falls, and this, with similar heroic measures, stayed the on-sweep of the fire. Throughout that terrible contest, in which firemen and fire waged for supremacy, humanity was handicapped by a gale which carried burning brands over the heads of the workers and beyond the reach of the hundreds of streams of water poured into the raging furnaces. But for the work of volunteers in seeking out and extinguishing these embers, it is certain the burned area would have been twice larger than it is. About seventy-five squares are in ashes, extending from Lexington street on the north to Pratt street on the south; from Liberty street on the west to Jones' Falls in the east.

The city was early placed under martial law and thus all danger of looting in the doomed district was eliminated. Word was received that General Corbin would be here today to take command of the federal troops. The presence of two regiments of militia as an adjunct to the police, resulted in the maintenance of order.

No Further Danger.

The cheering news that the conflagration had been checked spread rapidly over the city and the great crowds that all day had surged against the tightly drawn fire line began to turn homeward. Unless the wind, which blows briskly from the northwest, should change it is believed that there is no further danger. But the tired firemen are taking no chances. All over the burned district they are fighting the fierce flames that still live in large piles of ruins. These fires are no menace, however for they have nothing to feed on outside their present limits. During the afternoon the wall of flame ate its way in a southerly and westerly direction toward the water. Sporadic fires sprang into existence and caused the withdrawal of apparatus and men from the line of battle. Buildings, old and new, large and small, stores, shops, every imaginable class of business, vanished as the fire swept onward. As the day wore on the forefront of the fire neared Jones' Falls, a small stream that divides Baltimore from that portion of the city known as East Baltimore. This little stream was the last stand. If the fire could cross and gain a foothold, its extent could not be foretold.

Dynamite Is Used.

Tremendous efforts were made to block it. Dynamite was used freely. The fire apparatus was centered and all the skill of the fire fighters called into play to check the element that had eaten millions of dollars' worth of property. Human skill and grit and untiring courage won. The fire was checked. But behind it lay a great gutted waste of more than 140 acres in extent. Every street that led to the fire area was crowded with awe stricken spectators. Down the narrow gulch sheets of smoke hung, split now and then by a red glare of flame. The crash of falling buildings was lost in the roar of exploding dynamite as it was used to demolish structures as yet untouched by fire.

City Under Military Control.

The city was under the strictest of military control. All around the burned area was stretched a cordon of soldiers, who held up all comers at the point of the bayonet. Police brought from neighboring cities patrolled the district and on every street near the limits of the fire area paced armed sentinels. In the early hours the army of fire fighters operated against overwhelming odds and when dawn broke the flames were raging fiercely along the wharves and focused about the great power house of the United Railways company. Then the flames ate their way with undiminished force southwestward, following the lines of Jones' Falls, and were finally choked near the water's edge at West Falls avenue. There the flames continued through the night, but only in spots and with diminishing fierceness.

Scene of Devastation.

The burned area is a scene of complete devastation. Numberless buildings that were the pride of Baltimore were gutted and only smouldering debris and remnants of walls remain. The American building, one of the finest, is in ruins. Across South street, where stood the Baltimore Sun building, only the pillars that marked the front remain. Entire blocks just below there are wiped out, without, in some cases, a wall left standing. From Fayette street down Holliday street as far as German street, there is no building left, save the Corn and Flour exchange. That building, whose walls tower above the crumbling debris of what were adjoining structures, was gutted and the standing walls formed a cauldron, the flames of which burst at times through the windows, but could cause no further damage. Like a grim tower in the ruins stands the walls of the fifteen-story Continental Trust company's building. The walls of the Baltimore and Ohio building are still standing, but the Pennsylvania railway building is razed. Only the walls remain of the once stately Equitable building. Only remnants of one wall are left of what was the National hotel, at Holliday and Fayette streets. No buildings are left standing as far as the eye can see down Baltimore street from this point. All along South Gay street there is the same picture of complete destruction. A broken sign and a front wall, tottering, show where the W. C. T. U. building once stood. Adjoining this was the British consulate, whose building is a complete loss. The building used by the German consulate on this square is also in ruins. The costly United States customs house, in course of construction, is ruined.

Westward along Pratt street is only debris, from which flames leap and play. All the buildings at Dugan's wharf were destroyed.

Business Block in Texas Burns.

Houston, Tex., Feb. 9.—Fire destroyed an entire block of buildings, including two livery stables and several residences. A number of horses were burned to death. Some of the residences accommodated roomers and there are some people unaccounted for. The loss is $150,000.

THE REASONS:

The North Platte Valley, extending from Bridgeport, Neb., to Guernsey, Wyo., and the Big Horn Basin, Wyoming, have been but recently made available for settlement by the extension of the Burlington Railroad into those sections. The Irrigating Company must have settlers along there ditches and they offer substantial inducements in the shape of low priced water rights and land.

Mysterious Circumstances.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off consumption. Try them. Only 25c at Colwell's Drug Store.

VALENTINES!

VALENTINE'S DAY

Comes next Sunday. You will want Valentines and might as well pick from an assortment of the latest and best ones. Nothing gained by waiting! Better make your selections while the assortment is complete!

FRED M. COLWELL,

R - - - - - - Druggist,

TABLE ROCK - - - NEBRASKA

REYES WILL GO TO PARIS.

Will Look After Interests of Colombia in Canal Matter.

New York, Feb. 9.—General Reyes, the newly elected president of Colombia, will today sail for Paris. General Reyes said: "I feel it my duty to be in Paris when the question of the sale rights of the Panama Canal company to the United States comes before the proper French tribunal. To me the matter is very clear. The Panama Canal company can not transfer its rights to the United States without the consent of Colombia, because its contract entered with Colombia can not transfer itself to Panama province. That province can not substitute itself for Colombia."

Will Not Be Candidates.

Des Moines, Feb. 8.—It is announced here that information has been received from Senators Allison and Dolliver to the effect that they will not consent to stand as candidates for members of the Iowa delegation to the national convention. In the meantime a large number of names are being canvassed for the positions of delegates at large, including those of Governor A. B. Cummins, Des Moines; ex-Congressman Joseph R. Lane, Davenport; W. R. Torbert, Dubuque; Senator W. R. Lewis, Clarinda; A. B. Funk, Spirit Lake; A. H. Gale, Mason City; J. M. Jenkin, Red Oak.

District Attorney Nolles Cases.

Georgetown, Colo., Feb. 9.—District Attorney Thurman nolled the case of eighty business men of Idaho Springs, charged with running union miners out of that town last summer, and the court, having no option in the matter, was forced to discharge the prisoners, which it did against the earnest protests of Special Prosecutors Carney and Richardson.

Fifty Russian Workmen Killed.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—Fifty workmen were killed by the caving in of an embankment on the Warsaw-Vienna railroad. In the course of their work the men dug into an old smelting works which had been buried beneath the line for thirty years. An explosion followed. Besides the men killed, many were frightfully burned.

Kills Town Marshal and Self.

Quincy, Ill., Feb. 9.—In an altercation on a railroad platform at Lewiston, Mo., Noah Bowles, town marshal, was shot and killed by William Pittman, who subsequently committed suicide. It is alleged that Pittman was intoxicated and had terrorized the passengers on a train from La Belle to Lewistown.

Railroad Wreck in Nicaragua.

Managua, Nicaragua, Feb. 9.—A passenger train on the Chinandiga-Viega railroad was derailed Feb. 2 while passing over a high bridge and wrecked. Over twenty first class passengers were killed and many others injured.

Lincoln Woman Kills Self.

Lincoln, Feb. 9.—Louise Kinsman, a twenty-year-old woman, committed suicide at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mark Wilber, by swallowing strychnine. She died in the doctor's arms a few minutes after he arrived.

WEAK AND LOW-SPIRITED.

A Correspondent Thus Describes His Experience.

"I can strongly recommend Herbine as a medicine of remarkable efficacy for indigestion, loss of appetite, sour taste in the mouth, palpitation, headache, drowsiness after meals with distressing mental depression and low spirits. Herbine must be a unique preparation for cases such as mine, for a few doses entirely removed my complaint. I wonder at people going on suffering or spending their money on worthless things, when Herbine is procurable, and so cheap." 50c a bottle at F. M. Colwell's.

CREATED WEALTH

Something from nothing—a garden from a desert. Such is the history of irrigated sections. Take land that sells for fifty cents an acre, put water on it and it sells for—what? There are quarters of land in irrigated sections of Colorado that cannot be had for $20,000 and which earn a remunerative interest on that valuation.

And yet you can purchase irrigated land where the soil is perfect beyond belief, where the water supply is plentiful and inexhaustible, where climatic conditions are healthful and exhilarating, where fuel is abundant and cheap, for from $15 an acre up.

Boys Do You Want A Watch?

The Lincoln Daily Star desires to give away free to the boys of Nebraska, 1,000 new watches—first-class time keepers—stem wind and stem set. You don't have to pay any money to get one of these watches. Send us your name and address and we will mail you the full particulars. This is a splendid chance for the boys to get a watch free and we would like to hear from all of them. Address Watch Department, Daily Star, Lincoln, Neb.

Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Address Manager, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for burns, bruises, skin eruptions and piles. 25c at Colwell's drug store

The man who prides himself on being able to "drink or let it alone" never lets it alone.—Bixby.

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Nebraska Notes.

York is about to have its fourth rural free delivery route installed.

The farmers in the vicinity of Wausa are commencing to make moves for rural telephones.

The cold snap stopped building operations, according to reports in many Nebraska local papers.

Columbus secured the next annual meeting of the volunteer firemen of Nebraska and its people propose to make the occasion a memorable one.

Near Elk Creek there was a heavy rain, and then sleet covered everything with a coat of ice which was so heavy that trees were greatly damaged by the breaking of limbs.

Hastings has had an epidemic of the dancing fever this winter. The old folk, the young folk, and the little folk have all been tripping the light fantastic two or three nights a week.

Several more cars of material for the construction of the new steel cells at the state penitentiary are yet to arrive before the work of installing the cells can be completed. The material is expected in the near future.

Taxes of the Lincoln Traction company for the year 1902 will remain on the assessed valuation of $24,000. This was an order entered by Judge Holmes reversing the action of the county commissioners when they raised the valuation to $50,000.

A new company has been organized to operate the Koehler hotel at Grand Island. The firm has a capital stock of $50,000 and will be known as the Koehler Hotel company of Grand Island. The incorporators are S. A. Peterson of New York and G. B. Bell and C. B. Ryan of Grand Island.

Twenty-two counties have made annual settlement with the state treasurer and paid what is due in the form of taxes. Douglas county paid a balance of $16,563. The payments have given Treasurer Mortensen sufficient funds to enable him to redeem warrants and make investments.

Superintendent Fowler has issued professional life teachers' certificates to the following teachers who took the state examination December 28 and 29: Principal G. H. Graham of Papillion; Principal Mrs. F. Bertha Hosford, of Garrison, Principal L. P. Grundy, of Valley; Principal J. C. Jensen, of Beaver City; Principal S. L. Johnston, of Leavitt, and Principal Thomas J. Jones of Lawrence, Neb.

R. W. Grant, architect for the penitentiary, has filed his resignation with the state board of public lands and buildings. The resignation was accepted at the last meeting of the board and Warden Beemer was requested to act as superintendent of construction of future work at the penitentiary. The board has decided to order a new power pump and an engine to operate the same for the penitentiary.

A petition is being circulated for signatures at Nebraska City and Otoe county, urging Nebraska congressmen to support the Brownlow bill appropriating $24,000,000 as a starter in aid of road improvement. The Tribune of that city urges that the petition should be generally signed to indicate that the local interest in the good-roads campaign is alive, is genuine and is positive in its demand for progress in this important matter of internal improvement.

Kitty Williams will have to take a bath every day for three weeks if the sentence given her by Judge Berka of Omaha is carried out. Kitty was picked up as a vagrant, and frankly told the judge she had not washed her face for three months. The judge said something about cleanliness and godliness going hand in hand, and told Kitty she could board with the city for twenty days, and instructed the matron to see that she was given a bath every day during her stay.

They are having no end of trouble at the Omaha public library with people who mutilate books. A number of the most valuable reference books have been thus cut and practically ruined.

The old compound engines hitherto in use on the Nebraska division of the Union Pacific are being sent west to the Wyoming division as fast as the new Atlantic and Pacific engines arrive to replace them. Most of the old locomotives are sent to the shops for repairs and general overhauling before being turned over. In a short time the sight of one of these machines will be a rarity. The engines of the Atlantic and Pacific type are built especially for fast freight and passenger service.

Wilbur F. Bryant, supreme court reporter, has been investigating the South Carolina liquor dispensary system, concerning the adoption of which there was some discussion in Nebraska a few years ago, and has discovered, while compiling the references on supreme court opinions, that a state or municipality must pay revenue licenses for each and every dispensary operated. While corresponding in regard to the system Mr. Bryan received a letter from Senator B. R. Tillman, informing him that the state of South Carolina was required to pay a revenue license, and that the matter was now pending in the federal court.

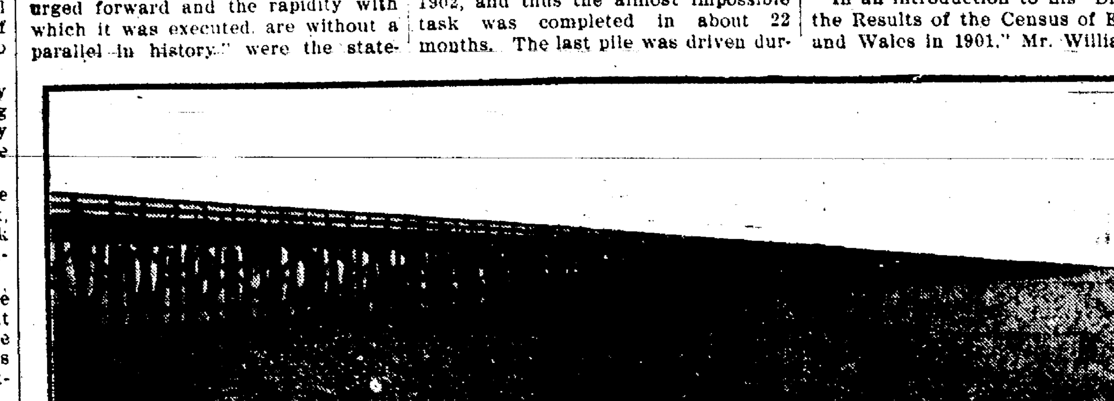
The party given for the visiting newspaper men and their wives, at the Elk club rooms, Lincoln, was a success in every detail and served to sustain the lodge's reputation for dispensing liberal, heartfelt, and refined hospitality.

Jamie Larabee, a Norfolk lad, lay stunned upon the road with the temperature at 15 degree below zero during the recent cold wave, and while thus unconscious and freezing rapidly, was robbed of his gloves and saddle. He had been thrown from his pony and hurt. The pony remained faithfully at his side.

BRIDGING AN INLAND SEA.

One of the Most Stupendous and Difficult Feats of Railroad Engineering Successfully Accomplished.

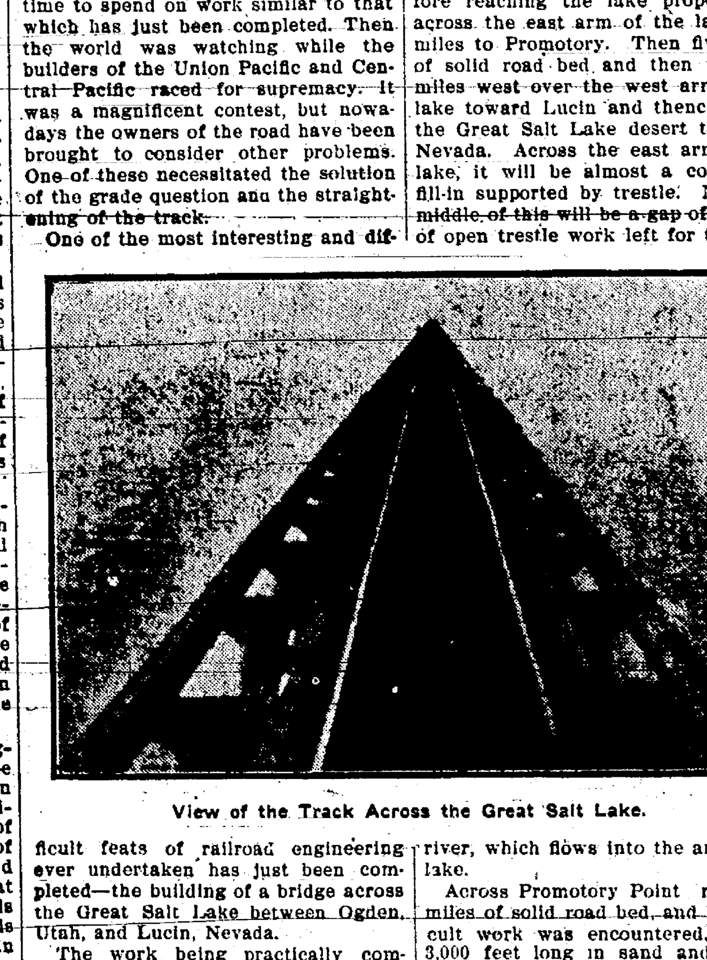
We have in times past been told much of wonderful feats in railroad building, and much has been written of the engineering skill and daring that directed the course of the iron horse across the plains and mountains that lie between the Missouri river and the Pacific ocean. "In the grandeur and magnitude of the undertaking, the Union Pacific-Central Pacific has never been equaled. The energy and perseverance with which the work was urged forward and the rapidity with which it was executed are without a parallel in history." were the statements of the special government commissioners to the Secretary of the Interior.



The Lucin "Cut-Off" Across the Great Salt Lake.

Thirty-five years ago there was no time to spend on work similar to that which has just been completed. Then the world was watching while the builders of the Union Pacific and Central Pacific raced for supremacy. It was a magnificent contest, but nowadays the owners of the road have been brought to consider other problems. One of these necessitated the solution of the grade question and the straightening of the track.

One of the most interesting and difficult feats of railroad engineering ever undertaken has just been completed—the building of a bridge across the Great Salt Lake between Ogden, Utah, and Lucin, Nevada.



View of the Track Across the Great Salt Lake.

The work being practically completed, the new track was formally opened last Thanksgiving day when Mr. E. H. Harriman, head of the Harriman lines, and a big party of railroad magnates partook of Thanksgiving day dinner in the middle of Great Salt Lake.

The Ogden-Lucin "Cut-Off" is 102 miles in length, 72 miles on land and 30 miles of trestle work and "fill-ins" over the waters of Great Salt Lake. It presents a practically level track except for a short distance on the west end near Lucin, Nevada, where a slight grade is encountered.

The use of this cut-off will throw out the trans-continental traffic over the old line from Ogden to Lucin, Nevada, around the lake. This strip of track is one of the most expensive of the Harriman system, the maximum grade over the long Promontory hill is 104 feet to the mile and helper engines are always necessary. The elimination of the use of these engines will mean the saving of at least $1,500 a day in operating expenses and also a saving of several hours in running time.

The original scene of the cut-off was conceived by the late Collis P. Huntington. The plans were perfected after the late Col. Huntington's death and approved by Mr. Harriman when he assumed charge of the line.

Active work was commenced in 1902, and thus the almost impossible task was completed in about 22 months. The last pile was driven during the last week of October. This great work has cost over $4,200,000.

The cut-off runs from Ogden west fifteen miles over level country before reaching the lake proper, then across the east arm of the lake nine miles to Promotory. Then five miles of solid road bed and then nineteen miles west over the west arm of the lake toward Lucin and thence across the Great Salt Lake desert to Lucin, Nevada. Across the east arm of the lake, it will be almost a continuous fill-in supported by trestle. Near the middle of this will be a gap of 600 feet of open trestle work left for the Bear river, which flows into the arm of the lake.

Across Promotory Point runs five miles of solid road bed, and here difficult work was encountered, a cut of 3,000 feet long in sand and rock of barren bluff being necessary. At this point, the most beautiful on this inland sea, surveys have been made for an immense summer resort.

Across the west arm of the lake is eleven miles of trestle work with a fill-in approach of four miles at each end. In completing the work of spanning the lake one great difficulty was encountered across the east arm by the settling of fill-ins and trestle work. This was caused by the salt of the flow of the Bear river having collected for centuries over the bottom of the lake and having formed a salt wall of 100 feet. It took 1,000 tons of rock in piles which appear to have reached the bottom of the lake proper and which has resulted in a firm and splendid road bed.

Railroad Officials at Formal Opening of the Ogden-Lucin "Cut-Off."

In a speech which he made at the Alta Club, Salt Lake City, on the eve of the opening of the "Cut-Off," Mr. Harriman said:

"The work involved in this plan has been supervised by Messrs. Harriman and Kruttschnitt of the Southern Pacific, and Messrs. Burt and Berry of the Union Pacific, and these two railroads have spent in the last three years somewhere near $130,000,000 in repairs and improvements aside from the expenses of operation or maintenance."

Colossal Crowds.

In an introduction to his "Digest of the Results of the Census of England and Wales in 1901," Mr. William Sanders gives the following curious statistics: "If all the people of England and Wales had to pass through London in procession, four abreast, and every facility were afforded for their free and uninterrupted passage, during twelve hours daily, Sundays excepted, it would take nearly four months and a half for the population to file through at quick march, four deep. The length of this vast column would be 3,788 miles. To count them singly at the rate of one a second would take nearly two years and a half, assuming that the same number of hours daily were occupied, and that Sundays also were excepted."

Savage Courtship.

Among the Ona Indians of Tierra del Fuego courtship is not precisely a tender affair. When the girl is from a friendly group the gallant presents her with his hunting bow. If the girl returns it by her own hand it is a sign of acceptance, but if by the hand of a messenger it is a refusal. But refusals are not common. The persevering brave watches for an opportunity which brings him alone with the object of his affections. He then commands her to follow him with all speed through the bush to his own camp. The girls are prone to yield prompt obedience, for a disappointed suitor may emphasize his displeasure by an arrow directed lightly at the thigh or at her calves—the especial vanity of an Ona belle.

Education in Expression.

Every person has an inborn desire for expression, but this desire is yielded to only by children or savages. Adults school themselves in repression, which is called culture, says Mrs. Stebbins in the New York Tribune.

She went on to explain that when persons thrill and vibrate to the sound of grand music, or at the sight of a superb picture, it is the response of the soul to beauty. Mrs. Stebbins advocated the study of the technique of expression as a channel through which it becomes possible to give out impressions. Expression, to her mind, is to be a largely determining factor in the future progress of the world. To illustrate her subject, Mrs. Stebbins gave a selection from "Idyls of the King."

Curtails Work.

In an insurance office where it was formerly necessary for a force of clerks to copy names on reference cards to be filed in various places, one clerk now writes the name on a single card with metallic ink, clamps it in a holder with a number of blank cards and flashes an X-ray through the pack.

GETTING HIS HAND IN.

Why Man Was Practicing Diving Through New York Crowd.

At the Brooklyn bridge approach the other day a man was observed making frantic rushes into the thick of the crowd. As everybody who goes to Brooklyn during rush hours does this, it is necessary to explain why this particular man was observed.

At first no one paid any attention to him excepting one old fellow with heart disease whom he jostled, and two young women with bundles who were knocked off their feet by the rashness of his charge. Everybody else was too intent on sprinting past his neighbor or adroitly disabling a rival to bother about such a commonplace occurrence.

It was the repetition of his rushes over the same ground and not the ferocity of his behavior or his disregard for the softer sex that finally made him the subject of remark. When for the third time he retreated over ground thus gained, and as often returned to the attack, a small, dyspeptic-looking bridge jumper whose corns had been rudely trodden upon ventured a remonstrance. Subtly inserting his elbow in the abdomen of the center rush, after the most approved bridge jumping tactics, he courteously inquired, "What seems to be eatin' you?"

A look of pained surprise overspread the features of the rusher. "You needn't be so unreasonable," he answered with offended dignity. "If you must know, I promised to do my sick wife's Christmas shopping in New York on Saturday afternoon, and being a bit out of condition, I was just getting in form. But I didn't mean to make myself conspicuous, I assure you."

And somehow the apology really did make him conspicuous for the moment.—New York Herald.

First Aid for Injured Animals.

A West Philadelphia physician is writing an interesting and valuable little book that he intends to call "First Aid to Injured Animals." The book deals with the treatment of the common accidents that happen to dogs, cats and horses. It shows how 50 per cent of the deaths that occur among domestic animals are due to the mistaken treatment that these animals receive in the interim between their falling ill and the veterinary surgeon's arrival. The physician said: "Take the case of a valuable dog, for instance. Dogs frequently choke. A bone, a nail or a piece of tin gets in their throat and there is great danger of their dying before the surgeon comes. Many of them do die, but there is no reason for this. For it is easy, without the slightest danger of being bitten, to put the hand in the mouth of a dog and to draw out or push down the obstruction that is killing him. A bandage—a handkerchief or a towel will do—is passed between the teeth and over the upper jaw, and in a similar way another bandage is passed between the teeth and over the under jaw. One person holding the ends of two bandages keeps the dog's mouth wide open; a second person can then, with perfect ease and safety, put his fingers down the animal's throat and relieve him. There are a hundred emergencies like this one—just as dangerous and just as easily treated. In my book it is my purpose to describe all these emergencies and thus I hope to savo many animals' lives."

A Few Left.

After the Hon. Cave Johnson had served his long and brilliant career in Congress and had retired to the quiet of private life, he once stepped into the office of his nephew, Robert Johnson, then a young lawyer of much promise, and finding the young man engaged in writing with a gold pen had occasion to remark upon the extravagance of the rising generation.

"Why is it," he asked, "that every young man now has his gold pen, while those of my day were content to use their goose-quills?"

"I suppose," replied Robert, in the most innocent manner possible, "it is because there were more geese when you were a young man."

The Lord's Service.

Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go,
My daily labor to pursue;
Thee, only Thee, resolved to know,
In all I think, or speak, or do.

The task Thy wisdom hath assigned
O let me cheerfully fulfill;
In all my works Thy presence find,
And prove Thy good and perfect will.

Thee may I set at my right hand,
Whose eyes my inmost substance see;
And labor on at Thy command,
And offer all my works to Thee.

Give me to bear Thy easy yoke,
And every moment watch and pray,
And still the things eternal look,
And hasten to Thy glorious Day.

Fain would I still for Thee employ
Whate'er Thy bounteous grace hath given;
Would run my course with even joy,
And closely walk with Thee to Heaven.
—Charles Wesley.

Sad News for Gum Chewers.

The saddest news that has come out of Maine in a long time is that the spruce gum crop is short. This means that chewing gum will cost more this year, or gum chewers will get less for their money. Most of the gum put up by the great chewing gum concerns comes from the spruce trees of Maine, and the shortness of the crop therefore is of direct interest to every messenger boy, typewriter girl, saleswoman and cash girl who has the gum-chewing habit.

Electoral Commission Survivors.

Only three of the fifteen members of the famous electoral commission of 1877 survive—ex-Senator Edmunds, Senator Hoar and Gen. Eppa Hunton, of Virginia. All of the five justices of the Supreme Court who sat on the commission long since passed away.

A WOMAN'S MISERY.

Mrs. John La Rue, of 115 Paterson avenue, Paterson, N. J., says: "I was troubled for about nine years, and what I suffered none will ever know. I used about every known remedy that is said to be good for kidney complaint, but without deriving permanent relief. Often when alone in the house the backache has been so bad that it brought tears to my eyes. The pain at times was so intense that I was compelled to give up my household duties and lie down. There were headaches, dizziness and blood rushing to my head to cause bleeding at the nose. The first box of Doan's Kidney Pills benefited me so much that I continued the treatment. The stinging pain in the small of my back, the rushes of blood to the head, and other symptoms disappeared."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. 50 cents per box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

It is not courage to admonish the cook; it is suicidal responsibility.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

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Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Nothing but death will take the conceit out of some people.

Arid Lands Made Fruitful.

Those parched, dry, arid plains of Mont., Colo., Ariz., Idaho and other dry lands respond quickly and give a big yield when planted to Salzer's Speltz, Hanna Barley, Macaroni Wheat, 60-Day Earliest Oats, Billion Dollar Grass and Bromus Inermis. Above seem to flourish and laugh at droughts and arid soils.

JUST SEND 10c IN STAMPS and this notice to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., for their big catalog and farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

It is dumfounding how interesting a wife can be is she is somebody else's.

Where to insure my property and why. Losses will occur, that is why I insure. The Mutual has only losses, and expenses to pay. An Old Line Company has losses, expenses and dividends on its capital stock, and the more capital the more expense. A good Mutual Company is absolutely secure, and the cost is little over one-half the other. Then I should insure in the STATE FARMER'S MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. of South Omaha, Nebr., B. R. STOUFFER, Secretary.

Marrying for money is as easy as cashing counterfeit bills at a bank.

Why It Is the Best

is because made by an entirely different process. Defiance Starch is unlike any other, better and one-third more for 10 cents.

In the season when passes are handed around among the men who run railroads there is not much surprise evinced when an "annual" is received. But there came a pass to the passenger department of the Colorado & Southern offices that was a little bit too unique to be laid aside without anxious examination, says the Denver Republican. General Passenger Agent T. E. Fisher was the recipient of the authority for transportation, and it came from Havana, Cuba. It is a plant that grows in Cuba and somewhat resembles a rubber plant. On its broad leaves, three in number, are written in delicate tracery, in the Spanish language, annual passes on the three branches of the railroad running out of Cuba's principal city.

"I remember," said Speaker Cannon the other day, while waiting to see the president, "when I was a boy I saved $15 in one year out of a total of $100 wages, but I paid only $1 a week for board. It was plain board, just hog and hominy, but I was young and it furnished me with sustenance, and I relished it as much as I do the fancier dishes today."

People who are trying to succeed are so much more agreeable than those who have succeeded.

Gratitude Well Expressed.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Feb. 8th.—Mr. C. L. Smith, painter and decorator, whose home is at 309 Anne street, this city, makes the following statement:

"I was laid up with some kind of pains. Some said it was Lumbago, others Sciatica, and others again Rheumatism. A few of my friends suggested that it was lead poison, but whatever it was it gave me a great deal of pain, in fact, almost completely crippled me. I had to use two canes to walk about and even then it was a very painful task.

"A friend advised me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills and I began the treatment. After I had used the first box I was able to throw away one of the canes and was considerably improved. The second box straightened me up so that I could go about free from pain without any assistance and very soon after I was completely cured, well and happy, without a pain or an ache. Dodd's Kidney Pills seemed to go right to the spot in my case and they will always have my greatest praise."

It takes a widow to look so scared when the lights begin to go out that a man hasn't the heart to disappoint her.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XVIII.

The Way of a Maid.

The Halfway House was an oasis in the desert. To-day it was an oasis and a battle ground. Franklin watched Mary Ellen as she passed quietly about the long, low room, engaged in household duties which she performed deftly as any servant. He compared these rude necessities with the associations amid which he knew this girl had been nurtured, and the thought gave him nothing but dissatisfaction and rebellion. Presently he rose, and excusing himself, went out to join Buford at the corral.

"Come," said the latter, "and I'll show you around over our improvements while we are waitin' for a bite to eat. If ever this land comes to be worth anything at all, we ought to grow into something worth while."

"Yes," said Franklin, "it will make you rich," and as they walked about he pointed out with Western enthusiasm the merits of the country.

The "bite to eat" was in time duly announced by a loud, sonorous note that arose swelling upon the air. Aunt Lucy appeared at the kitchen door, her fat cheeks distended, blowing a conch as though this were Tidewater over again.

The long table was spread in the large room of general assembly, this room being, as has been mentioned, excavated from the earth, so that, as they sat at table, their heads were perhaps nearly level with the surface of the ground. The short side walls, topped with a heavy earthen roof, made of this sort of abode a domicile rude and clumsy enough, but one not lacking in a certain comfort. In the winter it was naturally warm, and in the summer it was cool, the air, caught at either end by the gable of the room, passing through and affording freshness to the somewhat cellar-like interior. Cut off from the main room were three smaller rooms, including the kitchen, from which Aunt Lucy passed back and forth with massive tread. The table was no polished mahogany, but was built of rough pine again with a deep layer of earth. Franklin, standing upon a chair, put his shoulders under the sagging beams and lifted them and their load of disarranged earth up to the proper level on the top of the wall, while Buford built under them with sods. It was no small weight that he upheld. As he stood he caught an upturned telltale glance, a look of sheer feminine admiration for strength, but of this he could not be sure, for it passed fleetly as it came. He saw only the look of unconcern and heard only the conventional word of thanks.

As Mary Ellen stepped into the buggy for the return home her face had lost its pink. One of the mysterious revulsions of femininity had set in. Suddenly, it seemed to her, she had caught herself upon the brink of disaster. This tall and manly man, she must not yield to this impulse to listen to him! She must not succumb to this wild temptation to put her head upon a broad shoulder and to let it lie there while she wept and rested. To her the temptation meant a personal shame. She resisted it with all her strength. The struggle left her pale and very calm. At last the way of duty was clear. This day should settle it once for all. There must be no renewal of this man's suit. He must go.

It was Mary Ellen's wish to be driven quickly to the house, but she reckoned without the man. With a sudden crunching of the wheels the buggy turned and spun swiftly on, headed directly away from home. "I'll just take you a turn around the hill," said Franklin, "and then we'll go in."

"It isn't the way home," said Mary Ellen.

"I can't help it," said Franklin. "You are my prisoner. I am going to take you—to the end of the world."

"It's very noble of you to take me this way!" said the girl with scorn. "What will my people think?"

"Let them think!" exclaimed Franklin desperately. "It's my only chance. I can't do without you! It's right for us both. You deserve a better life than this. You, a Beauchamp, of the

As though this were Tidewater again.

boards; and along it stood long benches instead of chairs.

"You will oblige me, captain," said Buford as they rose from the table, "if you will be so good as to drive Miss Beauchamp over to the claim shanty after a while."

Franklin assented to this proposition with such eagerness that he blushed as he saw how evident had been his pleasure at this opportunity for a moment's speech alone with the girl who sat so near but yet so unapproachable. "I'll be delighted," said he.

Mary Ellen said nothing. The pink spot in her cheek was plainly deeper. It did not lessen as she stood watching the struggle the two men had in again hitching to the buggy the wild black horse. Seizing the tug with one hand and the singletree with the other, Franklin fairly swept the obdurate beast off its balance as he forced it to its place at the pole. His strength was apparent.

"Are you afraid to ride behind that horse?" asked he.

"I don't think so," she replied simply, and her uncle helped her in, while Franklin steadied the team. Yet how Franklin hated the wild black horse now! All the way across the prairie during the short drive to the shanty the beast gave him plenty to do to keep it inside the harness, and he had no time for a single word. The girl sat silent at his side, looking straight ahead. At the shanty he helped her down. Ignorant, he saw not the tale of a bosom heaving, nor read correctly the story of the pink in the cheek. He believed rather the import of a face turned away, and of features set in a mask of repose. There had as yet been no word.

The claim shanty was indeed in some need of repair. One corner of the roof had fallen in, carrying with it a portion of the sod wall that made the inclosure, and spilling a quantity of earth in the bed customarily occupied by Aunt Lucy when she "resided" here in company with her mistress in their innocent process of acquiring one hundred and sixty acres of land apiece by means of a double dwelling place.

In order to make the needed repairs to the roof, it was necessary to lay up again a part of the broken wall, then to hoist the fallen rafters into place prior to covering the whole old Virginia Beauchamps—good God! It breaks my heart!"

"You have answered yourself, sir," said Mary Ellen, her voice not steady as she wished. "I live out here on the prairies, far from home, but I am a Beauchamp from old Virginia."

"And then?"

"And the Beauchamps kept their promises, women and men—they always kept them. They always will."

"I know," said Franklin gently. "I would rely on your word forever. I would risk my life and my honor in your hands. I would believe in you all my life. Can't you do as much for me? There is no stain on my name. I will love you till the end of the world. Child—you don't know——"

"Ah, you have your answer! Now, listen to me, Mr. Franklin. I shall keep my promise as a Beauchamp should—as a Beauchamp shall. I have told you long ago what that promise was. I promised to love, to marry him—Mr. Henry Fairfax—years ago. I promised never to love any one else so long as I lived. He—he's keeping his promise now—back there—in old Virginia, now. How would I be keeping mine—how am I keeping mine, now, even listening to you so long? Take me back; take me home. I'm going to—going to keep my promise, sir! I'm going to keep it!"

Franklin sat cold and dumb at this, all the world seeming to him to have gone quite blank. He could not at first grasp this sentence in its full effect, it meant so much to him. Yet, after his fashion, he fought mute, struggling for some time before he dared trust his voice or his emotions.

"Very well," he said. "I'll not crawl—not for any woman on earth! It's over. I'm sorry. Dear little woman, I wanted to be your friend. I wanted to take care of you. I wanted to love you and to see if I couldn't make a future for us both."

"My future is done. Leave me. Find some one else to love."

"You were the only one," said Franklin slowly, "and you always will be the only one. Good-bye."

It seemed to him he heard a breath, a whisper, a soft word that said "good-bye." It had a tenderness that set a lump in his throat, but it was followed almost at once with a calmer commonplace. "We must go back," said Mary Ellen. "It is growing dark."

Franklin wheeled the team sharply about toward the house, which was indeed becoming indistinct in the falling twilight. As the vehicle turned about, the crunching of the wheels started a great gray prairie owl, which rose almost beneath the horses' noses and flapped slowly off. The apparition set the wild black horse into a sudden simulation of terror, as though he had never before seen an owl upon the prairies. Rearing and plunging, he tore loose the hook of one of the singletrees, and in a flash stood half free, at right angles now to the vehicle instead of at its front, and struggling to break loose from the neck-yoke. In a flash Franklin saw that he was confronted with an ugly accident. He chose the only possible course, but handled the situation in the best possible way. With a sharp cut of the whip he drove the attached horse down upon the one that was half free, and started the two off at a wild race down the steep coulee, into what seemed sheer blackness and immediate disaster. In some way, stumbling and bounding and lurching, both horses and vehicle kept upright all the way down the steep descent, a thing which to Franklin later seemed fairly miraculous. At the very foot of the pitch the black horse fell, the buggy running full over him as he lay lashing out. From this confusion, in some way never quite plain to himself, Franklin caught the girl out in his arms, and the next moment was at the head of the struggling horses. And so good had been his training at such matters that it was not without method that he proceeded to quiet the team and to set again in partial order the wreck that had been created in the gear. In time he had the team again in harness, and at the bottom of the coulee, where the ground sloped easily down into the open valley, whence they might emerge at the lower level of the prairie round about. He led the team for a distance down this floor of the coulee, until he could see the better, going in the improving light which greeted them as they came out from the gullylike defile. He did not like to admit to his companion how great had been the actual danger just incurred, though fortunately escaped. Franklin was humiliated and ashamed, as a man always is over an accident.

"Oh, it's no good saying I'm sorry," he broke out at last. "It was my fault, letting you ride behind that brute. Thank God, you're not hurt! I'm always doing some unfortunate, ignoble thing."

"It wasn't ignoble," said the girl, and again he felt her hand upon his arm. "It was grand. You went straight, and you brought us through. I'm not hurt. I was frightened, but I am not hurt."

"You've pluck," said Franklin. Then, scorning to urge anything further of his suit at this time of her disadvantage, though feeling a strange new sense of nearness to her, now that they had seen this distress in common, he drove home rapidly as he might through the gathering dusk, anxious now only for her comfort. At the house he lifted her from the buggy, and as he did so kissed her cheek. "Dear little woman," he whispered, "good-bye." Again he doubted whether he had heard or not the soft whisper of a faint "Good-bye!"

"But you must come in," she said.

"No, I must go. Make my excuses," he said. "Good-bye!" The horses sprang sharply forward. He was gone.

In her own little room Mary Ellen sat, her face where it might have been seen in profile had there been a light or had the distant driver looked round to see. Mary Ellen listened—listened until she could hear hoof and wheel no more. Then she cast herself upon the bed, face downward, and lay motionless and silent. Upon the little dresser lay a faded photograph, fallen forward also upon its face, lying unnoticed and apparently forgot.

(To be continued.)

WAY TO ACQUIRE ELOQUENCE.

Former Governor Black Did It Trying to Sell Sewing Machines.

Ex-Governor Frank S. Black became governor of New York through his eloquence. When he took the gavel as temporary chairman of the republican state convention of 1896 his name had not even been suggested for the nomination. After his opening speech, however, the whisper went around among the delegates, "What's the matter with Black for governor?" The following day the regular candidates were dropped and Mr. Black was nominated. After the convention Mr. Black told some friends how he acquired his eloquence.

"When I was a young man," he said, "I went down from Troy to New England to make my fortune. I soon found that fortune was not running after me, and, when my funds ran low, I took the only job in sight—that of agent for a sewing machine. I traveled through the country districts selling machines, and in that way built up whatever eloquence I possess. You have no idea how hard it was to sell a machine in the backwoods in those days. Some of the farmers thought they were inventions of the devil, while others regarded them as swindling devices. Holding a convention spellbound is a cinch compared to the difficulty I had in convincing a farmer that a sewing machine was a good thing."—Success.

Distilled Spirits.

The spirits distilled in the United States for the fiscal year amounted to 141,000,000 gallons; an increase of 13,000,000 gallons over the previous year, although the number of distilleries diminished 497.

William Collins Whitney, Statesman and Financier, Dead of Blood Poisoning

EVENTS IN THE LIFE OF WILLIAM C. WHITNEY.

1841—Born at Conway, Mass., in circumstances comfortable, though his parents were not wealthy.

1863—Was graduated from Yale College with honors after four years' study; took up law.

1866—Began struggle as a lawyer in New York city, opening an office, but meeting with little success.

1869 — Married Miss Flora Payne, daughter of a wealthy Ohio Senator, who aided the young man.

1876—Entered New York politics, and under Tweed rule made Corporation Counsel, holding three terms with signal success.

1882—In private life, as political convention leader, picked Grover Cleveland for governor as the Democracy's only hope.

1885—Made Secretary of the Navy under Cleveland, leaving at his departure a brilliant and enviable record.

1890—Affiliated with William Elkins and P. A. B. Widener and became a powerful street railway magnate and financier.

1896—Astonished Eastern society by his marriage to Mrs. Edith Randolph, for whom he built his $4,000,000 mansion.

1898—Received a severe shock at the death of Mrs. Whitney, who was injured fatally in South Carolina.

1898—Commenced the establishment of his famous stables and the gathering of his valuable string of horses.

1900—Became an active patron of the turf.

1904—Died.

William C. Whitney, statesman, financier, turfman and collector of great paintings and rare objects of art, died at his home, 871 Fifth avenue, New York, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of Feb. 2.

He was taken ill at the opera Jan. 29, with appendicitis. His physicians,

William Collins Whitney.
Born July 5, 1841.
Died Feb. 2, 1904.

the most distinguished in their profession, realized the seriousness of the attack, and operated as soon as they could. Their patient's indomitable will had served him a fatal turn, however. He had delayed complaining of the ailment too long.

Mr. Whitney did not recover from this operation. The poison had entered his system, and peritonitis set in.

On the morning of Feb. 2 it became apparent that his condition was desperate. He was conscious of the fact and realized that it would require almost a miracle to save his life. Calmly and bravely he considered the result of the consultation of physicians. They told him that there was one chance in a million that a second operation might keep him alive, while without it his tenure of life was a matter of hours. They did not keep from him the peril of his never waking from the anaesthetic.

He bade the physicians to go ahead and do what they could. He arranged his affairs, bade his son, Harry Payne Whitney, and his daughter, Miss Dorothy, the only members of his family present, a hopeful farewell. He left messages for those of his children who were not at home.

Then the doctors prepared for the operation, but the desperate alternative was futile. Mr. Whitney failed to rally after the knives had done their work. He never regained consciousness after being put under the influence of ether.

His son and his daughter were summoned and they stood beside the bedside of their distinguished father as he sank from the stupor induced by the drug into the sleep of death.

The passing of Mr. Whitney makes the first gap in the line of strong men who have stood at the head of financial affairs in New York in recent years—the great promoters and organizers of the present Sages and Keenes, with whom he fought great battles of finance in the past, and with whom he was in recent years associated in great enterprises.

Mr. Whitney's death affects many circles, a greater number probably than would the death of any man with whom his name was associated.

In Wall street it is felt no more strongly than among the men famed for their love of art and their appreciation of the beautiful things of the world, in political centers as well as in society and among men who own great racing stables.

Wherever he moved he was a power, as great in his diversions as in his stupendous business achievements.

Though Mr. Whitney was a very rich man, his fortune is not supposed to be on a par with that of the great multimillionaires. He was not preeminently an accumulator. He was prodigal in expenditures. His only use for money was for the things it would buy. So he lived lavishly and diverted himself royally. His personal expense, year in and year out, was probably greater than that of any other American.

Even with such expenditures his genius for organization and his clear, far-sighted financial skill built him up a fortune that is estimated among his associates as $25,000,000. He could have gathered a hundred millions had his ambitions turned him toward hoarding his wealth.

Of late years, when his associates were bending all their energies to accumulation, he was steadily withdrawing from the gross game of money making, letting his eldest son, Harry Payne Whitney, take his place on the boards and directories of his companies. This very fact makes it probable that his demise will not seriously disturb "the Street."

CAREER OF UNVARIED SUCCESS.

Notable Achievements in the Life of William C. Whitney.

Mr. Whitney's career as lawyer, reformer, cabinet member, business man, lover of the turf and society leader, was an enviable one, but his most notable achievement was the reorganizing and building of the American navy, paving the way for the victories that gave liberty to Cuba and wrested from Spanish domination Porto Rico and the Philippines.

Mr. Whitney came of Puritan stock. He was born at Conway, Mass., July 5, 1841, and was educated at Williston Academy and at Yale, graduating from the latter school in 1863. He entered the Dane Law School at Harvard in 1865, and a few years later began the practice of law in New York City.

Mr. Whitney was only 31 years old when he became a political leader in the Democratic party. His first notable work was against the Tweed ring, and this gave him a publicity that he subsequently retained. He became a close friend of the late Samuel J. Tilden, and was active in managing his campaign for the presidency.

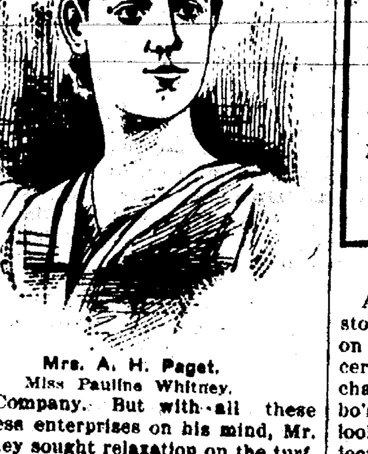
In 1875 he was appointed corporation counsel for the City of New York. He reorganized the department, creating four new bureaus. He retired from the corporation counsel's office in 1882 and interested himself in acquiring franchises for street railways, thus laying the foundation for a fortune that later mounted to millions.

When Grover Cleveland was inaugurated President in 1885 he placed the department of the navy in the hands of Mr. Whitney. Then began the plan of reorganization that has had remarkable results.

The United States had no navy when Mr. Whitney took office. He quit the department, leaving the nucleus of that white squadron which was afterward built and which led the way to making the United States one of the great powers.

Mr. Whitney retired from office in 1889, and since that time refused all political or diplomatic offices. He returned to active business and proceeded to unite and systematize the traction lines of New York City. He created the present great combination of lines known as the Metropolitan Street Railway Company, which unites all the street car lines on Manhattan Island and far beyond.

He was active in other financial directions, his operations including the procuring of interests in the New York Life Insurance Company, the Mutual Life Insurance Company, the Morton Trust Company and the Consolidated



Mrs. A. H. Paget.
Miss Pauline Whitney.

Gas Company. But with all these business enterprises on his mind, Mr. Whitney sought relaxation on the turf, and he procured stables of thoroughbreds that won for him a name in turf annals, and he signalized the year 1903 by scoring a larger amount of winnings than any other owner of horses. He raced entirely for amusement, and his costly strings of horses and his highly paid jockeys and trainers cost him far more than he won. He was one of the few Americans that have won the English Derby, capturing that race in 1901 with Volodoyovski.

Mr. Whitney was married twice. His first wife, to whom he was wedded in 1869, was Flora, daughter of the late United States Senator Henry B. Payne of Ohio. Four children were born to them—Pauline, now the wife of Almeric Hugh Paget of England; Harry Payne, married to Gertrude Vanderbilt; Payne, married to a daughter of Secretary of State Hay, and Dorothy Payne Whitney.

In 1893 Mrs. Whitney died, and Mr. Whitney remained a widower until 1896, when he married Edith S. Randolph, widow of Capt. Arthur Randolph of England and daughter of Dr. William May of Baltimore.

The second Mrs. Whitney died May 6, 1897, the result of an accident while riding to hounds at Biltmore, the country home of Cornelius Vanderbilt, in North Carolina. She attempted to ride beneath a bridge, but it was too low, and her head struck the arch.

Mr. Whitney bought the New York Morning Telegraph, a daily paper devoted to sporting and theatrical news, last year, and gave Peter F. Dunne, the creator of "Mr. Dooley," an interest to take charge of the paper.

Grover Cleveland's Tribute to His Departed Friend.

The news of Mr. Whitney's death has greatly shocked me. As I think of him, my mind, passing beyond recent years, dwells upon the days of my association with him in high official duty, and recalls the time when I had the opportunity to enjoy his unreserved intimacy and friendly companionship. Our relations have never changed, but the exigencies of life have forbidden recent close intercourse.

Mr. Whitney had more calm, forceful efficiency than any man I ever knew. In work that interested him he actually seemed to court difficulties and to find pleasure and exhilaration in overcoming them. His judgment was quick, clear and astonishingly accurate; and, when it was called into action, his mental poise was so complete that neither passion nor irritation could lead it astray.

While I remember all this with admiration and affection I recall with more tender sentiment Mr. Whitney's devotion to his friends, his extreme consideration for all with whom he

Henry Payne Whitney.

came in contact, his thoughtfulness for the ease and comfort of others, and his ready impulse to help those who needed help. I mourn the death of a friend of whom it can be truthfully said that in his character were combined mental traits of a high order and loving qualities of heart that grappled him to his friends with hooks of steel.

Whitney Holdings in Various Companies.

The following table gives in round numbers the value of Mr. Whitney's holdings in the companies in which he was chiefly interested:

Consolidated Gas	$ 7,500,000
Metropolitan Traction	3,000,000
Subsidiary companies	1,000,000
Western interests	5,000,000
Real estate holdings	5,000,000
Guggenheim Exploration Company	1,000,000
Morton Trust Company	1,000,000
American Tobacco	500,000
Lead interests	500,000
General Electric Co.	500,000
Fifth Avenue Trust Co.	400,000
National Bank of Commerce	200,000
Metropolitan Steamship Company	100,000
Totals	$25,700,000

What the Sailors Got.

An English newspaper tells this story: "They were about to buy beef on the hoof for the ships. So the officer whose duty it was to make the purchase took ashore with him the bo'swain, as representing the crew, to look over the animals and either object or not. They approached the first animal. "How will that do?" asked the officer. The bo'swain cautiously approached the beast, beat down and gingerly ran his thumb and forefinger down first one shank and then the other, until the whole four shanks had been examined. Straightening up, he said: "He'll do all right, sir." The officer cried: "But dash it all, you can't tell the good points of a bullock by the shanks." Perhaps not, sir; but they're the only parts we ever gets, sir," was the reply.

Japan has captured two and perhaps five Russian steamers used as transports, one an auxiliary cruiser.

A formal declaration of war was issued by the czar of Russia. Japan will issue a declaration today.

Japanse troops have arrived at Seoul.

Japan has seized the port of Masampho and will establish a naval and military base.

President Roosevelt will today issue a declaration of neutrality.

Rear Admiral Uriu who commanded the Japanese fleet which Tuesday defeated two Russian cruisers, in the battle of Chemulpo bay, reports that the crews of both of the Russian cruisers, Variag and Korietz, surrendered.

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Pawnee county's representation in the republican state convention has been cut down from 15 to 13 delegates.

The Argus believes the rank and file of the republican party in Pawnee county is for the renomination of Gov. Mickey.

Japan shows good judgment in some things. She has secret officers at work in the United States trying to enlist officers and soldiers of the Spanish-American war for the Japanese army.

Radium, in practically unlimited quantities, is said to have been found in Utah. Something good may yet turn up in that quarter, though one would be foolish to risk much on it. --St. Joe Gazette.

Will the republican state convention endorse a candidate for United States senator, and will the endorsee be E. J. Burkett? There are some of the state politicians against the plan, but a majority of the people are in favor of it as the next best thing to an election by a popular vote.

Senator Mark Hanna is very sick with typhoid fever at his Washington home. Tuesday a report gained circulation that he was dead, but this proved an error, as he was at that time in a very favorable condition for his recovery, and since then he has improved some, although not yet out of danger.

The financial loss in the Baltimore fire is the greatest fire loss ever experienced in the world, being estimated at $250,000,000, while the loss in the great Chicago fire was $200,000,000. It is remarkable that no lives were lost, and no people rendered homeless by the Baltimore fire, conditions that added so greatly to the horror of the Chicago disaster.

The republican state convention is quite likely to prove an interesting affair. Some opposition has been manifested toward Gov. Mickey, and this week J. B. Dinsmore announced his candidacy for Governor, and today's papers announce that W. H. Harrison of Grand Island is a candidate, and will come to the convention with tangible support. For the other offices a number of aspirants are grooming.

Better Than Gold.

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Blydenburgh Sentenced.

Sidora, Ia., Feb. 9.—Ebee S. Blydenburgh was sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of his third wife. The trial was sensational, lasting seventeen days.

TORNADO IN ARKANSAS

Three Persons Killed and Much Property Damaged.

TOWN OF UNION IS WIPED OUT.

Only One Building is Left Standing. Two Churches, Residences and Masonic Temple Among the Buildings Destroyed by Windstorm.

Mammoth Springs, Ark., Feb. 9.—News has been received here of a tornado in the southern part of this county (Fulton). At Union, thirty miles southwest of here, three persons were killed.

The dead: Rev. Soden, Baptist minister; Miss Clinton, and a child, name not known.

At Union the dwellings of Samuel W. Cochran, William Gilstap and a number of smaller residences, also the store of S. W. Cochran, together with the contents, two churches, the Masonic hall and Carnes' blacksmith shop, were blown down. The only building left in the little town was Dr. Barnes' store, and it was blown from its foundation. The path of the tornado was about 200 yards wide.

MORE DELAY IN DEWEY TRIAL.

Jurors Are Being Challenged for Cause on the Slightest Excuse.

Norton, Kan., Feb. 9.—There was more delay in the trial of Chauncey Dewey, W. J. McBride and Clyde Wilson for the murder of Burchard Berry. Twelve men are in the jury box. The defense has exhausted three of its peremptory challenges and the state one peremptory challenge. This leaves thirty-one peremptory challenges for the defense and five for the state. The proceedings showed that the defense is not alone in its attitude of killing time. The state has become fully as dilatory. Its questions are extremely technical. Jurors are challenged for cause on the slightest excuse.

Question Revenue Law Provisions.

Lincoln, Feb. 9.—All of the foreign fire insurance companies doing business in the state have united in another attack made on the new revenue law in the supreme court. An injunction is sought to prevent City Treasurer Hennings of Omaha from collecting tax based on the gross premiums on the ground that it is not a tax on property, that it discriminates between home and foreign companies in allowing the former to deduct cancellations and reinsurance. Another ground of objection is the fact that all of the premiums have been remitted to the home offices and are not under the jurisdiction of the state.

Senator Hanna's Condition.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Senator Hanna's condition is more encouraging, though the weakness has been the worst feature of his illness. He had a fairly quiet day, rested a little better and there was less irritability of the stomach, so that the senator was able to take more nourishment than for some days. For the past two days he was talked very little, and has made no effort, as at first, to bring up business matters. The physicians say it is a case of waiting for the disease to take its course. The heart is good, and the fact that the senator is of a long-lived family is considered in his favor.

Marx Must Stand Trial.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—Gustav Marx, self-confessed participant in the car barn murders, turned aside from his confederates, Peter Neidermeyer and Harvey Van Dine, at the opening of the trial of the three men and offered to become a witness for the state. He hoped thereby to save his neck and take a penitentiary sentence instead. The state's attorney, however, declined to consider Marx in any other capacity than a murderer on trial.

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Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

The Union had an interesting meeting Friday, the 5th, with Mrs. Morrow. Having had a two months' vacation, we entered on the work of the year with a desire to double our zeal as well as our membership. Mrs. Linn reported as work done since last meeting: Column kept up in the Argus; proceeds of Scanlon meeting, $24.66; expenses of that and literature, $21.85, leaving a balance for our treasury of $2.81. The treasurer reported $1.50 paid on sundries since our last meeting and reminded the members that it was in order to pay dues at any time, as state dues should be sent in in March. Extracts from the president's (Mrs. Wheelock's) letter in the Union Worker were read, also items of interest from the Union Signal, by Mrs. Tillotson. A short article from "Safe Remedies in Illness," was discussed for a time. Three new names were added to our list of members and plans laid for a Willard Memorial meeting to be held at Mrs. O. W. Griffing's in two weeks. An interesting program will be given, and cake and ice cream served at the close and a silver offering taken for the Willard Memorial fund. Four thousand dollars was spent in spreading temperance organizations and literature from this fund last year.

Ayer's

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Three to Pay Death Penalty May 15.

Denver, Feb. 9.—Frederick Arnold, Newton Andrews and Charles Peters, the young men who killed Mrs. Amanda Youngblood last New Year's eve, were sentenced to be hanged in the week beginning May 15. An appeal will be taken to the supreme court to test the constitutionality of the hanging law.

Severe Storm in Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Feb. 9.—The worst storm that has been experienced in Manitoba in years is sweeping over the province. The railways are blocked with snow and large gangs of shovelers and extra motive power seems unable to relieve the situation. The cold is intense.

Fatally Injured by Train.

Lincoln, Feb. 9.—E. M. Cole and J. N. Cape, two employes of Grant Ensign, were run down at Twenty-seventh and R streets by a Rock Island passenger train. Both were riding in a milk wagon at the time. Both are so badly injured that they will die.

Warships Sail for Chemulpo.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Secretary Moody has received a cablegram from Lieutenant Marsh, the American naval attache at Tokio, announcing the departure of a naval division from Japanese waters for Chemulpo, Korea.

NORTHWESTERN TO CUT AGAIN

Will Meet Great Western Rate With Another Reduction.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—Executive and general officers of the Chicago-Missouri river lines met to consider the further reduction in grain rates announced by the Chicago Great Western. All the roads with the exception of the Chicago and Northwestern were willing to concede the Great Western's point that the through rates from Nebraska should not be lower than the combined rates to and from Omaha. The representative of the Northwestern saw no reason why it should make the through rate the same as the combined local rates and give up the business to its competitors east of the Missouri river. He intimated that it was the intention of his company to meet the rate made by the Great Western from Missouri river points with another reduction of 2 cents in the through rate.

Forbes for Philippine Commissioner.

Washington, Feb. 9.—It is said at the war department that Cameron Forbes of Boston, who has been tendered the position of Philippine commissioner, was selected principally because of his executive abilities and technical knowledge of engineering matters. He will be commissioner of commerce and police. He is the grandson of Ralph Waldo Emerson and has been connected with more than forty electrical railway systems in the United States.

House Debates St. Louis Loan.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The house debated at length the proposed loan of $4,600,000 to the Louisiana Purchase exposition at St. Louis, as provided for in the senate amendment to the urgent deficiency bill, and it was still pending when the house adjourned. The house concurred in all other amendments, except that providing for coal tests at the St. Louis fair.

Senate Aids Portland Exposition.

Washington, Feb. 9.—After speeches by Hopkins and Clay in support of the Panama canal treaty the senate passed a bill granting assistance to the proposed Lewis and Clark exposition at Portland, Ore. The bill was amended so as to close the exposition on Sunday and the provision for a permanent memorial to Lewis and Clark was eliminated.

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headache, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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FARMERS' INSTITUTE!

The Pawnee county farmers' institute will be held at Pawnee Tuesday and Wednesday, February 9 and 10. Besides some good home talent there will be a number of eminent speakers from other states. All who possibly can should plan to attend. This county had one of the best institutes in the state last year, and from present indications it will be as good or better this year. Don't forget the dates and be there.

Some of the best speakers on farm topics in the country will be at the farmers' institute February 9 and 10.

The state holds farmers' institutes for your benefit. You cannot afford to miss it. Feb. 9 and 10.

Take the wife and children to the farmers' institute this year. It will pay you. Bring the hired man along it will make a better hand of him. Persuade your neighbor to attend; he will thank you for calling his attention to it. Pawnee City, Feb. 9 and 10.

If you are a wide awake, progressive farmer you know the farmers' institute will give you new ideas. If you are not that kind of a farmer, well—that's different, and perhaps you do not realize how much it might help you. Why not go and see. Feb. 9 and 10.

A GOOD THING.

German Syrup is the special prescription of Dr A Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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Mrs. Peter Stevens is quite sick this week.

Frank Kovanda, jr., is quite sick with measles.

See G. W. Pepoon & Co., for wood, either dry or green.

Miss Emma Wood will visit friends in Tecumseh to-day.

O. T. Crisler leaves for his home in Burlingame, Kas., tomorrow.

Mrs. Boyd Phillips visited her parents in Clay precinct Saturday.

Attorney Dort was in the city on professional business one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Griffing spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Worrell, near Smatville.

Mary G. Ward of Tecumseh, state treasurer of the W. S. A., is a guest of Mrs. M. H. Marble.

E. V. Shawhan, who has been sick for several weeks, was able to appear on the streets again last Friday.

Constables B. F. Norris and G. C. Freeman transacted official business at Steinauer early Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Parker, of Sebetha Kas., parents of our fellow citizen, F. W. Parker, are expected here tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Conklin and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Runnion spent Sunday with Mr. Runnion's parents at Tecumseh.

Dorr Tressler, the Argus typo, has been layed up this week, from a surgical operation performed on his lip by Dr. McCrea last Sunday.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.

GEO. BUERSTETTA & Co.

Captain R. P. Jennings, whose hotel was recently saved from destruction by fire, regaled the fire laddies with an oyster supper on Wednesday evening.

A. A. Widdifield & Sons are visiting school houses in this vicinity, giving a three hours phonograph entertainment which gives pleasing satisfaction.

Carmichael & Smith did a rushing business in steel ranges last week and the number of lunches served demonstrated that hot biscuits and coffee make a popular lunch.

The Tecumseh fire department was called out last Saturday to extinguish a fire in a house owned by E. P. Bracken. The fire was put out before much damage was done.

Just as the Christian church bell quit tolling for the death of A. S. Crisler last Saturday morning, the M. E. bell tolled the announcement of the death of Mrs. C. A. Groom.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

C. R. Judkins, of Upland, was in town, shaking hands with old time acquaintances here. "Jud" was in the lumber and coal business here for many years, and has a large circle of friends who are pleased to hear that he is prosperous and happy in his new home. He is associated with E. G. Dey in the lumber and coal business at Upland and is doing well.

For a good many years the organ of the M. E. church has accommodated public gatherings of all kinds. Scarcely a meeting where music was required in the public park but that the M. E. church organ led the singing, and now its voice is flat in places and sharp and garrulous in others and the members of the choir want to replace it by a new one, and for this purpose a subscription paper will be circulated to meet the expense. Every public spirited citizen aught to contribute to this fund, so when the ladies call on you, write them a check for a good liberal amount.

Mrs. Carrie Samson-Bahl and her children, arrived here from Denver last week, and is a guest of her father, R. H. Samson, and other relatives. She recently was granted a divorce from her husband, John Bahl, by a Denver court and allowed alimony in the sum of $5,000. Bahl had previously disposed of his real estate (a wife's signature to a deed isn't necessary in Colorado) pocketed the proceeds and skipped for parts unknown, so that it is somewhat problematic whether anything will be realized on the judgment, although he is supposed to have $12,000 or $15,000 in cash. Wilse Turman was her attorney in the case.

Edgar Stevens is suffering from a severely mashed foot.

D. W. Neill of Humboldt was a business visitor here Monday.

Miss Vivian Jobe returned home from Lincoln on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Anna Snell, of Goodland, Kas., is a guest of Misses Minnie and Alma Boggs.

Wm. Garvin, an old-time resident of Table Rock, attended the funeral of Mrs Groom on Monday.

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L. K. CARMICHAEL.

Services at the Christian church Sunday, February 14th, morning and evening. Elder J. B. Lemon, pastor.

Rev. Newell S. Lowrie, of Lincoln, will preach in the Presbyterian church next Sabbath, the 14th, morning and evening.

The program at the Presbyterian church last Sabbath evening called out a fair sized audience and was pleasingly rendered.

Miss Myrtle Kenner, who has been a guest of her cousin, Miss Ruth Chambers, for several weeks, returned to Lincoln Tuesday.

In order to prepare for our vacation of the building we now occupy, all winter goods will be sold at cost.

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The district court is in session at Pawnee City, with Judge Babcock on the bench. A grand jury—the first for many years—is in session, investigating misdemeanors.

The "Crazy tea" given by the Woman's Home Missionary society of the M. E. Church at the home of Mrs. Dottie Smith, was a very pleasant affair and netted the society about $8.

District court is in session at Pawnee City this week. Among the cases disposed of was Village of Table Rock vs. Peter Stevens, which the judge threw out of court, because of technicalities in the justice court. Each side is to bear its own expenses.

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Rocky Mountain Tea works for mankind both day and night,

That's why it is famous the world o'er and o'er,

And not let you turn over and take another snore. F. M. Colwell.

Married—At the home of the bride's parents, 6 miles west of town, Wednesday evening, Feb. 10, 1904, Mr Gilmore Nye and Miss Bessie Kingsbury, both of this county. The Republican congratulates its young friends and wishes them a happy and useful wedded life.—Pawnee Republican.

The Stanton Register gives a likely account of the last day for payment of personal taxes there. The county treasurer was not only compelled to call in assistance to care for the clamoring payees, but at times it was found necessary to lock the doors to keep the mob, clamoring for their receipts, from getting into the office, and it was 8:20 at night before every receipt was properly signed.

At Auburn on Saturday the jury in the case of Rev. Frank W. Sanford, head of the "Holy Ghost and Us" society, charged with manslaughter, today reported a disagreement. Sanford was alleged to have been responsible for the death of Leander Bartlett a fourteen-year-old member of the "Holy Ghost and Us community at Shilo in January, 1902. The indictment was one of six returned against Sanford as a result, it was said, of proceedings at the headquarters of the society.

J. Forrest Marston, the preacher insurance man, who has been wanted for some time by different parties here who "bit" on his schemes, on Tuesday completed his sentence in the county jail at Plattsmouth for similar swindles. Interested parties from this place had Constable W. E. Dungan on the ground and he at once took the man in charge, bringing him here Wednesday morning on the early train. Marston was at once placed in the city jail until arrangements had been made for a hearing before Justice Smith. The accused man asked a ten days' continuance but this was refused and he was placed under $500 bonds to answer in district court. Being unable to give the bond Marston was taken to Falls City yesterday morning.—Humboldt Leader.

Ellsworth Groom returned to Lincoln this afternoon.

Mrs. A. S. Crisler has been quite sick for several days.

Mrs. J. D. Nesbitt, of Pawnee City, occupied the pulpit of the M. E. church last Sunday evening, in the interest of the W. C. T. U. work.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 3123 R St., Lincoln.

Mrs. Charles Beebe, who was scratched by a cat, and blood poison set in, and who suffered very greatly for several weeks, has about recovered.

W. C. Fellers has recently added a deck along the east side of his store building, adding to the convenience of his store, as well as a place to put more goods.

The Argus is out this week under difficulties. Our type being sick, and it being impossible for us to get other help, so that the work has been a crowd on the editor.

Pretty Miss Nellie Hascomb, Omaha: "I owe my good looks and health to Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Have fully regained my health." Tea or tablets. 35 cents. F. M. Colwell.

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Johnson county has outside of the towns seventy country schools with 96 women and four men teachers. In the six towns of the county, 23 women and 9 men are teaching in the schools. Thus we have in our county all told a teaching force of 99. —Johnson County Journal.

Missouri men are becoming harder to please every year. One at Joplin, after living with his wife one single month, asks for divorce, alleging, along with a dozen or so other things he had found out about her during the thirty days of bliss, that she carries a razor in her stocking.—Maryville Tribune.

B. A. Reynolds and A. Rhoden will hold a public sale at the Blacklaw farm on Thursday, February 25th., commencing at 10 o'clock and will offer a lot of horses, mules, cattle, hogs, farm implements, household goods, etc., etc. One year's time will be given on sums over $5, at 8 per cent interest.

Mrs. W. L. Mitchell, in writing to a Table Rock friend, said they finally reached their destination, Treupe, Texas, but under difficulties. Hope was taken sick, and they had to stop over a day and night at one place to consult a physician, and found her suffering from pneumonia. When the letter was written, Hope was better, and Warren was busy erecting a dwelling house.

Program for Willard Memorial at O. W. Griffing's, Friday, February 19th, at 3:30 p. m.:

Hymn—My Faith Looks Up to Thee.

Scripture—145th Psalm.

Prayer—Rev Morrow.

Solo—Lulu M. Conklin

Readings—By members of Union.

Reading—Miss Athena.

Song—Hazel Taylor

Refreshments—cake, chocolate and ice cream.

Silver offering.

LOWER CLEAR CREEK.

Joe Davenport has been on the sick list for the past two weeks. His youngest child was taken sick on Monday and it was necessary to send for Dr. McCrea. This was doubly hard, as their goods were all loaded up to ship to their new home in Jewell county, Kas., where they go this week.

June Davenport and Louisa Burgert were married in Pawnee City Thursday and have gone to housekeeping on the Stoltz place.

Charlie Woods' baby has recovered from the measles.

Myrtle Facemire returned home Sunday from Sam Hunzeker's.

Mrs. Ellsworth McClurie and children are under Dr. Finley's care.

Mysterious Circumstances.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off consumption. Try them. Only 25c at Colwell's Drug Store.

MRS C. A. GROOM.

Mrs. Levenia Groom, wife of C. A. Groom, died at her home in this city on Saturday morning at 8 o'clock after an illness extending through many months. The funeral services were held in the M. E. church at 10 o'clock on Monday morning, under the auspices of the Woman's Relief Corps, of which she was a member; Rev. W. M. Morrow preached the sermon and the remains were laid to rest in the Table Rock cemetery.

Levenia Calvin was born in Champaign county, Ohio, May 15, 1838; she was united in marriage to Charles A. Groom, December 22, 1864; to this union six children were born: Edmond W., Mary A., C. Eugene, John E., Elma Pearl, and J. Ellsworth; four are dead, but the other two were at her bedside when she passed to the other world. In 1882 she came to Table Rock with her husband and family from Illinois, and this has been her home ever since. For many years she was a consistent member of the M. E. church, and crossed death's river strong in the faith of a Risen Saviour. She was a devoted wife and mother, loved her home and family; she was kind to all, and won the esteem of all with whom she came in contact by her courteousness. A large circle of friends mourn her demise. To the bereaved husband and children the sincere sympathy of the community is extended.

We desire to thank the people of Table Rock and vicinity for their kindness and sympathy extended to us during the illness, death and burial of our wife and mother.

C. A. GROOM AND CHILDREN.

A. S. CRISLER.

Ansylum Silas Crisler was born February 7, 1833, in Boon county, Ky.; died February 5, 1904, aged 70 years, 11 months and 29 days. The deceased resided in Kentucky until about 20 years of age; he then removed to Randolph county, Ill., at which place, in 1861, he enlisted in Co. G, 34th Ill. infantry, and served his country faithfully as a soldier until discharged at the close of the war.

In 1865 he was united in marriage to Mary E. Craven, of Jackson county, Ill.; two children were born of this union—George N. and Clara Belle. George N. now lives at Nemaha City; Clara Belle died in early childhood. In 1871 his first wife died. He was again united in marriage in 1872 to Mrs. Nancy C. Lee, of Jackson county, Ill.; four children were born of this union: Louis Theodore, Olatha C., Amos, and Walter; Olatha C., now Mrs. W. J. Smith, and Amos, both of Table Rock, Neb.; Louis Theodore and Walter both died in infancy. In 1880 death again robbed him of his companion.

In 1881 he moved with his children from Illinois to Table Rock, Neb., and settled on a farm four miles northwest of town, where he resided until his death. In 1883 he was united in marriage to Clarinda McBride, of Jackson county, Ill, who survives him. Six children were born to this union, four of whom are still living, two having preceded him to the better land: Raleigh, aged 6 years, and Sarah E., aged 18 years; those living are Dora B., Aaron S., Roy P., and Bertha M., all of Table Rock.

In 1876 the deceased joined the Universalist church and remained a consistent member until January 18, 1894, when he united with the Church of Christ at Table Rock, and has since been a faithful and devoted member.

As a Christian he was consistent; as a neighbor, kind; to the needy charitable; to his friends, faithful; to his family, devoted; to his country, loyal. What higher tribute can be paid to any man?

In his death the community loses a worthy and respected citizen, the church a kind brother, his family a loving and indulgent husband and father, but our loss is his gain.

The funeral services were held at the home at 2 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, conducted by Elder J. B. Lemon, pastor of the Christian church, and were attended by a large number of mourning friends. Interment in Table Rock cemetery.

We desire to publicly express our thanks and appreciation of the many kindnesses extended to us by our friends and neighbors during the illness, death and burial of our husband and father.

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NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

George Kinney, from near Humboldt, is visiting relatives here this week.

W. D. Myers has sold his team of mules to Roy Dunbar.

A. J. Barrett shelled corn for Ben Heer on Monday.

W. A. Frank is very sick with pneumonia, at his home in Humboldt

Miss Edith Ault returned from St. Joe on Saturday, where she has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Wade. since July.

Adolph Dobrovsky is suffering with a very sore hand and arm, caused by breaking the skin on one of his fingers, from which blood poisoning seems to have developed.

Mr. Marvin Booth and Miss Zoe Cross, from Humboldt, visited at W. D. Myers' home on Wednesday.

W. F. Frank and wife drove down to Table Rock Thursday to see their uncle, Mr. Summerfield, and Mrs. Franks' mother, Mrs. Martha Myers.

James McLaughlin and Alex McClintock, with their families, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ault.

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HOW UP IN ARMS

Kansas Stockmen Begin to See They Must Legislate

WILL FIGHT MEAT COMBINE

Beginning of an Organization Which May Extend Into Every State Raising Cattle in the Union

A dispatch from Salina, Kan., says: "The stockmen of central and western Kansas are up in arms against the railroads and the combines which have decreased the value of live stock to such an extent as to make their business unprofitable. The stockmen, farmers and shippers have stood the present condition of affairs as long as they feel that they can afford to do so and action has now begun in many of the counties in the stock-raising districts to arrange for war against the corporations which are held responsible for the present condition of things. New organizations of farmers and stockmen are being formed in the different counties and the interest in the old organizations is being revived.

"The principal method of warfare will be through the legislative bodies of the state. Saline county has already started the fight, which probably will be taken up by the stockmen's associations in a majority of the counties in the central and western portions of Kansas. Saline's two candidates will receive the support of all the people who might be benefited in the change of present methods which the shippers are compelled to stand for. The Saline County Livestock association will support Thomas Anderson, the present mayor of Salina and president of the association, for state senator from the Saline-Ottawa district; also C. B. Kirtland, a member of the association, the present representative from Saline county. These two men will be elected, giving the stockmen and farmers two members at least, who will work in their interest.

"Never was so much interest displayed in years as is now for the organization of stockmen. Besides reducing prices of the farmers' product, the live stock merger has made a number of minor changes which do not meet with the approval of the shippers. For instance, the Kansas City exchange recently became a member of the National Live Stock exchange. One rule of this national body provides that there shall be no more local solicitors or agents of commission houses; another that the shippers and cattle dealers shall pay their own telegraph and telephone bills. Meal tickets are now denied the shippers and the railroads have refused them return transportation. All of these things, in connection with the low prices which they receive for their stock, have compelled the stockmen to revolt.

"Another very important matter is to be fought out with the railroads. There is general complaint of high rates and unsatisfactory service. The railroads, realizing that they have had the shippers at their mercy, furnish little or no accommodations. These matters will be taken up with the railroads through the state board of railroad commissioners, a body which the farmers, stockmen and shippers hope to control this fall."

Kansas Flour to be C. O. D.

The millers and flour manufacturers of southeastern Kansas and southwestern Missouri have decided to make a radical change in business methods. The millers belong to an association which has agreed to do away with credits and start the new year on a cash basis. Circular letters will be sent out to the trade notifying them of this change.

Hereafter, instead of selling flour even in carload lots on time the transaction will be a cash one. A statement will accompany the bill of lading for shipments of flour, regardless of the financial standing or responsibility of the consignee, and the goods will be delivered C. O. D. The millers are compelled to pay cash for their wheat to the farmers and they think that the buyers ought to pay them cash in return. Nearly every milling concern in southeastern Kansas and southwestern Missouri belongs to the association and the new rules will be strictly observed.

Street Cars for Lawrence

Lawrence is to have another trial at securing an electric street railway system. Mr. F. A. Sharpe, the representative of Chicago capitalists, has filed an application with the city council for a franchise for the furnishing of light, heat and power for the citizens of Lawrence. This means the consolidation of the gas and electric companies as well as the control of the power from the dam. The application came as a surprise to the citizens of Lawrence. There have been engineers here looking over the dam and a man has been here for some time securing options on the right of way for a street car line, but nothing definite was known of the plans until the filing of the application for the franchise.

South Ahead $300,000,000

Cotton brokers estimate that the south is $300,000,000 richer as a result of Daniel J. Sully's recent campaign. It is said the bull pool's profits up to date have amounted to 135 per cent, but on how much money invested, or how many bales of cotton bought and sold cannot be learned. Some of Sully's friends estimate that he has made a clear profit of from $3,000,000 to $6,000,000 in his latest campaign.

Gold Bricked for $10,000

Jacob H. Allen, of Wellington, Kan., who paid $10,000 for a gold brick (copper and brass) a few days ago in Wichita, received a letter telling him that his brick was worth $5 and to guard it carefully and not try to take advantage of the next man he found in distress. The letter was mailed at La Junta, Colo. The letter also said that the writer would enjoy spending the money, and would probably write him again from some foreign shore or call on him some time, as he would not know him if he did.

FRUIT GROWERS TO UNITE

Kansas Fruit Growers See Necessity for Immediate Organization

A call has been issued for a meeting of horticulturists at Wichita, Kan., when it is proposed to organize the Arkansas Valley Fruit Growers' association. Frank Yaw, a fruit grower, is at the head of the movement. The principal object of the organization will be the promotion of fruit growing and the enforcement of laws relating to the protection of trees and shrubbery. Especially will attention to transplanting diseased plants, as it is contended that this statute generally is disregarded.

Arkansas valley folk contend, and they are backed by Superintendent Schell of the Kansas horticultural exhibit at the world's fair, that that portion of the state is rapidly taking the lead over the old fruit growing districts both as to the quantity and quality of fruit produced, and for this reason it is urged that organization is necessary for the good of the business generally. Most of the apples for the Kansas exhibit came from Sedgwick, Cowley and neighboring counties, the late freeze killing the buds in northern counties.

Senator Hanna Seriously Ill.

Senator Mark A. Hanna, at Washington, D. C., had a setback which for a time considerably alarmed his family, who had been encouraged to hope he was getting to be himself again, but the congestive attack which they feared was averted to some extent by prompt action, and the senator, while not so well as earlier in the day, showed excellent rallying power and improvement over his condition at sundown. The setback came in the form of an attack that resembled sick spells that have seized the senator on two or three occasions in the past few years. Members of the family were on hand at its first outbreak, and by the prompt application of mustard plasters and hot water the attack was prevented from becoming so serious as it was feared it might become and later it was stated that the senator's condition was again almost at his normal state of the past few weeks.

Radium Deposits in Colorado.

Proof that radium is deposited in Colorado in the shape and in quantity to make it of use commercially has been secured through experiments conducted by Justine Gaynes, a Denver chemist, and Dr. W. D. Engle, professor of chemistry at Denver university. The experiments have progressed so far that a photograph was taken with radium rays.

The ore from which radium was obtained came from Paradox Valley, Montrose county. It is known as carnotite, and was named in honor of the late President Carnot of France. From ten pounds of carnotite 1-200 of a grain of radium was secured.

Date is Changed.

The meeting of the Farmers' National Co-operative association, which was to have been held in Omaha June 14, will be held March 1, and all persons interested in co-operation are being invited to attend the meeting.

The change in the date is because June is such a busy month with the farmers that many of them would be unable to attend the meeting on the original date. The meeting in Omaha is being held for the purpose of consolidating the various co-operative movements and organizing the American Farmers' exchange and to inaugurate measures deemed necessary to secure better price for farm products.

Not Opposed to Women Choirs.

Archbishop Farley of New York sailed on the Prinz Adalbert for Rome. He denied that he intended to represent to the pope that the banishment of women from church choirs, in accordance with a recent edict of the pontiff, would work great hardship in this country.

A Missouri Story.

The importance of the Missouri hen was demonstrated at Fayette, Mo., when T. J. Hall, a farmer, hauled to town a load of baled hay, and on that hay he carried a basket of eggs. The hay and eggs were sold at the market price and the eggs only lacked two cents of bringing as much as the hay.

Isador Raynor is Senator.

In the Maryland legislature Isador Raynor, of Baltimore, was nominated by the democratic caucus, receiving the unanimous vote of the democratic majority and was elected United States senator to succeed Louis E. McComas. The republican minority voted unanimously for McComas. Mr. Raynor achieved an international reputation as the leading counsel for Admiral Schley during the naval court inquiry.

Fast Hounds at Garden City

Joe Holmes and Arthur Crow, of Garden City, Kansas, give a record made by their hounds this week which will be hard to beat. Three hounds belonging to the former caught three coyotes within twenty minutes, and caught six jackrabbits out of seven. A hound of Arthur's recently caught and killed a coyote in seven minutes.

President Speaks at G. A. R. Banquet

President Roosevelt, Gen. John C. Black, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R.; Secretary Taft, Gen. Nelson A. Miles and other well known officials were guests of honor at the banquet in Washington to the department of the Potomac of the Grand Army of the Republic. Patriotic addresses were made by the president and General Black.

St. Louis Gets the Loan

The urgent deficiency bill was laid before the senate, the provision for the St. Louis exposition loan being under immediate discussion, and Mr. Patterson (Col.) took up the present phase of the question, making a special reply to Mr. Foraker. Mr. Patterson having concluded, the question of sustaining Mr. Bailey's point of order was placed before the senate. There was no roll call, but there was an overwhelming response of "noes" and the chair announced the point as lost.

WAR OR PEACE?

Diplomatic Circles Regard the Eastern Situation Serious.

RUSSIA DISOWNS THE CAUSE

In Event of War Russia Will Address the Powers, Setting Forth in Detail Her Position.

"War or peace will come with tomorrow."

This is the general opinion in the diplomatic corps at Washington, both at the Russian embassy and at the Japanese legation, the situation in the far east being regarded as grave.

It is stated at the Russian embassy that the St. Petersburg government has made a determined and earnest effort for peace, even going so far as to offer magnanimous concessions in Korea. The question of Manchuria Russia is unwilling to discuss, taking the ground that this is a subject for negotiations between St. Petersburg and Peking and not between St. Petersburg and Tokio. In the opinion of the Russian government Japan's legitimate interests in Manchuria do not exceed those of the United States and Great Britain or of the other powers signatory to the peace protocol of 1900. For this reason Russia has declared her unwillingness to discriminate between the powers and enter into a special treaty with Japan.

In the event of war it may be expected that the Russian government will address the powers setting forth her position, and briefly reviewing the various steps in the negotiations.

TREATY WITH PANAMA.

Secretary of Treasury to Call in Portion of the Public Funds.

It is generally expected in administration circles that the Panama treaty will be ratified about the middle of the present month, and in anticipation of that event Secretary Shaw soon will take steps looking to a recall of a portion of the public funds now in the hands of the national bank depositories. Just what percentage of these public deposits will be called for has not yet been definitely determined, but there is reason to believe that it will approximate 20 per cent of $30,000,000. The exact time when the call will be made, of course, is not yet settled, in view of the uncertainty as to the date of the ratification of the treaty. No actual payments, however, are likely to be made for at least a month after the ratification, as it is expected that the department of justice will require that much time in which to adjust and settle the several comparatively small claims against the canal property held in Colombia and France. Secretary Shaw declines to discuss the details of his plan of payment beyond saying that the matter has been practically arranged in a manner which insures the money market against disturbance. In fact, it is believed that the total payments growing out of the canal purchase will be made without sending abroad any actual cash whatever.

Educational Test in Maryland.

In the state senate Senator Wilson introduced a bill, the acknowledged purpose of which is to eliminate the negro vote in Maryland. The bill provides for the submission to popular vote of a constitutional amendment which limits the right of suffrage to adult male citizens of the state who belong to one of three definite classes and the registers of the voters are directed to refuse the registration of all others.

These classes are:

First—Those who can read a section of the constitution of the state which the registers shall submit to them, and give a reasonable explanation of it.

Second—Those who were prior to January 1, 1869, competent to register under the laws of this state or any other state.

Third—Lineal descendants of those qualified to register and vote under the preceding section.

The bill was referred to the committee on constitutional amendments.

N. N. G. School.

Officers of the Nebraska National guard will go to school for four days during the month of March. Adjutant General Culver has issued an order calling for a school of instruction to begin Tuesday, March 1. The school will be for instruction in military tactics, military engineering and the care of equipment. Officers will receive no pay while in attendance at the school but will be allowed mileage and actual expenses. At the conclusion of the school an examination will be held. Of those passing above a certain mark the highest rank will be entitled to take examination at the Leavenworth school of instruction for military honors, for a commission in the regular army.

Papoose Born on Train.

Mary Blackhawk, a squaw, gave birth to a child on a Baltimore & Ohio train while en route to her home in Winnebago, Neb.

Took Admiral Dewey's Advice.

Admiral Dewey's suggestion in favor of heavy fighting ships for the navy prevailed with the house committee on naval affairs over the recommendation of the general board, submitted by Secretary Moody.

Mrs. Maybrick Out of Prison.

Replying to a question in the house of commons Home Secretary Akers-Douglas confirmed the reports that Mrs. Florence Maybrick had been removed from Aylesbury prison to a convalescent home, where she will remain until summer, when she will be allowed her freedom, and said that she had been granted a license, under the penal servitude acts.

In accordance with Mrs. Maybrick's earnest desire Mr. Akers-Douglas will not make public details as to the time or place of her release.

IT IS AGAINST ST. LOUIS.

Chicago Sewage Could Not Possibly Pollute Mississippi River.

A discovery which may decide the sanitary canal case before the United States supreme court was announced by Prof. Edwin O. Jordan, of the University of Chicago. While on the witness stand in the hearing of the injunction case of the state of Missouri against the state of Illinois and the Chicago sanitary district, Prof. Jordan declared he had proved that typhoid germs will not live more than two days in sewage polluted water, and will not live more than ten days in pure water. He testified that water polluted with sewage is in itself a positive aid to the elimination of typhoid germs.

The discoverey, beside being crucial in the present suit, is contrary to all previous scientific theories regarding the life of typhoid fever bacilli.

Associated with Prof. Jordan in the extensive experiments which led up to his discovery were Prof. Russell, of the University of Wisconsin and Prof. Zeit, of Northwestern university.

PROHIBITIONISTS HAPPY.

Federal Grand Jury at Kansas City, Mo., Indicts Express Agents.

Wholesale indictments by the federal grand jury of express agents in Kansas City, throughout Kansas and in the prohibition counties of Texas, and of dealers who have been shipping liquor into these prohibition states, are imminent, the result of a movement started by John W. Yerkes, commissioner of internal revenue at Washington.

The local agents of three large liquor houses were indicted and arrested, but released on their recognizance, and additional bills will be found against the agent of every express company in Kansas City and in the state of Kansas and in the prohibition counties of Texas who have acted as agents for the liquor houses in selling whisky as fast as the evidence against them can be presented.

The Cubans Are Thankful.

The last vestige of the American occupation of Cuba disappeared when the American flag was lowered from the Cabana barracks and the last battalion of American soldiers marched to the Triscornia pier and boarded the United States army transport Sumner.

Standing on the plain near Cabana fortress, between a line of American and a line of Cuban troops, and surrounded by a crowd of Americans and Cubans, President Palma feelingly voiced his appreciation of all that the Americans have done for Cuba.

After the soldiers had presented arms the American flag was slowly lowered from the staff over the barracks, a salute of twenty-one guns meanwhile being fired from the fortress. The Cuban flag was raised in its place and also saluted with twenty-one guns.

Trying to Get Dewey Jury

A special to the Kansas City Star from Norton, Kan., says:

Up to noon not a single juryman had been secured to try Chauncey Dewey, the millionaire ranchman, and his two cowboys, charged with the murder of the Berry family, and the belief is expressed that it will be impossible to secure twelve men in that county.

Dewey's line of defense, according to a hint dropped in the examination of veniremen, will be that the Berrys were killed in a general fight, and that the defense will assert that it is uncertain who fired the fatal shots.

Call for Prohibition Convention.

The official call for the prohibition national convention, which is to convene in Tomlinson hall in Indianapolis at 10 o'clock on Wednesday, June 29, was issued by Oliver W. Stewart, of Chicago, chairman of the national committee. It fixes the basis of representation as follows:

Each state and territory to have four delegates at large; each state is entitled to an additional delegate for every two hundred votes or major fraction thereof, cast for John G. Woolley for president in 1900. The District of Columbia to have two delegates. Each state or territory and the District of Columbia to have as many alternates as its number of delegates.

W. R. C. Meeting.

Much interest was attached to the report of Mrs. D. Winans, of Troy, O., head of the woman's relief corps, at the session of the national executive board of the national council of women at Indianapolis, Ind. It was shown that the order's most important work, after the relief movement, has been done in perpetuating the observance of Memorial day and locating and making the graves of the civil war's unknown heroes.

Mrs. Isabella Quinlan, of Galesburg, Ill., aroused interest in her report of the work of the Rathbone sisters.

The national association of business women, an eastern organization, was reviewed by Mrs. Louise Lee Hardin, who is herself the director of large business interests.

The national suffrage association's report as read by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt was an arraignment of the present franchise system.

New York Theaters Close.

Mayor McClelland of New York ordered the closing of the Grand opera house, Madison Square theatre, Princess theatre, Vaudeville theatre, Hurtig and Seamon's and the theatre part of Huber's museum until certain alterations for safety are made by the houses named.

The eight-hour bill was the subject of discussion in the house committee on labor. Samuel Gompers, president of the American federation of labor, said briefly that he did not believe it necessary for the proponents to enter into an extended argument for the bill.

A private dispatch from Yokohama announces the marriage there of Geo. Morgan, a nephew of J. Pierpont Morgan, to Miss Yuki Kato, a native of Japan. The young man has been traveling extensively since he left Yale ten years ago and has resided in Japan two years.

FOR FREE SPEECH

Declaration Made by President Harper, Chicago University

THE STUDENT UNHAMPERED

The University is Above Such Things as Interfering With a Man's Right of Speech.—Other News

Members of the University of Chicago faculty may criticise at will, favorably or otherwise, the actions of John D. Rockefeller, the institution's most liberal benefactor, without fear of dismissal. This announcement was made by President Harper to the senior class at the university in response to a question.

It was asked by one student:

"Would any professor be dismissed for criticising John D. Rockefeller in relation to the Standard Oil company and public affairs?"

President Harper replied:

"The members of the faculty have a right to say as they please. The university stands for free speech. No professor has ever been dismissed for expressing his opinion on any subject. When Dr. von Holst was here the university received numerous letters from all parts of the country insisting on his dismissal, accusing him of uttering seditious sentiments. At that time the university issued a statement that every man was entitled to free speech. The university is above such things as interfering with a man's right of speech."

THE PENITENTIARY RECORD

Cost Eight Cents a Day to Feed Convicts During January.

It costs 8 cents per day, per man, to feed the 286 convicts at the penitentiary during the month of January, and 10 cents and 4 mills to feed the guards, says the report of Warden Beemer.

During the month 19 prisoners were received at the penitentiary. Lincoln county sent the largest number of prisoners in proportion to its population. Three men came to Lincoln from there. Dodge came next with two prisoners, and Douglas next with 11. Antelope, Dakota and Garfield each sent one. The crimes were as follows: Murder, 1; assault with intent to kill, 1; rape, 1; rob, 2; cutting to wound, 1; horse stealing, 1; forgeries, 2; burglary, 5; house breaking, 2; robbery, 1; larceny from person, 1.

One convict was returned from parole, one escaped from parole was returned, two were released on parole and the sentences of five expired. It was necessary to discipline and punish nine convicts, for insolence, tampering with machinery and refusal to work. They either were placed in the "brig," reprimanded or fined good time. William Nation, who violated his parole to get married, was fined eleven months good time.

Judge Grosscup on the "Trusts."

Judge Peter S. Grosscup of Chicago, before the Fourth ward republican club, Minneapolis, talked on the necessity of the taking of immediate steps by the republican party in the legislative control of the large corporations, now formed and being formed in this country. He said in part:

"The main object to be aimed at is not general and promiscuous publicity, but is a repopularizing of the industries of the country and this can only be accomplished by a corporate policy under which a corporation dishonestly conceived cannot be organized at all, and a corporation dishonestly administered will pass at once, before the evil is irremediable, into the hands of the courts or some department of the government."

New Theatre for Lincoln.

David Belasco, the well known theatrical manager of New York, announces that he will this spring build a new theater to present his own attractions in Lincoln, Neb., and eight other different cities in opposition to the so-called theatrical syndicates. Asked about his plans and location for the theater in Lincoln, he said:

"I am not in the habit of building theaters on paper, nor do I care to boast of my plans. I am ready to start work, however, at once. I will not submit to any unreasonable demands, but will build as many houses as the situation in different cities demands. Already I have New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago and London."

Belasco is backed by a large syndicate of rich capitalists who have witnessed his success.

Committee of Four in Charge.

The sub-committee on arrangements of the democratic national committee met at St. Louis to complete the arrangements for the national convention. Committeemen Campau of Michigan, Mack of New York, Johnson of Kansas, and Secretary Walsh of the national committee, will act as a subcommittee of the committee on arrangements and will serve in conjunction with the local committee of the business men's league, visiting St. Louis frequently.

Before adjournment the members of the committee expressed themselves as perfectly satisfied with the arrangements made by the local committee. They declared the Coliseum adequate for the purposes of the convention and that it in every way meets their expectations.

Wahoo Issues School Bonds.

The Wahoo, Neb., board of education voted to issue $8,000 bonds of one hundred dollars each with interest at 4½ per cent, payable in 1914, with an option to pay any amount after 1906, home purchasers to be given preference in the sale of the same. The board also voted to build all walls of the new ward building of the same material, an additional expense of $200. Brick has been hauled for the building and ground for the foundation will be broken in a few days.

STANDS UP FOR NEBRASKA

Judge Holmes Quotes Facts Concerning Nebraska's Criminal Record.

Judge E. P. Holmes, at the meeting of the state board of charities and corrections at the First Christian church, Lincoln, said:

"It is not true that the number of criminals in Nebraska is on the increase, or has been in the last few years, and it is proven by statistics that the number of persons in the reformatory institutions of the state has been decreasing at a rapid rate.

"There is nothing the matter in the homes or among the people in general. In 1892 there was an average of 360 prisoners in the state penitentiary and up to 1898 this average was held, but that year it fell to 300.

"In 1902 there were only 290 criminals behind the bars of the penitentiary, and in 1903 the average fell to 270. The number of inmates in the industrial school at Kearney is gradually on the decrease. At present there are about 140 boys there. In 1896 there were ninety girls in the industrial school at Geneva, in 1899 there were sixty-six, in 1901 there were forty-two, in 1902 fifty-seven, and for the year 1903 the average was forty-five.

"This can not mean anything other than that crime in Nebraska is on the decrease. At the same time the population is on the increase, hence there should be nothing to discourage the workers for reforms, or cause them to think their state is becoming more wicked every day. In 1890 there were fewer persons in reformatories in this state than in almost any other state in the union, and Nebraska is making a more rapid decrease in this number than the great majority of states. The people ought to feel that this state stands first, and not last, in its success in dealing with criminals."

NEBRASKA SHOOTERS FIRST

Score 221 out of 250 Targets and Winning Easy.

The Nebraska state team won the race at 250 targets at the interstate shoot at Omaha, scoring 221. St. Joseph marksmen were second with 217 targets broken. There were seven entries—Omaha, Neb.; St. Joseph, Mo.; Iowa and Kansas. The winning team was composed of Lou T. Reed, Ohiowa; D. D. Broz, Columbus; J. H. Sieverson, Wisner; W. A. Waddington, Beatrice; W. Veach, Falls City.

Second place men were: F. B. Cunningham, rFed R. Arnold, Zim F. M. Libbe and J. R. Stafford. High runs in the race were O. N. Ford of Central City, Ia., and J. H. Sieverson, Wisner, each breaking forty-seven out of fifty. The winner of the shoot-off tomorrow will get the Cooms trophy. The high gun for the day was William Veach, Falls City, with 138; J. H. Sieverson, second, 137; J. W. Burnham, Linden, Ia., third with 136.

Wants Ireland to Have Full Share.

In the house of commons George Wyndham, chief secretary for Ireland, replying to John Redmond, the Irish leader, denied that he had ever proposed Irish legislation with the view of giving home rule to Ireland, or as a concession for the purpose of changing the views of the nationalists. He also denied that he had any understanding with the Irish party for any purpose. He had been careful not to delude the Irish by rosy, ambiguous periods, but he would insist that Ireland derive a fair share of the financial resources of the empire.

Mr. Wyndham did not believe the Irish question would be settled for at least fifty years. Even if rIeland had her own parliament she would not, in the present state of the money market, find $750,000,000 for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the land act.

The debate continued until the sitting was suspended at 7:30 p. m., a number of Irish members participating.

Russia Making Concessions.

The Revue Russe, Paris, says it has just received authoritative information showing that Russia is resolutely maintaining a pacific policy and that in the note about to be transmitted to Japan she has made all the concessions compatible with dignity. Russia will declare therein, the paper continues, that her interests in connection with the railroad are too great for her not to insist upon occupying a position which will enable her to protect this costly enterprise, but she recognizes also the right of Japan to develop, extend and create outlets in Manchuria, as well as in Korea. The contents of the Russian note, the Revue Russe avers, are known in Tokio, where they have created a most favorable impression. In any case, the paper concludes, Russia has decided not to engage Japan unless she is directly attacked.

The Matin quotes what it terms a "high English authority" for the following statement:

"If Japan seeks to begin war by rejecting Russia's forthcoming response Great Britain will use all her influence to hold her back."

Admiral Schley Has Grippe.

Admiral W. S. Schley is confined to his home in Washington by an attack of grippe.

Hostess of Missouri Building.

The Missouri world's fair commission has named Mrs. Richard Parks Bland, widow of the former Missouri congressman and free silver leader, as hostess of the Missouri state building.

Bertillion's New System.

M. Bertillon, of Paris, has devised a new method for the better identification of unknown bodies taken to the morgue. The fact that photographs of dead persons do not always well portray those persons as they appeared when alive created difficulties.

These M. Bertillon overcomes by the injection of glycerine into the eyes of the body, whereupon the lids open, the eyes become lifelike, the lips redden and the whole face seems to revive, making it possible to take a photograph resembling the person

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Mrs. Hayes' First Letter Appealing to Mrs. Pinkham for Help:

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"The symptoms of Fibroid Tumor given in your little book accurately describe my case, so I write to you for advice."—(Signed) MRS. E. F. HAYES, 252 Dudley St. (Roxbury), Boston, Mass.

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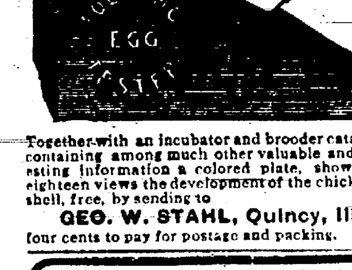

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DIPLOMACY

By Alex. Ricketts

"All men are just horrid—animals!" said Mae, the last word added with enough emphasis to break it in two. "There's Harry Courtwry, for instance. I've always adored Harry a little. But last night at the Crowder's dance he opened my eyes to his real nature; he disillusionized me completely," continued Mae, pathetically, "and he's every bit as bad as all the rest of the gormandizing creatures, and they're all nothing but stuffing pigs."

"Why, what did he do?" asked Sadie.

"Of course you know how devoted he's been all winter to that little flirt, Gladys Willmot?" Mae began the explanation of her woes.

"Um-m-m-m," assented Sadie, with a searching glance.

"Well, her engagement to Charlie Geddap was unexpectedly announced last night. It was right after my dance with Harry, when we were told of it, and, Sadie, he couldn't have had the slightest suspicion of anything of the kind, the deceitful minx! for I could feel him quiver from the shock and he grew so white that I honestly thought he would faint. I was awfully, awfully sorry for him, so I got him away from the crowd into a secluded nook in the conservatory, where no one could see his anguish. And I just talked, and talked and talked a steady stream to him until I just could not talk any more, and then, Sadie, what on earth do you suppose that wretch said?" demanded Mae tragically. "Oh, you couldn't ever guess in a million million years. After all my sympathy and sorrow and tender solicitude, too; it was: 'I say, Miss Gabbler, let's go get some supper. I feel as though I'd never had a square meal in my life.' The disgusting ogre! Is it any wonder I'm distracted with disgust?" Mae concluded tearfully.

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"Well, Biddy, old girl, you're faithful, anyway, aren't you?" said Harry Courtwry, mournfully, as he fondled the ears of his Irish setter. "You wouldn't lead a fellow on and on only to make a perfect fool of him, would you?"

Miss Biddy closed her eyes non-committally.

"By George, it was close to a knockout," Harry continued, with a frown of pain at the recollection. "Pretty nearly made a confounded fool of myself, too."

Miss Biddy opened one eye inquiringly. "Yes, old girl, at first that busybody of a Mae Gabbler did certainly catch on to my being flabbergasted, and how she did revel in it. It would have been the choice tidbit in her collection of gossip, I'll bet you. But I gamble a few fortunes that that happy thought of mine about supper squelched her romantic gossip in the bud. By George, how suddenly she did lose interest in me when she thought she'd mistaken the symptoms and I was only a hungry man instead of a lovelorn wretch. Great stroke of diplomacy, that, eh, Biddy, old girl?"

Miss Biddy winked appreciatively.
—New York Times.

Insure Cash In Transit

The careless way in which large packages of bank notes were tossed through the windows of the New York postoffice this week for transmission to out-of-town points has excited the wonder of persons familiar with the risks involved and the sums at stake. The movement is specially heavy just now, aggregating from $3,000,000 to $5,000,000 a week, and including consignments from most of the large banks and banking houses in the city. The currency is sent everywhere in single packages containing $10,000 or less, protected by policies of insurance protecting the owners against every possible hazard at rates varying from 15 cents to 80 cents per $1,000 of currency insured. Most of the notes are $5, $10 and $20 denominations, besides supplies of ones and twos for use as "hand-to-hand money" for crop movement purposes.

These transfers go to all sections of the United States, Canada, Great Britain and to continental points. The business has now grown to large proportions and is written by some of the strongest insurance companies of Europe and America. One very interesting claim paid a few days ago was for the loss of a parcel containing $2,700 in bank notes shipped through the mails by a Canadian institution. The destination was a small postoffice, where the business was so light that the postmaster, not having the use of a safe in which to store valuables, was forced to take home every night undelivered registered mail that had arrived during the day. The package of bank notes was taken out of the office in this way, and just before the postmaster reached home he was attacked by footpads and relieved of the money. The loss was immediately reported and the insurance company at once reimbursed the institution, at the same time offering $500 reward for the detection of the thieves. The case has not been cleared up yet.

Packages containing $20,000 of insured bank notes were on the train that went through a bridge in a southern state last week. New York underwriters were much concerned over the incident until they discovered that the car in which the insured packages were stored remained safe on the rails. The largest single risk ever written was taken in England some time ago, when one package containing $25,000,000 was insured.—New York Evening Post.

The Cowboy at Work

To those who have seen the western cowboy only in the sawdust ring of a Wild West show, the gathering of the rough-riding steer-tiers of Arizona and New Mexico are a revelation. On his own pet horse, in his native sunshine and dust, hot foot after a mountain steer, the "sure-enough" cowboy creates a sensation. He strikes one as being very real, intensely natural and the shrill yells from the crowded grandstand indicate that he is appreciated—at home. It is "whoop-la" from the jump.

A wild steer is pushed from the chutes at one end of the inclosure, rushed across the line and down the field. After him thunders the cowboy, swinging his riata. When he crosses the line a flag drops and his time begins. When he has tied his steer his time ends. The man who makes the best time wins the contest. There are a thousand chances in steer-tying—a mean steer, a bad steer, a broken rope, a quick turn, seen too late—all these make the contest a "gamble." And yet the best man generally wins. Theoretically, luck is an impersonal thing; in steer-tying the best ropers are generally lucky.

Any man who misses his first throw loses his chance for first place, unless the whole field is unlucky. So it is with one intent eagerness that the cowboy rises in his stirrups for the first cast. No use to catch them by the neck or legs—experience has shown that the best hold is the horns—and for the horns the cowboy throws. Then, as the rope settles, he twitches it taut, tosses the slack to one side of the flying steer, and runs his horse past him on the other side. In a moment the steer's head is jerked down, his hind feet gathered up, and he hits the ground—hard. Like a flash the rider runs to his victim. Hopping astride a prostrate steer he plants a knee in the heaving flank and lifts the hind leg into the air. While the steer kicks and struggles the cowboy seizes the tying rope from his waist, knots it about a forefoot and then wraps it about the hind feet. A jerk brings the three feet together. There is a swift tightening of knots, and he throws his hands into the air, "Tied!"

After the contest there are impromptu horse races, flag picking, and then a general clatter and stampede for town. There, about feed corrals and saloons, the contests of the day are talked over, the winners of bets stand treat and the champions tell how it was done.—Leslie's Weekly.

The Awakening of War

They have wakened the Goddess of War,
And her banner has been unfurled,
And the humming thrum of her calling drum
Is throbbing across the world.
She has lighted her flaming torch,
And she peers with a face smoke-wreathed,
While her trumpet's blare is upon the air;
Her sword she has half unsheathed.

She is rising, full ready and proud;
She is sounding her shrill alarms,
And the swift drumbeat times the rushing feet
That answer her call to arms.
She is rising, her eyes ablaze;
She is setting her sword arm free,
And her strident song will go swift and strong
And sweep over land and sea.

She is laughing her terrible laugh,
And is girding her armor on,
For she knows again that the wrath of men
Is white as the light of dawn;
She knows that the call has come
That bids her go forth and slay
Till her sister, Peace, bids the killing cease
And the armor be put away.

And she cries to the men on the deep
That they redden the sullen sea;
And to those in camp to arise and tramp
To the place where the foeman be.
She is deaf to the stifled sob;
She is blind to the falling tear,
For the saber clash and the cannon crash
Make the anthem she would hear.

They have wakened the Goddess of War;
She is chanting her chant of strife,
And it echoes afar where the soldiers are.
In the scream of the piercing fife,
She has lighted her flaming torch
And her banner has been unfurled,
And the humming thrum of her calling drum
Is throbbing across the world.
—W. D. Nesbit in Chicago Tribune.

CAUGHT BY THE GRIP. RELEASED BY PE-RU-NA.

"The world of medicine recognizes Grip as epidemic catarrh."—Medical Talk.

LA GRIPPE is epidemic catarrh. It spares no class or nationality. The cultured and the ignorant, the aristocrat and the pauper, the masses and the classes are alike subject to la grippe. None are exempt—all are liable.

Have you the grip? Or, rather, has the grip got you? Grip is well named. The original French term, la grippe, has been shortened by the busy American to read "grip." Without intending to do so a new word has been coined that exactly describes the case. As if some hideous giant with awful GRIP had clutched us in its fatal clasp. Men, women, children, whole towns and cities are caught in the baneful grip of a terrible monster.

The following letters speak for themselves as to the efficacy of Peruna in cases of la grippe or its after effects.

After Effects of La Grippe Eradicated by Pe-ru-na.

Mrs. Fred Weinberger, Westerlo, Albany County, N. Y., writes: "Several years ago I had an attack of la grippe which left my nerves in a prostrated condition. Then I had another attack of la grippe which left me worse. I had tried three good physicians but all in vain. I gave Peruna a trial. In a short time I was feeling better and now I am as well as anyone."—Mrs. Fred Weinberger.

Hon. James R. Guill of Omaha.

Hon. James R. Guill is one of the oldest and most esteemed men of Omaha, Neb. He has done much to make it what it is, serving on public boards a number of times. He endorses Peruna in the following words:

"I am 68 years old, am hale and hearty, and Peruna has helped me attain it. Two years ago I had la grippe—my life was despaired of. Peruna saved me."—J. R. Guill.

A Relative of Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. Silas S. Lincoln, who resides at 913 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., has the honor of being third cousin to Abraham Lincoln. He writes:

"I had la grippe five times before using your medicine. Four years ago I began the use of Peruna, since which time I have not been troubled with that disease. I can now do as much work at my desk as I ever could in my life. I have gained more than ten pounds in weight."—S. S. Lincoln.

Pe-ru-na Not Only Cured La Grippe but Benefited the Whole System.

Miss Alice M. Dressler, 1813 N. Bryant Ave., Minneapolis, Minn., writes:

"Last spring I suffered from la grippe and was partially cured but the bad after effects remained through the summer and somehow I did not get strong as I was before. One of my college friends who was visiting me asked me to try Peruna and I did so and found it all and more than I had expected. It not only cured me of the catarrh but restored me to perfect health, built up the entire system and brought a happy feeling of buoyancy which I had not known for years."—Alice M. Dressler.

An Actress' Testimony.

Miss Jean Cowgill, Griswold Opera House, Troy, N. Y., is the leading lady with the Aubrey Stock Co. She writes the following:

"During the past winter of 1901, I suffered for several weeks from a severe attack of grippe, which left a serious catarrhal condition of the throat and head.

"Some one suggested Peruna. As a last resort, after wasting much time and money on physicians, I tried the remedy faithfully, and in a few weeks was as well as ever."—Jean Cowgill.

A Southern Judge Cured.

Judge Horatio J. Goss, Hartwell, Ga., writes:

"Some five or six years ago I had a very severe spell of grippe, which left me with systemic catarrh. A friend advised me to try your Peruna which I did, and was immediately benefited and cured. The third bottle completed the cure."—H. J. Goss.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

Sister Philomena, the mother superior of Mercy hospital of Des Moines finds herself the heir of an estate valued at $15,000,000. She can hardly believe the truth of what seems like a fairy story, but she has been compelled to do so. The estate is that of her uncle, who died in Australia ten years ago. His name was John McCormick, and his home at Melbourne. He owned several gold mines, sheep ranches and other valuable property.

The two brothers, John and Henry, left in early youth for Australia, and nothing had been heard of them, and since that time the Melbourne authorities have been hunting for the heirs of McCormick's estate. The McCormick family came to this country from Ireland in 1850 and settled at Germantown, Pa. Mary married a man named Keating and moved to Davenport in 1853. Sister Philomena is a daughter of Mary Keating. Two brothers and two sisters at Davenport will inherit the fortune with Sister Philomena.

Rapid strides are now being made in the developing of the public domain. The excitement and uproar of former pioneer days are absent in this work, but the process is marked and very effective. The passenger traffic on western railroads is evidence of this fact. Agreeable reflections arise in contemplating that the United States still owns so much arable public land. The dangers of an overcrowded population by immigration or natural increase are still remote. The census for many years yet to come will not show an excess of people above what the west will need in settling up its vacant lands.

WELL POSTED.

A California Doctor With 40 Years' Experience.

"In my 40 years' experience as a teacher and practitioner along hygienic lines," says a Los Angeles physician, "I have never found a food to compare with Grape-Nuts for the benefit of the general health of all classes of people. I have recommended Grape-Nuts for a number of years to patients with the greatest success and every year's experience makes me more enthusiastic regarding its use.

"I make it a rule to always recommend Grape-Nuts and Postum Food Coffee in place of coffee when giving my patients instructions as to diet, for I know both Grape-Nuts and Postum can be digested by anyone.

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1,000 splendid Onions,
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Reviews Negotiations Leading Up to Present Rupture

BROKE FRIENDLY AGREEMENT

Russia Would Not Agree to the Integrity of China and Korea

to Occupy Manchuria Following Premises to Evasion.

Tokio, Feb. 6.—The following is the text of the statement issued by the Japanese government relative to the present position of affairs being issued to the officers and subjects of Japan to maintain the independence and territorial integrity of Korea and to safeguard her paramount interests thereto, the Japanese government finds it impossible to view with indifference the endangering of its position of rights, whereas Russia, notwithstanding her solemn treaty with China and her repeated assurances to the powers, not only continues her occupation of Manchuria, but has taken extensive measures in Korean territory. Should Manchuria be annexed to Russia the independence of Korea would naturally be impossible. The Japanese government, therefore, being desirous of securing permanent peace for eastern Asia by means of direct negotiations with Russia with the view of arriving at a friendly agreement of their mutual interests in both Manchuria and Korea, where their interests meet, communicated toward the end of July last such desire to the Russian government and invited its acceptance. To this the Russian government expressed a willing assent.

"It was the intention of the Japanese government originally that a conference should take place between the representatives at St. Petersburg and the Russian authorities so as to facilitate progress as much as possible in reaching a solution of the trouble, but the Russian government absolutely refused to do so on the ground that the czar planned a tour abroad and for other reasons it was unavoidably decided to conduct the negotiations at Tokio. It was not until the 3d of October that the Russian government presented counter propositions and in them she declined to engage in respect to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of China and stipulated the maintenance of the principle of equal opportunity for commerce for all nations in China and required that China declare Manchuria and its littoral as being entirely outside of her sphere and insisted on further put several restrictions upon Japan's freedom of action in Korea. The Japanese government utterly failed to see why Russia, who professed no intention of absorbing Manchuria, should be disinclined to insert in the convention a clause in complete harmony with her own repeatedly declared principle respecting the sovereignty and territorial integrity of China. The last reply of Russia was received at Tokio on the 6th of January. In this reply it is true Russia proposed to agree to insert the clause in the proposed agreements. . . .

"The recognition by Japan of Manchuria and its littoral as outside her sphere and interest whilst Russia within the limits of that territory would not impede Japan or other powers in the enjoyment of rights and privileges acquired by them under existing treaties with China, excepting of the establishment of settlements, but this was proposed to be reserved upon only upon conditions affecting the clause regarding Manchuria alone in Korean territory. Japan's employment of Korea for strategical purposes, the use whereof were intolerable, could not be acceptance. . . .

"The Japanese government, therefore, exhausted in vain every effort for conciliation, with the object of removing from the relations of the two countries every cause for future misgivings, and finding that its proposals were met in the interests of permanent peace in the far east did not receive the consideration which is its due, has resolved to sever its diplomatic relations with the Russian government which, for the reason named, has ceased to possess value."

ARMIES TAKE THE FIELD.

Japan and Russia Said to Be Hurrying Troops to Korea.

London, Feb. 9.—The Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Mail cables that sixty Japanese transports are landing troops at various ports in Korea, from Masampho and Fusan on the south of Kaussai, Mokpho and Chemulpo on the west coast, all being occupied and the latter is also severed by a torpedo division. The main body of the Japanese fleet, the correspondent concludes, will sail in the direction of Port Arthur. It is asserted that the Russian forces await fight. The Russians believe delay in war and their delay was due to lack of preparation and uncertainty whether certain powers would intervene or not.

In a dispatch from Nagasaki, which was delayed by the censor, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph asserts that Russia deliberately precipitated the crisis by secretly dispatching a few days ago from Port Arthur transports loaded with a full division of troops and escorted by a fleet and landing them near the Yalu river, and occupying northern Korea.

A Paris correspondent of the Mail says that France has urged upon other powers, to land troops at once to localize hostilities to

LETTER OF TIME.

Some Facts That Plighted Lovers Should Remember.

The bargaining of the foreordained of even the best matched couples is usually a work of time. Before they can learn equally to make those little concessions which keep two natures in harmony, or, perhaps, generally more or less jarring, of false attitudes and of false notes can be eliminated, before marriage so much the better, for it is more difficult to fight one's self before marriage than after, after the object lesson is accordingly more valuable, says the Chicago Chronicle.

Quarrels should be remembered. They are bad, but fall to the lot of most of us. They should be treated somewhat quickly, as one treats a cut finger, and not fingered and pulled at. Then they heal quickly, and one's self-respect suffers little in the same way.

Quarrels may enhance one's interest in the object of the quarrel, but sometimes make the mistake of parting at once, without allowing time for reflection. If the couple become separated and each still think with affection of each other after two or three years' absence they are fitted to marry. It is foolish and absurd to allow pride to stand in the way.

The reproved is better than the flattering lover, sincere. It is done tenderly, by force of reflection and is the greatest outward sign of true affection.

AMERICAN YELL WOULD FIT CO.

Colonel Corcoran Decides Not to Adopt Cornell Slogan.

Into Dr. Cyrus Edson who's a multiplete in his youth, and to the world was not crowded his fame as a physician than of his fame as a [illegible] Dr. Edson rowed in the [illegible] Columbia University crew of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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Nebraska Notes.

At York an effort is being made to revive the county fair.

The people of Bayard are going to build a new town hall.

Fire drill has been ordered in all the Fremont public schools.

There are not so many farm sales in Nebraska as usual at this season of the year.

The winter wheat in Gage and surrounding counties is reported in good condition.

Farmers who trade in Columbus always put their horses under shelter when in the city.

The town of Farnam, in Dawson county, is agitating the question of putting in a water plant.

It has been resolved to build and operate an independent grain elevator at St. Paul. It is to be ready for operation for the next crop.

W. B. Knouse of Beatrice is so much in favor of patronizing home industries that the Express says he will hereafter raise his own tobacco.

George Shaffer, of Hooper, Dodge county, was out hunting the other day. His rifle caught in a barb-wire fence and shot his big toe off.

The Grand Island board of education proposes not only to have fire drill, but to make a minute inspection of every school house in that city.

The title to the site of the Lincoln Carnegie library is valid. The supreme court, for the second time, has handed down an opinion holding against Sarah Gruninger, who claimed an equity in the lots on which the library building stands.

Henry E. Hunt, living near Firth, signed a contract with an alleged representative of a co-operative medical company, and later it proved to be a promissory note. This is his defense to the case brought by John V. Van Burg, a banker at Firth.

The executive committee of the state republican committee was authorized by the state committee at the recent meeting in Lincoln to select the temporary chairman of the state convention which will meet on May 18.

A curious accident happened the other day near Grand Island. A lady was driving a buggy in which she had some hot bricks. The bricks set fire to the robes which were in a blaze before she knew it. Her clothes took fire, but she extinguished the fire by rolling in the snow, then unhitched the horse from the burning buggy. All that was left of the buggy was the irons.

The citizens of Giltner have made up a reward of $750 to be paid to the party securing the arrest and conviction of the incendiary who started the fire in the rear end of the Mathews hardware store during the night of September 6, and who started the fire in the rear of Mr. Wheeler's office on the night of February 6.

The mortality record for the month of January, compiled by Health Officer William C. Rhode, shows a total of forty-six deaths in Lincoln. Pneumonia claimed the greates number of deaths, with six to its credit; pulmonary tuberculosis, 2; heart failure, 3; gunshot wound, 2; Bright's disease, 2; suicide, 2; tuberculosis, 2, and 29 other ailments.

H. G. Shedd, secretary of the Nebraska state commission, returned to his home at Ashland from St. Louis, where he has been making the final arrangements for the installation of Nebraska's exhibits in the various departments. The shipment of these exhibits, now stored in Omaha and Lincoln, and which will amount to several carloads, will soon be made. Mr. Shedd fears a great freight congestion at St. Louis during March and April when all the foreign and state exhibits arrive, and has therefore decided to ship the Nebraska consignment at the earliest possible moment. Permanent headquarters of the commission will be established on the world's fair grounds March 1.

Isaac W. Carpenter, president of the board of directors of the Omaha Young Men's Christian association, has appointed this committee to take up the matter of providing a new home for the association, which has sold its present building: G. G. Wallace, chairman; Dr. E. C. Henry, George F. Bidwell, H. L. Kreider and George Gilmore.

The members of the Nebraska delegation to the national irrigation convention, last summer, have been remembered by the Commercial club of El Paso, Texas. Secretary Dobson of the state board of irrigation, who was a member of the delegation, received by express a large Mexican straw hat. The hat is a hand braided one, with towering crown and broad brim. Around the crown is a tri-colored ribbon bearing the inscription "El Paso Irrigation Convention, 1904." The secretary was informed that a similar headpiece had been sent to each member of the delegation. At the convention last summer there was a fierce contest for the location of the 1904 meeting. Nebraska cast the deciding ballots in the fight and El Paso takes this method of acknowledging the favor.

John Lane, of Ravenna, had his left hand almost cut in two. It was caught in the grasp of a huge pair of ice tongs, the bones of the palm crushed, and the artery nearest the index finger pulled out all of three inches before it snapped and the hold of the instruments released. The services of a surgeon were at once demanded, and the injured member dressed. It is believed that the hand can be saved.

The newspapers in the range region agree that cattle have suffered little from the recent weather. The snow has been light, and though the cold was quite intense, the cattle have shrunk very little.

JAPANESE HIT FIRST

They Take the Initiative, Damaging 3 Russian Vessels.

RUSSIANS ARE ADVANCING

Greatest Activity Prevails at Port Arthur.—New Recruits Being Enrolled in Great Haste—Other News.

Under cover of darkness the Japanese fleet made a rush to the mouth of the harbor of Port Arthur and by the use of torpedoes disabled three Russian warships, escaping without damage. Two Russian officers were wounded, nine men killed and forty-one wounded.

A second naval battle reported at Chemulpo, in which one Russian warship was sunk and another disabled.

Leading powers of Europe have announced their intention of maintaining neutrality.

The United States will sound the powers on the question of maintaining the integrity of China.

Japanese troops landed at all the chief points of southern and western Korea. One division of the Japanese guards holds Fusan and Chemulpo, and another three divisions of the Japanese guards, each of 12,000 men, have been mobilized.

A telegram from Port Arthur says that General Krastalinsky of the Russian army left Lio-Yang for the Yalu river, at the head of the third brigade of artillery, consisting of twenty-four guns, and three regiments of infantry. The Third, Fourth and Fifth infantry brigades are entrenched along the railroad for a distance of forty miles from Hai-Cheng, and three batteries of the Fifth brigade are at Kin-Chou.

The greatest activity prevails at Port Arthur.

A dispatch to the London Daily Mail from Tokio says that a plot was on foot at Seoul to bring 2,000 soldiers from Pen Yang to take the Korean emperor to the French legation, to which place the imperial treasury has already been conveyed.

At a cabinet meeting long and careful consideration was given to the situation developed by the Russo-Japanese war.

It is not anticipated that the United States government will be drawn into the conflict though its progress will be watched closely and anxiously by this government. The president and Secretary Hay as well as Secretaries Taft and Moody were placed in possession of the news carried by the Associated press of the naval conflict near Port Arthur. Prior to the cabinet meeting that was the only information concerning the battle which had been received by the administration.

It was decided that the United States should observe absolute neutrality between the combatants, but it is scarcely probable that a proclamation formally announcing it will be made until official advices of the actual beginning of hostilities have been received.

$12,000 in Prizes for Cattlemen.

Eugene Grubb and Prof. W. L. Carlyle, of Colorado, have arrived at Chicago from Washington, where arrangements were definitely made with Governor Francis for a grand range cattle car-lot show at St. Louis. The Live Stock World announces on the authority of Mr. Grubb that premiums amounting to at least $12,000 will be hung up. The same classifications that obtained at the International live stock exposition will be made, except that instead of three, five premiums will be given in each class: First money, $200; second, $150; third, $100; fourth, $75, and fifth, $50. There will be one classification for corn fed cattle from the range district. Grand championship range car-lot grass and grain fed will get $500 each. The range show will be held November 14 to 21. Entries close September 1.

Jury's Verdict on Milkmen's Case.

That J. N. Cape and E. M. Cole came to their death as a result of being struck by a Rock Island train near Twenty-seventh and E streets, Lincoln, was the verdict of the coroner's jury at the inquest held in Roberts' undertaking rooms.

Cole died shortly after the accident, and Cape died in the hospital.

The testimony of Engineer Henry Bitzer and Conductor Thomas Joslyn was the most important, as they were closely connected with the accident. That the former had done all any locomotive engineer could have done to save the lives of the men, he was convinced, and his belief was sustained by the conductor, and the persons who saw the train and wagon collide.

Mr. Bryan's Contentions Good.

In two decisions handed down by Judge Thayer, in the superior court, of New Haven, Conn., sustains counsel for William J. Bryan in certain contentions growing out of the refusal of the provate court to admit to probate as a part of the will of the late P. S. Bennett, the sealed letter giving $50,000 to Mr. Bryan. One decision sustains a demurrer entered by counsel for Mr. Bryan to a plea in abatement filed in behalf of Mrs. Bennett, widow of the testator, from Mr. Bryan's appeal from the probate court's decision.

The other decision overrules a motion by counsel for Mrs. Bennett and other heirs to expunge certain portions of the answer of Mr. Bryan in the appeal brought by Mrs. Bennett.

Jump from Burning Building.

More than a dozen employes, among them several women, were compelled to jump from second story windows by a sudden outbreak of fire in the Brooklyn Chain company's factory in Waverly avenue, Brooklyn. Several were overtaken by the flames and severely burned before they could make thier escape, and it is feared that two will die. The factory was entirely destroyed, involving a loss of about $100,000. The building was formerly the Central Baptist church.

WINTER WHEAT ALL RIGHT

Although There is a Deficiency of Moisture It is Doing Well.

People who think that Nebraska has been making a record for itself this winter in the matter of warm and dry weather are wrong according to the records of the weather bureau at the state univesity. While the months of December and January have been a little dryer than usual, the temperature has probably been as close to the average for the same months as any winter for many years. In December the temperature was 1 degree below the average, while in January it was only a fraction of a degree off. The records for the past twenty-two years show that on an average the thermometer is below zero on six days during January. Last month it passed that point eight times. The month of February so far has been somewhat colder than the normal. Twice in February has the mercury dropped below the zero point, while it is expected to do that five times during the whole month.

While the temperature has been unusually close to the average this year, the precipitation has been slightly deficient. Seven-hundredths of an inch is the precipitation for the month of December, while the average is .78 of an inch, a deficiency of .71. In January .6 of an inch of moisture fell in one form or another, while .63 is the normal. Thus far in the month of February the precipitation has fallen short of the average .17 of an inch.

In spite of this shortage of moisture, there is no good reason as yet to fear for the winter wheat crop, declares Director Loveland of the weather bureau. Contrary to popular belief, there is no good grounds for believing that a dry summer follows a dry winter. Mr. Loveland says he has looked into the matter very carefully and if there is any connection between the two he has not yet been able to find it. The records show that dry summers sometimes follow wet winters and wet summers, dry winters.

NEBRASKA INVESTMENTS.

State Buys $100,000 Massachusetts and $85,000 Saunders County Bonds.

The Nebraska board of educational lands and funds have invested $100,000 of permanent school funds in Massachusetts state bonds and $85,000 in Saunders county court house bonds. The bargain was made by the board after ten bids had been examined. It was decided that none of the state bonds, with the the exception of those of Massachusetts, would be considered for the reason that they were registered bonds. Those from Massachusetts were the only coupon bonds offered. The board holds that it can not pay a premium in cash. It has been the custom to pay the added interest on such purchases by detaching coupons. As this could not be done with the bonds offered the bids outside of those offering Massachusetts state bonds were not considered.

State Treasurer Mortensen was authorized to select the Massachusetts bonds. He announced that he had a preference for short term bonds and will take those that mature in ten or fifteen years. The state of Nebraska already holds $300,000 of Massachusetts state bonds, making a total of $400,000. The first are long time bonds and net the state 3 per cent.

Courageous Mayor of Baltimore.

Mayor McLane, of Baltimore, when asked for a statement, dictated the following to the Associated press:

"Baltimore will now enter undaunted into the task of resurrection. A greater and more beautiful city will arise from the ruins, and we shall make this calamity a future blessing. We are staggered by the terrible blow, but we are not discouraged and every energy of the city as a municipality and its citizens as private individuals will be devoted to a rehabilitation that will not only prove the stuff we are made of, but be a monument to the American spirit."

A Bryan Library at Salem, Ill.

William J. Bryan, while at his old home in Salem, Illinois, announced his purpose to erect and give to that city a library of splendid size and pattern. In company with his brother, Charles W. Bryan, T. S. Allen of Lincoln and Judge Charles E. Jennings of Salem, he measured the ground on which stands the house where he was born. The house will be removed to the south side of the lot and the building erected on the north. It will cost $25,000. In addition Mr. Bryan will furnish it completely and install the library at a cost of fully $15,000. Mr. Bryan stated that this library building was to be erected in memory of his father and mother.

Important Scientific Discovery.

The capillary electrometer, a new instrument, delicate enough to register the minute discharges of electricity in nerves and muscles, has been invented by research workers in the psychological observatory at the university of Chicago. The invention will greatly aid the cure of lock jaw, they hopefi and be of great use in nervous diseases. A fine glass tube with a hole in it, no larger than a capillary gland on the back of the human hand is the mechanism of the instrument. The tube alone contains mercury which perfects the small instruments. The tube rests in a cup of acid and the two are joined by platinum wire.

All life action is chemical and electrical, the inventors believe, and by the action of the electrical discharge from the moving muscle on the mercury in the tube the amount of energy expended, may be gauged.

Cameron Forbes to be Appointed.

Cameron Forbes, of Boston, has been tendered the position of Philippine commissioner. He was selected principally because of his executive abilities and technical knowledge of engineering matters. He will be commissioner of commerce and police. He is the grandson of Ralph Waldo Emerson and has been connected in an admistrative way with more than forty electric railway systems in the United States.

It takes more courage to admit one is afraid of his wife than to pretend not to be.

John Diedrich Spreckles, the son of Claus Spreckles, is the proprietor of a San Francisco newspaper. To an editor, one day, Mr. Spreckles was talking about persistence, and in the course of his remarks, he said:

"My father is a great believer in persistence—in patience. Once, when I was a boy, I abandoned in despair some childish task that I had undertaken, and my father reproved me for it.

"'Persistence will do anything,' he said. 'There's nothing you can't accomplish with patience.' And then he smiled slightly, and added:

"'You could even carry water in a sieve if you would have the patience to wait long enough.'

"'How long would you have to wait?' I said.

"'Till it froze,' my father answered.'

Tenderfoot—I see a good many people hanging on here and patronizing your hotel who tell me they've been here five years, though they didn't expect to live a week when they came.

Colorado Hotelkeeper—Yes; a good many who came to cough remained to pay.

The men say, "You can't tell what a woman will do," but they know that she is apt to do the right thing.

Three Doctors' Opinions.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 15th.—Physicians have accepted Dodd's Kidney Pills as the standard remedy for diseases of the Kidneys and kindred complaints. R. H. Dunaway, M. D., of Benton, Ill., says:

"Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me of Diabetes after everything else had failed and I was given up to die. I have since prescribed them in my regular practice for every form of Kidney Trouble and have never as yet known them to fail."

Jesse L. Limes, M. D., St. John, Kansas, says:

"I prescribed Dodd's Kidney Pills for the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McBride of this place who suffered from Epileptic fits following Scarletina; results were miraculous; I have never seen anything like it."

Leland Williamson, M. D., Yorktown, Ark., says:

"Dodd's Kidney Pills are the best medicine I know of for all forms of Kidney Disease. I believe in using the remedy that relieves and cures my patients, whether ethical or not and I always prescribe Dodd's Kidney Pills and can testify that they invariably accomplish a permanent and perfect cure of all Kidney Complaints."

Edwin James was one of the most brilliant English lawyers of his day, but he was always in financial difficulties. At one time he lived in some West End chambers the landlord of which could never obtain rent. At last he had to resort to an expedient which he hoped would rouse his tenant to a sense of his obligations. He asked him if he would be kind enough to advise him on a little legal matter in which he was concerned, and on James acquiescing, drew up a statement specifying his own grievance against the learned counsel and asked him to state what he considered the best course for a landlord to take under such conditions.

The paper was returned to the land lord the next morning with the following sentence subjoined:

"In my opinion, this is a case which admits of only one remedy—patience."

Ever notice that the women who are robbed are widows? Few old maids. Know why? Because a woman during her married life learns about no more important business than buying potatoes and meat. Nine in ten of them never have a bank account until their husbands die, and they are left with a lot of insurance. Of course they don't know how to manage it; their husbands never thought them competent to manage a $10 bill.

Some day when we see a girl on the streets nervously feeling if her skirt is all right in the back, we intend to step up and assure her that everything is in perfect order.

SURE

The Robust Physique Can Stand More Coffee Than a Weak One.

A young Virginian says: "Having a naturally robust constitution far above the average and not having a nervous temperament, my system was able to resist the inroads upon it by the use of coffee for some years but finally the strain began to tell.

"For ten years I have been employed as telegraph operator and typewriter by a railroad in this section and until two years ago I had used coffee continually from the time I was eight years old, nearly 20 years.

"The work of operating the telegraph key is a great strain upon the nerves and after the day's work was over I would feel nervous, irritable, run down and toward the last suffered greatly from insomnia and neuralgia. As I never indulged in intoxicating liquors, drugs or tobacco in any form I came to the conclusion that coffee and tea were causing the gradual break-down of my nervous system and having read an article in the Medical Magazine on the composition of coffee and its toxic effect upon the system, I was fully convinced that coffee was the cause of my trouble.

"Seeing Postum spoken of as not having any of the deteriorating effects of coffee I decided to give up the stimulant and give Postum a trial. The result was agreeably surprising. After a time my nerves became wonderfully strong, I can do all my work at the telegraph key and typewriter with far greater ease than ever before. My weight has incrased 35 pounds, my general health keeping pace with it, and I am a new man and a better one." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason.

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

EUGENE FIELD'S GOOD JOKE.

Horrified Hostess Thought Priceless Crockery Was Broken.

At a recent dinner in this city a good story was told of Eugene Field by a relative. "I never knew anybody who enjoyed a joke like Eugene Field," he said. "He would go to any length to play one, too. One evening he was the guest of a Chicago society woman, who was giving an elaborate dinner party in the humorist's honor. On seating themselves the guests greatly admired the beautiful Bohemian wineglasses on the table. They were costly, the hostess having spent a small fortune in collecting them. After the company had adjourned to the drawing-room Field excused himself, but soon appeared bearing a tray full of the Bohemian ware. After making a little speech Mr. Field presented each guest with a wineglass, saying the hostess had asked him to do so. However, after allowing the guests to possess the goblets about fifteen minutes, the humorist told them it was all a joke and collected the glasses again. He had just made his exit through the portieres when a terrible crash was heard. All that could be seen of Field were his feet. Coming in very shamefacedly, he made a profound apology to his hostess for his awkwardness, and the whole company was feeling sorry for him when in walked the butler with the tray of Bohemian ware unbroken. It had all been arranged between Field and the butler before dinner. It was a cheap tray of ware that had been sacrificed.—Chicago Record-Herald.

GEN. WEYLER'S GREAT SCHEME.

Truly Wonderful Idea of Invading United States.

Those chapters in Gen. Weyler's forthcoming book in which he will explain his project while in command of Cuba for landing troops in United States territory, and give his reasons for abandoning it, should prove very entertaining, and alone be worth the price of the work to American readers. It must have been a truly great scheme, and not unlikely was founded on the Spanish idea, prevalent at the time both in Spain and in Cuba, that the south would take no part in any struggle with a Republican and an ex-federal soldier in the White House directing the American forces. One is curious to know where Gen. Weyler was looking for ships to transport his troops, how many he would have assigned to the task of conquering the United States, and of what southern state he had decided to test the loyalty. A Spanish force on American soil would have cut an amusing figure for the brief period of its existence. It might have lived as long as Cervera's ships did after they emerged from Santiago harbor.—Washington Star.

Virtues of Somali Camels.

The Somali camel can eat everything and drink nothing. It will make a meal where even the country pony would starve. Daremo, mimosa, acacia—all comes alike to it; and when shoots and leaves are withered it can fall back on roots, thorns and bark. That sort of digestion makes it, of course, valuable in a country where the bill of fare seems compiled in the interest of the carnivora, but its indifference to liquid is its especial virtue. While the Arab camel needs drink daily, his Somali brethren when on the march are watered only every fifth day, and when drought prevails may be left for ten. When grazing they are supposed to be watered every sixth day, but such regularity depends on the energy of the herders and the condition of the grass, the herds when the grass is green being often left without water for as long as three months.

Moon Superstitions.

Most superstitious relating to the moon have to do with the weather. Besides there is the superstition that sleeping in the moonlight, especially if the moon be full, induces insanity. By the word "lunacy" this belief is expressed. Farmers believe that the moon exercises a certain influence over vegetation, and that beans should be planted when the moon is light and potatoes when it is dark. Many believe that a change in the weather will come at about the time that there is a change in the moon. Prof. Pickering points out that since the moon changes every seven and a half days, every change in the weather must come within four days of a change in the moon.

The Lovers.

The sky above was tender blue
And golden was the weather
When down a path a foolish two
Went strolling on together.
Her little hand in his was tight
(With boldness well amazing),
And thus they sauntered full in sight,
And every one a-gazing!

"How silly!" laughed the grass and breeze—
And kissed each other over;
"How silly!" scoffed the honey bees—
And straight caressed the clover.
"How silly!" piped the feathered tribe—
And fell to billing sweetly;
"How silly!" quoth we all, in gibe—
And envied them, completely!
—Smart Set

Income From Potato Crop.

The Irish potato crop last year sold for $151,638,094, and vies with the tobacco crop with returning the greatest amount per acre of any of the principal crops. Although there were less than 3,000,000 acres devoted to it, the yield of 84.7 bushels an acre, at an average price of 61.4 cents, is equivalent to an average net realization of $52 an acre. Tobacco yields, according to the figures given, $53.46 an acre.

The First Testament.

The first complete manuscript of the Old Testament was finished in 430 B. C. It was translated into Saxon in 637 A. D., and into English in 1534.

A Professional Nurse Tells Her Experience With Doan's Kidney Pills.

Montague, Mass.

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Gentlemen—I heartily wish those who are suffering from backache and disturbed action of the kidneys would try Doan's Kidney Pills. As was the case with me, they will be more than surprised with the results. I had been troubled for years with my spine. I could not lie on either side. Spinal cramps would follow, and words could not explain the agony which I would endure. While in these cramps I could not speak or move, but by making a great effort after the cramp had left me I could begin to speak and move a little, but my whole back was so sore and lame that I could not even have the back bathed for some time. My nerves were in a terrible state. I would rather sit up at night than go to bed, dreading the cramps and the terrible backaches. I consulted physicians, but got only a little relief for the time being. Seeing your advertisement, my mother urged me to try Doan's Kidney Pills. After using one box I was better, and have ever since been on the gain. I have no backache and no cramps now and I feel like a new person. My nerves are better and I know my blood is purer. Words cannot express my thanks to you for what Doan's Kidney Pills have done for me. In my work as professional nurse I have a chance to recommend them; and they did me so much good that I will do so on every possible occasion.

HATTIE BRIGHAM, Nurse.

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold at 50 cents per box. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., for a free trial box.

Opportunity occasionally meets a man half-way, but she seldom comes after him in an automobile.

FRAUDS, IN A BALE OF HAY.

Frauds in Watch Cases.

According to an article in the Cincinnati Commercial, a fifty-one pound stone was recently found in that city secreted in a bale of hay of eighty pounds.

This is not as bad as finding a lump of lead of nearly one-half the weight of the solid gold watch case secreted in the center of the case.

Gold watch cases are sold by weight, and no one can see where this lead is secreted until the springs of the case are taken out and the lead will be found secreted behind them.

Those cases are made by companies who profess to be honest but furnish the means to the dishonest to rob the public. It is not pleasant for anyone to find that he has lugged a lump of lead in his watch case.

Another trick the makers of spurious solid gold watch cases is to stamp the case "U. S. Assay." The United States does not stamp any article made out of gold and silver except coin, and the fakir, by using this stamp, wants to make the public believe that the government had something to do with the stamping or guaranteeing the fineness of watch cases.

Another trick of the watch fakir is to advertise a watch described as a solid gold filled watch with a twenty or twenty-five year gurantee. These watches are generally sent C. O. D., and if the purchaser has paid for the watch he finds that the Company which guaranteed the watch to wear is not in existence.

The Dueber-Hampden Watch Company of Canton, Ohio, who are constantly exposing these frauds, will furnish the names of the manufacturers who are in this questionable business.

What has become of the old fashioned candy hearts that had burning sentiments of love on them?

The Editor of the Rural New Yorker

Than whom there is no better Potato Expert in the Country, says: "Salzer's Earliest Potato is the earliest of 38 earliest sorts, tried by me, yielding 464 bu. per acre." Salzer's Early Wisconsin yielded for the Rural New Yorker 736 bu. per acre. Now Salzer has heavier yielding varieties than above. See Salzer's catalog.

JUST SEND 10c IN STAMPS

and this notice to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive lots of farm seed samples and their big catalog, which is brim full of rare things for the gardener and farmer, easily worth $100.00 to every wide-awake farmer.

It describes Salzer's Teosinte, yielding 160,000 lbs. per acre, of rich green fodder, Salzer's Victoria Rape, yielding 60,000 lbs. of sheep and hog food per acre, together with Salzer's New National Oats, which has a record of 300 bu. per acre in 30 states, so also full description of Alfalfa Clover, Giant Incarnat Clover, Alsike, Timothy and thousands of other fodder plants, Grasses, Wheat, Speltz, Barleys, etc. (W. N. U.)

A good beefsteak is one that isn't noted for its durability.

All Up to Date Housekeepers

use Defiance Cold Water Starch, because it is better, and 4 oz. more of it for same money.

It's an insult to the four-legged animal to call some men donkeys.

When the two engaged in friendship are kept hard at work, it may last ten years, but if they are idle the friendship will not survive the tenth week.

As a woman grows older, her eyebrows begin to come out, and a man's come in thicker and bushier.

When we hear that baby keeps its mouth open like a little bird, we strip off the poetical sentiment and wonder if it is going to have good sense.

A woman is never very old when she will admit it.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XIX.

Bill Watson.

The sheriff of Ellisville sat in his office oiling the machinery of the law; which is to say, cleaning his revolver. There was not yet any courthouse. The sheriff was the law. Twelve new mounds on the hillside back of the Cottage Hotel showed how faithfully he had executed his duties as judge and jury since he had taken up his office at the beginning of the "cow boom" of Ellisville. His right hand had found somewhat to do, and he had done it with his might.

Ellisville was near the zenith of its bad eminence. The entire country had gone broad-horn. Money being free, whisky was not less so. The bar of the Cottage was lined perpetually. Wild men from the range rode their horses up the steps and into the bar-room, demanding to be served as they sat in the saddle, as gentlemen should. Glass was too tempting to the six-shooters of these enthusiasts, and the barkeeper begged the question by stowing away the fragments of his mirror and keeping most of his bottles out of sight. More than once he was asked to hold up a bottle of whisky so that some cow-puncher might prove his skill by shooting the neck off from the flask. The bartender was taciturn and at times glum, but his face was the only one at the bar that showed any irritation or sadness. This railroad town was a bright, new thing for the horsemen of the trail—a very joyous thing. No funeral could check their hilarity; no whisky could daunt their throats, long seared with alkali.

It was notorious that after the civil war human life was held very cheap all over America, it having been seen how small a thing is a man, how little missed may be a million men taken bodily from the population. Nowhere was life cheaper than on the frontier, and at no place on that frontier of less value than at this wicked little city.

The sheriff of Ellisville looked thoughtful as he tested the machinery of the law. He had a warrant for a new bad man who had come up from the Indian nations, and who had celebrated his first day in town by shooting two men who declined to get off the sidewalk, so that he could ride his horse more comfortably there.

Bill Watson, the sheriff of Ellisville, was a heavily built man, sandy haired, red-mustached, and solid. His legs were bowed and his carriage awkward. He had thick, clumsy looking fingers, whose appearance belied their deftness. Bill Watson had gone through the Quantrell raid in his time. It was nothing to him when he was to be killed. Such a man is careful in his shooting, because he is careless of being shot, having therefore a vast advantage over the desperado of two or three victims, who does not yet accept the fact that his own days are numbered. The only trouble in regard to this new bad man from below was that his mental attitude on this point was much the same as that of Sheriff Bill Watson. Therefore the sheriff was extremely careful about the oiling of the cylinder.

He finished the cleaning of his six-shooter and tossed the oiled rag into the drawer of the table where he kept the warrants. He slipped the heavy weapon into the scabbard at his right leg and saw that the string held the scabbard firmly to his trouser leg, so that he might draw the gun smoothly and without hindrance from its sheath. He was a simple, unpretentious man; not a heroic figure as he stood, his weight resting on the sides of his feet, looking out of the window down the long and wind-swept street of Ellisville.

Gradually the gaze of the sheriff focused, becoming occupied with the figure of a horseman whose steady riding seemed to have a purpose other than that of merely showing his joy in living and riding. This rider passed other riders without pausing. He came up the street at a gallop until opposite the office door, where he jerked up his horse sharply and sprang from the saddle.

"Mornin', Bill," he said.

"Mornin', Curly," said the sheriff pleasantly. "Lookin' for a doctor! You're ridin' perty fast."

"Nope," said Curly. "Reckon it's a shade too late for a doctor."

The sheriff was gravely silent. After a while he said, quietly:

"Any trouble?"

"Yep. Plenty."

"Who?"

"Why, it's Cal Greathouse. You know Cal. Last week he goes off west a ways, a-lookin' fer some winter range that won't be so crowded. He goes alone. Now, to-day his horse comes back, draggin' his lariat. We 'lowed we better come tell you. O' course, they ain't no horse gettin' away f'm Cal Greathouse, not if he's alive."

The sheriff fell into thought, slowly chewing at a splinter. "I'll tell you," he said at length, slowly. "I kain't very well git away right now. You go over an' git Cap Franklin. He's a good man. Pick up somebody else you want to go along with you, an' then you start out on Cal's trail, near as you can git at it. You better take along that d——d Greaser o' yorn, that big Juan, fer he kin run trail like a houn'. You stop at all the outfits you come to, fer say fifty miles. Don't do nothin' more'n ask, an' then go on. If you come to a outfit that hain't seen him, an' then another outfit furder on that has seen him, you remember the one that hain't. If you don't git no track in fifty mile, swing around to the southeast, an' cut the main drive trail an' see if you hear of anything thataway. If you don't git no trace by that, you better come on back in an' tell me, an' then we'll see what to do about it furder."

"All right, Bill," said Curly, rising and taking a chew of tobacco, in which the sheriff joined him. "All right. You got any papers fer us to take along?"

"Papers?" said the sheriff contemptuously. "Papers? Hell!"

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Ike Anderson was drunk—calmly, magnificently, satisfactorily drunk. It had taken time, but it was a fact accomplished. The actual state of affairs was best known to Ike Anderson himself, and not obvious to the passer-by. Ike Anderson's gaze might have been hard, but it was direct. His walk was perfectly decorous and straight, his brain perfectly clear, his hand perfectly steady. Only, somewhere deep down in his mind there burned some little, still, blue flame of devilishness, which left Ike Anderson not a human being, but a skillful, logical and murderous animal.

"This," said Ike Anderson to himself all the time, "this is little Ike Anderson, a little boy, playing. I can see the green fields, the pleasant meadows, the little brook that crossed them. I remember my mother gave me bread and milk for my supper, always. My sister washed my bare feet, when I was a little, little boy." He paused and leaned one hand against a porch post, thinking. "A little, little boy," he repeated to himself.

"No, it isn't," he thought. "It's Ike Anderson, growing up. He's playing tag. The boy tripped him and laughed at him, and Ike Anderson got out his knife." He cast a red eye about him.

"No, it isn't," he thought. "It's Ike Anderson, with the people chasing him. And the shotgun. Ike's growing up faster, growing right along. They all want him, but they don't get him. One, two, three, five, nine, eight, seven—I could count them all once. Ike Anderson. No mother. No sweetheart. No home. Moving, moving. But they never scared him yet—Ike Anderson. . . . I never took any cattle!"

An impulse to walk seized him, and he did so, quietly, steadily, until he met a stranger, a man whose clothing bespoke his residence in another region.

"Good morning, gentle sir," said Ike.

"Good morning, friend," said the other, smiling.

"Gentle sir," said Ike, "just lemme look at you watch a minute, won't you, please?"

Laughingly the stranger complied, suspecting only that his odd accoster might have tarried too long over his cups. Ike took the watch in his hand, looked at it gravely for a moment, then gave it a jerk that broke the chain, and dropped it into his own pocket.

"I like it," said he simply, and passed on. The stranger followed, about to use violence, but caught sight of a white-faced man, who through a window vehemently beckoned him to pause.

Ike Anderson stepped into a saloon and took a straw from a glass standing on the bar, exercising an exact and critical taste in its selection. "I'm very thirsty," he remarked plaintively. Saying which, he shot a hole in a barrel of whisky, inserted the straw, and drank lingeringly.

"Thank you," he said softly, and shot the glass of straws off the counter. "Thank you. Not after me." The whisky ran out over the floor, out of the door, over the path and into the road, but no one raised a voice in rebuke.

The blue flame burned a trifle higher in Ike Anderson's brain. He was growing very much intoxicated, and therefore very quiet and very sober-looking. He did not yell and flourish his revolvers, but walked along decently, engaged in thought. He passed by the front of the Cottage Hotel. A negro boy, who worked about the place, was sweeping idly at the porch door, shuffling lazily about at his employment. Ike paused and looked amiably at him for some moments.

"Good morning, colored scion," he said pleasantly.

"Mawnin', boss," said the negro, grinning widely.

"Colored scion," said Ike, "hereafter—to oblige me—would you mind whoopin' it up with yore broom a leetle faster?"

The negro scowled and muttered, and the next moment sprang sprawling forward with a scream. Ike had shot off the heel of his shoe, in the process not sparing all of the foot. The negro swept as he had never swept before. Twice a bullet cut the floor at his feet, and at last the stick of the broom was shattered in his hand. "Colored scion," said Ike Anderson, as though in surprise, "yore broom is damaged. Kneel down and pray for another." The negro knelt and surely prayed.

On all sides swept the wide and empty streets. It was Ike Anderson's town. A red film seemed to his gaze to come over the face of things. He slipped his revolver back into the scabbard and paused again to think. A quick footstep sounded on the walk behind him, and he wheeled, still puzzled with the red film and the mental problem.

The sheriff stood quietly facing him, with his thumbs resting lightly in his belt. He had not drawn his own revolver. He was chewing a splinter. "Ike," said he, "throw up your hands."

The nerves of some men act more quickly than those of others, and such men make the most dangerous pistol shots, when they have good digestion and long practice at the rapid drawing of the revolver, an art at that time much cultivated. Ike Anderson's mind and nerves and muscles were always lightning-like in the instantaneous rapidity of their action. The eye could scarce have followed the movement by which the revolver leaped to a level from his right-hand scabbard. He had forgotten, in his moment of study, that with his six-shooter he had fired once at the whisky barrel, once at the glass of straws, once at the negro's heel, twice at the floor, and once at the broomstick. The click on the empty shell was heard clearly at the hotel bar, distinctly ahead of the double report that followed. For, such was the sharpness of this man's mental and muscular action, he had dropped the empty revolver from his right hand and drawn the other with his left hand in time to meet the fire of the sheriff.

(To be continued.)

"Any trouble?"

A EULOGY ON SIN.

Woman's Declaration That It Is All Worth Living For.

The Paris correspondent of the London Globe tells a curious story of a certain English writer . . . who had always, before he came to a most disastrous end, been famous for his want of balance." This individual appears to have come by his defect naturally enough, to judge from the portrait of his mother sketched by one of his friends. The writer once took that friend to see the lady in question and this is the way in which the interview is described:

"It was a beautiful sunny day in June, the sort of day when all normal people want to be out of doors. We went to a pretty house in London, and were ushered into a drawing room, the shutters and curtains of which were all carefully closed, the gas being lighted, and where there was a sickening smell of some very strong perfume. Crouched in a large chair was the most terrible looking old dame, with long, skinny hands and glittering black eyes. She gave me a claw to shake and looked at me fixedly. 'Young man,' said she, 'I don't know why you come to see an old woman like me, but I can give you some excellent advice. Remember this. There is only one thing on earth worth living for, and that is sin.'"

A Child's Definitions.

The late Frederic R. Coudert, lawyer and wit, had a great fondness for children. He collected indefatigably the quaint sayings of children, and one of the treasures of his library was a small manuscript volume filled with definitions that children had composed. This volume was called a "child's dictionary," and these are some of the definitions that Mr. Coudert would read from it:

"Dust—Mud with the juice squeezed out of it.

"Snoring—Letting off sleep.

"Apples—The bubbles that apple trees blow.

"Back biter—a mosquito.

"Fan—A thing to brush the warm off with.

"Ice—Water that went to sleep in the cold."

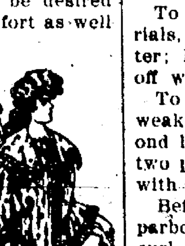
HEARTH & BOUDOIR.

To Clean Jewelry.

Diamonds may be washed in a lather of soap, rinsed with cold water, and polished with a chamois leather. Just before polishing rub a little eau de cologne on the stones. Other precious stones may be cleaned with cold water and yellow soap, then lay them in sawdust to dry. Opals should be cleaned with a wet leather and polishing afterwards with precipitated chalk, finally rinsing in cold water. Gold and silver ornaments only require washing in cold, soapy water, to which a few drops of ammonia have been added; leave them in this for an hour and then rinse in clean water. Ivory ornaments, brushes, etc., should be rubbed with a little peroxide of hydrogen and placed in the sun to dry.

House Jacket.

House jackets are possessions of which no woman ever yet had too great a variety. This one is made with a slightly open neck and loose sleeves that are much to be desired from the standpoint of comfort as well as beauty. The model is made of flowered challie trimmed with lace, but is well adapted to all the pretty washable fabrics in vogue. The big collar is a feature and gives the long, drooping shoulder line which so completely marks the season.



4643 House Jacket, 32 to 42 bust.

The jacket is made with fronts, backs and side backs and is loose at the front but curved to fit the figure at the back where it is cut to form deep points. The big collar finishes the neck and extends down onto the fronts and the sleeves are cut to form the fashionable handkerchief points.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4 yards 24 inches wide, 3½ yards 27 inches wide or 2 yards 44 inches wide, with 7 yards of insertion and 8 yards of edging to trim as illustrated.

The pattern 4643 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42-inch bust measure.

With the Housewife

It is a good idea to put a little shot in the bottom of tall vases. Then they are not so liable to be knocked over by careless hands.

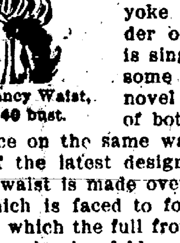
When cleaning the bars of a new or rough stove, if they are first rubbed over with a cloth dipped in vinegar and water the blacklead will be found to adhere, and a brilliant polish will be the result.

The bars of a grate often have a burned appearance, which prevents their taking a good polish. This difficulty is soon overcome. Before applying the black lead rub the bars with a piece of lemon and they will be quite easy to polish well afterward.

Bacon rinds can be utilized many ways, so do not throw them in the garbage barrel. Wash them thoroughly and put them in a jar for future use. They make an excellent seasoning for greens and come soups and they are often used to give a finishing touch to baked and fricasseed chicken.

Fancy Waist.

All broad shoulder effects are in vogue and as a consequence berthas of all sorts are worn. This smart and effective waist combines pine green Corean crepe with chiffon velvet in a deeper shade of cream-colored lace, and exemplifies a bertha of the newest sort together with sleeves that can be full or elbow length as desired. The lace yoke over the under one of velvet is singularly handsome as well as novel and the use of both heavy and fine lace on the same waist is a feature of the latest designs.



4641 Fancy Waist, 32 to 40 bust.

The waist is made over a fitted lining which is faced to form the yoke and on which the full front and backs and the circular folds, which give a bertha effect, are arranged. The sleeves are made plain above the folds but full and soft below, forming full puffs which are finished with frills when elbow length is used, and below which deep cuffs are added to give full length. At the waist is a shaped bodice that is softly draped.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 5 yards 21 inches wide, 4 yards 27 inches wide, or 2¾ yards 44 inches wide, with 1 yard of all over lace, 1¾ yards of velvet and 3 yards of lace for frills to make as illustrated.

The pattern 4641 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40-inch bust measure.

Parisian Touches.

The fashion of wearing lace in conjunciton with the heaviest fur is of Parisian origin. The leading furriers there are mixing guipure in widt bands alternating with fur, and one of the newest models is a skirt composed of flounces of sable alternating with bands of Irish guipure. This is a beautiful creation for carriage wear, but too heavy for any other occasion.

There is a delicious blouse of lace, the full sleeves held in with bands of fur just above the elbow, and again by a deep cuff of the same. A lace pelerine, with a deep border of fur, completes the costume, which is destined for a marriage trousseau.

The Kitchen

Save all lemon rind, dry it in the oven, grate and store in an air tight tin. A little of this added to an apple pie gives a delicious flavor.

Make tea for an invalid with boiling milk instead of boiling water. It is much nicer and much more digestible if the milk really boils.

To remove tar from any dress materials, cover the space with a little butter; let it stand awhile, then sponge off with warm water and soap.

To clean black lace, first wash in weak tea, rinsing afterwards in a second lot. Then wring out, lay between two pieces of black material, and iron with a moderately hot flatiron till dry.

Before frying onions for steak, etc., parboil them first, and they will not curl up, but fry a golden brown, instead of the indigestible black shriveled chips one so often sees.

If you find a difficulty in threading your needle, try holding it in front of a piece of white paper. This shows up the eye, and the needle is much easier to thread.

Novelties in Dress.

The shower-proof or rain veil is a novelty worth considering. It is said to be not only pretty and becoming, but to afford a practical protection for the hat over which it is thrown.

Everything is rain-proofed nowadays, even gloves. Chemical treatment has been found to render kid impervious to rain without impairing its softness and pliability.

High boots are coming in, and certainly afford good protection from the elements. The popular height is ten inches and the shoes come in both black and tan calfskin.

The variety of umbrella handles is constantly increasing, and there is no end to the new and pretty novelties. One attracting unusual attention is in the form of a unique little powder box with a mirror in the top.

Coats and Wraps.

There are coats of all styles and lengths for day wear. Some are sack shaped and trimmed with woolen lace and quaint buttons, while others are tight-fitting with long basques, large velvet revers and cuffs. For evening wear a beautiful model is made in black velvet lined with chinchilla and adorned with a collar of rare old lace. In a different style are some little taffeta coats for theaters. These do duty charmingly when accompanied by a plumed picture hat of lace and tulle or a flowered toque of smaller proportions.

Feeling Hungry.

The sensation of hunger has not been easy to explain. The new theory of a German physician is that it is due to emptiness of the blood vessels of the stomach and it is pointed out that hunger is appeased with the rush of blood to the stomach, following the taking of food and beginning of digestion. In many anaemic persons, who have no appetite when the stomach is empty, the blood vessels of the stomach are really congested instead of being empty. Lack of blood in the stomach in health acts on a special nerve, which is a branch of the same nerve trunk as the nerves of the mouth and tongue. A stimulus applied to the tongue, as by a spice, thus increases appetite, while disease affecting the nerves of the tongue may produce loss of appetite even when the stomach is empty.

Fancy Yoke Nightgown.

Dainty underwear is always in demand and nightgowns made with half low necks and short sleeves are much worn. This one allows of various combinations, but is shown with a yoke of lace and foundation material of fine nainsook. The yoke is shaped to extend over the shoulders and so gives the broad line that has become so general. The sleeves are gracefully full and soft.

4642 Fancy Yoke Night-Gown, 32 to 40 bust.

The gown is made with fronts and back, which are tucked at their upper edges, so providing ample fullness below, and are joined to the yoke. The sleeves are tucked to fit the upper arms snugly, but fall in soft folds and are finished with generous frills that form jabots at the inner arms.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 5⅝ yards 36 inches wide, with ½ yard of all-over lace, 3⅝ yards of insertion, 4 yards of wide lace and 1⅛ yards of narrow lace to trim as illustrated.

The pattern 4652 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40-inch bust measure.

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The Table Rock Argus.

F. E. Taylor, Publisher.

Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

Mr. Burkett's popularity as a senatorial candidate is growing right along.

The republican congressional convention has been called to meet in the city of Lincoln on March 22d. A candidate for congress and delegates to the national convention will be chosen.

The Argus learns that there is a very strong probability that Richardson county will present Judge E. A. Tucker, of Humboldt, to the First district as its choice for state senator. Under the custom, Richardson county has the naming of the candidate this year, and if they give us Judge Tucker, it will be highly satisfactory to his numerous friends in this vicinity. The Judge is a good lawyer, an eloquent speaker, a thorough, hard working republican, who would make a record in the senate satisfactory to his constituents.

Hon. W. H. Harrison, of Grand Island, has announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination for governor. Mr. Harrison is a product of Table Rock. When he was but a small boy his parents moved here from Illinois; Henry went to school here, worked between spells on the farm, and finally went into the lumber yard of Lion & Cooper, then one of the leading firms of the west; by close attention to business, he won the confidence of his employers to the extent that he was made manager of the business here, and it is said the business aggregated a million dollars a year. Some twenty years ago he went to Grand Island and engaged in the lumber business. He has served the people of Grand Island in various capacities and as a member of the last state senate, he gained a wide reputation as one of the most influential members of that body. If he should be nominated and elected governor his many friends here feel sure that he would grace the position with dignity and conduct the duties of the office in a manner that would conduce to the welfare of the state.

Senator Marcus Alonzo Hanna died at 6:30 o'clock Monday evening. During the last two days he had been conscious only at intervals and then only to obey mechanically some instructions given him by the physicians. Fourteen hours before the end was announced life had practically suspended, the flickering spark being kept aglow by the most powerful scientific agencies. He was born in Columbiana county, O., September 20, 1837. His career has been a marvelous one. Until McKinley's nomination, he was known only as a successful business man; he was chosen chairman of the republican national committee, and his powers as an organizer made him a national figure; he was mercilessly cartooned, and millions of his fellow citizens misunderstood his character; he was elected United States senator by a narrow margin; gradually he became better understood, and his growth in popular esteem has been marvelous; his re-election as United States senator last fall by the greatest majority in the history of his state, was the earnest of the sentiment throughout the country; his personal influence was as great as that of any man of the nation at time of his death. Thousands mourn his death. Both houses of congress adjourned Wednesday as a mark of esteem to his memory. Funeral services were held in Washington yesterday and burial will be at Cleveland, his home city.

LINCOLN LETTER

Lincoln, Feb. 15.—The Peru Normal is to have her long wished for chapel building within a few months. The board has given orders for the plans to be drawn and the same will be submitted for approval on March 2.

Prof. Clark and all of the instructors in the Peru Normal are out of favor with Treasurer Mortensen and he has introduced a resolution before the state board of education asking for the resignation of the offending pedagogues. Treasurer Mortensen charges them with being careless of the welfare of the fund which supports the educational institutions, as well as the teachers themselves. The trouble is the outgrowth of the little battle between the treasurer and the bankers for the possession of the state warrants.

Mr. Mortensen alleges that, notwithstanding his persistent and earnest appeals, the teachers invariably send their warrants to local bankers who are competitors with him in the bidding. Last month some $2,000 worth of state papers went across the counters of Peru banks at a time when a portion of the permanent school fund was seeking employment. This, in the opinion of the state treasurer, constitutes a flagrant disregard for the interests of the state, and he believes that the teachers should be asked to resign.

The state board of public lands and building has asked for sealed bids for an engine and pump at the penitentiary. The board will let the contract at its next meeting.

Treasurer Mortensen has made his word good, having succeeded in cutting down the state debt just $200,000 so far this monte. In all probability $50,000 more will be hewed off before the month ends.

Auditor Weston is confronted with a problem. The last legislature appropriated $80,000 for steel cells and sewerage at the state penitentiary, the intention being to purchase 240 cells for that amount. Before the end of the session it was discovered that satisfactory cages could not be procured at the figure named and an attempt was made to amend the bill, but it seems that it was only partly successful. The state board let the contract for 156 cells and the sewerage for $69,000, which was well within the appropriation but did not provide the number of cells called for in the bill. Members of the legislature contend that the understanding was that the bill had been amended to allow the purchase of 240 cages but the record does not so read. Pressure was brought upon the board to let the full contract and create a deficiency which could be corrected at the next session but this proposal found no favor. Now the auditor is in doubt about the claim as he is inclined to the opinion that the legislature intended not only to fix the maximum sum which could be expended upon the contract but the price per cage.

At any rate, the state has the cells and all but a half dozen of them are in place and occupied, so the warden and the board are content to allow the contractor and the auditor to squabble over the matter to their heart's content.

MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,

Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo., Monday, Feb. 15, 1904. Cattle receipts at Kansas City last week were 37,000, about 8,000 more than previous week. After Monday the general market lost strength, and none but the best kinds held up balance of the week. A great many unfinished cattle put in appearance, presumably account of increased price of corn. This class of cattle sold badly as is always the case, and lost 10 to 25c from close of previous week. The choice fat steers sold steady to 10c higher, top of $5.35 was reached. Medium to common steers sold from $3.75 to $4.50. Canners were hard to sell. Bulls and veal calves sold strong. Stockers and feeders did not change much, but the preference was plainly for light stockers and heavy feeders in thin flesh. Run today moderate at 7500 and market was steady on killing kinds, and 10c higher on stockers and feeders. Market started slow today, but gained activity and closed at the cost point.

Hogs gained steadily last week up to Thursday, then had a mild set back, closing Saturday 15c below best time, but still 10 to 15c above close of previous week. Best price last week was $5.25. Market today finally settled down to steady to a 5c higher basis, top $5.12½, bulk of sales $4.80 to $5.05. Heavy hogs sold at $5.05 to $5.12½. Quality averaged very poor today.

Sheep prices were steady to strong every day last week, with a little extra strength Friday. Market opened today with signs of weakness, on a run of 5000 head, but as the support was good, prices were mainly steady to strong. Western fed stuff brings lambs up to $5.65, yearlings $5.00, wethers $4.35, ewes $4. Natives bring a shade higher prices.

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Killing Kings in Servia.

A correspondent in Belgrade writes: "The bitterest sarcasm on the Servian situation was made by an Englishman who has a smattering of the language. In the park there was a notice stating that something or other was strictly forbidden. I asked him what it was. 'So far as I can make out,' he replied 'it says: "You are strictly forbidden to kill kings in the park. There is a palace specially provided for the purpose."'"

Barbers Necessary.

According to a Dublin scientist who has spent considerable time in making the necessary calculations, a man's beard grows on an average about three millimetres a week. At this rate it would increase about sixteen centimetres every year, and thus, at the age of eighty-four, a man who had never shaved would be equipped with a beard about twenty-seven feet in length.

A Fearful Thought.

Intelligence that a young woman has chased Sir Thomas Lipton into a corner and kissed him several times will excite the haunting dread that the cup lifter may yet be seen prowling around the country emulating the osculatory performances of Richmond Pearson Hobson. It was the same kind of an experience that started that hero on his devastating career.

Have Built Many Churches.

The Christian Endeavorers of America have built twenty-nine churches in destitute portions of the United States. Twenty-one of these have been built by the Christian Missionary League of the Reformed Church in America. The Christian Endeavor gifts from this denomination during the past year amounted to $10,477.

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Has Her Doubts.

"A horse," said the lover of animals, "is man's truest friend." "I didn't know that," answered young Mrs. Torkins. "Judging from Charley's experience at the race track, I thought a horse was the kind of a friend who borrows your money and forgets to return it."—Washington Star.

Famous Elephant Dead.

The famous decoy elephant Kaperi has just died at Ellawella, India, at the age of 78. The animal was well known to the Prince of Wales and the late Duke of Clarence and Edinburgh, having taken part in several elephant hunts while they were in India.

Real Ship Trimmers.

Sir Thomas Lipton and J. P. Morgan both arrived on the same steamer. By berthing them on opposite sides it was possible to bring the ship across on an even keel, but it was noticed that her Plimsoll marks were pretty well down in the water.

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headache, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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Has a Hard Task Before Him.

A clergyman of original ideas, concluding that many people go to church to show their clothes while others stay away because they cannot make a creditable sartorial exhibit, has decided to hold his Sunday evening service in the dark. The plan may have a tendency to correct the abuses spoken of, but the preacher is a cracker-jack if he succeeds in making the couples who come to spoon remain to pray.

Boy Dies of Hysteria.

A sixteen-year-old boy has died in Brooklyn, and the physician in charge of the case has given excessive weeping as the cause of his death. It brought on heart failure. John Crowley was informed that an uncle to whom he had been passionately attached from babyhood had fallen from the cars and been killed. He sobbed all night and through the next day.

Find Relic of the Past.

When Newgate jail was pulled down recently, a dress, a bonnet, a skirt, and stocking were found behind one of the walls of the chapel. It is assumed that the clothes were meant as a disguise for some prisoner, and that they date back to the eighteenth century, as no repairs had been done in the chapel since the reign of George III.

Eggs by Weight.

The provision officials of Prussia have been petitioned to have eggs sold, in the future, by weight instead of by number. The object is to protect German poultry breeders against those of foreign countries. German eggs weighing, on an average, from 38.56 to 51.44 pennyweights, while those imported weigh from 26.72 to 32.15 pennyweights.

Plague of Lions.

On account of the heavy rains which have fallen this year in German East Africa many lions have found life in the jungle unbearable, and have attacked the villages, especially those in the Kisakki district. Many natives have been killed, and in one instance a lion could only be shot after having brought down nine victims.

Dunbar's Verse.

Paul Laurence Dunbar made his first book, "Oak and Ivy," out of the scribblings of verse begun in his high school days. "Ma, don't destroy these," he would say as he brought the writings home, and when he was twenty the verses all came ready for use out of an old box in the kitchen.

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Fred Horton is reported very sick with typhoid-pneumonia.

The grand jury did not find an indictment against Dr. Finley.

A dancing club is being formed here, and promises to have quite a large membership.

B. F. Norris is on the sick list this week and Clint is holding the ribbons over the store delivery team.

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Munsinger on Tuesday night. Mother and baby are doing well.

The many friends here of Mrs. S. G. Wright will be sorry to hear that she is dangerously sick at her home in Lincoln with dropsy.

The postoffice will be open only from 4 to 5 o'clock, P. M., Monday, Feb. 22d, and the mail carriers will not serve on that day.

Miss Lulu Kneisel, of Hiawatha, Kas., was a guest of her sister, Mrs. A. R. Brown, last week and returned to her home on Wednesday.

S. H. Dopp has bought a tract of land near Troupe, Texas, but does not expect to move there, as he purchased it simply as an investment.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mitchell entertained a number of young people last Friday evening in honor of their guest, Miss Ida Stewart, of Vermillion, Kas.

Ralph Tillotson, who is in the tin department at the B & M shops at Havelock, came down Friday night to spend Saturday and Sunday with his parents.

J. A. Combs, wife and son, of Pawnee City, visited relatives here a few days this week. Mr. Combs recently sold his interest in the store at Pawnee City, and is resting up now.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

E. L. Mitchell left on Tuesday afternoon for his Idaho farm. Fred and Jennie will follow him in three or four weeks, but Mrs. Mitchell will remain until her daughter, Mrs. Belle Caulk, is able to make the journey.

The Argus has received a consignment of government seeds from Senator Deitrich. They are for distribution among those who will make use of them, and so long as they last, will be given out to those who call at the office. If you want a package, we'll hand you one.

Chauncey Wilcox was severely kicked by a horse on Tuesday afternoon. The blow struck him just below the elbow, the sharp shoe with which the horse was shod cutting quite a gash in his arm, which Dr. Wilson sewed up. While painful, the wound is not thought to be serious.

George Goodrich, an old and esteemed citizen of Table Rock, has been very sick during the past ten days with pneumonia. This is always a dangerous disease, and particularly so when the patient is as old as is Mr. Goodrich. We are pleased to say that he has been getting better during the past two days.

Special revival services will begin at the M E church next Sunday evening, and continue during the evenings of the week. On the next Sunday evening, Evangelist Campbel of Lincoln, will be present to conduct the meetings from that time on, and they will be continued as long as public interest demands. It is hoped all Christian people will take hold and help to make these meetings beneficial.

A report was in circulation here yesterday morning that the B. & M. shops at Wymore had been consumed by fire during the previous night, and there was much speculation as to their being rebuilt here, as rumors have been going the rounds that the railroad intended a change of location in the near future, anyway. The origin of the report was the burning of the plant and mills of the United States Gypsum company at that place, entailing a loss of $50,000. The fire was caused by the explosion of an oil torch, used by the engineer in the boiler room. The property was owned by the gypsum trust. Insurance, $1,500. It employed about fifty men, and it is not known whether the mill will be rebuilt or not. A number of small buildings caught fire from sparks, but were saved, with small damage.

Mrs Harry Ward is reported in a very serious condition, from quick consumption.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

For Sale—40 acres of land one mile south of Table Rock.
L. K. CARMICHAEL.

A valentine social was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dann Andrew on last Saturday evening which was a very pleasant affair.

The republican county central committee is called to meet at Pawnee City to decide whether to hold more than one convention, and time for holding same.

Pretty Miss Nellie Hascomb, Omaha: "I owe my good looks and health to Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Have fully regained my health." Tea or tablets. 35 cents. F. M. Colwell.

The board of county commissioners have issued a call for a mass meeting to be held in Pawnee City on Saturday March 19th, for the purpose of discussing the advisability of erecting a new court house.

Mrs J A Covault was stricken with paralysis, one day last week at her home in Clear Creek, and has been in a critical condition since, although reports from her bedside, yesterday, showed a slight change for the better.

E. C. Phillips was home over Sunday. He is deputy Master Workman and is doing good work for the order. He recently closed two weeks' in Nebraska City, during which time seventy-five new members were added to the lodge in that city. This week he is working at Lincoln.

Jesse Fisher, who lives in Furnas county, where he has grown great—physically at any rate, for he weighs more than 200 pounds—is a guest this week of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fisher. He thinks Furnas county is the best county in the best state in the greatest nation on earth, and says that the rest of the ex-Pawnee residents there are doing well.

Same items from the school records to February. Please notice decrease in per cent of attendance and increase in cases of tardiness. The tardiness may be accounted for, in part, by the short noon period.

			Boys	Girls	Total
Total enrollment			137	145	282
Av. daily attend.			102	108	210
Per cent At.		Nov.	90%	92%	91%
"	"	Dec.	90	88%	89%
"	"	Jan.	89	87%	88%
Cases Tardy		Nov.	82	17	99
"	"	Dec.	78	28	106
"	"	Jan.	84	29	112

The grand jury in session at Pawnee City last week condemned the county jail, and in its report to the district judge, said: "It is underground, dark, damp, small and ill ventilated, and its structure is such as to render it impossible to make it secure from escape by desperate prisoners, and its arrangement makes a continual menace and danger to the jailor or keeper by attacks from prisoners. No insane persons should be confined there, and it is impossible to arrange any safe place in said jail for the restraint of insane persons. We find that the sheriff keeps it clean and in as good condition as it is possible to keep such a place." It also recommended that the proper officers take measures to provide a safe place to preserve the records of the district court.

An interesting meeting of the Woman Suffrage association was held at the home of Mrs Charles Smith, last Thursday afternoon. After the transaction of business a paper was read by Mrs Jennings, subject, "Has school suffrage in Nebraska been of benefit to the women and schools of the state." A discussion followed, led by Mrs Walter Smith. Mrs Ward, of Tecumseh, state secretary and headquarters manager, was present, and gave an encouraging report of the work throughout the state. She reported over 100 members for the Tecumseh club, with more to follow. Mrs Harold Smith and Mrs Bruce Woods sang a duett. Delicious refreshments of cake, lemonade and apples were served: the large lemon of which mention has been made in the press throughout the state, was used, and the tree on which it grew was admired along with the many plants and flowers which adorn this most beautiful home. The next afternoon meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. Lizzie C. Fellers, on March 3d. A good program will be rendered.

Mrs John Hedrick has been quite sick during the week.

There is considerable sickness in this vicinity, bad colds being the prevailing trouble.

James Goodrich came down from Lincoln Tuesday afternoon to help take care of his father during the latter's illness.

A. C. Gurley and wife arrived this week from Waupaca, Wis., and will make their home with their daughter, Mrs. Chas. Munsinger.

Rev. J. D. Murphy, who has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church of this city, will preach here next Sunday, morning and evening. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

It isn't how much cold cream a woman put on her face but how much Rocky Mountain Tea she takes inside that bring out real beauty. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea complexions stay. 35 cents. Tea or tablets. F. M. Colwell.

J W Kovanda, jr., was a guest of friends here over Sunday and part of this week. He thinks Blue Rapids, Kansas, is a pretty good place to live. He says the Blue Rapids band is the head band of the Maccabees and he says—as he is a member—he thinks the band has an engagement to play at St. Louis this summer, and would be pleased to greet all old friends there should he meet them.

FOR SALE AT AUCTION

Thirty head of horses and mules, at Humboldt, on Saturday, Feb. 27th; aged from 3 to 12 years; weight, 900 to 1600 pounds; at Humboldt sale pavilion. Col. W. M. Harding, auctioneer.

Mrs Philip Worrell and baby boy, are guests of relatives here. Her husband recently sold his farm near Smartville and bought a quarter-section of land near Watonga, O. T., and went through here yesterday with his car of goods. Mrs Worrell will leave here so as to reach Watonga about the same time her husband does.

Died, Feb. 5th, 1904, Comrade A. S. Crisler, at his residence, four miles northwest of Table Rock, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of John N. Gere Post No. 165, G. A. R., realize we have lost a faithful comrade, the family a loving husband and father, and the community a worthy citizen; that we tender our sympathy to all members of the family, and assure them that while they mourn the loss of a dear one, we also mourn the loss of a faithful comrade.

A. C. ALLINSON, Com.

A dispatch from Chicago says:—With Lake Michigan practically frozen over, sea gulls by the tens of thousands are starving to death because they cannot find open water in which to catch their food. At the few little open patches around the harbors both ducks and sea gulls are gathering in great numbers but they are so weakened by lack of food that many of them are helpless.

Hundreds of ducks are frozen to death on the ice floes off the harbor.

Program for Willard Memorial at O. W. Griffing's, Friday, February 19th, at 3:30 p. m.:

Hymn—My Faith Looks Up to Thee.
Scripture—145th Psalm.
Prayer—Rev. Morrow.
Solo—Lulu M. Conklin
Readings—By members of Union.
Reading—Miss Athens.
Song—Hazel Taylor
Refreshments—cake, chocolate and ice cream.
Silver offering.

Resolutions on the death of sister Levinia Groom, adopted by John N. Gere W. R. C., Feb. 6th, 1904, Table Rock, Neb.

Whereas, It has pleased the Giver of all good in His wisdom to enter our ranks, and take from us our esteemed sister, Levinia Groom, therefore be it,

Resolved, That in the death of Sister Groom, our corps has lost a true and faithful member; also

Resolved, That we extend our loving sympathy those who so deeply grieve over the loss of their loved one, and we would point them for comfort to Him "who bore our griefs and carried our sorrows;"

Resolved, That the charter of this corps be draped in mourning for 30 days; that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, also printed in the Argus, and a copy be placed on the records of our corps.

AMANDA J. MARBLE
ALLIE FISHER
LIZZIE C. FELLERS } Committee on Resolutions.

Mr. Staddiford is quite sick this week, suffering from kidney trouble.

Van Shriner says the driving would be better if it was in "the good old summer time."

Lawrence Griffing, railway mail clerk, will make an initial trip from here to St. Joseph, this afternoon.

Attend the auction sale of horses and mules, by Harding & Legg, at the Humboldt Sale Pavilion, on Saturday, Feb. 27th.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

Birds work for man from the first glimmer of light,
Rocky Mountain Tea works for mankind both day and night,
That's why it is famous the world o'er and o'er,
And not let you turn over and take another snore. F. M. Colwell.

Died, Feb. 6th, 1904, Mrs. C. A. Groom, wife of Chas. A. Groom, of Table Rock;

Resolved, That we, the members of John N. Gere Post G. A. R., No. 165, extend our heartfelt sympathy in his bereavement in the loss of a loving wife, and to the family in the loss of a loving mother, and church and community the loss of a faithful member.

A. C. ALLINSON, Com.

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 12—(Special to the State Journal.)—The investigation started by the state board of health, relating to charges made against Dr. Harry L. Finley of Pawnee City by Annetta Nesbitt, a W. C. T. U. woman of Pawnee City, has been concluded. The finding of the board is as follows:

"In the case of Annetta Nesbitt against Harry L. Finley, M. D., of Pawnee City, the recommendation of the secretaries of the board that the license of the said Harry L. Finley be not revoked, is approved."

The case against Dr. Finley grew out of the finding of a new born babe in a box car at Pawnee City. It had been wrapped in a newspaper, by means of which the identity of the mother and physician was discovered. It was alleged that the person who placed the infant in the car believed it to be dead and took the action named as a means of protecting the girl mother from disgrace.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

BY MAX MARBLE.

The 9th grade has finished bookkeeping and taken up grammar.

Mrs Parker, a former teacher in the schools here, visited the school Monday forenoon, accompanied by Mr Parker's mother, from Sabetha Kansas.

The next meeting of the literary society is to be held Friday afternoon, Feb. 19th, at 3 o'clock.

Mesdames Smith, Fulmer and Marble visited the school Monday afternoon; this was the birthday of Miss Susan B Anthony; the 1st and 2nd grammar rooms were in the assembly room to listen to the program, which was opened by the school, singing America. Mrs Smith read a paper on Susan B. Anthony, and Mrs Fulmer read an article on the Susan B. Anthony collection in the library of congress.

SOUTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

Mr M Richie, who recently purchased the farm known as the Harris farm, has taken possession.

Will Hare, of Lincoln, and John Struck, of Pawnee, were writing up some insurance in the Farmers, Mutual, here last week.

W A Frank sold a driving horse to a man from Weeping Water, and on Wednesday delivered it to him at Pawnee.

Your typo omitted part of a paragraph last week, which entirely changed the item. It should have read: Harry E Hall, a brother of Mrs W A Frank, is very sick with pneumonia at his home in Humboldt.

Mr and Mrs George Slack of Clay precinct, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr and Mrs G. E. Bedea; Miss Lilah Babbitt, who was also a guest at the same time, returned to her home in Pawnee on Monday.

On Tuesday, Mr Warner, who lives on the Wood farm, while running after some of the stock, stumbled and fell on the frozen ground, bruising his hip and knee and cutting a gash in his cheek. His son, Bailey, found him a little later, unable to arise, and assisted him to the house, where he was cared for.

REMOVED!

The Turkish Cream Candy KITCHEN

has been removed to the room in the Opera House Block, formerly occupied by J. F. Ford & Son, and has been fitted up with a view of meeting the demand for a first-class confectionary and lunch room: a large stock of

Fine Candies, Cigars and Tobaccos, Bakery Goods,

ALL KINDS OF SOFT DRINKS

Lunches at all Hours,

Oysters Served in All Styles.

We invite your patronage and shall endeavor to accord curteous treatment to everybody, and try to make it the most popular restaurant in southeast Nebraska.

Our Home-Made Candy Can't Be Beat — H. E. ROBERTSON

In the March Delineator exquisite spring styles and illustrated articles on topics of fashion are supplemented by literary features of uncommon interest and value. In fiction there is a delicate romance by Richard Le Gallienne, The Shadow of the Rose, containing exquisite lyrics, with decorations by Celeste S. Griswold, and a weird Hawaiian love tale by Ethel Watts Mumford, The Son of a Shark God, illustrated by C. E. Emerson, Jr., in addition to a chapter of The Evolution of a Club Woman filled with dramatic incidents. Lionel S. Mapleson tells of a visit to Melba at her beautiful country place on the Thames. Lillie Hamilton French has an inspiring paper in the "Joy of Living" series, and in the Fountain of Youth Dr. Murray describes the care and treatment of the eyes. An article that will appeal directly to mothers is The New Physical Training for Children, by M. Wilma Sullivan, as well as Mrs. Birney's paper on reading for children. For the entertainment of the little folks there are stories by Albert Bigelow Paine, Gabrielle E. Jackson and Emma C. Dowd, and interesting information about Colonial customs, by Lina Beard. The needle and fancy work topics cover a wide range, and most of the other interests of the home are given consideration in the regular departments.

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When in Pawnee City buy RELIABLE DRY GOODS of F. J. MUNKER. Pay less and dress better.

I am now prepared to do accordian pleating from 1 to 30 inches wide.
Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

For Sale:—A number of thoroughbred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

BEST LINIMENT ON EARTH.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment, but have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and $1 bottle at Colwell's.

LOCAL MARKET

Wheat	.60
Corn	.30
Oats	.25
Hay	$6.00
Cattle	2.50
Hogs	4.50
Potatoes	.85
Butter	.15
Eggs	.20
Apples	1.50

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret E. Smith, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on granting letters testamentary to George E. Nickelson, for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the executor be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in May and August, [illegible]; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 23rd day of January, [illegible].
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

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where you will find a large stock of the very best grades at the lowest prices.

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W. H. WILSON.

BEATS IRRIGATION

Campbell's Culture System in Western Kansas.

CROP FAILURE IMPOSSIBLE

Details Given to Show That Intense Soil Culture Certainly Brings Big Returns for Labor.

William Baird, a farmer of Reno county, Kansas, who has been experimenting in wheat raising several years, is convinced that the wheat raisers in the western third of the state can produce larger crops by use of the Campbell system of soil culture than by irrigation. He says the general adoption of the system will do that part of the state more good than millions of dollars spent on irrigation plants. Mr. Baird raised fifty-one bushels of wheat to the acre on his farm, which is in a neighborhood where twenty bushels to the acre is regarded as a big crop. Mr. Baird wrote the following letter to John J. Miller of Santa Fe, Kansas:

"In the spring of 1902 I began the preparation on the Campbell system of a small piece of ground for wheat. I began operations by double discing the ground. Then after each rain, which was heavy enough to form a crust on the surface, I went over the ground with a harrow, to loosen the surface and keep down the weeds. In the latter part of June and first part of July I plowed the ground six or seven inches deep and followed the plow closely with a surface packer and followed the packer immediately with the harrow. Then I continued the harrowing after each heavy rain until seeding time. I sowed the wheat about the middle of September with an ordinary hoe drill, and the following spring when the wheat was stooling I gave it a thorough harrowing, and the result was fifty-one bushels of fine wheat to the acre.

"I do not believe that such results as this can be obtained every year, as the season of 1903 was very favorable for the growth of all kinds of crops, but I firmly believe that if the farmers throughout the semi-arid belt will adopt the Campbell system of soil culture they can raise from 25 to 40 bushels almost any year, and that a total failure will be a physical impossibility.

"Many persons are agitating the subject of irrigation for this country and urging upon congress the necessity of making large appropriations for this purpose, but if the farmers of this section will adopt the Campbell system there will be no necessity for irrigation, as better crops can be secured by this method at much less expense."

Refuse to Grant a Charter.

The state charter board of Kansas, on the advice of Attorney General Coleman, turned down the application of the Kansas City-Leavenworth Coal Mining company. The company wanted to conduct too many kinds of business under a coal mining charter.

Besides the business of coal mining the charter asked for by the company gave it the power to buy, sell and lease land, to deal in mortgages, stocks and bonds, to own personal property without limit, and to own mills and elevators.

Attorney General Coleman thought this sort of a charter was too broad for a coal mining company. He said it would be all right for it to buy, sell and lease such real estate as it needed to conduct its coal mining business, but that unlimited dealing in stocks and bonds, personal property and mills and elevators had little to do with coal mining; and therefore the charter was refused.

Famous Race Horse at Topeka.

W. M. CcCormack of Zeandale, Kas., owner of "Red Bird" the famous race horse, is in Topeka with the prize six-year-old, and will keep the horse at the fair grounds.

Red Bird has a phenomenal record He participated in twenty-eight races last year and won every one of them with ease and daylight to spare. He netted his owner $1,000 on each race. During the fair at Topeka he won three straight heats, with the best time ever seen on the Topeka track. At St. Joseph, Mo., he took all in sight, and at the state fair at Springfield he won easily. He captured the $16,000 stake at Lexington, Ky., with a time of 2:09¾, and showed his ability to do better.

Race War Among Students.

A race war is on in the senior class of the University of Kansas law school at Lawrence, Kan. The seniors met in secret session and, after nearly two hours of wrangling, the vice president's chair, which has been held by Freeman L. Martin, a negro, was abolished. Martin was elected in October. Ever since his election a fight has been made to oust him. In a speech before the class, Martin, who is well educated, declared that he would not resign, but would hold the place (vice presidency) until doomsday. He has filled the president's chair several times. Martin and his friends, including all the negroes in the class, are angry and say that the action will not end the disturbance.

Big Steer for World's Fair.

Hewig Broadwell of Ralston, Okla., is fattening a steer at Arkansas City, Kan., that will be taken to the St. Louis world's fair. It is 3 years old, is 6 feet 7 inches tall, measures 17 feet from the tip of the tail to the nose and weighs 2,800 pounds. The owner has refused $1,000 for the animal.

Kansas Editors Elect Officers.

The work of the annual convention of the State Editorial association was completed with the session held at the Haskell Indian industrial school, Lawrence, Kan. The following officers were chosen for next year: President, Ewing Herbert of the Hiawatha World; vice president, Estelle Riddle of the Minneapolis Messenger; corresponding secretary, J. E. Junkin of the Sterling Bulletin; recording secretary, Mack P. Cretcher of the Sedgwick Pantagraph; treasurer, J. M. Lewis of the Kinsley Graphic.

THE WAR NEWS.

Russian Warships Sink a Japanese Merchant Vessel.

Russian warships attacked two Japanese merchant steamers and sank one of them.

The Russian torpedo transport Venisei was blown up as the result of accidentally striking a mine at Port Arthur. Three officers and ninety-one men were lost.

War demonstrations continue at St. Petersburg, the populace glorifying military men.

Russian warship fired on a British steamer, but later apologized.

A Kansas Turtle Story.

Mr. H. T. Bentley has had several teams at work for some time excavating for a large lake just south of Conway Springs, Kansas, which he proposes to stock with fish, placing boats on the same, which he expects will make Conway Springs a great pleasure resort.

While excavating he has found several schools of snapping turtles, some four feet below the surface of the ground, all alive and apparently healthy. It has been a great surprise to many to know that snapping turtles could live at that depth in solid ground.

Fined $2,000.

Fines of $2,000 each have been imposed by the district court of Jackson county, Minnesota, upon William Kerr and Robert Poole, who were convicted of having been implicated in a wholesale attempt to smuggle game from that state across the line into Iowa. In default of payment of the amount of the fines Kerr had the alternative of 300 days in jail and Poole of 200 days in jail.

The prosecution of Kerr and Poole grew out of the largest seizure of game ever made by the authorities of Minnesota, 2,496 ducks and other game birds being captured.

Want a Union of Colleges.

Union of Methodist universities, colleges and academies throughout the country was proposed by President Edmund J. James of Northwestern university, Chicago, at a meeting of the college presidents' association. The proposal is that the territory occupied by the Methodist chruch be divided for educational purposes into three kinds of districts to be known as university, college and academy districts. A small number of institutions, centrally located and best endowed, will be selected to serve as universities. The university districts are to be subdivided into college districts, which in turn will be divided into academy districts.

Dewey Jury Finally Secured.

After nine days' delay a jury was secured at Norton, Kan., to try Chauncey Dewey, the millionaire ranchman, and his two cowboys, William McBride and Clyde Wilson, on the charge of killing Burchard B. Berry on the latter's ranch in northwestern Kansas, and the taking of testimony was begun. All the jurors are farmers.

Kansas Patents Issued.

The following patents have been issued to Kansans:

Jonathan R. Elliott and G. L. Kelly, Topeka, portable folding window scaffold; Joseph Kreimer, Piqua, sash support; Edward S. Stevenson, El Dorado, musical instrument; Samuel F. Webb, Wichita, animal yoke; Frank A. Wells, Florence, seed huller.

Burlington Reduces Rates.

The Burlington has announced a 2-cent reduction in rates on grain from Nebraska to Chicago and St. Louis, thus dropping the through rate 2 cents below the rate figured by adding the local to Omaha and the proportional from that city. The rate applies to the grain producing territory of Nebraska, and makes it possible for Chicago to still draw the greater portion of the grain raised in Nebraska.

Starch Factory Damaged.

One of the three large buildings of Corn Products company, at Oswego, N. Y., was almost destroyed by fire. The loss is $1,000,000. The fire started in the chemical room. Help was sent from Syracuse before the flames were controlled and kept from other buildings. Two firemen were seriously injured by falling walls. Many thousands of barrels of starch and other corn products were burned.

Working Baltimore's Debris.

Three thousand laborers reported to Street Cleaning Commissioner Wyckes of Baltimore and after each had been provided with a workman's ticket, they were divided into squads, placed under bosses and marched into the burned districts.

Peaches Killed at Sabetha.

Fruit growers at Sabetha, Kan., say freezing cold weather for the last few weeks has killed the peach crop. The fruit trees were covered with a coating of ice for almost two weeks and peach buds were almost frozen. There were no peaches in Nemaha county last year.

Japan at the World's Fair.

Nanjime Ota, Japanese commissioner to the Louisiana purchase exposition at St. Louis, received a cablegram from the president of the Japanese commission, Kiyoura, which stated that although peaceful relations between Japan and Russia were broken, the war would make no difference in regard to the exhibits of Japan at the world's fair.

A Witness Arrested for Murder.

James McDonald, the teamster whose testimony before the board of inquiry in the Bedford, Ind., murder, mystery was to the effect that he walked home in front of Miss Schafer and Captain Alexander and met the two men standing at the corner of the alley where the murder occurred, has been arrested charged with the murder.

Australia's Surplus Wheat.

The surplus wheat of South Australia avilable for export is estimated at 8,500,000 bushels.

STRICT NEUTRALITY

President Roosevelt Signs the Neutrality Proclamation.

RECITES FORBIDDEN ACTS

Impresses on All Within the Jurisdiction of the United States Importance of Neutrality.

President Roosevelt has signed the lengthy proclamation declaring the neutrality of this government in the Russo-Japanese war.

The proclamation announces that a state of war exists between Russia and Japan; that the United States is on terms of friendship with both; that there are citizens of the United States within the territory of each belligerent and subjects of each reside in the United States, and impresses upon all within the jurisdiction of the United States the duty of impartial neutrality during the war. The president then recites in detail the acts forbidden to be done, under severe penalties within the territory and jurisdiction of the United States.

The proclamation also sets forth the rights of belligerents in waters within the jurisdiction of the United States. It also forbids anyone within the jurisdiction of the United States taking part directly or indirectly in the war and notifies all who may claim the protection of this government, who may misconduct themselves in the premises, that they will do so at their peril and that they can in no wise obtain any protection from the government of the United States against the consequences of their conduct.

The proclamation in setting out the acts forbidden to be done, follows provisions of what is commonly known as neutrality law, and is in the language and form usual to such proclamations.

GREAT INVENTOR HONORED

Thomas Edison's Birthday Fittingly Celebrated in New York.

The American institute of electrical engineers celebrated the birthday of Thomas A. Edison and the twenty-fifth anniversary of the successful introduction and development of the incandescent lamp at the annual dinner in the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, New York. Thomas A. Edison was the guest of honor and about 700 members and guests of the institute were present.

A message from President Roosevelt to Mr. Edison was read as follows: "I congratulate you as one of the Americans to whom America owes much, as one of the men whose life work has tended to give America no small portion of its present position in the international world."

Eminent electricians representing Italy, France, Germany and Great Britain, and Lord Alverstone, the lord chief justice of Great Britain, also sent greetings.

No Press Tickets Allotted.

Charles A. Walsh, the secretary of the national democratic committee, makes the following announcement:

"No press accommodations will be allotted for the democratic national convention until the next meeting of the committee on arrangements, which will probably be held at St. Louis some time in April, when an experienced newspaper man will be selected to take charge of the apportionment of press seats. All applications should be withheld until that time and filed with that man. Notice will be sent to the press of this country when the next meeting is held. When the man is selected, his name will be given and his full address. It also will be necessary for papers having heretofore made application to the secretary again to make application to the press representative so selected."

Want Lower Rates.

Southwestern Iowa lumbermen discovered at the recent meeting that rates on lumber on the Burlington and Great Western roads varied in some instances the Burlington getting $1 per thousand more than the Great Western. In consequence of this discovery the Burlington has been asked to align its rates with those effective on the Great Western. The dealers attacked the demurrage system, setting up the claim that the railroads give them whatever service they may please to offer, but that they demand prompt service from their patons. They also tackled the short-weight coal problem and will demand that they be asked to pay for no more than they get. It is said that cars during the past winter have averaged from one to two tons short.

Claims No Jurisdiction.

United States Senator J. R. Burton, of Kansas, through his attorney, J. G. Krum, filed a demurrer in the United States district court at St. Louis, setting forth that the indictment charging him with the unlawful acceptance of fees from the Rialto Grain and Securities company for the purpose of influencing the postal authorities did not set forth facts sufficient to hold him for trial.

The demurrer contained the further contention that neither the postmaster general nor the postoffice department had jurisdiction to issue a fraud order against the Rialto Grain and Securities company on the facts as they appeared.

Church Howe Very Ill.

Church Howe, consul general to Antwerp, Belgium, is a very sick man, according to advices received at the state department in Washington. Mr. Howe has been ailing for some time and it is thought he has been suffering from appendicities. An operation was performed, the nature of which is not known at the state department. Deputy Consul Haine cabled the department that the operation had been followed by acute indigestion and pleurisy. Beyond this the state department has no knowledge of Mr. Howe's illness.

THE STATE IS HEALTHY.

State Inspector Towne Talks About Contagious Diseases.

health inspector of the board of health, says that contagious diseases in Nebraska are under good control and that county and village boards are becoming alive to the need of rigid quarantines whenever diseases of this character appear. Regulations are to be issued by the state board telling what it is best to do under varying conditions for all forms of dangerous diseases. The copy for these rules is now in the hands of the printer and will be issued by Secretary Brash of Beatrice.

Dr. Towne says the stamping out of smallpox in Nebraska is due largely to the strict care taken whenever the disease appears. County and town boards lose no time when they have suspicious cases and isolate them. During the two years last past, the disease has almost been stamped out. In the east and particularly in Pittsburg and Philadelphia, a virulent form of smallpox has appeared and the percentage of deaths has been large. The doctor calls attention to the necessity of constant vigilance in every place. He believes vaccination has done as much as anything to ward off smallpox. In Chicago where vaccination has been practiced generally, the beneficial results have been shown. He says physicians have never been able to explain why vaccination in some persons will be effective for years and why it will not in others. In his own case he has been vactinated over thirty times and it "took" only partially once after the first time. Out of a hundred persons vaccinated at the same time a few may be effectually vaccinated the following year, more the next year and as the years go by the number will be larger each year, but some few out of the entire number will be almost vaccine proof during the remainder of their lives.

CATTLEMEN VS. RAILROADS

File Their Case With Inter-State Commerce Commission.

The Cattle Raisers' association of Texas has filed with the interstate commerce commission a petition on behalf of itself and like interests including live stock shippers generally against the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, the Rock Island, the Atchison, the Union Pacific and fifty-five other railroads alleging that the present rates for live stock transportation as the result of advances from time to time since February, 1899, are unlawful. The defendant roads include many of the great trunk lines west of the Mississippi river and the complainants are an organization of 1,500 raisers, buyers, sellers and shippers of cattle engaged in busines principally in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arizona, the Indian Territory, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, South Dakota and the republic of Mexico, controlling approximately 4,000,000 cattle.

Arrested for Illegal Fencing.

Deputy United States Marshal Homan of Omaha, arrested six men indicted by the recent grand jury for alleged illegal fencing. They are Valentine King, John King, William Simonson, Allie Simons, John Krause and Herman Krause. They made their appearance before the federal court and each gave bond in the sum of $1,000.

Two Simonsons have been out of the cattle business since last July and now are in the real estate business in Denver. They declare they are victims of spite work on the part of the district attorney and disgruntled employes who have been discharged.

The Steel Trust Sued.

Alfred F. Stevens, of Newark, N. J., instituted suit in the court of chancery against the United States Steel corporation to have that corporation show cause why it first decreased and subsequently discontinued dividends on common stock. In his application he presents figures to bear out his contention that the dividend could have been paid. He claims that the steel company since its incorporation has had net earnings over and above its fixed charges of about $65,000,000. Of this amount $18,000,000 was earned in 1901, $34,000,000 in 1902, and $11,000,000 in 1903.

Killed in a Runaway.

While Paul Krile, a man of sixty years, and Mrs. Mary Williams, a widow of forty-five, were crossing the Union Pacific track to go to their home several miles out of Grand Island, their team became frightened and unmanageable. Krile's arms gave out and he asked Mrs. Williams to take one of the reins. The result was that the team swerved and Krile was thrown from the vehicle.

Mrs. Williams, a few moments later, jumped. She struck on her head and the skull was crushed. Death resulted instantly. Krile was injured only about the leg, though he fell down in front of the wagon just behind the horses. Mrs. Williams, with whom Krile had been making his home, leaves two daughters and three sons, both of the former and one of the latter being located at a distance.

Santa Fe Cut Rates.

The Santa Fe railroad has declared a further reduction of 2 cents in the rate for wheat and corn from country points to the gulf ports. The Missouri Pacific and Rock Island roads have met the cut. The rates from territory west of the Mississippi to gulf ports have been reduced two-thirds since the grain rate was started three weeks ago.

Passed Examination.

The following persons successfully passed the state board of pharmacy examination: Paul H. Beebe, University Place; Martin Dinuzzo, Omaha; Edwin P. Gilmour, Omaha; V. L. Hanson, Crawford; A. B. Hinterlong, Omaha; M. P. Kavanagh, Phillips; J. S. Lancaster, Omaha; Peter Livingston, Grand Island; A. W. Whoerke, Stanton; V. E. McFarland, Beatrice; F. E. Raynolds, Omaha; J. M. Ruth, Omaha; Henry Snyder, Dunbar; Theresa St. Martin, Wahoo; George B. Tout, York; A. C. Walker, Gibbon; M. D. Welsh, Omaha.

THE JAPS STILL WIN

Have Captured Five Valuable Russian Merchant Ships.

AMERICA REMAINS NEUTRAL

Russia Officially Declares War—Japan and Russia Want to Fight It Out Alone—Other News.

Japan has seized Masampho and dispatched a heavy force there. Japan will fortify the port and establish a naval and military base. Masampho is an exceedingly important point, as it controls the orean channel, and is an excellent base for future operations.

The Japanese have captured five Russian commercial steamers, including the Ekaterintoslav, Moukden, Russia, Argun and Alexander. They were captured by the Japanese in Korean and adjacent waters at various times by small cruisers. Some of the steamers are rich prizes. The mail steamer Koelk is detained at Yokohama, its status not being clear.

A formal declaration of war was issued by the czar of Russia.

M. Kurino, Japanese minister at St. Petersburg, left that city. Russians watched the leave-taking, but he was not molested.

Dispatches from Tien Tsin say that 400 French troops have been ordered from there to Seoul for the protection of the French legation at the Korean capital, the emperor having taken refuge there.

The Russian transport Azov and two torpedo boats at Port Said, Egypt, are taking on board sufficient coal to take them to their nearest home port. The commanders swore that the quantity of coal taken on board was the amount required.

Russia has invited of the United States a declaration of her neutrality in the far eastern war. Secretary Hay sent a draft of the declaration of neutrality to the president for his signature, and it will be issued from the state department.

Having received enough favorable replies to insure the concurrent action of European powers in his endeavor "to localize within as small an area as possible the hostilities in the far east and to insure neutrality over as much of China as possible," Secretary Hay addressed notes to Russia and Japan inviting their co-operation in this endeavor and announcing that the United States stood stalwartly for this principle. It was known in advance that both the combatant powers desired the localization of the war.

Nebraska Will Swap Land.

At a meeting of the interstate boundary commission held at the Mondamin hotel, says the Sioux City Journal, the long controversy over land claimed by both Nebraska and South Dakota was settled so far as the boundary commission is concerned.

The commission agreed to recommend to the respective legislatures of the two states that a tract of land now belonging to South Dakota, but on the Nebraska side of the river, known as "Hall's survey," shall be ceded to Nebraska. They will also recommend that two tracts of land which, by reason of cutoffs by the river are now on the South Dakota side, and known as the "pocket" in McCook lake and the "Reniger bend cutoff," shall be ceded to South Dakota.

Government Wants Good Talent.

The United State civil service commission has announced the following examinations to be held at Lincoln, Omaha and Grand Island in the month of March. The first examination, on March 9 and 10, is for the purpose of securing eligibles to fill vacancies in the positions of geologic aid and assistant geologist in the United States from $1,000 to $2,000 a year; on March 6, to secure eligibles to fill vacancies in the position of aid, division of fisheries, national museum, at $50 a month, and on March 23, an examination to secure eligibles to fill vacancies in the position of aid, division of birds' eggs, national museum, at $540 a year. Persons wishing to compete should apply to the United States civil service commission, Washington, D. C., or to the secretary of the local board of examiners at the above mentioned places.

To Test Nebraska Truant Law.

John Goodheart of Omaha declares the state has no right to say whether or not his children shall have an education. He asserts that he will spend some of his money to show the people that he is right, and that Truant officer Buel infringed on his personal liberty when he arrested him for failing to send his children to school. It was shown that Goodheart has sent his children to school only seventeen days during the present school year, while the Nebraska law requires a great deal more of him. He makes no pretense at pleading poverty as his reason for refusing to educate his children, but simply says the state has no right to dictate to him in such matters. He will be given an opportunity to convince the courts of his alleged rights.

Steamer Burned in New York.

Fire destroyed the Joy line steamer Tremont at her dock in Catherline slip, New York. One of the crew is missing, two trained lions, a Great Dane dog, part of a traveling show, were burned, and the cargo of the vessel is a total loss. The Tremont was practically a new side-wheel vessel.

Annual Statistics of 1903.

The acting statistician of the department of agriculture has completed his estimate of the number and value of farm animals in the United States on January 1, 1904.

The totals for the country are shown in the following table:

Animals—	Number.	Value.
Horses	16,736,059	$1,136,940,298
Mules	2,757,916	217,532,832
Milch cows	17,419,817	508,841,489
Other cattle	43,629,498	712,178,134
Sheep	51,630,144	133,530,099
Swine	47,009,367	289,224,627

FAVOR A PURE FOOD BILL

State Commissioner Thompson Discusses Importance of Quick Legislation.

State Food Commissioner Thompson and Chemist Walker are still engaged in a quiet hunt for disguised pumpkin, grass seeds, etc., which are alleged to be masquerading as tomato catsup and strawberry jam and which, on such representations, are gaining admission to some of the best homes in Nebraska.

"It is the department's intention to continue these researches until we know just what the people are being swindled with in the line of canned goods," says Mr. Thompson.

"The only way that we can hope to stop these abuses is by working for the passage of a national pure food bill, and until that is done the work of the state food departments of the various states is going to be badly handicapped. There is no statute in Nebraska in regard to the adulteration of food products—that is, no sweeping law which takes in all adulterations. The food commissioner may analyze food products and publish the analysis to the world, but there are no funds to prosecute the manufacturers. However, we are not discouraged and intend keeping up the fight. The names of all adulterated articles of food will be published as soon as they are discovered and a list of the manufacturers of the spurious articles will accompany the list."

FIGHTING NEAR HOME

Rear Admiral Wise Instructed to Use Force With San Domingo.

Drastic measures will be taken by this government to end the anarchy in San Domingo. Continued violation of international law, destruction of America property and disregard of foreign interests has convinced officials that affairs there can be best improved by force. Its handling has been turned over to the navy and Secretary Moody has sent supplemental instructions to Rear Admiral Wise commanding the training squadron now in Dominican waters, giving him wide latitude in the course he is to follow. Rear Admiral Wise has been told, in a word, to protect by force American interests, and to deal with each case on its own merits. The reports received from the island show, and as official expresses it, that the condition of affairs there is "semi-barbaric."

The question was one of the features of a cabinet meeting and at the close of the discussion it was decided the best solution of the problem was to turn affairs over to the navy and have Admiral Wise insure the absolute protection of American interests. It is believed that he already has taken steps to obtain apology and full reparation for the firing on the steamship New York.

Another Company Contesting Law.

The Northwestern Life Insurance company of Milwaukee has joined the companies which are contesting the taxation clauses of the revenue law relating to insurance companies. It has filed a petition asking the supreme court for an injunction to restrain the city treasurer of Omaha from collecting the city levy of 14 mills on the gross premiums received by the company in Omaha. The company asserts that the payment of a 2 per cent tax to the state is, according to the revenue law, in lieu of all other taxes. It is also asserted that the premiums to be taxed have passed from the jurisdiction of the city, county and state. The court set February 16 as the day of hearing.

New Rifle Record.

A. H. Hardy of Hyannis, Neb., made a test shoot in which he made a remarkable record. He shot at 2,000 balls thrown into the air at a distance of a 25-foot rise. The balls were thrown straight up between ten and twenty feet high. He hit 1985 balls, making one run of 488 consecutive hits. These balls were all shot at one stand, Hardy resting a few minutes and eating a lunch after the first 500 balls. A fierce wind was blowing throughout the test. But one rifle, a Winchester repeater, was used and the gun was not cleaned during the 2,000 shots. Hardy has won considerable renown as a fancy shot, but this is his first attempt at a feat requiring great physical endurance.

Minister Thompson Welcomed Home.

Several thousand people of Lincoln and many visitors from various parts of the state extended cordial welcome to D. E. Thompson, United States minister to Brazil, at the Lincoln hotel. For more than three hours a stream of people filed through the parlors on the second floor, greeted Mr. Thompson and then retired to enjoy the dancing, music and refreshments.

Artistic and elaborate decorations made the lobby, the parlors and the dining room of the Lincoln as beautiful as have been seen at any public event in Lincoln.

The 5 per cent Land Bill.

Senator Gamble reported favorably from the committee on public lands the 5 per cent bill for the regulation of accounts between the United States and the several states relative to the disposition of public lands. The aggregate amount involved at the present time under this bill is estimated at $8,182,000, while the amounts already deposited with the states under the land act aggregates $28,101,644. The bill has been reported favorably to several congresses, but it now has the full approval of the public lands commission and earnest efforts will be made to secure its passage.

World Fair Passenger Rates.

A conference of passenger officials of railways east of the Mississippi came to an end in New York. The chief matter for conference was the adoption of rates for the St. Louis fair traffic.

It was agreed that, beginning April 25, round trip tickets, good until December 15, shall be sold at 80 per cent of double the one-way westbound fare; tickets good for sixty days at one and one-third of the westbound fare, and tickets good for ten days for one westbound fare, plus $2.

Mrs. Haskell, Worthy Vice Templar, Independent Order Good Templars, of Silver Lake, Mass., tells of her cure by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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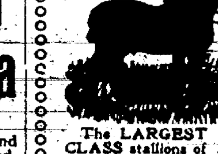

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BUNCE OF HIS CLASS.

Reasons Why Many Children Are Slow to Learn.

Many a boy has been a dullard at school and has made a failure of his after life simply because there was some defect in his ears which made it impossible for him to hear distinctly or some defect in his eyes which made it impossible for him to see things as they were, says the Saturday Evening Post. The brain gets not only the most of its information through the ears and the eyes, but also the most of its skill in the all-important faculty of judgment. And if the ears do not hear well and the eyes do not see correctly, both information and training are necessarily defective and awry.

These facts are obvious; yet thousands on thousands grow up, struggle, fail wholly or partially, die without knowing the simple and perhaps easily curable why of their misfortunes. And in every school to-day there are these curable so-called dullards.

Every pair of young eyes and young ears should be suspected until they have been competently examined.

A LITTLE TOO EARLY.

Farmer Thought 2 a. m. Appropriate Time for Breakfast.

Farmers are always early risers, but a pension examiner, traveling in Kentucky, had an experience which taught him what the rural idea of "early" is. He put up at a farmhouse for the night and asked to be called for an early breakfast. In what seemed to him ten minutes after he had gone to sleep he was awakened by knocking on the door.

"Get up in there!" a voice shouted. "It's gittin' up time. Your breakfast is ready."

The examiner arose in the dark, slowly dressed, and came into the breakfast room.

"What time is it?" he asked.

"It's about 2 o'clock, I reckon."

"Well, what the thunder do you mean by waking me at 2 o'clock?"

"Didn't you say you wanted an early breakfast?" said the farmer, with deep concern.

The Projectiles We Use.

We have now armor piercing projectiles, deck piercing projectiles, semi-armor piercing projectiles, common forged and cast steel projectiles, cast iron projectiles, shrapnel and so on, in endless variety. As the work the gun, whether ashore or afloat, will have to do can be pretty clearly predicted, it would appear as though one, or at most two, kinds of projectiles were enough. These two would naturally have, the one a high penetrative power and the other a large capacity for internal charge, giving great destructive power when the shell is burst. No one who has not examined carefully the effect of bursting a shell in a closed space can have an idea of its destructiveness. A small six-pounder shell, of about 2¼ inches diameter, containing three or four ounces of powder, burst in an ordinary room and breaking into twenty or thirty fragments, would probably destroy everything in the room.—Scientific American.

Speech Saved From the Flood.

Mr. Curtis of Kansas, a new member of the Committee on Ways and Means, did not make a speech on the Cuban reciprocity bill, although he had a tariff speech ready for use.

"I want to save it," he said, "for a general tariff debate, should one occur. I think a good deal of that speech, for it was incidentally the means of saving the one book of my library that escaped from the ravages of the flood that swept over Topeka last summer.

"I was reading on the subject, and had the second volume of Colton's 'Life of Clay' in hand. I laid it upon a tin box, resting on the top of the bookcases, and when the waters flooded the house everything but that went.

"How it escaped I don't know. It is the sole relic of a library that I had been gathering since 1879, when I began the study of law."—New York Sun.

The Trust in Burma.

The wily oriental soon assimilates such occidental methods as suit his purpose, and it is hardly surprising that, in due course, such institutions as the "trust" and the "corner" should have appeared even in a happy-go-lucky country like Burma. Most men who have been even to India know what splendid little ponies are to be had from Pegu, and how admirably adapted they are for polo playing. It will be readily understood, then, that considerable disgust has been occasioned at Rangoon by the formation among Burman pony dealers of a veritable "corner," the result of which has been that Rs. 350 is asked for anything with four legs, while good ponies are priced at Rs. 600 and Rs. 700.—London Navy and Army.

A Sentiment.

The sky shall write about thine eyes
That smile on me from depths of blue;
The sun that radiantly doth rise
Shall paint thy smile so winsome, too.

And as the fleeting year shall turn
From morn to morn its pages new
Some likeness fancy shall discern
Which brings your cherished self to view.

The leaf, the bud, the bird-song light,
The flowers that nod, the stars that shine
Shall seek to tell thy charms aright
And make a proper valentine.
—Washington Star

France Uses More Sugar.

In consequence of the reduction of the French import duties on sugar, which came into force on Sept. 1 last year, the amount consumed in France in the three months following showed an increase of 77,000 tons.

FOR THIRTY YEARS

Congressman Meekison Suffered With Catarrh—Read His Endorsement of Pe-ru-na.

CONGRESSMAN MEEKISON, OF OHIO.

Hon. David Meekison is well known, not only in his own State but throughout America. He began his political career by serving four consecutive terms as Mayor of the town in which he lives, during which time he became widely known as the founder of the Meekison Bank of Napoleon, Ohio. He was elected to the Fifty-fifth Congress by a very large majority, and is the acknowledged leader of his party in his section of the State.

Only one flaw marred the otherwise complete success of this rising statesman. Catarrh with its insidious approach and tenacious grasp, was his only unconquered foe. For thirty years he waged unsuccessful warfare against this personal enemy. At last Peruna came to the rescue, and he dictated the following letter to Dr. Hartman as the result:

"I have used several bottles of Peruna and I feel greatly benefited thereby from my catarrh of the head. I feel encouraged to believe that if I use it a short time longer I will be fully able to eradicate the disease of thirty years' standing."—David Meekison, ex-member of Congress.

THE season of catching cold is upon us. The cough and the sneeze and nasal twang are to be heard on every hand. The origin of chronic catarrh, the most common and dreadful of diseases, is a cold.

This is the way the chronic catarrh generally begins. A person catches cold, which hangs on longer than usual. The cold generally starts in the head and throat. Then follows sensitiveness of the air passages which incline one to catch cold very easily. At last the person has a cold all the while seemingly, more or less discharge from the nose, hawking, spitting, frequent clearing of the throat, nostrils stopped up, full feeling in the head and sore, inflamed throat.

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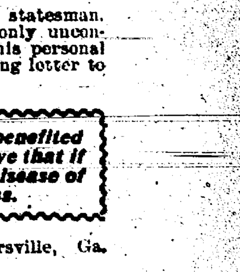

Mrs. A. Snedeker.

"I saw that your catarrh remedy, Peruna, was doing others so much good, that I thought I would try it and see what it would do for me. My case is an old one and I have none of the acute symptoms now, because I have had the disease so long that I had none of the aches and pains, but a general rundown condition of the whole body—sore nose and throat and stomach. I had a good appetite but my food did not nourish my system. I had come down from 140 to about 75 pounds in weight. I now feel that I am well of all my troubles."—Mrs. A. Sedeker.

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Of course the man who is the butt of the joke can't see the point.

To Wash China Silk Dresses.

China silk dresses may be quite successfully washed. Remove all spots with benzine. Then wash in warm soapsuds, rubbing between the hands, rinse through several waters. Use Ivory Soap and do not rub the soap on the dress. Wring as dry as possible, wrap in a sheet or clean cotton cloth and, when partially dry, iron.
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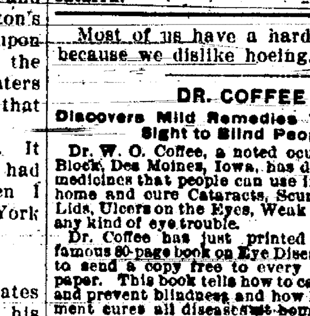

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A New Endless Chain.

The Saline County (Kan.) Index thinks it has discovered a new endless chain. "Every farmer's boy," it observes, "wants to be a school teacher, every school teacher hopes to be an editor, every editor would like to be a banker, every banker would like to be a trust magnate and every trust magnate hopes some day to own a farm and have chickens and cows and pigs and horses to look after. We end where we begin."

How the Orient Gets Its Meal.

"Two women shall be grinding at the mill." In the East the day's supply of meal is ground each morning by two women, who sit opposite each other, on a large, clean cloth with the small millstones between them. They push the upper stone around and around by means of a stick standing upright in a hole in one side, both women holding it. They usually sing as they grind.

Heavy Life Insurance.

The largest payments of insurance policies of recent years were $1,250,000 by twenty or more companies upon the death of F. H. Peavey, an elevator man and grain dealer, of Duluth, who died in 1902. Hamilton Disston, the saw manufacturer, of Philadelphia, who died last year, also had more than $1,000,000 in thirty companies, every cent of which was promptly paid.

Disease Decreases in Cuba.

There has been no smallpox in Cuba since July, 1900, nor yellow fever since September, 1901, and the progressive decrease of malaria has continued without interruption. The condition regarding tuberculosis is not so satisfactory. There has been an increase of 5 per cent to 6 per cent in deaths from that disease in each of the years 1901 and 1902.

Venomous Snakes in Natal.

Snakes are a pest in Natal, and many of the varieties are highly venomous. There is a green whip snake, that frequents the trees; puff adders, slow but deadly, and many other kinds. Along the Zambesi river country there are pythons of huge size, often as much as twenty-five feet in length, and of proportionate bulk.

Church Pays Taxes.

Toronto, Canada's city of churches, possesses one church which is probably unique throughout all the realms of the King. The Jarvis-street Baptist church, although legally exempt from civic taxation, like all the other churches of the city and province, insists upon paying its taxes.

University 3,000 Years Old.

The College of Confucius, the old university of China, has for 3,000 years borne the name of Kwotsekien. Its main building, the finest temple of Confucius in China, has 300 volumes in its court, on which are engraved the names of its 60,000 graduates.

Ready for Another Turn.

It is not surprising that a plot has been discovered in Servia for "avenging" King Alexander. It is seldom that the tendency towards conspiracy and assassination is eradicated by conspiracy and assassination.—Indianapolis Sentinel.

Valuable South Dakota Mines.

The mines of the Black Hills district, South Dakota, for the year just closed produced $8,363,392, which is nearly $1,000,000 increase over the previous year. The average value of the ore handled in the district per ton was $4.44.

Insane Man's Good Luck.

A German merchant of Frankfurt suddenly became insane the other day as he was walking along the street and threw away $12,000 he had in his pockets. A policeman luckily was at hand and saved it. [illegible]

Poorly Paid Dressmakers.

There are 107,848 dressmakers employed by firms in London. The highest wages obtainable—except in the case of about a dozen heads of departments—are eighteen shillings a week.

Statesmen Fond of Angling.

Secretary of State John Hay spends a good part of his vacation each year in fishing trips near his New England home. Attorney General Knox is quite an angler, too.

Don't Go It Blind.

To view love properly a man should be farsighted in one eye, to overlook defects, and nearsighted in the other, to appreciate virtues.—Town Topics.

Revel In It.

Some men are regular remorse factories, and sin for the mere purpose of enjoying the luxury of repentance.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Rich Treasure Trove.

In pulling down the old cathedral of Metz a strong box has been found containing coins and watches valued at £120,000.

How Long Will This Condition Continue?

None may say surely, but it won't be for long, and the sooner you invest the cheaper will you be able to do so, for the advance is just as sure as has been the advance in the price of similar land in other sections. For further information write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha.

HERBERT SPENCER IN YOUTH.

Stern of Character, Yet Human Enough to Enjoy a Joke.

The eighty-third birthday of Mr. Herbert Spencer has brought out among other things, extracts from the anonymous diary of a friend of his early days, when he was on the engineering staff of the London & Birmingham railway. Spencer, apparently, was neither companionable nor particularly popular.

His stern and somewhat harsh character stood forth in all its nakedness, as at his then early age he had neither tact nor knowledge of men sufficient wherewith to clothe his imperious temperament. He lived in an atmosphere of antagonism—a Radical among Tories, a democrat among aristocrats, an advanced free thinker among sturdy supporters of the mother church. But young, thoughtless and careless as we were, we soon realized that a young fellow of keen penetrating intellect had come among us, before whom we could not hold our own in argument either in metaphysics or in engineering, when we presumed to differ.

Still he was human enough to enjoy, and even to perpetrate, a practical joke upon a comrade, Hensman by name.

He inserted a piece of tracing paper daily inside the leather lining of Hensman's hat. In a few days the hat was a tight fit; remarks were made to the victim on the palpable enlargement of his cranium, which he verified by stating that his hat gave evidence of the truth of the observation by the gradual tightening of the fit. Great sympathy was expressed on the alarming symptom, and great fun was caused by Hensman's consternation.

The idea of Herbert Spencer playing practical jokes will probably be new and startling to most people.

WAS A FLOATING FIRESHIP.

Derelict Sailed for Thousands of Miles in Safety.

A naval officer recently returned from China tells an extraordinary story about a derelict which has been floating around the Eastern sea. The Fannie Kerr is a four-masted bark of 2,426 tons, built of steel. She left Newcastle in April, 1902, with a cargo of coal for San Francisco. She rounded the Horn in safety, but her cargo caught fire in the South Pacific, and after trying for more than a month to extinguish the flames the ship became so hot that the captain and crew abandoned her on the 6th of June and took to their boats. They landed at Kauai, an island of the Hawaiian group, made their way to Honolulu, where the captain made his report and the crew was discharged. On the 10th of March last the captain of the steamship Heathdene, bound from Yokohama to Formosa, sighted a vessel adrift, from which smoke seemed to arise. Steaming toward her he discovered that she was the long missing Fannie Kerr, which had been gradually drifting westward several thousand miles for nearly nine months, with her cargo still on fire.

Building of St. Petersburg.

St. Petersburg, which recently celebrated the bicentenary of its foundation, is one of the few great cities which have been made and not born. During his residence in Holland Peter the Great was so impressed by Amsterdam, perched upon the waters, that he determined to abandon Moscow and build a new capital which should have canals for streets. In his campaign against Sweden in 1702 he noted an island situated in the midstream of the Neva. "Here is my Russian Amsterdam!" he exclaimed, and immediately began the building of a city there. The site was a marsh in summer and a frozen morass in winter; two miserable huts were the only buildings. The erection of the citadel, a great fort in the shape of a hexagon, with a tower 200 feet high, on the north bank of the Neva, was his first care. The cottage in which Peter lived while laying out the city still exists.

Knew the Major.

"I hear the major is coming up to spend a week with you."

"Yes, and I am fitting up a room for him to entertain his friends. I put in ten chairs and a sideboard."

"Where is the major from?"

"South Carolina."

"Then you had better put in ten sideboards and a chair."

Out of Season.

"Why are yer so sad?" asked Dusty Dennis.

"Why," growled Sandy Pikes, "dat lady said if I'd split de wood she'd give me an old pair of shoes she promised me last winter."

"An' did she?"

"Yes, she give me a pair of snowshoes."

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with cholic, indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She said Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator, for weak, run-down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by F. M. Colwell.

A Mystery of the Season.

No one has ever clearly explained why, at this season of the year, a girl whose skin would be hopelessly ruined were she to roll up her sleeves and put her hands into a dishpan half full of water for a few minutes, can play golf or tennis, bare-armed, all day long, or go into the water bathing morning, noon and night, and be proud of the color she acquires in so doing. Why is it, girls? Don't all shout the answer at once.

Projectiles Used by the Navy.

Four classes of projectiles are used in the United States navy—armor-piercing projectiles for use against armor, common shell for use against unarmored or very thinly armored parts, shrapnel for service against exposed detachments of men a considerable distance away, and canister, which is employed against detachments of men lacking protection within close range.

Unique Spirit of Loyalty.

It is not all war in the industrial world. Here are 6,000 employes of the United States Express Company volunteering to furnish pieces of skin for the benefit of Assistant General Superintendent Fredericks, who was scalded in a train wreck. There is still something left of the old human relations between captains and privates of industry.

India's Irrigation Works.

The irrigation works recommended by the Geological Survey give interest to the report on the irrigation works of India. The net revenue to the government was 7.36 per cent on an outlay of $110,000,000. The value of the crops raised on the irrigated area during the year is estimated at $135,000,000—a sum in excess of the capital outlay.

Life's Many Exits.

"I know death hath ten thousand several doors for men to take their exits," wrote John Webster three centuries ago. One of the most unused exits was that employed by the four persons who met death in Pittsburg on the Fourth by stepping in a pool of water charged with electricity from a broken electric light wire.

Wireless Telegraph Service.

Since the great volcano disturbances in the Windward Islands it has been impossible to maintain unbroken cable connections between the islands of Martinique and Guadaloupe, and the French government has established a wireless telegraph service between the two. The distance exceeds 100 miles.

No Personality in Ears.

After studying and photographing more than 40,000 pairs of ears of persons, including those of 2,000 insane and 800 criminals, and those of 300 animals, an English criminologist is forced to conclude that the ear gives no clew to personal traits.

Capitulated.

A Philadelphia mother spanked her naughty 4 year old, and set off a bunch of pistol caps in his hip pocket. The young patriot was hoist by his own petard, and immediately acknowledged his dependence on the mother country.—Toledo Blade.

Expensive Alternative.

A firm whose shop blind spoilt the hat of a man nearly six feet in height was ordered in a London court to pay the damages. "We can not fix the blind higher," they pleaded. "Then go on paying for silk hats," said the judge.

New Wrinkle in Divorce.

Ellen Key, the Swedish woman suffragist, asks for a law which, in case of a couple that wants a divorce, compels them to live apart a year, and then, if the divorce is still desired, grants it without further proceedings.

Egypt Pays Tribute.

Egypt is legally a dominion or province of Turkey. It pays a tribute of close on £700,000 to the Sultan, and has been nominally part of the Ottoman empire since the twelfth century.

Largest Elephant Known.

There has recently arrived in Germany the hide of an elephant that was 16 feet 9 inches high, this being over three feet above the largest elephant ever known hitherto.

This Will Make Baltimore Hot.

We should say that the two favorite convention cities of the continent are Boston, Massachusetts, and Denver, Colorado.—Norwood Advertiser.

CANCER CURED!

Mr. W. W. Prickett, Smithfield, Ills. writes, Sept. 10th 1901: I had been suffering several years with a cancer on my face, which gave me great annoyance and unbearable itching. I was using Ballard's Snow Liniment for a sore leg, and through an accident, I rubbed some of the liniment on the cancer, and as it gave me almost instant relief, I decided to continue to use the liniment on the cancer. In a short time the cancer came off, my face healed up and there is not the slightest scar left. I have implicit faith in the merits of this preparation, and it cannot be too highly recommended. 25c 50c & $1.00 For sale by F. M. Colwell.

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How the Guide Felt.

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It is estimated that between 900 and 1,000 ships go up and down the English Channel every day.

Where Fools Are Wise.

The fool never puts off till to-morrow what he shouldn't do at all.—Philadelphia Record.

Escaped An Awful Fate.

Mr. H Haggins of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, for consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases, by F M Colwell, druggist. Price 50c & 1.00 Trial Bottles free

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Now that investigation is started, it is found that other theaters but numerous churches have been simply ignoring the law and have escaped deserved calamity only by fortunate accident. We have been educating our people into contempt for law. Nearly a quarter of a million saloons, scattered all over the country in city and village and hamlet, have set our people an example of persistent law breaking. Selling on Sunday in defiance of law; selling all night in defiance of law; selling to minors in defiance of law; selling to inebriates in defiance of law; selling in prohibition states and towns in defiance of law; putting solid screens in windows as drawing curtains tight in defiance of laws that require—as in New York—that all shall be open to public view; the American saloon stands as the steady and unblushing violator of every restrictive law on the statute book of state or nation. Worse than this, good and honored people, the chiefs in state and church have condoned or applauded the laws violation. Do these apologists of law breaking think that liquor laws are going to fall alone, and all other laws be held sacred? If the saloon may defy every law and have good men condone or apologize for it, why may not any other business or institution set aside the law? Good men are the only ones who can do any real harm. Let any good man, when next he is tempted to have a gird at Prohibitionists by showing how all their laws are outraged pause and ask himself whether by that act he may not be helping to pull down the entire edifice of law, whose ruins may some day fall on his own head or upon the heads of those dearer to him than his own life.—The New Voice.

We had an interesting meeting at our Willard memorial at O W Griffing's, the 19th, though the president and treasurer were both sick, not able to be with us, and most of those who were there, hardly recovered from the grip. We were glad to see most of the teachers and a number of other visitors present, and with their kindly help carried out the program as best we could, enjoying a social time over the refreshments at last. We gained one new member, and the silver offering was $3.00.

MISREPRESENTATION

Rose W Steele, writing for the Central Christian Advocate, says: "May the testimony of one who has lived for some years in Berlin affect in some degree the scandalous allegations of the Anonymous author of 'The Private lives of William II and his Consort?' During her first residence there the Berlin papers gave news from the United States mostly by references to murders, riots, fires, and railway wrecks, while the U. S. papers referred to the Kaiser as the 'insane monarch' and caricatured his sayings; so she questioned an American who had been long a resident of Berlin and fitted by his position to know much about the royal family. 'Is William II inferior in any sense to to his father Frederick, or his grandfather, William I?' The answer was emphatic: 'None of his ancestors were superior to William II, in ability; none were more religious than he; his court is pure, his family life ideal.'"

News of the drowning of Miss Grace McGrew and her brother, Burch J McGrew, off the coast of Tabayas in the Philippines, was a terrible shock to their parents, Dr. and Mrs McGrew of Auburn, and a number of friends in that vicinity. Burch McGrew was a former principal of schools of Auburn and had a brilliant prospect in the Philippines, where he was in line for fine promotion. His sister was likewise a capable teacher and both were regarded as among the most promising of Auburn's young people.

Burch J. McGrew was born in Nemaha county thirty-one years ago, near Auburn, grew to manhood in that vicity, was a graduate of Auburn High School, a student of Cotner university and a graduate of the state normal school. For years he was one of the most popular teachers in this part of the state, having served as principal of the Antioch and of the Athens schools at Auburn and later as superintendent of schools at Dorchester.

Two years ago he was appointed to a good position in the Philippines and was successful in the new field, being very popular with the government officials and the army officers, as well as with his pupils and the people in the city of Atimonan, a city of 10,000, where he was superintendent of schools and postmaster, serving those people in a most acceptable manner, as was shown in may ways during his residence with them. On his way to the Philippines he called on President Roosevelt, who, placing his hand on McGrew's shoulder, told him that he expected "to hear good things of of him in our new possessions," giving him words of encouragement and inspiration, helping to make his work there the great success that it was.

Miss Grace McGrew, the sister, a lady of culture and refinement, devoted to teaching music and art, left Auburn the first of last July for the Philippines, Dr and Mrs McGrew accompanying their daughter as far as San Francisco. Two thaughts impelled her to go—to do good and to help her brother to become a great teacher, and a man of influence for good in the new possessions. It is no wonder that she became in a short time a person of influence and power in the city of her new home. These teachers were greatly interested in their work, finding it pleasant, and that the people were eager and appreciative to a degree not generally found in any other land, the appreciation being shown not only by their pupils, but by all classes of people in the city.—Omaha World-Herald.

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The cases disposed of at the recent session of the district court, were:

Hattie A Wishard adm vs First Nat'l Bank; damages. Continued.

Avery Planter Co vs First Nat'l Bank; damage. Continued.

H B Evitts vs Sarah E Evitts et al; tax lien. Continued.

Ida M Hiskett vs F H Lloyd et al; specific performance. Set for trial April 4th.

Village of Table Rock vs P Stevens; appeal. Dismissed.

D K Miller et al vs W L Taylor et al; foreclosure. Dismissed.

C Bice & Co vs Jacob Geiger; appeal. Judgment for plaintiff in sum of $66.

Mary Donahue et al vs Thos Byrne et al; partition. Not partitioned, but sale of property ordered.

Frank Tschischka vs W C Starkey et al; ejectment. Court found for defendant. This order vacated and new trial ordered.

A J Palmer vs T C Bunyan; tax lien. Decree of foreclosure, and order of sale.

Lottie B Fink vs H H Griffith et al; partition. Continued for sale.

Joseph Uhler vs Mary L Uhler; divorce. Divorce granted defendant.

Jeff D Brown vs Sam'l Campbell et al; foreclosure. Decree of foreclosure and order of sale.

Bank of Commerce vs Anton Bily promissory note. Continued.

Chas S Spurr vs Grace U Spurr; divorce. Divorce granted plaintiff.

First Nat'l Bank vs C A Schappel adm; equity. Continued.

Harvey T Shaw et al vs Frances E Coffman et al; to quiet title. Decree quieting title in plaintiff.

Seraphine Fentiman vs Earl C Fentiman; divorce. Continued.

Wm Ebeling, Bohumyl R Friehbauer and Gustav Hurt were granted their final naturalization papers.

State of Nebraska vs John Kone and Howard Kone; permitting minors in a billiard hall. John Kone plead guilty, and upon plea was fined $20 and costs, which he paid.

State of Nebraska vs Hiram Quackenbush; selling liquor to minors. Defendant bound over to the next term of the district court under $200 bonds.

State of Nebraska vs Anton Sacher; selling liquor to minors. Defendant bound over to district court.

One of the strong ties between President McKinley and Senator Hanna was the fact that both were of Scotch-Irish extraction.

YOUNGSTER BROUGHT THEM TO.

Appeal for the Dog Saved Remnant of Buckwheat Cakes.

The crowd was discussing hospitality as each had enjoyed it in different sections of the country. North, South, East and West had been canvassed when it came ex-Congressman James M. E. O'Grady's turn to contribute.

"Well," said Mr. O'Grady, "I remember being up in New Brunswick on a fishing trip once, and for free-hearted people go up there. Everywhere you happen to be, you are asked to come in, sit down, and eat. It makes no difference whether the fare is good or poor, you are welcome, and no apologies will be made.

"I remember one place we went where apprehension was felt. We had called to get a drink of water, and as it was supper time we were gravely commanded to come in and sit down. Three or four children were ousted to make room for us. I remember they had some delicious buckwheat cakes with maple syrup, and the way we made them disappear was simply outrageous. At last one little towheaded youngster could stand it no longer. He had observed us from the kitchen window, where he stood beside a big dog. The pup had his fore feet on the window sill, and looked every bit as disconsolate as his young master.

"'Say, Misters, hain't you going to leave one for the dog?' piped the youngster. And we came to."—New York Times.

WOULD NOT BE OUTDONE.

Irishman Willing to Eat Bootblack if Companion Did.

Allan A. Ryan of the banking firm of Ryan & Kelley spins this yarn about the new Irish butler he recently employed. Michael had been in the country only a short time and was not entirely familiar with the table d'hote dinner. In his first evening out he hied himself to a Sixth avenue restaurant and called for a table d'hote dinner. Opposite him sat a sour-visaged and voracious person who had arrived only a few moments before. Michael, being in doubt as to how to order, decided to watch his neighbor, and invariably said he would take the same in response to the waiter's query.

After finishing his dinner, the heavy-eating man order the waiter to send him a bootblack.

"Bring me the same," exclaimed Michael.

"What!" said the waiter. "Won't one bootblack do two of you?"

"Well," cried Michael, pointing toward his neighbor; "if he eats his, I'll eat mine, too!"

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally good for burns, bruises, skin eruptions and piles. 25c at Colwell's drug store.

KANSAS PRODUCTS

Mineral Production Amounted to $28,336,823.69.

AN INCREASE OF SIX MILLION

State Make a Creditable Showing Alongside Her Sister State, Missouri, in Mineral Valuations.

Professor Erasmus Haworth of the University of Kansas, state geologist, for Kansas, has given out his annual report for 1903 on the mineral productions of the state. The report shows a far greater increase in the minerad productions than in any of the other industries of the state. The total amount in cash value of the various outputs is estimated at $28,336,823.69. This amount does not include the value of the refined oil, including gasoline and fuel oil, which Prof. Haworth was unable to report definitely, but which he says amounts easily to over $1,000,000. This would bring the grand total up to approximately $30,000,000 for the year just closed. The total for the year of 1902 was $23,619,532.90, which shows that the past year has witnessed an increase of over $6,000,000 in the value of the state's mineral productions. The greater share of this enormous increase is due directly to the development of the Kansas oil fields, and this development seems to be only fairly well started.

Not only do the oil and gas wells increase the total value of the amount of the intrinsic value of the products of the wells, but the value of the allied products, such as clay products, Portland cement and the smelting of minerals is greatly enhanced by the fuel supplied by the wells. Prof. Haworth estimates every dollar's worth of oil and gas increases the worth of the allied industries from $5 to $6. In 1903 over $14,000,000 of the grand total of Kansas mineral products was due to the gas wells.

The report shows a slight decrease in the output of lead and zinc, but the value of the smelting products in both cases has increased materially. It is a rather interesting fact to note that the agricultural state of Kansas, the state famous for its wheat, corn and live stock, also smelts three-fifths of the entire amount of zinc supplied in America.

There was a healthy increase in the salt output for the past year, and there was no considerable decrease in any of the mineral products.

The following table is a conservative estimate of Kansas products for 1903:

Product—	Value for 1903.
Coal	$ 9,875,250.00
Coke	175,000.00
Salt	1,145,869.20
Cooperage, estimated	224,329.00
Clay products	1,215,275.00
Gypsum cement plaster	375,000.00
Stone building (estimate) cubic feet	525,000.00
Natural gas	1,115,375.00
Oil, crude	1,120,018.50
Hydraulic cement	75,000.00
Portland cement	1,125,000.00
Lime	75,000.00
Sand	100,000.00
Metallic products	1,405,688.04
Lead ore	193,256.23
Smelting Products—	
Zinc	9,464,562.72
Lead	127,200.00
Total	$28,336,823.69

Too Close to a Buzz Saw.

Bert Reppetto, of Newton, Kan., met with a very painful accident. He had occasion to use a buzz saw that is installed in the paint shop for the locomotive carpenters' use, to rip a small board. While sawing the board he reached over the saw and in doing so got his fingers too close, with the result that four fingers were badly mutilated by coming in contact with the saw.

Brought in a 50-Barrel Well.

Kelly & Dennis are rejoicing over the latest acquisition to their string of oilers. The well is located on the syndicate's holdings on the Osborn tract and lies in the famous Mundy trend, near Chanute. Thirty feet of producing sand has brought in and the flow of oil was so heavy that the drillers had to operate the baler with much diligence before they could get the hole cleaned out. The well is making fifty barrels a day.

Won $9,000 of the $10,000 Back.

H. Allen, the Wellington farmer who was gold bricked out of $10,000 at Wichita, has recovered most of his loss by a fortunate deal on the board of trade, the recent advance in wheat netting him a profit of about $9,000.

Convicts Will Make Brick.

As soon as the weather will permit, E. B. Jewett, warden of the Kansas penitentiary, will put prisoners to work making paving brick. The demand for coal for the state institutions will be less so that many prisoners now in the mine can be used in the brick yards. The Lansing road to the city limits will require a month of favorable weather for its completion. By that time the brick will be ready and the laying of walks will begin.

ARE ACTUALLY COMPETING

Chicago Great Western Makes Another Cut for Nebraska Grain.

The Chicago Great Western railway announces that it will meet the Northwestern's latest cut in through grain rates from Nebraska points to Chicago with another cut of 2 cents in the proportional rates from Omaha and southwestern Missouri river points to Chicago. This will make the rate from those points 6 cents on wheat and 5 cents on corn. As corresponding between the Missouri and Mississippi rivers, grain can now be shipped to Chicago from Missouri river points at practically the same rates as to the Mississippi river. The new rates are only one-third of the former tariff rates, and are the lowest grain rates ever made from the Missouri to hChicago.

The Northwestern's cut from Iowa points is ignored by the Chicago Great Western, which is taken as an indication that President Stickney does not care to make losing rates from territory where the bulk of the Great Western's business is secured.

May Wheat Reaches $1.03 in Chicago

The long coveted goal in speculative trading, "dollar wheat," has been made a mere reminiscence. May delivery in Chicago sold as high as $1.03 a bushel. The price named was 3½ to 3⅝ cents. The close was within ¼ cent of the highest point.

The sharp advance was due to fear that the war would not be confined to Russia and Japan. Bulges of over a cent on the Liverpool and Berlin markets were the immediate factors. Scarcity of cash wheat suitable for milling purposes was an additional element of strength. Trading was exceedingly active, the aggregate of business for the day being enormous.

Equal to War Killings.

The interstate commerce commission, in a report issued, shows that in railroad accidents in the United States during July, August and September, 1903, sixty passengers and 220 employes were killed and 1,668 passengers and 1,914 employes injured. Other accidents as the result of train accidents bring the aggregate casualties up to 15,187, being 109 passengers and 916 employes killed and 2,688 passengers and 11,474 employes injured.

The total number of collisions and derailments were 3,063.

Gov. Peabody Declares Himself.

Governor Peabody has advised the mine owners in the Cripple rCeek district to make terms with the union miners who have been on strike since last August. He said:

"I think I have done my duty in bringing about law and order in the district and now I will take the burden from my shoulders and place it on yours. In doing this I would suggest that the olive branch, the hand of friendship, should be extended to the striking miners and that harmony between the employer and the employe should be brought about."

Treasury Balances.

Statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $224,123,083; gold, $101,837,124.

Senate Confirmations.

The senate confirmed the following nominations of postmasters:—

Indiana—John C. Lowry, Montezuma.

Nebraska—James L. Lashbrook, Oxford.

John M. Glover Discharged.

The case against John M. Glover at Cripple Creek, Colo., formerly congressman from Missouri, for shooting at Sergeant Smith, was dismissed in the district court on the ground that the accused could not be tried twice for the same offense. Glover already had been found guilty of an assault upon Sergeant Ditemore.

Lord Roberts Resigns Office.

It is officially announced in London that Lord Roberts has retired from the war office, but that at the special request of Premier Balfour he has consented to place his services at the disposal of the committee for imperial defense. The Duke of Connaught has been appointed inspector general under the new army reform scheme.

"Senator," she asked, "do you think there is any chance for an honest, cultured, and really able man in politics?" "Certainly," he replied. "I want to hire that kind of a man to write my speech on the ship subsidy bill."

Found a Map of 1857 Vintage.

A map of Leavenworth, Kan., made in 1857, three years after the town was started, was found among some old papers in the office of L. B. Wheat after the fire of February 7. The map was made by Powell Clayton, now United States ambassador to Mexico, who was city engineer in 1857 and 1858. It is said this was the first map of Leavenworth.

No oculist can remedy the shortsightedness of a selfish person.

IMAGE RICHLY CLAD

TREASURE TROVE IN CHAPEL OF CITY OF MEXICO.

Jeweled Figure of the Virgin Sold for $25,000—Discovery of Its Value an Accident—Had Been for Years Comparatively Unnoticed.

A curious discovery has just been made concerning an image of the Virgin in the chapel of the Colegio de las Vizcainas in the City of Mexico.

One day, in 1732, three Spaniards while rambling through the city noticed a number of poor children playing in the street, apparently uncared for and with no school to attend. This meeting inspired them to erect at a cost of $600,000 the great, gloomy red stone building occupying an entire block and known as the Colegio de las Vizcainas, or de San Ignacio or de la Paz, for girls, chiefly orphans. The intention of the generous trio, natives of Biscay, was to limit the benefits of the school to children of Spaniards, but long ago this was found impracticable.

This ancient institution is conducted under the supervision of some of the foremost ladies of Mexico, including the wife of President Diaz. Recently some of these women received permission to renovate the robes of the images in the college chapel. To do this they unlocked all the cases, including one of wood and glass in which a figure of the Virgin stood for many years undisturbed.

To their amazement the apparently humbly clad image proved to be of wood, beautifully and artistically carved, covered by a sheet of silver studded with gold and precious stones.

Competent judges say the image represented originally the Virgin of the Angels and was later transformed into the Virgin of the Conception, as shown by the mutilation of the group of angel heads on which the feet rested. At one time there were seven heads and three had been severed. A silver crescent, now in two pieces, had been nailed over the head and face of one of the angels.

The attitude of the body is extremely natural and correct, and the workmanship of the silver tunic and the veil, hanging in rich folds and gracefully caught at the waist, is highly praised by artists. From crown to base the height is 1 metre and 15 centimetres.

The jewels consisted of 192 diamonds, 342 emeralds, 26 rubies, 1,947 pearls, with four stones said to be hyacinths. Notwithstanding the care taken to protect the image after the discovery of its value, some thief was able to steal from the case seventeen gold chains, one gold and emerald butterfly and several diamonds and pearls.

An expert from the Monte de Piedad, national pawnshop, estimated the value of the figure and decorations at $20,000. An offer from a jeweler of $25,000 was accepted and the image sold to him. It is rumored that the image will be sent to Paris.

The purchase money will be used in providing for an additional number of students who, after receiving an education, desire to remain in the school instead of going into the world. The right to this home, "lugar de gracia," ceases only with marriage.

Where Justice Halts.

Describing some of the difficulties attending the administration of justice in Nigeria, a British officer says: "The cases tried by judicial officers are often puzzling. How, for instance, shall an officer trained in British ideas of law deal with the case of a man who confesses with full conviction and sincerity that he is guilty of transforming himself into an alligator or hyena and devouring the children of his neighbors? Common report may, in a second case, accuse a man of witchcraft or murder; the local chief is appealed to to test his criminality by the poison ordeal. He dispatches his messenger to administer it; the accused perhaps dies, but all are convinced that he ran no risk if he were innocent. Who is to be convicted? The inflexible logic of British-made law lacks elasticity to deal with such cases."

Good Morning.

Good morning, my little boy blue.
The flush of the dawn's in the sky
The grass of the meadow is wet with the dew
And the robin is singing on high.

The sun of ambition not yet
Has come with its pitiless rays,
To bring you the panting, the pain and the sweat
Of the noontide of passion ablaze.

No sign of the cloud-rack appears,
No hint of the wild afternoon,
Its lightning of loss and its tempest of tears
And the darkness that falleth too soon.

Then follows the bow of that peace,
Which paints the departing of light,
When pleasures and labors and sorrows must cease
In the infinite calm of the night.

Good morning, then, little boy blue,
The flush of the dawn's in the sky
The grass of the meadow is wet with the dew
And the robin is singing on high.
—Frederick A. Wright in the Critic.

Russian Honeymoon Car.

The Kursk-Zarkoff railroad of Russia, advertises a special car for honeymooners, designed and furnished with the very latest luxuries. A famous engineer and architect were called in to plan it. The decorations are in the best Parisian style and polite female attendants look after the comfort of the happy couple. None but the newly wed are allowed to use this magnificent car, which, by a stroke of ingenuity, is built to accommodate alike the very wealthy and those with a modest purse. The partitions are removable, and the car can be used as a series of small compartments or as a couple of roomy salons.

ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION WILL BE GREATEST EVER HELD ON EARTH

Estimated Cost, Exclusive of the Value of the Exhibits, Is from Forty to Fifty Million Dollars—Miles of Wonderful Displays in More Than Twenty Buildings.

It is now a little more than two months before the gates will open upon the World's Fair at St. Louis and the public will be invited to see the greatest exposition that has ever been created. The vast exhibit palaces are complete and many of them have been finished for several months. Within the next two months all of them are to be brightened with new coats of paint so that, on the opening day, the magnificent array of palaces will appear as fresh as a newly blossomed rose.

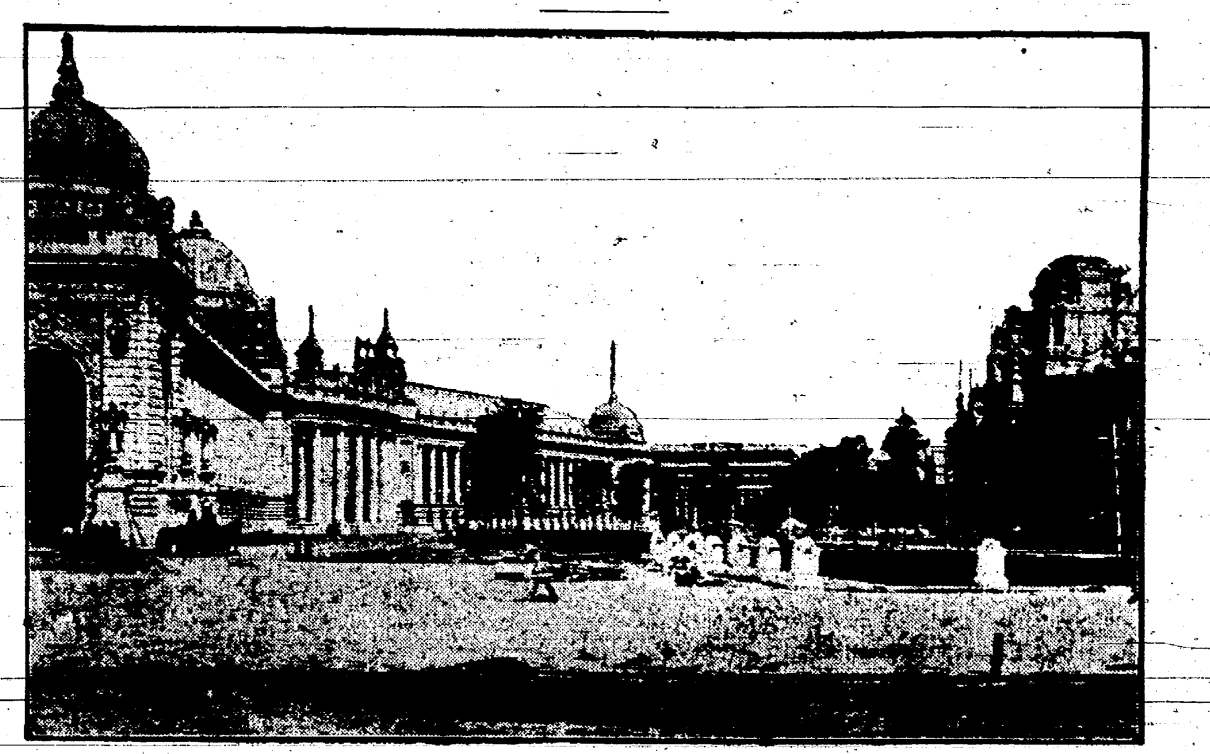
No one, no matter how vivid his imagination, can picture to himself the scene that will be presented when the Exposition is complete. The more one sees this great collection of exhibit palaces and countless other buildings, the more deeply impressed he becomes with the grandeur of the undertaking. As the days grow longer and the air becomes balmy with the breezes of spring, the Exposition will take on far greater activity than it has seen during the boisterous days of winter. In spite of the severe weather, work has not ceased upon the construction of the World's Fair for more than a day or two at a time and there is every expectation and promise that it will be complete on the opening day.

The buildings and grounds, magnificent though they be, are but the setting for a far more interesting display. In all the buildings the best products that the world can offer will be arranged in the most attractive order and will convey to the mind a better idea of what the wide world is doing than would years of study and inquiry. Fifty-one nations of the world and all of the states of the American Union will be represented in this extensive portrayal of the world's present-day effort.

Those who are familiar with the Columbian Exposition at Chicago have often asked if the Louisiana Purchase Exposition would equal in extent or grandeur the celebrated Exposition of 1893. When told that it would be twice as large in extent of grounds and 50 per cent larger in exhibit space in buildings, they have been loth to believe such a statement. But such is the fact. The exhibit palaces of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition average much larger than those of Chicago and are greater in number. About 130 acres of floor space are provided in the various palaces of the present World's Fair and more than twenty buildings will be used for exhibit purposes. The largest of these is the Palace of Agriculture, which covers twenty acres. The next in size is the Palace of Transportation, covering fifteen acres and containing four miles of railway tracks for the exhibit of locomotives and cars. At the Chicago Exposition there were practically no outdoor exhibits. At this World's Fair about 100 acres are given up to outdoor displays, supplementing in a most pleasing manner the hundreds of thousands of indoor exhibits. At the Chicago Exposition one building was used for no less than three important departments. At the World's Fair in St. Louis four buildings, covering forty-five acres, are given up to the same four departments.

The total cost of the World's Fair is estimated at from forty to fifty million dollars, exclusive of the value of the exhibits. The Palace of Machinery alone will contain exhibits to the value of eight million dollars.

AT THE WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS.



View looking east from the Plaza St. Anthony. Palace of Varied Industries on the left. Palace of Electricity on the right. Palace of Manufactures in the distance.

To mention the big things of the World's Fair of 1904 would be to give a catalogue of the greatest achievements of man in many lines of endeavor. For example: We shall see the largest locomotive ever built, weighing ninety-five tons and having twelve driving wheels. We shall hear the largest organ in the world in the most beautiful festival hall ever built. We shall see some of the greatest seacoast defense guns manufactured for the United States government. In the Government Building, which is the largest exhibit building ever erected by federal authority at an Exposition, there will be a model of a half of a battleship for the Navy display. The United States Government has also erected a bird cage so large that tall trees grow within the inclosure, in which will be held captive during the Exposition season, thousands of birds representing many species and climes.

The largest hotel ever built, containing 2,300 rooms, is within the World's Fair grounds. The largest statue ever cast will stand in the Palace of Mines and Metallurgy as the exhibit of the Iron Industries of Birmingham, Ala. Twelve acres are devoted to a mining gulch containing all manner of mining machinery and exhibits. A floral clock, 112 feet in diameter, the hands of which weigh more than a ton each, will tell the time of day upon the slope north of the Palace of Agriculture. A map of the United States, six acres in extent, planted with cereals and other plants common to the various states, is an interesting display by the United States Bureau of Plant Industry.

Forty acres are devoted to the Philippine exhibit and thirty acres are devoted to the Indian display. Six acres are devoted to the garden of roses. Twenty acres are set apart for the accommodation of airships, which will participate in the contests for prizes amounting to $200,000. The Quadrennial Olympic games will be held during the World's Fair upon the athletic field of the Exposition Grounds. An intra-mural railway, having fourteen miles of track will convey the visitors to any part of the Exposition. Some forty restaurants will feed the multitude, and an amusement street a mile long, containing the most novel and wonderful entertainments, will furnish diversion to the guests of the Exposition.

All St. Louis is preparing for the World's Fair, which will open on April 30 next and continue for seven months. Hundreds of buildings have been remodeled into hotels, and thousands of homes have been listed, upon invitation of the World's Fair management, to help care for the visitors. Every preparation has been made for a period of unusual festivity, and St. Louis expects to give her visitors a delightful season of sight-seeing and entertainment.

Thirty-five miles of roadway have been constructed within the World's Fair grounds.

MARKETING FOR THE SEA COW.

It Is Necessary Now to Cut Through Ice to Get at the Eel Grass.

The man who does the marketing for the Aquarium's sea cow has had to do some lively hustling this winter to keep that big animal supplied with food.

The sea cow is eight foot long, weighs 800 pounds, and has a healthy appetite. In the first eighteen weeks after its arrival here from Florida, on Sept. 3 last, it ate ninety bushels of eel grass, six bushels of fennel-leafed pond weed and two bushels of ulva, or sea lettuce, making ninety-eight bushels of aquatic plants in all in eighteen weeks, or an average of about five and one-half bushels a week, which is about its present rate of consumption.

The eel grass and other things for the sea cow's table are gathered in Gravesend Bay or the waters therewith connected. Baymen say that the present has been the hardest winter hereabouts on the water in twenty-five years. On many days it has been necessary to cut through the ice to get at the eel grass required for the sea cow's food, sometimes through ice ten inches in thickness and often through ice of five or six inches.

Sometimes when the ice had moved out with a shift of the wind, leaving open spaces, access to the eel grass would be easy, but frequently the ice would have closed in, and then it would be necessary to cut holes in it to get at the eel grass below.

So the work of supplying the sea cow's table has been so far this winter attended by more or less difficulty, but there has never been a day on which the sea cow has had to go hungry.—New York Sun.

Brain Growth.

Brain development is found by Prof. Seggel of Munich to have two periods of acceleration—from 10 to 11 and from 17 to 18 in girls, and from 12 to 13 and 19 to 20 in boys. At the period of most rapid increase in height—from 12 to 14 years—the growth of the brain is less than one-hundredth that of the body, but at 17 to 19 it grows one-thirtieth as fast, and at 20 reaches one-seventh of the body growth.

HE DID NOT UNDERSTAND.

Amusing Error of Frenchman That Cost Him $5.

A French visitor to New York, an enthusiastic automobilist, has learned a lesson as to how things are done in America. On several occasions when speeding a machine through Central park he has seen policemen hold up a hand. The result was an increase of speed and a wave of the hand in return. The police have been in the hopes of catching him, and finally one of them did so by placing his horse in the auto's track, compelling it to come to a standstill. In court the Frenchman was amazed at the cause of his arrest. He took the signals of the officers as commendations and congratulations and turned on more power to show them what he could do. The lesson cost him $5.

French Taxes Increase.

Returns of the revenue from indirect taxes in France in 1903 show that receipts amounted to $568,380,380, an increase of $26,557,580 over the estimates, and $20,175,860 over 1902.

Swiss Industrial Schools.

There are industrial schools for clock and watch making in Geneva, Locle, Chaux-de-Fonds, etc.; there are art and industrial working schools in Zurich and other cities for women, and there are industrial schools for the hand trades in most of the cities and towns of the country. The subjects taught in these schools are drawing, arithmetic, geography, bookkeeping, German, French and practical instruction in the trade chosen by the pupil.

Wholesale Marriage.

No fewer than forty-two couples were married simultaneously at Plougastel (Lower Brittany) one morning recently. Work in the village and in all the surrounding hamlet was entirely suspended for the day, for the excellent reason that there was scarcely a living soul in the neighborhood not related to one or other of the brides or bridegrooms, for the good people of Plougastel never marry outside their own commune.—London Mail.

How the Starfish Feeds.

A starfish can neither see nor hear. Neither has it the sense of smell. In spite of those seeming impediments, nevertheless, it seeks and devours its prey as neatly as an ordinary fish. The starfish lies upon its prey and folds its "arms" or rays completely about it. Then it pushes its stomach out through its mouth and will wrap even a large oyster and shell within the folds of the stomach. The mouth of the starfish is in the center of its rays.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

RELY ON PE-RU-NA TO FIGHT

CATARRH, COUGHS, COLDS, GRIP

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH

Use Pe-ru-na for La Grippe and Winter Catarrh.

IN EVERY country of the civilized world the Sisters of Charity are known. Not only do they minister to the spiritual and intellectual needs of the charges committed to their care, but they also minister to their bodily needs.

Whenever coughs or colds, la grippe or pneumonia make their appearance among the children these Sisters are not disconcerted, but know exactly the remedies to apply.

With so many children to take care of and to protect from climate and disease these wise and prudent Sisters have found Peruna a never-failing safeguard.

Sisters of St. Joseph, of the Deaf Mute Institute, 1849 Cass Ave., St. Louis, Mo., writes:

"We appreciate Peruna very much. It certainly does good work with catarrh and also with colds and la grippe. We have faith in Peruna and have inspired many others with the same. We do not like to be without it. It has certainly kept us from being very sick. It did a world of good last winter for our little ones. Thanking you for your kindness to us and our afflicted ones, we remain, yours gratefully, SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH."

Dr. Hartman receives many letters from Catholic Sisters from all over the United States. A recommend recently received from a Catholic institution in Detroit, Mich., reads as follows:

Dr S. B. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio:

Dear Sir:—"The young girl who used the Peruna was suffering from laryngitis, and loss of voice. The result of the treatment was most satisfactory. She found great relief, and after farther use of the medicine we hope to be able to say she is entirely cured."—Sisters of Charity.

This young girl was under the care of the Sisters of Charity and used Peruna for catarrh of the throat, with good results as the above letter testifies.

From a Catholic Institution in Central Ohio comes the following recommend from the Sister Superior:

"Some years ago a friend of our institution recommended to us Dr. Hartman's Peruna as an excellent remedy for the influenza of which we then had several cases which threatened to be of a serious character.

"We began to use it and experienced such wonderful results that since then Peruna has become our favorite medicine for influenza, catarrh, cold, cough and bronchitis."

Another recommend from a Catholic Institution of one of the Central States written by the Sister Superior reads as follows:

"A number of years ago our attention was called to Dr. Hartman's Peruna, and since then we have used it with wonderful results for grip, coughs, colds and catarrhal diseases of the head and stomach.

"For grip and winter catarrh especially it has been of great service to the inmates of this institution."

SISTERS OF CHARITY

All Over the United States Use Pe-ru-na for Catarrh.

A recommend recently received from a Catholic institution in the Southwest reads as follows:

A Prominent Mother Superior Says:

"I can testify from experience to the efficiency of Peruna as one of the very best medicines, and it gives me pleasure to add my praise to that of thousands who have used it. For years I suffered with catarrh of the stomach. All remedies proving valueless for relief. Last spring I went to Colorado, hoping to be benefited by a change of climate and while there a friend advised me to try Peruna. After using two bottles I found myself very much improved. The remains of my old disease being now so slight, I consider myself cured, yet for a while I intend to continue the use of Peruna. I am now treating another patient with your medicine. She has been sick with malaria and troubled with leuchorrhœa. I have no doubt that a cure will be speedily effected."

These are samples of letters received by Dr. Hartman from the various orders of Catholic Sisters throughout the United States.

The names and addresses to these letters have been withheld from respect to the Sisters, but will be furnished on request.

One-half of the diseases which afflict mankind are due to some catarrhal derangement of the mucous membrane lining some organ or passage of the body.

A remedy that would act immediately upon the congested mucous membrane restoring it to its normal state, would consequently cure all these diseases. Catarrh is catarrh wherever located, whether it be in the head, throat, lungs, stomach, kidneys or pelvic organs. A remedy that will cure it in one location will cure it in all locations. Peruna cures catarrh wherever located.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

Civilization is making such rapid strides that some day we will hear of a missionary getting cooked in a chafing dish.

Alfalfa Clover.

For years the editor has been urging farmers to sow Alfalfa Clover, and glad he is that thousands of wide-awake farmers scattered all over America, are doing this now, to their great benefit and satisfaction.

A. Walford, Westlore Farms, Pa., writes: "I have 60 acres in Salzer's Alfalfa Clover. It is immense. I cut three crops this season and have lots of pasture besides."

Hon. H. F. Hunter, S. D., says, "Salzer's Northern Grown Alfalfa clover cannot be beat. I have solved the question of stock raising here. Salzer's Alfalfa is good for 3 rousing crops of hay, Salzer's Speltz for 60 bu. of grain and 3 tons of hay, Salzer's Macaroni Wheat for 65 bu. best hog fattening wheat, and Salzer's Hanna Barley, for arid, dry land, is good for 70 bu per acre. These are all great hog, sheep and cattle fatteners, and last but not least, Salzer's Victoria Rape for sheep, and Salzer's Teosinte, good for 80 tons of green food for cattle, and Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass Bromus Inermis for lots and lots of good hay. These things make it possible for me to grow live stock by the thousands.

Have you heard of Earliest cane? Gives six mowings a year, and Teosinte, the 80 ton per acre fodder wonder?

JUST SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10c IN STAMPS

to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples free. (W. N. U.)

The young man who wants to make his mark in the world should avoid red paint.

Cheap Excursions to the South.

On February 16, March 1 and 15, the Kansas City Southern railway will offer to the public the extremely low rate of $10.00 for the round trip to all points on the Port Arthur Route, including Beaumont, Port Arthur, Lake Charles, Shreveport, Texarkana, Fort Smith, Mena, De Queen and all intermediate points. The return limit on these tickets will be twenty-one days from date of sale, with stopover privileges at all points south of Kansas City on the going trip. Any information desired by the public relative to these cheap excursions will be cheerfully furnished upon application to S. G. Warner, G. P. and T. A., Kansas City, Mo.

It is possible for a man to have such a good time when away from home that "words fail" and he never mentions it at home.

Don't you know that Defiance Starch, besides being absolutely superior to any other, is put up 16 ounces in packages and sells at same price as 12-ounce packages of other kinds?

Family pride is all right, but it is well to bear in mind that we may be ancestors ourselves some day.

If you had $2,000.00 insurance in the STATE FARMER'S MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. the past eight years it cost you $34.00 for Fire, lightning and Tornado. Do you know what Old Line Insurance would have cost you? Why not invest about $40.00 of the saving in live stock, and soon buy another farm? Write to the Secretary for information. B. R. Stouffer, Secretary, South Omaha, Nebr.

"It is only a step from life to death," remarked the invalid father. "Yes, and a stepfather afterward," replied the precocious child.

In Winter Use Allen's Foot-Ease.

A powder. Your feet feel uncomfortable, nervous and often cold and damp. If you have sweating, sore feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample sent free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The editorial page of the average newspaper represents nothing but the crank notions of its editor.

Storekeepers report that the extra quantity, together with the superior quality of Defiance Starch makes it next to impossible to sell any other brand.

A person doesn't always have to be musical to be continually harping on something.

DON'T SPOIL YOUR CLOTHES.

Use Red Cross Ball Blue and keep them white as snow. All grocers, 5c. a package.

A bride is led to the altar just as if she couldn't find the way regardless of any obstacles.

Hundreds of dealers say the extra quantity and superior quality of Defiance Starch is fast taking place of all other brands. Others say they cannot sell any other starch.

Sometimes a married man talks in his sleep and sometimes he can't sleep because his wife talks.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

The milkman believes that the pure of all things should be pure.

JUNE TINT BUTTER COLOR makes top of the market butter.

Some new men never seem to know their own minds until the day after.

FOR RENT OR SALE

On Crop Payments. SEVERAL CHOICE FARMS. Send for list. J. MULHALL, Sioux City, Iowa.

Many a man who refuses to believe the truth will swallow a lie.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. Samuel, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

When a girl no longer blushes at what she blushed at before it is a sign the honeymoon is over.

10,000 Plants for 16c.

This is a remarkable offer the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., makes. They will send you their big plant and seed catalog, together with enough seed to grow

1,000 fine, solid Cabbages,
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2,000 blanching, nutty Celery,
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1,000 splendid Onions,
1,000 rare, luscious Radishes,
1,000 gloriously brilliant Flowers.

This great offer is made in order to induce you to try their warranted seeds—for when you once plant them you will grow no others, and

ALL FOR BUT 16c POSTAGE,

providing you will return this notice, and if you will send them 20c in postage, they will add to the above a package of the famous Berliner Cauliflower. (W. N. U.)

The pass fiend will have some difficulty in sneaking into heaven that way.

Sensible Housekeepers

will have Defiance Starch, not alone because they get one-third more for the same money, but also because of superior quality.

Many a man never has any bouquets thrown at him until he is dead.

Many School Children Are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up Colds in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders and Destroy Worms. At all druggists, 25c. Sample mailed free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N.Y.

Silence may possibly be golden because it can be bought.

Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE

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Dealers say that as soon as a customer tries Defiance Starch it is impossible to sell them any other cold water starch. It can be used cold or boiled.

A woman can lose the most ardent lover by buying his cigars for him.

Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. Made of ripe, mellow tobacco, so rich in quality that many who formerly smoked 10c cigars now smoke Lewis' "Single Binder." Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

The fellow who sings his own praises is always a soloist.

To Cure a Cold in One day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Self-praise seldom gets a man a job.

OLD BUT EVER NEW.

VENERABLE JOKE TALKS OF REINCARNATION.

Nothing New in the Theory as Far as This Laughter-Inducer Was Concerned—On Earth in Many Disguises and at Many Times.

"Metempsychosis?" said the Old Joke, as he deftly placed another pill in his pipe. "Why, of course! Old story to me, I assure you. Transmigration of souls an everyday occurrence. And as for reincarnation—why, bless you, my boy, I have been coming back to earth for many centuries, and in as many different forms as those of the animals that Noah—not old Noah, from my point of view, believe me!—had in his ark.

"I tell you, my boy, these Theosophists have got the right idea about it. We die but to live again. We make our little brief appearance on the stage of life and then we vanish, only to return in some new guise—our astral body the same, our terrestrial form the only thing changed about us. And sometimes that is not changed as much as might be wished. I have worn many guises in my day. Heigh, ho! It wearies me to begin to think of them all. There was the time when Adam cracked his sides with laughter. He had sprung me upon his better half, and Eve—well, Eve was a woman of exceeding politeness (as evidence her courtesy to the Serpent), and she did her very best to smile at me, although I am fully convinced she did not see my point at all.

"The next time I remember to have come to earth was in the Land of Nod. That was about nine thousand years ago, as nearly as I can recollect. It caused a great sensation among the simple Noddites when I was suddenly sprung upon them as a New Thing. If I recollect aright, I was printed then in the newspapers of the time, and the reporters were kind enough to write 'Laughter' in brackets after me, so as to make sure that the inhabitants would appreciate me at my cachinnatory worth.

"Life is too short for me to attempt to rehearse my various reincarnations since then. I have appeared in comic opera and tragedy; have graced the minstrel stage, and appeared suddenly in the pulpit as a Racy Bon Mot. I have traveled all over the civilized world as a Newspaper Joke. I have been illustrated and set to music; have helped to make the fortunes of several comedians and the reputations of numerous after dinner speakers. And last night—will you believe it?—one of the best known and most original—

"Hello!" said the Old Joke, sadly, "My pipe has gone out and I have not another pill in the box. I shall die if I cannot get a smoke—I know I shall. But never mind! I shall soon come back again in some new form, and the suffering public will accept me as the latest and newest thing in Jokes!"—New York Herald.

She Knew Them.

"Girls are certainly past all understanding," said the big athletic fellow to his pretty companion. "Here you make all sorts of a fuss over tobacco, while other girls of my acquaintance request me to blow smoke into their hair. Yes, they do; but goodness knows what for. They say they like to have the odor of tobacco clinging in their tresses. I must say I can't agree with them. A good fresh cigar is one thing, but the odor of stale tobacco smoke is another. Sometimes I've thought that maybe the tobacco did something to the hair, gave it life, put a glint of gold into it, made it more luxuriant, or something. Otherwise why should they insist that I puff a lot of smoke on them?"

The pretty girl smiled knowingly. "Did you ever think," she asked, "that the odor of stale tobacco about a woman might lead her friends to believe that she had many masculine callers?"

The athletic fellow looked at her admiringly. "It takes a woman to understand a woman," he said.

What He Wanted.

He entered the lawyer's office after the manner of the meek and mild. His eyes were cast to the floor, his mien was bashful.

"Are you the lawyer?" he asked of—call him Smith.

"I am," said Smith.

"I want advice," said the wanderer. "I am in love with a certain young woman. I love her very much, and mean to marry her. She is engaged to me. But I am afraid she thinks more of another man. I went to call on her the other evening, and disturbed her as this other man was kissing her."

"That's rather an interesting state of things," suggested Smith. "But what can I do for you? I cannot advise you in any respect regarding this man. Judging by what you tell me, your marriage with this young woman is something that will not happen."

"Couldn't I—couldn't you—isn't it possible for me to have an injunction served against this man?"

Smith tried to figure it out.—New York Times.

The Kiss in the Cup.

There is no gladness in the glass
Unless thou pour for me;
But taste it first before it pass
And I will drink with thee;
For if those lovely lips of thine
Have breathed upon the brim
I swear that I will drain the wine,
Although it reach the rim.

Oh, who could bear to say thee nay,
When thou hast kissed the cup?
Or who would turn the other way
When thou hast filled it up?
For, oh, the cup has kept the kiss
And carries me a share,
To show me all the wasted bliss,
Thy lips have lavished there.
—Jane Minot Lodge.

THOUSANDS HAVE KIDNEY TROUBLE AND DON'T KNOW IT

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14 East 120th St., New York City.

Dear Sir: Oct. 15th, 1903.

"I had been suffering severely from kidney trouble. All symptoms were on hand; my former strength and power had left me; I could hardly drag myself along. Even my mental capacity was giving out, and often I wished to die. It was then I saw an advertisement of yours in a New York paper, but would not have paid any attention to it, had it not promised a sworn guarantee with every bottle of your medicine, asserting that your Swamp-Root is purely vegetable, and does not contain any harmful drugs. I am seventy years and four months old, and with a good conscience I can recommend Swamp-Root to all sufferers from kidney troubles. Four members of my family have been using Swamp-Root for four different kidney diseases, with the same good results."

With many thanks to you, I remain,
Very truly yours,
ROBERT BERNER.

You may have a sample bottle of this famous kidney remedy, Swamp-Root, sent free by mail, postpaid, by which you may test its virtues for such disorders as kidney, bladder and uric acid diseases, poor digestion, being obliged to pass your water frequently night and day, smarting or irritation in passing, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, headache, backache, lame back, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, heart disturbance due to bad kidney trouble, skin eruptions from bad blood, neuralgia, rheumatism, diabetes, bloating, irritability, wornout feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh, sallow complexion, or Bright's disease.

If your water, when allowed to remain undisturbed in a glass or bottle for twenty-four hours, forms a sediment or settling or has a cloudy appearance, it is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need immediate attention.

Swamp-Root is the great discovery of Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist. Hospitals use it with wonderful success in both slight and severe cases. Doctors recommend it to their patients and use it in their own families, because they recognize in Swamp-Root the greatest and most successful remedy.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is for sale at drug stores the world over in bottles of two sizes and two prices—fifty cents and one dollar. *Remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.*

EDITORIAL NOTE.—So successful is Swamp-Root in promptly curing even the most distressing cases of kidney, liver or bladder troubles, that to prove its wonderful merits, you may have a sample bottle and a book of valuable information, both sent absolutely free by mail. The book contains many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women cured. The value and success of Swamp-Root is so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample bottle. In sending your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N.Y., be sure to say you read this generous offer in this paper.

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Please write or fill in this coupon with your name and address and Dr. Kilmer & Co. will send you a Free Sample Bottle of Swamp-Root the Great Kidney Remedy.

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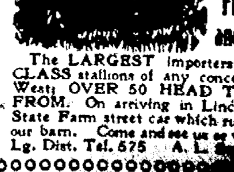

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Republican County Convention

A republican convention for the purpose of electing delegates to the congressional convention, which meets at Lincoln on March 22d, and delegates to the senatorial convention, which meets at Pawnee City on April 16, will be held at Pawnee City, at 1 o'clock on Saturday, March 18.

Primaries will be held for the purpose of electing delegates to this convention, and also to a county convention to be held on the 14th day of May, 1904, on Friday, March 17th, in Table Rock, from 4 to 7 o'clock.

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Mass Convention.

The republican voters of Table Rock precinct are invited to meet at the town hall in Table Rock at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening, March 16th, for the purpose of selecting candidates for delegates and alternates to the county convention to be held at Pawnee City, March 19th, also to the county convention to be held at the same place on May 14th and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

F. H. Taylor, Committeeman.

The senate on Tuesday ratified the Panama treaty by a vote of 36 to 14.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

The First Senatorial district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City on Saturday, April 16, at 5 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for the state senate.

Mark Hanna's will, which has been filed for probate, disposed $3,000,000; one-third was given to the widow; the other two-thirds is to be divided among the children, share and share alike.

General Dick is practically certain of succeeding M. A. Hanna in the United States senate, 88 of the 117 republican members of the legislature having signed his petition. March 1 and 2 is the time set for balloting for senator.

LINCOLN LETTER

After months of vexations and unavoidable delay the state board of public lands and buildings has let the contract for the rebuilding of the Norfolk asylum, and early this spring building will be commenced.

The legislative appropriation for the replacing of the destroyed main building was $100,000 and for a time it was feared that this sum was inadequate. However, by dint of careful figuring and many revisions of the plans the board succeeded in framing a set of specifications which were satisfactory to the board and the asylum authorities.

Saturday afternoon the contract for the buildings complete, with heating, plumbing, lighting, etc., was let to the Capital City Brick and Pipe Company of Des Moines, Ia., for $96,975, something over $3,000 less than the appropriation. There will be three cottages, each to cost about $18,000, and part of the old main building will be reconstructed and used as an administration building.

All bids for the construction of the hospital for the soldiers' and sailors' home at Milford were rejected as all exceeded the legislative appropriation of $20.60. The plans will be revised and bidders will be given another chance.

Louis Werner, of Beatrice, will build a cold storage house for the institute for the feeble minded, at a cost of $3,391.

Burt county will build a new court house at a cost of $35,000 and has offered four per cent bonds to the state. The board of educational lands and funds has the offer under consideration.

The state treasurer has received the last installment of the money due from the old Capital National Bank—that is the state has received all that it may ever expect to get. The last payment was 71-100 of one per cent and amounted to $1,678.27, making the total received by the state $41,860.42.

Adjutant-General Culver's pet scheme to bind the G. A. R. and the National Guard closely together by erecting armories and memorial halls for the joint occupancy of the two organizations is to be adopted in Omaha and is being considered in other localities. The plan is to erect buildings by private subscription, to be used as armories and drill halls by the guard and as lodge rooms and meeting places by the veteran organizations. Camp fires and other entertainments could be held in the halls and it is asserted that in this way money could be saved to the treasuries of both organizations all over the state.

A mild "excitement" was created about the state house last week by the published statement that the greater part of the laws of Nebraska were null and void because the original bills could not be discovered in the vault of the secretary of state. A careful investigation reveals the fact that this is another "tempest in a teapot."

The laws adopted by the first territorial legislature were taken in a body from statutes of other states. The codes and general laws were picked up here and there and in the confusion of the first and also the busiest legislative session mistakes were natural and unavoidable. In 1866 a re-enacting act was passed which attempted to cure all the apparent defects in the statutes and in 1867 another measure was enacted which declared that inasmuch as there were many discrepancies between the printed statutes and enrolled and engrossed bills the printed laws should be acknowledged to be the laws of Nebraska. The title of the curative act mentioned the civil code but nothing else and because of this it was thought that all other acts were left in the same shade as before, but Attorney-General Prout arises to say that in 1866 the law providing that all bills must mention their purport in their title was not in force, therefore the act was valid and binding, and the laws of 1867, as amended subsequently, are the laws of today. It is pointed out further that in case the act of 1867 should prove invalid, which is well-nigh impossible, previous act would not be "null and void" as the journalistic jurists have declared them to be, but attorneys would simply refer to the original acts for information and all of the laws would stand as though the session of 1867 had never been convened.

The Van Dorn Iron Works will sue the state for the price of the new steel cells at the penitentiary. Auditor Weston having refused to attach his official "O. K." to the transaction between the state board and that company by which $69,000 worth of cages were purchased. An error in the appropriation bill is responsible for the dispute and the litigation will be entirely friendly.

Joseph Burns has secured the contract for furnishing a new pump for the penitentiary. The new engine was not purchased, as no funds are available and the board clings to its program and will not create a deficiency.

MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,
Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo., Monday, Feb. 22.—Supply of cattle here last week, 35,500, previous week 37,700, same week last year, 29,000. The week was generally satisfactory from a salesman's point of view, there being no losses of any kind, and strong markets [illegible] gained 10 to 15c, medium kinds sold steady, and more readily than previous week. Packers seem more able to handle them now, consequently are better buyers, and there were more outside buyers than for some weeks. A larger proportion of the receipts were beef steers than usual, but the percentage of these that were good to choice was smaller, indicating that good cattle are getting scarce, will become more so, and within the next few months will command a stiff premium over medium to common kinds. Cows, butcher stuff, bulls, veal calves, stockers and feeders all sold steady to strong during the week, and only canners and common stuff lost any ground. Today the run is liberal at 10,000 head, market steady on best steers, 10c lower on medium and common kinds, strong on cows and butcher stuff, stockers and feeders. About 27 per cent of the beef steers bring $4.60 to $5.25; 50 per cent between $4 and $4.60, and the balance down to $3.60. Cows and heifers sell up to $4.25; stockers and feeders from $3 to $4.25.

Hogs at K C last week 45,200, previous week 47,900, same week last year 37,300. Good gains were made each day last week, account of war rumors, total gain for week 35c to 40c, with heavy hogs best sellers. Market is 5c higher today, on moderate receipts, with top of $5.55, 7½c above Saturday. Bulk of all the hogs sold at $5.25 to $5.45, with heavy weights largely above $5.40.

Sheep receipts here last week 19,-200, previous week 16,800, same week last year 25,600. Mutton prices also advanced last week, closing 15 to 25c above close of previous week. Quality of lambs was not choice, and top sale was at $5.85, but $6 could be secured for choice stuff. Supply today is 6000 head, market steady to strong. Top lambs today $5.80, yearlings $5.25, wethers $4.50, ewes $4.20. These prices are for western fed stuff, natives would bring shade more if choice. A few feeding lambs of common quality sold last week at $3.75.

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WANTED—Men who can furnish [illegible] and wagon and sell Dr. Master's Remedies, Extracts and Spices to farmers. A paying business. In writing state territory wanted and send reference. National Medical Co. Sheldon, Iowa.

Mysterious Circumstances.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off consumption. Try them. Only 25c at Colwell's Drug Store.

It Depended.

Dr. Leonard Bacon, well-known not only in his own state, Connecticut, but in many parts of the United States, had several sons who were clergymen. One of them was for several years the popular pastor of the First Church of Christ in New London, Conn. Being in delicate health, Mr. Bacon was advised by his physician to drink lager. So one day he went into a beer saloon and inquired the price of the beverage.

"Well," said the proprietor, "it depends on what you want it for. Are you going to drink it or sell it?"—New York Times.

Wesley's Loving Cup.

A loving cup of old English jackwood, once owned by Bishop Asbury's mother, and frequently used as a sacramental cup by John Wesley when he administered the sacrament to the little band of Methodists at the Asbury home, has just been given to the Westleyan University, Middletown, Conn.

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Sheriff Martin was in town yesterday.

Mrs. W. M. Morrow has been quite sick this week.

Mrs. E. Standiford is visiting at St. Joseph this week.

Mrs. Miller, of Lincoln, is a guest of Mrs. Walter Smith.

Walter Smith has been confined to his home this week by tonsilitis.

Miss Minnie Buerstetta is in Kansas City this week, buying a millinery stock.

Blaine Deck left last week for the home of his father, L. J. Deck, near Bryan, O.

Miss Emma Wood entertained her friend, Miss Berta Beard, of Pawnee, on Saturday.

Mrs. P. C. Johnson was called here last week by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. B. F. Norris.

[illegible] Sutton made a trip to Decatur, Ills., last week in the interest of the Table Rock Clay company.

G. W. Goodrich, who was so seriously ill last week, is much better now, and is able to sit up most of the time.

Arthur Pangburn had a serious nosebleed Sunday, which necessitated calling in medical aid before it could be stopped.

Mrs. Cary Cooper and Miss Jennie [illegible], of Humboldt, attended the character party at Harold Smith's on Monday evening.

J. L. Carpenter has opened a jewelry store in the building first door west of the postoffice. He comes to us from Auburn. Read his advertisement.

Dr. McCrea was called to Lincoln last week to see Mrs. S. G. Wright. Reports from her bedside yesterday are to the effect that she is much better.

Miss Sofia Asher and her nephew, [illegible] W. Lentz, were guests of the lady's brother, Phil Asher, for a week, and left for their Pennsylvania home last Thursday.

Jim Murphy is spreading out as a B. & M. lunch counter man. Last week he completed arrangements for a new railway lunch stand at St. Joe, and this week he is negotiating for one at Lincoln.

Sheriff Martin was in town last night, having stopped off on his way home from Lincoln, where he took Charley Bryant, from near Burchard, who had been adjudged insane and was taken to the asylum.

It isn't how much cold cream a woman put on her face but how much Rocky Mountain Tea she takes inside to bring out real beauty. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea complexions stay. 35 cents. Tea or tablets. F. M. Colwell.

Edward M. Figley, of Wyoming, is a guest of the family of his uncle, Geo. F. Cotton, for a couple of weeks, and left Tuesday for South Omaha. He is engaged in the stock business in Wyoming and operates a ranch with 2,500 cattle and 250,000 sheep.

Rev. J. D Murphy, the new pastor of the Presbyterian church, arrived last week and filled his pulpit on Sunday. His family will arrive from Macon, Mo., next week. Mr. Murphy has made a very favorable impression on our people, and comes to us endorsed as an earnest, Christian gentleman and an able pastor. The Argus extends him a cordial welcome in behalf of our citizens.

George Gressman left on Tuesday afternoon for his new home near Washington, Kas.; the boys left with two cars of stock and household goods on Tuesday night, and Mrs. Gressman left on Wednesday afternoon. They are good citizens whom we hate to have leave us, but we wish them the fullest measure of prosperity and happiness in their new home.

Two old timers are being removed this week. One is the old frame house which stood on Mrs. Linn's lot for so many years, was sold to Peter Stevens and by him moved to his lot in town, was this week moved to the farm where it will be fitted up as a residence. The other is the hotel building on the south side of the square, which has been sawed in two, one section to be put on the lot east of the bridge, which Mr. Jennings recently bought of Charley Munsinger, and the other will be taken further east to a lot purchased from A. E. Heywood. This building is being moved to make room for the new Buerstetta building.

Frank Martin was over from Pawnee yesterday.

Charlie Martin visited his parents at Pawnee, last Friday night and Saturday.

Mrs. Snethen, of Humboldt, is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Harold Smith.

Lost—A small sow pig, weighing about thirty pounds. Reward for its return to G. B. Munsinger.

Mrs. W. S. Kinsey came down from Wymore, Sunday, to take care of her mother, Mrs. J. D. Longwell, who has been very sick.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

Rev. St. John, of Salina, Kas., husband of Rev. Eugenia St. John, both of whom have numerous friends here, died at his home last week.

Uncle Bill Fellers is down from Lincoln this week, looking after business matters. He has not been in very good health this winter, but is now some better than he has been for weeks.

Hazel Taylor's eleventh birthday was celebrated at her home on Saturday afternoon by about twenty of her little friends. The event was one that Hazel will remember with pleasure for years to come.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

On Saturday, March 5th, commencing at 1 o'clock P. M., L. D. Snyder will sell a lot of farm implements, a horse, 8 head of shoats, etc., at public sale. A credit of ten months will be given on sums over $5. It will be held at his residence just north of town. See sale bills.

The Pawnee county medical society will hold its regular quarterly meeting at Lewiston on Monday, March 7th, and have provided an excellent program. Dr. Wilson will present "The Public and the Doctor;" Dr McCrea will discuss "The Doctor's Bill; Is He Worthy of his Hire." The session promises to be interesting.

One of the most interesting social events of the winter, was the "character" party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith, on Monday evening. The guests appeared in the part of some character of romance, and some of the impersonations were striking and unique. It was quite largely attended and was a very enjoyable affair.

The Uhler divorce case was quite an attracting card, judging by the large attendance at court while it was on hearing before Judge Babcock last week and this. Mrs Uhler was given the decree of divorce and the custody of two of the children; she was also allotted one-half the personal property and a 160-acre farm. Mr Uhler will have the custody of one of the minor children and all his land with exception aforesaid.—Pawnee Chief.

The series of special gospel meetings inaugurated in the M. E. church last Sunday evening, have been growing in interest and attendance each evening. So far the pastor has conducted them and will continue to do so this week (there will be no meeting Saturday night) and on Tuesday evening Evangelist Frank Campbell of Lincoln, will be present to conduct them hereafter. Special song service of fifteen or twenty minutes precede each service. A cordial invitation is extended all to come and help make the meetings all they should be.

Last Friday afternoon a stranger stepped up to our drayman, Charley Moe, and said, "Hello, Mr. Moe!" Charley politely responded to the greeting, and then turned to talk with some one he knew; the stranger stood around for a while and then again approached the drayman; "Well, how are you, and your folks, Mr. Moe?" Charley responded that they were as well as ususual; and ended by saying: "Stranger, you have the best of me; I can't tell who you are!" You can imagine about how it broke Charley up, when the stranger said: "Well, you ought to know your own son, Bert!" It had been seventeen years since father and son had met, and during that time Bert had been married, lived in Ohio several years, and has resided in Chicago during the past five years, where he is now engaged in the carpentering business. He will remain a week or two.

Mrs. Helen Roberts of Auburn is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Fisher.

Pretty Miss Nellie Hascomb, Omaha: "I owe my good looks and health to Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Have fully regained my health." Tea or tablets. 35 cents. F. M. Colwell.

Van Shriner, who has been with J. C. Beck for many years, has severed his connection with the barn and accepted the position of day clerk at the Murphy hotel.

E. P. Bracken, trainmaster, will move his family here from Tecumseh the first of March, and has rented the Bruce Woods residence, as Bruce intends moving out to the farm.

Winford Grifling, railway mail clerk running between Edgemont and Billings, arrived home Tuesday night for a few days' visit with his parents. He will go to Lincoln Friday and from there return to his work.

The G. A. R. and Relief Corps will hold memorial services for A. S. Crisler and Mrs. C. A. Groom, on Saturday, March 5th, at 2:30 o'clock, at their hall, to which all members of the Post and Corps and all friends of the deceased, are invited to be present.

With the prospect of a new railroad; with new buildings already planned, and others in contemplation; with the brick yards and other labor institutions in full operation, Table Rock will be a busy place this season, and we can easily make it the best little city in Southeast Nebraska. Everybody Push!

Grand Island, Feb. 21.—(Special to State Journal.)—While about to descend an elevator in the Koehler hotel building, J. D. Harrison, contractor, had the flesh of one hand stripped off almost to the finger tips. He was about to push a little piece of wood out of the way. His employe, who had been assisting him in making some repairs, just at the moment pulled the elevator rope, not seeing Mr Harrison's action, and the hand was caught between the cage and the casing. Mr Harrison at once ran to the office of Dr Sutherland, where it was found that no bones were broken but the flesh literally peeled from them. It was placed back in its old position, sewed and it is expected that the full use of the hand will be preserved.

Cashier McGuire of the First National bank reported yesterday that a most dastardly attempt to extort money from a wealthy widow, Mrs Frank Pryble, living four miles southwest of Odell, was perpetrated Thursday afternoon. It seems that in her morning mail, delivered on rural route No. 2, she received a letter signed 1 2 3, directing her to deliver by messenger to a party who at a certain point would demand a package, a thousand dollars in currency. Mrs Pryble immediately sent her son, Joseph, to Odell with instructions to see E B Hinds, president of the Hinds State bank, and ask his advice regarding the matter. Under the advice of Mr. Hinds a dummy package was prepared and given to Joseph who was to act as messenger. Some of the leading citizens of the town dressed themselves with various deadly weapons and in a carriage at a very respectful distance followed the messenger. At the point designated the messenger was met by a man on horseback who demanded the package which was duly delivered to him. The man thereupon put spurs to his horse and disappeared in that safe refuge—Kansas. The valiant citizens of Odell returned to their peaceful homes all safely, no damage done, not even to their ammunition.—Wymore Wymorean.

For Sale—40 acres of land one mile south of Table Rock. L. K. CARMICHAEL.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

C. B. Munsinger has traded his lower town property to R. P. Jennings for the place west of town known as the G. W. Wright property.

"I've noticed all my life," said an old man, "that the individual who can kick up the most dust and make the most noise is not generally the one who does the most execution when it comes down to actual business."—X

Birds work for man from the first glimmer of light,
Rocky Mountain Tea works for mankind both day and night,
That's why it is famous the world o'er and o'er,
And not let you turn over and take another snore. F. M. Colwell.

A special from Humboldt to yesterday's State Journal says: "Rev." J. Forest Marston, to whose schemes some twenty or twenty-five local business men and farmers owe their loss of several hard-earned dollars, is tonight sleeping in the county jail at Falls City, having been taken thither by order of Justice John H. Smith, who today passed upon the first case, wherein Ed Fishburn, clerk in a drug store, charges Marston with having obtained some of his money by means of falsely representing himself to be agent for a responsible insurance concern. Marston has been in care of Constable Duggan ever since he was turned over to the local officers when released from the Cass county jail, and he appeared in justice court today without an attorney and was convicted upon the plaintiff's evidence being sentenced to twenty day's imprisonment in the county jail, and to pay the costs of the suit. The sentence is considered rather light, but as there are a number of other parties waiting to cause his arrest as soon as he is released it is presumed that he will not obtain his freedom for some time.

MARRIED

At 1 o'clock today, Mr. Alvin Parker, a popular B. & M. conductor, and Mrs. Lillie A. Wood, one of Table Rock's most esteemed ladies, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Lane. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. M. Morrow, pastor of the M. E. church, in the presence of a few of the immediate relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Parker left this afternoon for a few days' visit at Nebraska City and Lincoln, after which they will reside temporarily here, and then go to Lincoln. The Argus unites with their other friends in extending congratulations and best wishes.

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

J B Rouse has rented a house in town and is preparing to move in immediately.

Fred Ault has purchased another team, buying one horse from John Barnes and the other from John Bush.

John Fritz has traded his quarter-section here, to Wm Nemechek, for 400 acres in Marshall county, Kansas, giving a difference of $8,500. He has taken several loads of his belongings to his new home, bringing back with him loads for Mr Nemechek.

The baby girl of Mr and Mrs David Lane is quite sick.

George Gressman and his estimable family, who have dwelt in our midst for so long, loaded their cars and started for their future home near Washington, Washington county, Kansas, on Wednesday. Mr and Mrs John Heer gave an oyster supper for them, on Tuesday evening, to a few intimate friends, but the whole neighborhood unite in wishing them success and contentment, as great interest and sympathy were aroused by the long sickness, untold suffering, and death of the youngest son, Henry, which is fresh in the memory of all.

LOCAL MARKET

Wheat	.60
Corn	.30
Oats	.25
Hay	$6.00
Cattle	2.50
Hogs	4.50
Potatoes	[illegible]
Butter	.15
Eggs	.15
Apples	1.50

REMOVED!

The Turkish Cream Candy KITCHEN

has been removed to the room in the Opera House Block, formerly occupied by J. F. Ford & Son, and has been fitted up with a view of meeting the demand for a first-class confectionary and lunch room; a large stock of

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Lunches at all Hours,
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We invite your patronage and shall endeavor to accord courteous treatment to everybody, and try to make it the most popular restaurant in southeast Nebraska.

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Socialism.

Bernard McCaffrey, state organizer of the socialist party, will lecture on "Socialism, the Rise and Fall of the Agricultural class in the United States," at the opera house, on the evening of Thursday, March 10th. Admission free; collection taken.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of Noah Myer, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on granting letters of administration to Joy Harvey Myer for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the administrator be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in June and September, 1904; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 19th day of February, 1904.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased.

The heirs and next of kin of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Clarinda Crisler, praying that the administration of the estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased, be granted to D. K. Miller, it is ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 11th day of March, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 18th day of February, 1904.
FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.
[Seal]

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TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

One of the best farmers' institutes ever held at Wayne has been concluded.

E. J. Mansfield the other day sold an 80-acre piece in Butler county at $50 an acre.

The coming season an $85,000 court house and an $8,000 school house will be built in Wahoo.

The ice harvest is finished throughout the state, the quality of the crop being the best for years.

Send 25 cents to Midwest, Lincoln, Neb., and get the magazine one year and a dress-cutting chart free.

The "Leap Year club," organized by the young ladies of Norfolk, is reported to be doing a land-office business.

The money getters of the Fremont power canal scheme have succeeded in having three-fourths of the necessary capital subscribed.

Coal thieves keep busy at Beatrice. Their depredations have been extensive, several tons having been taken from one yard in a single night.

Near Memphis, in Saunders county a tramp had possession of a church for a week, keeping up a roaring fire and running things to suit himself.

There is a law upon the statute books of Nebraska prohibiting the opening of business houses on Sunday for the purpose of buying and selling.

A sneak thief entered the residence of Mrs. Randall, one of the teachers in the public schools of Clay Center, during her absence and stole $26 in money.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aherns, living on the Blue, southeast of Davenport, have a baby boy that tipped the scales at 42 pounds the day he was nine months old.

At Omaha a levy of 3½ mills has been ordered for school purposes, notwithstanding the board will have about $700,000 to maintain schools for ten months.

A big wolf hunt is planned in Platte county. Several hundred men are expected to take part, and no end of dogs. Shotguns, but no rifles will be permitted.

The Burlington railroad questions the validity of a Lincoln city ordinance fixing the speed limit of trains at four miles an hour in the yards within the city limits.

Handsome art pictures will brighten the rooms of Fremont's different school buildings. A fund of several hundred dollars has been provided for this purpose.

Henry Orrell, of Nebraska City, who is charged with the burglary of a store at Berlin, pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary.

Express companies are doing business on the curb at Fremont, refusing to use the room set apart for them in the new union depot, for which the railroad company demands $50 a month rent, whereas the express companies are willing to pay only $25.

The annual smashing of short weights and fraudulent measures confiscated by the city inspector has taken place at Omaha under supervision of members of the council.

Omaha's new federal building will be completed by the end of February. In the language of a former chief justice of the Nebraska supreme court, "All things have their end."

The town of Yutan has adopted an ordinance making it cost $25 for anyone to use, or permit to be used, any chimney or flue knowing it to be in a dangerous or unsafe condition.

A very decided sentiment against the post-bills, free rural delivery and the like, cropped out at the annual convention of the Nebraska retail hardware dealers' association held in Omaha.

Ed. Branther, of Plattsmouth, was seriously injured in a collision between two engines in the Burlington yards at Pacific Junction. He was terribly crushed about the abdomen and left side near the hip.

The arrest of Geo. Buerstetta, one of the leading merchants of Elk Creek, for the sale of lottery tickets in the disposal of a suit of clothes by chance, his pleading guilty to the charge and paying a fine, has elicited no little amount of interest over the state.

A burglar tried to get into the home of Mrs. M. J. Heavrin, of Nebraska City, by forcing open a window late at night. The lady heard the noise and securing a revolver waited until the man had forced open the window and was crawling therein when she fired at him. He fell back out of the window with a cry of pain and disappeared. A trail of blood that led away from the window plainly showed that the man was hit.

The agent at Pine Ridge agency has received instructions from Washington to relinquish authority over the extension known as "No Man's Land," in Sheridan county, and a rush is on to secure choice claims on the extension. Quite a number have already been located, many of which are worth $3,000 to $4,000. The squatters are locating mostly along White Clay and Larabee creeks, which are the two finest trout streams in Nebraska. The bottom lands are covered with fine timber.

The state insurance department has received word of the re-arrest of J. Forrest Marston, of soliciting fame, at Humboldt. He is alleged to have swindled Humboldt citizens out of about $250 by means of bogus insurance policies. He was released from the Plattsmouth jail after serving time for a similar offense.

At Howells two members of the Alabama Minstrel company got into trouble. Just before break of day they were caught leaving a hen coop with their hands full of chickens. But after a conference with the police they effected a settlement for $3.

ALBANIANS LICKED

The Turkish Troops Rout Them and Kill Eight Hundred.

AUSTRIA WILL TAKE PART

Italy Stands Ready to Invade Albanian Territory in Order to Quell Disturbance Which Endanges Peace.

The Albanians who were beseiging Shemsh Pasha, in Macedonia, who, with 2,500 Turkish troops and three guns, were reported to be besieged by 20,000 Albanians at Babajhosi, have been routed, losing 800 men killed and wounded. The Turkish losses are said to be heavy. Five additional battalions of troops have been ordered to Verisovich.

The situation in the Balkans, especially since the revolt of the Albanians in the district of Diakoua, province of Ipek, is considered serious.

Austria has 30,000 men ready to invade Albania, but if such a move were made Italy would consider it as disturbing the balance of power on the Adriatic and most detrimental to her interests there.

Of Interest to Ex-County Clerks

Money received by a former county clerk of Clay county for services as clerk of the county board, in excess of the salary allowed him by law as county clerk must be returned to the treasury and must be accounted among the fees of the office. This decision was reached by the supreme court in the case of George Mitchell and others against Clay county, a rehearing. The case grew out of the county board of Clay county allowing the county clerk compensation as clerk of the board, which amounted to more than his salary as fixed by statute. The compensation allowed by the board was not entered upon the clerk's record as fees and in addition to this amount the legal salary was drawn from the fees. The decision establishes a precedent for the government of such cases.

Cannot Aid Private Corporations.

A city or village may not issue bonds to aid a private person or corporation in the construction of a system of waterworks for such city or village. So says the supreme court in reversing and dismissing the case of the village of Grant, Perkins county, Nebraska, against I. W. Sherrill. The village of Grant in 1889 voted and issued $4,000 of municipal bonds to aid a private corporation in the construction of a waterworks system in Grant. The bonds were registered in the office of the state auditor and were purchased by Sherrill. Later he brought suit to recover the amount due on sixteen interest bearing coupons of the value of $30 each. The lower court awarded him judgment and the case was carried up by the village taxpayers on the grounds that the issue of the bonds was illegal for the reason above stated. The decision is a victory for the taxpayers.

South Omaha's Charter Valid.

The supreme court has sustained the validity of the South Omaha charter. The suit is an action in quo warranto and was begun by the attorney general for the purpose of testing the validity of the act, particularly that part of the act which provides for the appointment of a board of fire and police commissioners by the governor. Governor's appointees, Thomas J. Nolan, A. L. Burquist, William B. Van Sant, Alfred A. Nixon and George W. Masson, were made respondents and were required to show by what authority they claimed to hold office. The suit was begun at the solicitation of the citizens of South Omaha. The court is governed by the rule that a legislative act will not be declared unconstitutional unless it is so clearly in conflict with some provision of the fundamental law that it cannot stand.

What Constitutes a Freeholder.

The supreme court has decided that where certain persons are made freeholders for the purpose of qualifying them to become signers of an application for the board granting the license to count such signers upon the petition.

This opinion came down in the case wherein J. N. Colglazier et al sought a reversal of the decision of the village board of Shubert and the district court of Richardson county, which granted a license to sell liquor to Charles McClary and A. Z. Martin. The evidence showed that several of the signers had become freeholders merely for the purpose of signing the petition. The decision of the lower court was reversed.

Ragan's Best Store Burned.

A fire at Ragan, Neb., destroyed the general mer[chan]dise store of Richmond Bros., al[so t]he hotel and a confectionery store. [T]he total loss is estimated at about $12,000, which was fairly well insured. The fire started from a defective flue in Richmond Bros.' store. The entire town was threatened at one time and goods from other stores were piled into the street, and was also badly damaged. The store which burned was the best in Ragan.

TRUSTS AFTER MIDGELY.

Their Influence Has Caused Him to be Ostracized by Railroads.

J. W. Midgley, of the interstate commission car mileage bureau, says that the beef trust and the private car interests are so powerful that their influence has caused him to be ostracized by railway men. For more than a year Mr. Midgley has been exposing the abuses which have arisen from the use by the railroads of cars owned by the shippers, for which the railroads pay an exorbitant rental.

The fear of the trust is so great, according to Mr. Midgley, that railway officials no longer dare to communicate with him or to be seen in his presence. Old friends are said to avoid him in the street and if cornered shift about uneasily when compelled to converse with him.

Women Suffragists Adjourn.

The national woman suffrage convention was brought to a close at Washington, D. C., with a public meeting. The report of the committee on resolutions was adopted. The resolutions declared that the women of the entire union are as intelligent as are those in the places where suffrage is granted and therefore demanded this right for all women; and thanked congress and Mrs. Roosevelt and others for courtesies during the convention. The convention also adopted resolutions sanctioning the bill introduced in congress by former Representative Shafroth of Colorado establishing a national board to protect children and animals; calling for the endorsement of an international peace congress, general arbitration treaties between the United States and all nations and declaring for a study of militarism "since it is a menace to the republic, with a view to obtaining universal peace."

Must Have Half Million Dollars.

County Treasurer Fink of Douglas county has determined to collect half a million dollars of personal tax or fill every storehouse in the city with the goods of delinquents. He says the situation has become exasperating, and will issue the first batch of five hundren distress warrants. The people who have enjoyed living in Douglas county for the past ten years without paying any taxes will be asked to contribute their delinquencies, with interest. If they fail to do so their goods will be confiscated and sent to a storehouse, to be sold to cover the amount they owe the county. This system has worked admirably in the case of the city, and County Treasurer Fink declares he will give it a trial.

Nebraska Coal Lands Leased.

A. J. Ewing, of Nebraska City, has leased a large tract of land that he owns and which is situated south of that city along the bluffs to a coal company, and they will sink shafts to ascertain how thick the vein of coal is that they unearthed there some time since. The lease runs for twenty-five years, and the gentlemen that have leased it are confident that they will uncover a good thick vein of rich coal. The coal that has been taken out is about twenty inches in thickness and burns freely, leaving no cinders.

To Pay Militia Boys.

Representative Dick of Ohio introduced a bill in congress appropriating $50,000 for transportation, pay and expenses of members of state militias attending rifle practice encampments, the same to be held under direction of the secretary of war. The bill also admits the navy, marine corps and civilian rifle clubs to compete for the national trophy and medals now offered by the war department for rifle shooting. The bill further provides that the $50,000 for transportation, etc., of state militia shall be made annually.

The Amount the State Got.

The state treasury has received the final dividend on the money lost in the failure of the Capital City National bank. Treasurer Mortensen received notice from the comptroller of the currency that a final dividend of .71 of 1 per cent had been declared. The state had on deposit in the bank at the time of failure, $236,361.83 and the dividend received amounted to $1,678.27. This makes a complete dividend recovered since the bank passed under control of the comptroller of 17.71 per cent.

Abner McKinley Seriously Ill.

Abner McKinley, brother of the late president, who has been suffering from nervous exhaustion, is reported worse at his summer home in Summerset, Pa., being confined to his room.

Rural Routers to Get Raise.

The house committee on postoffices and post-roads has agreed to the report of a sub-committee raising the salaries of the rural free delivery carriers to a maximum of $720 per annum, instead of $600, as at present. The report agreed to take away from such carriers the express and news agency privileges which they now have.

"What is the countersign?"

"Three sneezes, two coughs and a choking fit."

Mr. Subbubs—I sent a girl to see you from the employment agency this morning. Did she call?

Mrs. Subbubs—Yes, she interviewed me!

Mr. Subbubs—And will she take the place?

Mrs. Subbubs—I hope so. She was pleased to say she thought I would be "respectful" to her.

Spendthrift Son—Father, do you want me to go through college.

Discouraged Father—You might as well. You've gone through everything else.

An odd scene took place in an English police court when Lord Brassey, the English naval export, was summoned for riding a bicycle without a light. "Lord Brassey has not been convicted before?" inquired the chairman of the bench, who happened to be his son-in-law. "Nothing known, I presume?" "No, sir," said the superintendent. "Fined a shilling and costs." "In default of distress," asked the clerk, "any time allowed, sir?" Fortunately Lord Brassey was able to scrape the necessary sum together and the incident ended happily.

The successful superintendent is a man who has little to say outside about his school and makes very little display at home, yet a visitor can easily see that he takes a genuine interest in the school and that he is proud of the high standard of work done. He is generally a college graduate and teaches under a professional certificate. The successful principal is much like the superintendent in his methods of teaching and his way of dealing with the outside. He holds a professional certificate.

"Do you think we shall recognize each other in the hereafter?" asked the sanctimonious person with the white tie. "I hope not," fervently replied the man who had buried four wives.

Got the Right Kind.

Gainesville, Texas, Feb. 22nd.—Mrs. L. E. Burton of 507 Glad street, this city, writes the following letter:

"I have been awfully troubled with my Kidneys; I was in a bad fix and had been doctoring with the Doctors, but was getting no better. I tried a remedy called Dodd's Kidney Pills and I found they did me lots or good. I had a slight return of my trouble and I went to the Drug Store and called for Dodd's Kidney Pills. They said there was no such pills. I told them there was. They said they had the best pills that were made and persuaded me to try a box of another kind, not Dodd's. As I needed some medicine, I bought a box, but they did me no good so I went elsewhere and got the real Dodd's Kidney Pills and very soon was completely cured. I took a box up to the Drug Store and showed them that there was such pills and asked them to order some, but as I haven't needed any more I haven't called to see whether or not they got them."

"Ruined, and by a woman!" exclaimed the man. "I fail to see the point," rejoined the other. "Same here," said the party of the first part. "I was speaking of this lead pencil, which my stenographer has evidently been trying to sharpen."

"It's a very true saying," said the quoter, "that one swallow does not make a summer." "That's true enough," replied Gayboy, "but if it's a good deep swallow and the stuff's all right, it will make you forget it's winter."

"Could you forgive a political opponent who managed to take an unfair advantage of you?" "I might forgive him," answered Senator Sorghum, "but I could never forgive myself."

Blobbs—The fellow who gets along is the one who paddles his own canoe.

Slobbs—Fudge! The fellows who gets along hires someone else to paddle it for him.

"Love," remarked the beautiful girl, "is said to be the greatest thing in the world." But I am greater than love," protested the young man, "because I can make it."

Wiggs—I always try to make my money last.

Waggs—I try to make mine first, and then make it last.

"Everyone to his trade," says the Manayunk Philosopher. "A hen can't lay a cornerstone any more than a mason can lay an egg."

TIMELY CALLING.

How the Pastor Saved a Life.

A man near Fort Gay, W. Va., made an entire failure in getting strength from the kind of food he ate and not knowing that the trouble was with the food kept on losing health until the doctors gave him up to die.

It was supposed to be consumption because he was wasting away steadily and slowly dying. His minister called from time to time and one day brought along a package of Grape-Nuts, thinking from what he knew of the famous food that perhaps it might help him. The sick man took to it at once and from that day began to get well. In writing he says:

"I walked to town to-day 3 miles. Have gained over 40 pounds in about 2 months and my neighbors don't know what to say. I frequently am told it was as if I am raised from the dead. Everybody here knows of my case, you can tell people to write to the Postmaster or Rev. L. D. Bryan. I will make a sworn statement that Grape-Nuts saved my life." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

This is another illustration that where all other food fails one can be brought back to health and strength on Grape-Nuts. "There's a reason."

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

Because the coffee was poor a breakfast one morning Jim Dumps got mad, and within a half hour there wasn't enough sunshine in the whole Dumps family of ten to sprout a grain of corn.

Henrietta—"I saw that Miss Sourly this afternoon, and she had on a waist just exactly like Marion's. And you know how Marion hates her!" Katherine—"I should say so. I choose to speak to Marion about it first!"

Trying to keep up appearances pulls some men down.

Daily Guide to Flattery.—If there is something on the table that the hostess knows is so badly cooked that she feels bored about it, ask for more and eat it with the greatest apparent relish.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

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Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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IN A PRAIRIE LAND.

(Editorial Correspondence.)

Moose Jaw, Assiniboia.

Farmers' Review,

Chicago, July 22, 1903.

Most of the prairies in the United States have ceased to exist. Man has broken them up with orchards, forests and farm buildings. But in Western Canada the prairies still stretch grandly from horizon to horizon, as yet unmarred by the hand of man, save where the iron road has been laid. To a city man there is something deliciously restful about the vast grassy solitudes.

Numerous clumps of trees mark the course of the Assiniboine river, which keeps in sight of the railroad for some distance.

"Grass is one of the notable things about all the landscape of Western Canada. It is a remarkable fact that the entire length of the Canadian Pacific railway from its eastern terminus to the Rocky Mountains is over plains where grass grows. The sage brush appears at some points, but never to the exclusion of grass. There is thus not a mile of this country that can not be used for some agricultural purpose—either for tilling or ranching.

"Moose Jaw is a town of over 2,000 inhabitants, and one of the most important places in Assiniboia, being the center of a very good farming country and a great grain and stock shipping point.

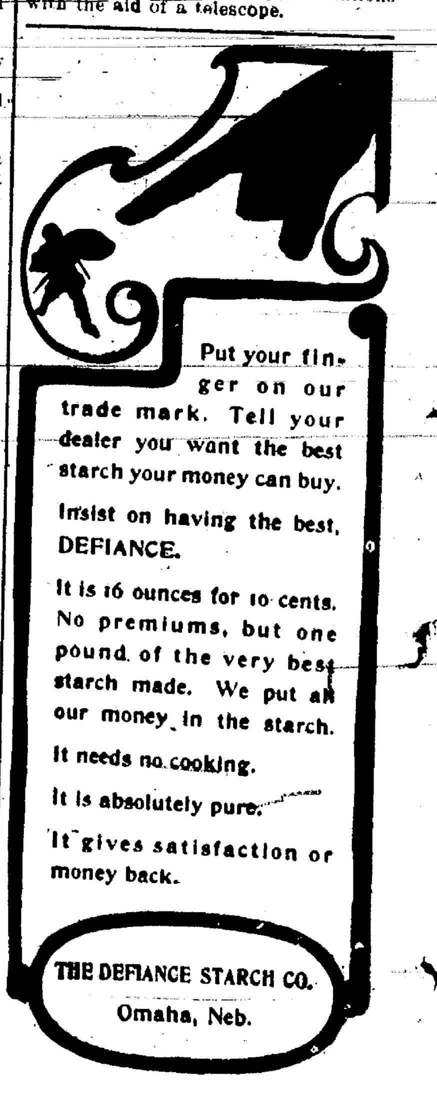
Near Moose Jaw agriculture and ranching go hand in hand; for near the town was seen a herd of beef cattle several hundred in number. On another side was seen a good sized herd of dairy cows, the property of the citizens of the town.

In riding over the prairies we saw many good fields of alfalfa. The great need of the country is timber, which grows readily where planted, as was demonstrated by the shelter belts on some of the farms, and the trees on the residence lots in the town.

"Stories were told the writer of men who last year cleared from their what crop more than the land on which it was grown originally cost them. This is easy to believe, in view of the large crop and high price of wheat last year."—Henry F. Thurston.

By sending your address to any agent of the Canadian government you will have mailed to you a copy of an atlas, railway rates, etc., giving fullest information regarding Western Canada.

Some people are so high and mighty that they can't see their poor relations with the aid of a telescope.



THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XIX—Continued.

The left arm of the sheriff dropped. The whole body of Ike Anderson, shot low through the trunk, as was the sheriff's invariable custom, melted, down and sank into a sitting posture, leaning against the edge of the stoop. The sheriff with a leap sprang behind the fallen man, not firing again. Ike Anderson, with a black film now come upon his eyes, raised his revolver and fired once, twice, three times, four times, five times, tapping the space in front of him regularly and carefully with his fire. Then he sank back wearily into the sheriff's arms.

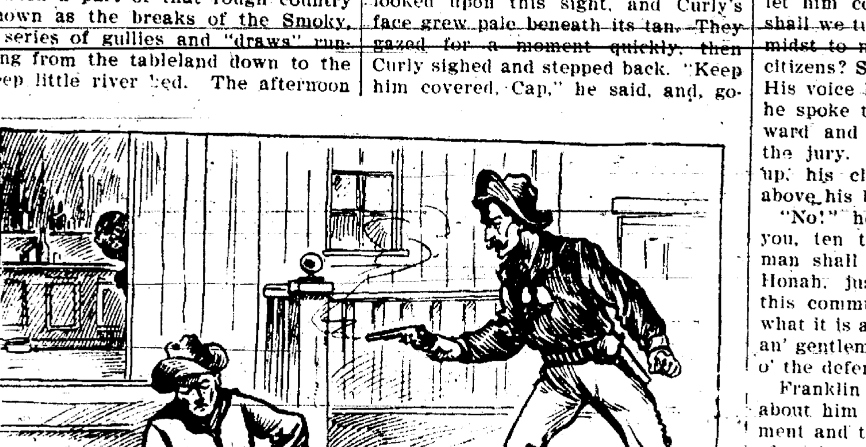
"All right, mammy!" remarked Ike Anderson, somewhat irrelevantly.

CHAPTER XX.

The Body of the Crime.

Hour after hour, in the heat of the day or the cool of the evening, the giant Mexican strode on by the side of the two horsemen, sometimes trotting like a dog, more often walking with a shambling, wide-reaching step, tireless as any wild animal. Expressionless, mute, the colossal figure strode along, like some primordial creature in whom a human soul had not yet found home.

The Mexican was running the back trail of the horse of Cal Greathouse, the missing ranchman, and it was very early seen that the horse had not returned over the route taken by Greathouse when he started out. He had gone along the valley of the Smoky River, whereas the course of the loose animal had been along the chord of a wide arc made by the valley of that stream, a course much shorter and easier to traverse, as it evaded a part of that rough country known as the breaks of the Smoky, a series of gullies and "draws" running from the tableland down to the deep little river bed. The afternoon



Melted down and sank into a sitting posture.

of the first day brought the travelers well within view of a timber line, but the rough country along the stream was not yet reached when they were forced to quit the trail and make their rough bivouac for the night.

There was a curious feeling of certainty in Franklin's mind, as they again took saddle for the journey, that the end of the quest was not far distant, and that its nature was predetermined. Neither he nor Curly expected to find the ranchman alive, though neither could have given letter and line for this belief. As for Juan, his face was expressionless as ever.

"Que camina—onde, amigo?" asked Curly in cowboy patois: "Which way?"

The Mexican pointed up the stream with carelessness and they turned thither. As they resumed the march, now along the level floor of the winding little valley, Franklin was revolving a certain impression in his mind. In the mud at the bank where they had stopped he had seen the imprint of a naked foot—a foot very large and with an upturned toe, widely spreading apart from its fellows, and it seemed to him that this track was not so fresh as the ones he had just seen made before his eyes. Troubled, he said nothing, but gave a start as Curly, without introduction, remarked, as though reading his thoughts:

"Cap, I seen it, too."

"His footprint at the bank?"

"Yep. He's shore been here afore."

Neither man said more, but both grew grave, and both looked unconsciously to their weapons. The Mexican plunged ahead as confidently as before, and in the tangled going his speed was greater than that of the horses. "Cuidado!" (careful) "Juan," cried Curly warningly, and the latter turned backed a face inscrutable as ever.

The turned an angle of the valley, and came out upon a little flat among the trees. Toward this open space the Mexican sprang with hoarse, excited cries. The horses plunged back, snorting. Yet in the little glade all was silence, solitude. Swiftly Franklin and Curly dismounted and made fast their horses, and then followed up the Mexican, their weapons now both drawn.

This glade, now empty, had once held a man, or men. Here was a trodden place where a horse had been tied to a tree. Here was the broken end of a lariat. Here had been a little bivouac, a bed scraped up of the scanty fallen leaves and bunches of taller grass. Here were broken busnes

—broken, how? There was the fire, now sunken into a heap of ashes, a long, large, white heap, very large for a cowman's camp fire. And there——

And there was it! There was some Thing. There lay the object of their search. In a flash the revolvers covered the cowering figure of the giant, who, prone upon his knees, was now raving, gibbering, praying, calling upon long-forgotten saints to save him from this sight. "O Santa Maria! O Purissima! O Madre de Dios!" he moaned, wringing his hands and shivering as though stricken with an ague. He writhed among the leaves, his eyes fixed upon that ghastly shape which lay before him.

There, in the ashes of the dead fire, as though embalmed, as though alive, as though lingering to accuse and to convict, lay the body of Greathouse, the missing man. Not merely a charred, incinerated mass, the figure lay in the full appearance of life, a cast of the actual man, molded with fineness from the white ashes of the fire! Not a feature, not a limb, not a fragment of clothing was left undestroyed! yet none the less here, stretched across the bed of the burned-out fire, with face upturned, with one arm doubled beneath the head and the other with clinched hand outflung, lay the image, the counterpart, nay, the identity of the man they sought! It was a death mask, wrought by the pity of the destroying flames. These winds, this sky, the air, the rain, all had spared and left it here in accusation most terrible, in evidence unparalleled, incredibly yet irresistibly true.

Franklin felt his heart stop as he looked upon this sight, and Curly's face grew pale beneath its tan. They gazed for a moment quickly, then Curly sighed and stepped back. "Keep him covered, Cap," he said, and, going to his horse, he loosened the long lariat.

"Arriba, Juan," he said quietly. "Get up, and the giant obeyed as meekly as a child. Curly tied his hands behind his back, took away his knife, and bound him fast to a tree. Juan offered no resistance whatever, but looked at Curly with wondering dumb protest in his eyes, as of an animal unjustly punished. Curly turned again to the fire.

"It's him, all right," said he; "that's Cal." Franklin nodded.

Curly picked up a bit of stick and began to stir among the ashes, but as he did so both he and Franklin uttered an exclamation of surprise. By accident he had touched one of the limbs. The stick passed through it, leaving behind but a crumpled, formless heap of ashes. Curly essayed investigation upon the other side of the fire. A touch, and the whole ghastly figure was gone! There remained no trace of what had lain there. The shallow, incrusting shell of the fickle ash broke in and fell, all the thin exterior covering dropping into the cavern which it had inclosed. Before them lay not charred and dismembered remains, but simply a flat table of ashes, midway along it a slightly higher ridge, at which the wind, hitherto not conspiring, now toyed, flicking away items here and there, carrying them, spreading them, returning them unto the dust. Cal Greathouse had made his charge, and left it with the Frontier to cast the reckoning.

CHAPTER XXI.

The Trial.

"Your honor," said Franklin to the Court, "I appear to defend this man."

The opening sentence of the young advocate might have been uttered in burlesque. To call this a court of justice might have seemed sheer libel. There was not the first suggestion of the dignity and solemnity of the law.

Ellisville had no hall of justice, and the court sat at one place or another, as convenience dictated. This being an important case, and one in which all the populace was interested, Judge Bristol had seclected the largest available assembly room, which happened to be the central hall of Sam Preston's livery barn. The judge sat behind a large upturned box, which supported a few battered books. At his right the red-nosed prosecuting attorney shuffled his papers. Along the sides of the open hallway, through whose open doors at each end the wind passed freely, sat jury and audience, indiscriminately mingled. The prisoner himself, ignorant of the meaning of all this, sat on an upturned tub, unshackled and unguarded. Back of these figures appeared the heads of a double row of horses. Back of the seated men others were massed, standing in the doorways. Outside the building stood crowds, now and then increased or lessened by those who passed in or out of the room where the court was in session. These interested spectators were for the most part dark, sunburned men, wearing wide hats and narrow boots with spurs. They all were armed. Leaning against the sides of the mangers, or resting a hand upon the shoulders of another, they gazed calmly at the bar of justice. The attitude of Ellisville was one of sardonic calm. As a function, as a show, this trial might go on.

"Yo' Honah," said the attorney for the state, arising and striking an attitude learned in earlier forensic days—"yo' Honah, an' gentlemen, I rise to present to you, an' to push to the ultimate penalty of the law, a case of the most serious, the most heinyus crime, committed by the most desperate and dangerous criminal that has thus far ever disturbed the peaceful course of ouah quiet little community. There he sets befo' you," he cried, suddenly raising his voice and pointing a forefinger at the prisoner, who sat smiling amiably. "There he sets, the hardened and self-confessed criminal, guilty of the foulest crime upon the calendar of ouah law. A murderer, gentlemen, a murderer with red hands an' with the brand of Cain upon his brow! This man, this fiend, killed ouah fellow-citizen, Calvin Greathouse—he brutally murdered him."

The orator knew his audience. He knew the real jury. The shuffling and whispers were his confirmation.

"Yo' Honah," began the accusing voice again, "I see him now. There sets the man! There he is befo' you! His guilt has been admitted. Answer me, gentlemen, what is ouah juty in this case? Shall we set this incarnate fiend free on the lan' again—shall we let him come clear o' this charge—shall we turn him loose again in ouah midst to murder some other of ouah citizens? Shall we set this man free?" His voice had sunk into a whisper as he spoke the last words, leaning forward and looking into the faces of the jury. Suddenly he straightened up, his clinched hand shaken high above his head.

"No!" he cried. "No! I say to you, ten thousand times no! This man shall not go free! Justice, yo' Honah, justice, gentlemen, is what this community asks. An' justice is what it is a-goin' to have. Yo' Honah, an' gentlemen, I yiel' to the statement o' the defense."

Franklin rose and looked calmly about him while the buzzing of comment and the outspoken exclamations of applause yet greeted the speech of the prosecutor. The sentiment of pity was strong in his heart. He resolved to use all he know of the cunning of the law to save this half-witted savage. He determined to defeat, if possible, the ends of a technical justice, in order to secure a higher and a broader justice, the charity of a divine mercy. He realized fully how much was there to overcome as he gazed upon the set faces of the real jury, the crowd of grim spectators.

"Your Honor, and gentlemen of the jury," he began, "in defending this man I stand for the law. The representative of the state invokes the law. I yield to no man in my desire to see a better day of law and order in this town. We are two years old in time, but a century old in violence. Is it merely your wish that we add one more grave to the long rows on our hillsides? Is that your wish? Do you want a trial, or do you wish merely an execution? Gentlemen, I tell you this is the most important day in the history of this town. Let us here make our stand for the law. The old ways will no longer serve. We are at the turning of the road. Let us follow the law.

(To be continued.)

HISTORY OF COTTON THREAD.

Napoleon's Seizure of Hamburg Directly Forced Its Use.

Ex-Provost Clark of Paisley, England, has been relating the origin of cotton sewing thread, which was first used in that town in the weaving of "heddles" as a substitute for silk, which was stopped by Napoleon in 1803, when he seized Hamburg. Mr. Clark's grandfather and his brother then bethought them of cotton, which worked so smoothly that Mr. Clark's father, then a youth, took to recommending it to women instead of linen, then mostly used.

Originally it was sold in hanks or skeins. These the women had to wind into little balls, as they do a cut of wool at the present day. Wishing to convenience them, young Clark on selling a skein of thread would sit down at a pirn wheel and wind the thread on a bobbin, for which he charged a halfpenny. This halfpenny was refunded when the empty bobbin was returned. Such was the beginning of cotton thread.

Slur on Montana.

Henry H. Rogers, the Copper and Standard Oil magnate, was visited recently by one of his friends who has been under the weather for months. Mr. Rogers inquired kindly after the health of his caller.

"I have been staying down at Lakewood, N. J., for six months," was the reply, "and I've been pretty low. In fact I never was in so bad a state before."

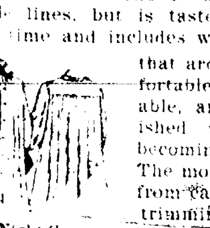
Mr. Rogers smiled and asked quietly:

"You've never been in Montana, have you?"—New York Times.

HEARTH & BOUDOIR.

Nightgown.

No matter what the demand for fancy nightgowns may be every woman wants a few of the comfortable sort that can be worn when occasion demands. This one is modeled on simple lines, but is tasteful at the same time and includes wide sleeves that are both comfortable and fashionable, and are finished with deep becoming frills. The model is made from cambric with trimming of embroidery, but all material in use for underwear, cottons, flannelet, wash flannel and the like are appropriate.



4649 Night Gown, 32 to 46 bust.

The gown is made with full length fronts and a back which is gathered and attached to the yoke. At the neck is a simple roll over collar and the right hem laps over the left to form the closing. The sleeves are fuller below the elbows than above and are gathered into narrow bands to the lower edge of which the frills are attached.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 3¼ yards 27 inches wide or 6 yards 36 inches wide, with 3½ yards of embroidery to trim as illustrated.

The pattern 4649 is cut in sizes for a 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44 and 46 inch bust measure.

"Buster Brown" Suit.

"Buster Brown" has become far too familiar a figure to need introduction. His admirers are many and it is safe to assume that interest in his costume is as general as is amusement over his doings. The model shown will be recognized at a glance and is made of dark blue serge stitched with corticelli silk and worn with linen collar and cuffs and silk tie, but as all the materials used for boys' suits of the sort are appropriate there is ample range of choice. The blouse drawn on over the head, which makes

4646 "Buster Brown" Suit, 2 to 6 years.

the essential characteristic, is eminently becoming to small boys as well as simple to make and the trousers are full and baggy at the knees.

The suit consists of blouse and trousers. The blouse is shaped by means of shoulder and under-arm seams and includes full sleeves with roll-over cuffs and a belt that is passed under straps attached at the under-arm seams. At the front is cut a short opening that is concealed by the tie. The trousers are in knickerbocker style, drawn up under the knees and allowed to droop.

The quantity of material required for the medium size (4 years) is 3½ yards 27 inches wide, 3⅓ yards 32 inches wide or 2⅛ yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4646 is cut in sizes for boys of 2, 4 and 6 years of age.

Jeweled Hose.

Smart women are always looking for something new, and their latest fancy is jeweled stockings. Turquoises sewn on bronze-colored silk hose, with bronze kid shoes to match, are the favorites.

Pink and green stones on any colored grounds, with shoes of the same shade, and iridescent lizards, beetles and reptiles embroidered on black are worn, with black satin shoes.

The daintiest of all are the white silk stockings worn in England. They are netted all over with lace or trellised with embroidery, and fit for a fairy princess.

Raffia Baskets Are the Fashion.

Some of the prettiest baskets shown in the stores this season are made of raffia. Among the most useful ones are the hanging baskets made of reeds, interwoven with raffia of the most beautiful colors. Japanese ginger jars and pottery of all sorts also make effective receptacles for plants.

Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out all blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

Name	....
Town	....
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Pattern No.	....
Waist Measure (if for skirt)	....
Bust Measure (if for waist)	....
Age (if child's or miss's pattern)	....

Write plainly. Fill out all blanks. Enclose 10c. Mail to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago.

A SMART BLOUSE COAT.

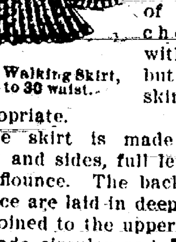
Blouse coats with shoulder capes are the smartest of all smart things and suit young girls exceedingly well. This one is made of tan colored broadcloth and is trimmed with fancy braid, but all suiting and cloaking materials are equally appropriate. When desired the capes can be omitted, but they add largely to the effect and are much to be desired. Both blouse and skirt are tucked at front and back and are joined at the waist line beneath the belt. The sleeves are large and ample with shaped cuffs that are eminently stylish. To make the coat for a girl of 14 years of age will be required 6 yards of material 27, 3⅜ yards 44 or 2⅞ yards 52 inches wide. A May Manton pattern, No. 4634, sizes 12 to 16 years, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

Pearls Produced to Order.

In his scientific pearl farming Prof. Dubois has transplanted a colony of pearl oysters from the coast of Tunis to a point near Toulon. Of these oysters one in 1,200 yielded a pearl. Acting on the theory that the pearl disease of the shell is due to the accretion of mother of pearl under the action of a parasite, the experimenter has tried to transmit the disease to other oysters and has succeeded in producing one or more pearls from every ten oysters.

Walking Skirt With Kilt.

Since walking skirts have become established facts smart women are ever on the outlook for novel effects. The skirt illustrated is quite new and is in every way admirable, as it provides the smooth fit over the hips, that means perfect outline, combined with generous flare below the knees. The model is made of mixed gray cheviot stitched with corticelli silk, but all suiting and skirt materials are appropriate.



4648 Walking Skirt, 22 to 30 waist.

The skirt is made with circular front and sides, full length back gore and flounce. The back gore and the flounce are laid in deep kilt plaits and are joined to the upper portion, which is made circular and fitted by means of short hip darts.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 8 yards 27 inches wide, 5¼ yards 44 inches wide 4¾ yards 52 inches wide.

The pattern 4648 is cut in sizes for a 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 inch waist measure.

Corsage Sachet.

The heart-shaped corsage sachet of white satin is to wear around the neck beneath the lingerie. The ribbon edge and bow make a pretty finish and it is suspended by a ribbon.

Another corsage sachet on this order consists of two pads about two inches square, with a small bow in the center of each. They are fastened to the ends of a strip of baby ribbon.

For the Japanese sachet, made of Japanese silk, a bag two and one-half by three inches, and in the top seam fasten a Japanese doll's head. Around its neck a ribbon is tied, stock fashion.

The most popular sachet odors at present are sandal wood, orris and the Japanese perfumes.

The Walking Skirt.

The short skirt can be quite becoming and smart, provided it is full. Heavy winter skirts this year are being made without linings, and are worn with a very smart silk petticoat of sufficient substance to keep them well out at the feet.

Fancy Waist.

All broad shoulder effects are in vogue and, as a consequence, berthas of all sorts are worn. This smart and effective waist combines pine green Corean crepe with chiffon velvet in a deeper shade and cream colored lace, and exemplifies a bertha of the newest sort together with sleeves that can be full or elbow length as desired. The lace yoke over the under one of velvet is singularly handsome as well as novel and the use of both heavy and fine lace on the same waist is a feature of the latest designs.

4647 Fancy Waist, 32 to 40 bust.

The waist is made over a fitted lining which is faced to form the yoke and on which the full front and backs and the circular folds, which give a bertha effect, are arranged. The sleeves are made plain above the folds but full and soft below, forming full puffs, which are finished with frills when elbow length is used, and below which deep cuffs are added to give full length. At the waist is a shaped bodice that is softly draped.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 5 yards 21 inches wide, 4 yards 27 inches wide, or 2¾ yards 44 inches wide, with 1 yard of all-over lace, 1¾ yards of velvet and 3 yards of lace for frills to make as illustrated.

The pattern 4647 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40-inch bust measure.

The Kitchen

An old steel pen if kept in your inkpot to absorb the acid, will make the pens in daily use wear better.

Carron oil, which should always be kept ready to use in cases of burns, is made of equal parts of linseed oil and lime water.

White fur can be cleaned by rubbing with sawdust moistened with benzoline; but the benzoline must not be used near a light or fire.

When cleaning plate mix the whiting occasionally with a little gin or whisky and water, and you will get a far better polish than if water alone is used.

Hot water cans should always be turned upside down after use. It is the tiny drop of water left standing in the bottom that causes rust, and holes soon follow.

Clean white corsets by scrubbing with a lather of soap, ammonia and warm water, afterwards thoroughly rinsing. Steel should be removed first, or iron molds will result.

EXTENT OF LIFE INSURANCE

United States Easily Leads the Rest of the World.

Every one knows, of course, that life insurance has made great progress in this country of recent years. The United States easily leads the world in this matter. The American companies do a big insurance business abroad, especially in England and Germany; and have so aroused the jealousy of some of the German companies that they have tried to induce the government to shut out American life insurance, or at least, so discriminate against it as to discourage the business. Even Americans, however, have little idea of the life insurance business in this country. The Insurance Press of New York, has collected some figures for 1902. These returns from 9383 cities and towns, which very nearly covered the whole country, show a total of $320,169,382 paid out by the insurance companies for last year. That the business is increasing is shown by the fact that the payments are $16,600,000 greater than for 1901, $36,100,000 greater than for 1900 and $39,200,000 over 1899. New York received $22,945,745 of life insurance; Philadelphia, $8,926,083; Chicago, $6,922,457; Brooklyn, $6,803,277; Boston, $6,024,582, and New Orleans, $1,623,820. New Orleans makes a good showing throughout.

Philadelphia, Boston and Cincinnati carry relatively the largest amount of life insurance. Brooklyn, Baltimore, Pittsburg and Providence are good insurers. Chicago makes a very poor showing; so do Cleveland, Buffalo, Jersey City, Kansas City and San Francisco.

In the matter of States, New York makes the best showing, then Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Ohio, Illinois and New Jersey.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

FIRST THING IN THE MORNING

Maid Obeyed Employer's Instructions Very Literally.

The wife of D. S. Ritterband of New York, recently engaged a new maid who had arrived from Ireland only six weeks before her engagement. She is an earnest young woman who implicitly obeys instructions. The other evening Mrs. Ritterband asked the maid to get her some sealing wax the first thing the following morning. At 5 o'clock the next morning the maid appeared at a neighboring drug store, pounded at the door and awakened the clerk, who rushed out an asked:

"What do you want?"

"I want 5 cents' worth of sealing wax right away," replied the maid.

"Well, you'll run right back home and go to bed without any sealing wax," snapped the disheveled and disgruntled clerk.

The maid returned to her mistress much distressed and with a demand that a request be made for the discharge of the "insolent clerk."

John Wesley's Presence.

A small man physically, John Wesley had in a remarkable degree that which we call "presence." Men felt, as they heard him speak, and came under the domination of his personality, that he was a man of power. He did not seem small to them. Indeed, he often seemed more than man, says Louis A. Banks in Everybody's for July. Two boys once came to hear him preach, determined to stone him. Their pockets were full of rocks and they carried stones in each hand. After Wesley began to speak they stood open-mouthed and wide-eyed for a few moments, and then one, dropping his stones, said to his neighbor, "He's not a man! He's not a man!" After the meeting was over one of the youths stood near a gate where Wesley must go out, and as he passed slowly the young fellow pinched Wesley's leg through his clothing, and shouted, "He is a man! He is a man!" Wesley laid his hand upon the boy's head and said, "God bless thee, my lad." Afterward this boy became one of the evangelist's most faithful preachers.

Olive Oil as a Diet.

Olive oil—the pale, green, opalescent kind, not the yellow, peanut brand—is recommended by many physicians as a fattener and nerve food. It is very digestible—almost as much so as unsalted butter— and it seems to possess healing and soothing qualities that make it especially valuable in cases of chronic indigestion and dyspepsia. Taken steadily by the teaspoonful, like so much medicine, or in conjunction with one's food, it is pretty sure to prove a flesh former. All that many a woman lacks to be positively pretty is a little more flesh on her face. To look haggard or underfed is never becoming.

CANCER CURED!

Mr. W. W. Prickett, Smithfield, Ills, writes, Sept. 10th 1901: I had been suffering several years with a cancer on my face, which gave me great annoyance and unbearable itching. I was using Ballard's Snow Liniment for a sore leg, and through an accident, I rubbed some of the liniment on the cancer, and as it gave me almost instant relief, I decided to continue to use the liniment on the cancer. In a short time the cancer came out, my face healed up and there is not the slightest scar left. I have implicit faith in the merits of this preparation, and it cannot be too highly reccomended." 25c 50c& $1.00 For sale by F.M. Colwell.

Souvenir Postal Cards.

"There is one thing certain"—the girl in the blue gown paused impressively—"when I reach the other side I shall never under any circumstances send any one a souvenir postal card."

"They are very pretty sometimes," the girl with the black hat suggested.

"They seemed very pretty and convenient when they first came into vogue, but they have ceased to be anything but a delusion and a snare. I know what I am saying, for I have them sent to me by the dozens." The girl in blue spoke feelingly. "A few years ago when one's friends went abroad they wrote letters, interesting, newsy letters several pages long. Now they buy a postal card with a picture of some old abbey or castle on it and write 'Affectionately, Laura' or 'Do write soon, Jack,' and seem to think they have done their duty. Why, if you will believe it, the only word I received from Mabel King all the six weeks she spent in Paris was a postal with a picture of the Eiffel Tower on it and this sentence, 'I went up this tower yesterday. Your Mabel.' Interesting, wasn't it? I may have to resort to wireless telegraphy, but I shall never tantalize a friend of mine with one of those wolves in sheep's clothing—a souvenir postal."—New York Herald.

Too Much Like a Real "Rip."

Forty years have passed since Joseph Jefferson made a prolonged and brilliantly successful tour in Australia. It was, indeed, in Melbourne, Sydney and the gold fields that he made his first great hit as Rip Van Winkle, which has ever since been the leading character in his repertory. He has never recrossed the equator, although handsome offers for another Australian tour have repeatedly been submitted to him. In reply to another of these invitations, Mr. Jefferson, who is now in his seventy-fifth year, wrote recently: "I was four years in Australia and the kind reception given me by its generous people and the dear friends I made while in Melbourne and Sydney will never be forgotten by me. Some years ago I had an idea of returning, but when I thought of the many friends who had joined the great majority and how like a real Rip Van Winkle I should feel on walking through the streets unknown and forgotten my heart failed me."

Ought to Be Grateful.

This story is told of Mr. Mac——, a well known humorist residing at Rockcliffe, Canada, who combines the duties of station agent and postmaster.

Having giving satisfaction by acting postmaster, but without pay, the M. P. for the district procured his appointment, and the head of the department wrote him that he had much pleasure in confirming his position—"the salary to be the same as heretofore."

Much pleased, Mr. Mac— wrote:

"I feel honored, as in duty bound, by the confirmation of my appointment, and am glad to know the salary is to be the same as heretofore, namely, nothing a year; for I'd hate like fury to have to pay anything!"

How Long Will This Condition Continue?

None may say surely, but it won't be for long, and the sooner you invest the cheaper will you be able to do so, for the advance is just as sure as has been the advance in the price of similar land in other sections

For further information write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha.

THE REASONS.

The North Platte Valley, extending from Bridgeport, Neb., to Guernsey, Wyo., and the Big Horn Basin, Wyoming, have been but recently made available for settlement by the extension of the Burlington Railroad into those sections. The irrigating Company must have settlers along there ditches and they offer substantial inducements in the shape of low priced water rights and land.

Holds Two Jobs.

James Buchanan Duke is president of two tobacco companies and receives a salary of $50,000 from each of them.

Spiritualism in China.

Planchette is in use in China, and spiritualism flourishes there, although only evil spirits are summoned.

Suicidal Age.

The greatest number of suicides occur in those between thirty and forty years of age.

Better Than Gold,

"I was troubled for several years with cholic, indigestion and nervous debility," writes F.J. Green, of Lancester, N.H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She said Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them Only 50c Satisfaction guaranteed by F.M. Colwell

WATCHES FOR THE BOYS

The Lincoln Daily Star is making it possible for any boy in Nebraska to be the owner of a handsome American watch. The watches are open face, stem wind and stem set, and are guaranteed by the makers to be good time keepers.

Many boys throughout the state have already secured one of the watches, and they are invaribly well pleased,

Fred Robinson, Tekamah, writes us as follows: "I am very much pleased with the watch I got. It keeps very good time. Thank you." A. M. Linner, Holdredge, writes after getting his watch as follows: "I think it is a good little watch you sent me." We could give the names of many more Nebraska boys who have secured the watches and are more than pleased.

Any boy in Nebraska who will write to us, we will tell him how he may obtain one of these watches. We do not ask you to send us money for them. You can do as well as the other boys who have already obtained their watches.

Write us a postal card or a letter now, asking for particulars.

Address—Watch Department, Daily Star, Lincoln, Neb.

WEAK AND LOW-SPIRITED.

A Correspondent Thus Describes His Experience.

"I can strongly recommend Herbine as a medicine of remarkable efficacy for indigestion, loss of appetite, sour taste in the mouth, palpitation, headache, drowsiness after meals with distressing mental depression and low spirits. Herbine must be a unique preparation for cases such as mine, for a few doses entirely removed my complaint. I wonder at people going on suffering or spending their money on worthless things, when Herbine is procurable, and so cheap." 50c a bottle at F. M. Colwell's.

Postcard's Long Trip.

A postcard arrived in Vienna the other day which took nearly six years to travel from Lemburg, Austria. The postal rates on inland cards having in the meantime been raised, the post-office actually fined the receiver double the deficiency in the postage.

Modern Deadly Weapons.

More people perished as the result of the Fourth of July celebration than were killed in the war with Spain, which indicates that the Spaniards would have done well to throw away their Mausers and rely on toy pistols and blank cartridges.

Kaffir Corn.

Kaffir corn was introduced about fifteen years ago by the stations in California, Kansas and Oklahoma. It has been found specially suited to regions of scanty rainfall. The crop in Kansas alone in 1899 was valued at over $6,000,000.

Not So Remarkable.

New York has an armless child that can pick up pins and needles with her toes. The most careless man on earth, with his arms full of a crying baby, can pick up carpet tacks with his heels without looking.

For Russian Authors.

In connection with the celebration of St. Petersburg's two hundredth anniversary the Russian Academy of Sciences offers a prize of 12,000 rubles for the best history of that city.

University Students.

In the United States nearly thirteen of every 10,000 inhabitants are studying at colleges of university status. The number in Great Britain is less than five.

Accepts Butterfly Collection.

President Loubet has authorized the Paris Museum of Natural History to accept M. Boullet's collection of butterflies, which is valued at $20,000.

Antidote for Hay Fever.

Prof. Dunbar, of Hamburg, claims to have discovered the poison in the pollen of flowers which causes hay fever, and also its antidote.

Has Another Job.

Again, what's in a name? William Shakespeare is selling soda water at Tropic, in southern Utah.—Salt Lake Tribune.

Suicides in Germany.

There are more suicides in Germany than in any European country, and in the army the general rate is doubled.

Pennell Left Large Estate.

Arthur B. Pennell, who perished with his wife in the Buffalo stone quarry, left an estate of $221,000.

Oldest Map of Rome.

The oldest map of Rome, which is preserved, is the Forum Urbis, cut in 140 pieces of marble.

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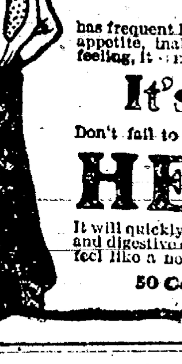

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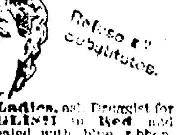

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Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

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This was said in '92 and during her eight years' residence later nothing was heard to the contrary. She says "To believe in the stability of the German government it is only necessary to live in the capital city. While we may be annoyed and amused by some of its restrictions we have there what we do not have here—namely a safe city. In Berlin water is pure, food unadulterated, fire under control, human life valued, and the streets are safe for even unprotected women far into the night."

We can give our neighbors credit for all the virtues they possess, yet love our own homes and country best, and see its dangers. Liberty to drink, gamble, or practice any vice simply means suicide to the individual or to the nation who does these things.

Signs of the Kingdom in Porto Rico, Rev Thomas Stevenson gives some very interesting items regarding missionary work there. At first our missionaries were looked upon with suspicion as simply being agents of a great political organization, and they were closely watched in all their movements and in their dealings with all classes. When it became evident that the kingdom we sought to establish was not of this world and the rule we were trying to bring in was the rule of Divine love, prejudice gradually vanished, contempt gave place to respect and now our message is gladly received by thousands. As the mists of superstition clear away Christ becomes to them a bright and living reality. Those who have found this great deliverance are so anxious to spread the good news, that all our societies are embarassed by the numbers who volunteer their services for Christian work. From the converts young men have been chosen as colparteurs and sent out under direction of the agent of the American Bible Society to carry the glad tidings into the lonely and waste places, to all people.

Every good citizen would be interested in the New Voice of Feb. 11th, as it gives an account of the eight years' work of the International Reform Bureau; a Christian organization, non sectarian and non partisan, inaugurated in 1895 by Wilbur F. Crafts; incorporated at the national capital in 1896; its trustees are Hon Chas Lyman, president; Rev F D Power, D D, secretary; Rev Wilbur F Crafts, superintendent and treasurer; Gen John Eaton, L L D, Rev Asa Fisk, D D, all of Washington, D C, and other prominent men of Pittsburg, Baltimore and Philadelphia. It is the only national reform organization having a building of its own—a guarantee of permanence. Its headquarters is at 206 Pennsylvania avenue S E, Washington, D C. The primary object of the Bureau is to secure the passage by congress of important and much needed legislation along all lines of moral reform, and also to prevent the passage of bad legislation affecting the moral welfare of our country. The Bureau's committee is glad to report, to the credit of congress and for the encouragement and rebuke of good citizens, that in eight years of its history no moral measure has failed to pass for which public opinion has adequately expressed itself in petitions, letters, telegrams and living deputations, nor has congress failed to defeat any immoral measures against which, by the same means, adequate similar protest has been made. Congress has passed eight laws drawn up by the bureau, and 100 other acts great and small in which the reform bureau had a leading part. We put this number of the New Voice in our high school library so that our teachers and growing youths may see what forces for good are at work in our government and how the people can most quickly and surely secure any desired legislation. It certainly ought to be a part of the education of today.

COLONIST RATES

During March and April the Burlington will sell one way to the Pacific Coast at very low rates.

Here are some of them:

$25 to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

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Natal's Mimosa Bark.

An important industry has sprung up in Natal during the last few years in the growing of wattle trees (Acacia mollissima, or mimosa), the bark of which is exported to Great Britain and to the continent for tanning purposes. The trees are planted in close rows so that they grow tall and straight with few branches except near the top; some will attain a height of sixty feet or more, according to soil and climate. The bark is cut close to the ground and beaten with the back of an ax to loosen and split it. Then it is removed by hand and torn into strips, the latter being twelve feet or more in length. The tree is then cut down, the branches and top lopped off, and the trunk thoroughly barked. The pieces are then cut into ten feet lengths and tied into bundles of about fifty pounds weight and dried. When dry, the strips are again cut up and packed into sacks for export. A good plantation will yield about five tons of bark per acre, and its present value before being cut and packed is 5s. a hundredweight. In 1896 the value of the export from Natal was £17,200; in 1898 the export had risen to £30,929.

Toothpicks Taken from Restaurants.

"I'd like to know what my customers do with all the toothpicks they carry away," says a restaurant proprietor. "Few men take a single toothpick. Most of them take half a dozen, ad many a whole handful, and when they come in here again for the next meal they take as many over again. They don't need them. It's all due to the toothpick chewing habit, which seems to be growing. There isn't anything particularly pleasant about chewing a wooden toothpick, and it may be injurious if a piece of the wood lodges in the throat or gets down into the stomach, as it is very apt to do."

So Sweet and Pleasing in Taste!

Mrs. C. Peterson, 625 Lake St., Topeka, Kan., speaking of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, says: "It has never failed to give entire satisfaction, and of all cough remedies, it is my favorite, and I must confess to my many friends that it will do, and has done, what is claimed for it—to speedily cure a cough or a cold; and it is so sweet and so pleasing in taste." 25c, 50c and $1.00 bottle at F. M. Colwell's.

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The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

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Diet Aimed at Overstoutness.

A new "cure" has appeared in Paris, said to be much in vogue, especially among members of the smart set. It takes the form of a special diet and the particular malady at which it is aimed is overstoutness. The idea of this diet is that everything, or nearly everything, must be eaten cold; and even hot coffee, tea or soup is forbidden to those following the regime. The early breakfast of toast, cold game or hard-boiled eggs and ham is accompanied by a cup of cold milk. At luncheon, again, there is nothing but cold meats and cold puddings, with bread and cheese or salad; while, again, at night, the meal may consist only of mayonnaise of fish, cold entrees and entremets. All this may be well enough and possibly beneficial—to some people. But to claim that a "cold" diet of this sort will prove beneficial to all persons afflicted with too much flesh is claiming too much.

Fashion's Diction.

The word "charming," as applied to men, women, music, books and weather, has gone out with the century. Like the black velvet bows for the hair and the pulley belts, it became common, and has therefore been dropped from the vocabulary of society small talk. Attractive is the smart word now—if it happens to be appropriate. If not, there is a choice of expressions, the simpler the better. In fact, society seems to be striving after simplicity in speech. It no longer says "yacht;" instead, we hear the simpler word boat; playhouse where we formerly heard theater, and so on ad infinitum. By these earmarks one's social status is easily recognized.

Dimmed Eyeglasses.

Every wearer of eyeglasses has noticed how they become dim with moisture when subjected to a suddden change of temperature—as, for instance, when the wearer goes from the cold outer and into a warm room. The reason is, of course, that the cold glass causes a condensation of the vapor with which the warm air is laden, and thus becomes coated with little globules of water. A German scientific paper says that this may be prevented by rubbing the glasses with soft potash soap every morning. They may be polished bright after the soap is applied, but an invisible film is left on them that will prevent the deposit of moisture.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For ulcers, wounds, piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by F. M. Colwell, druggist.

Matrimony among teachers is now called "insubordination," by the New York school board.

ABOUT THOSE BIG WAVES.

Not Larger Than Usual, but Due to a Boat's Position.

One does not hear nowadays when a steamer has an experience like that of the Teutonic on her last voyage over quite so much talk about "tidal waves" as always resulted from such episodes a few years ago, but even now there seems to be a very general misapprehension as to what happens in these cases, and a still more general misapprehension as to why it happens. In reality it is hardly more exact to speak of "giant waves" than of "tidal waves," for, though the waves in any given series differ appreciably in size, the difference is rarely if ever enough even to begin to account for the damage that one particular wave among the many harmless ones often does. Officers on the bridge of the Teutonic, despite the sharp watch ahead which they were doubtless keeping, saw no notable aggregation of water approaching them, and the reason they did not was that there was none to see, says the New York Times. What they did notice was a lively sea, with the usual variations in the distance between its elevations and depressions. Then the vessel's stem chanced to strike one of the larger waves just at the instant when the stern chanced to be raised by another larger wave, and as a natural consequence a lot of water came aboard. But it didn't "rush aft," as most of the accounts say. The water comprising a wave has no horizontal motion, though the form of the wave has, and what "rushing aft" there was, beyond the not very fierce inclination of the shipped sea to find its level on the decks, was altogether due to the rushing forward of the steamer. The Teutonic's speed in ordinary weather averages somewhere in the neighborhood of eighteen knots, and with a vessel moving at that rate a large mass of water, though dropped straight downward on her forward section, reaches the stern, or some intermediate obstruction, in a very minute period. The motion is in most part only apparent, but the effects are the same as though the water moved, instead of the ship, and the consequences to passengers and deck structures, while often serious, are not in the slightest degree mysterious. "Giant waves," like "tidal waves," are only encountered by vessels driven rapidly into a head sea, and whenever such driving is done the experienced passenger will carry himself cautiously, though the decks may have been dry for hours and the sea no higher than before. Such passengers know, as do all the sailormen on board, that if ship and sea happen to assume certain relative positions a wave that otherwise would attract no attention will do what none of its peers has done—reach the deck and cause it to be swept by some tons of water moving, to all intents and purposes, at a speed not much less than that of an express train.

Among the deals reported by Messrs Stewart & Fullerton this week is the sale of the Ross Linn 160-acre farm to John M. Osborn. The consideration was $8,500.—Pawnee Chief.

It is sad, but the glittering show girl is likely to be a thing of the past after the present season, says the New York Sun. She has had a vogue for three seasons that has thrown into the background even some of the stars of musical comedy. Now she has to get out herself. The show girl was a sort of a sublimated chorus girl who wore very beautiful long dresses, and was beautiful enough to stand by herself in the front row and smile about the theater at those persons who were her acquaintances, or those persons who she wanted the audience to think were her acquaintances.

The old sexton approached the pulpit.

"Parson," he exclaimed in a hoarse whisper, "the church is on fire!"

"All right, John, don't get excited," replied the good man, as he stopped right in the middle of his sermon. "You pass down one aisle while I go down the other, and we'll quietly wake up the congregation."

The Oat Wonder.

The Editor must tell its readers of this marvel. It originated with the largest farm seed growers in the world, John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis. It has stiff straw, stands up like a stone wall, is white, heavy, and has long ears, filled to the tip with fat, plump kernels. It is a great stooler, 80 stocks from one kernel.

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In New Caledonia there is said to be an herb which has the rare property of revealing one's secrets. It is known as the daturn stramonium, and has white flowers and rough berries, full of dark grains. They are treated of in the current number of Annals of Hygiene and Colonial Medicine. A person who has swallowed the tea made of this herb will, after falling asleep, tell where his money is hidden, and will also arise and go direct to where his treasure is concealed. Robbers often use this tea as knock-out drops with which to rob their victims.—The Boston Globe.

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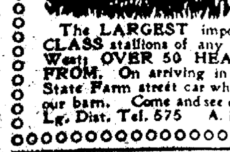

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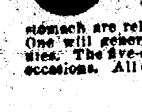

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INTERESTING TO AMERICANS.

Western Canada Will Soon Become the Supply Depot for Wheat for Great Britain.

During the past year about 50,000 Americans went from the United States to Canada. Most of these settled upon farm lands, and the writer is informed by agents of the Canadian Government that the greatest success has followed the efforts of nearly all. To their friends on this side of the boundary line the fullest assurance is given of the prosperity that is in store for them. There will always be a splendid market for all the grain, cattle, and other produce that can be raised in Western Canada, and with the advantages offered of a free homestead of 160 acres of land, and other lands which may be bought cheaply, an excellent climate, splendid school system, educational advantages of the best, what more is required. The husbandman gets more return for his money than in any other country in the world.

On the occasion of Sir Wilfred Laurier's visit to the Corn Exchange, London, England, Colonel Montgomery, V. D., made several important statements. "The function," he said, "which you have just been assisting in connection with a kindred association has doubtless shown you the importance of the provision trade of Liverpool in its relationship with the Dominion, and the enormous possibilities of the future development of that trade. Well, the grain trade of Liverpool has interests with Canada no less important than those of the provision trade. When it is borne in mind that 80 per cent of the breadstuffs of this great country has to be brought from abroad, you will readily appreciate with what great satisfaction we view the large and steadily increasing supplies of grain which are annually available for export from Canada, and I challenge contradiction when I say that of the wheats we import from Russia, India, the Pacific, and the length and breadth of the United States, none gives more general satisfaction, none is more generally appreciated than that raised in the Province of Manitoba. We cannot get enough of it, and it is no exaggeration to say that there are before us dozens of millers who hunger for it. This is not the time to enter into statistical questions, but we look forward with confidence to the time at which, with the present rate of progress, the Dominion of Canada will have a sufficient surplus of wheat to render this country independent of other sources of supply. I think I may, with justifiable pride, remind you that this is the chief grain market of the British Empire, and through its excellent geographical position, as well as through the enterprise of its millers, it is now the second milling center in the world.

Send to any authorized Canadian Government agent for copy of Atlas and information as to railway rate, etc.

The new flowered sash ribbons are used for making waists, many of which are sumptuous garments. The colors are rich almost beyond description, but as they are all of the silks called chine, that is, where the design is so woven as to give a broken, shadowy effect, they are not the least gaudy. A pale corn color, for instance, has wheat and poppy pattern in soft shades of red and light yellow. The sash has a border of rose pink satin and when the waist is made this edge form box plaits. Another has a surface of black shaded with smoky gray. The pattern is of sprawling red roses and green leaves and the satin border is black. White with Dresden rosebuds, pale blue with water lilies, and golden yellow with wheat and corn flowers are others noted in passing.

It is said that hash is about to be recognized by our government. Already commissary officers in different parts of the country have made experiments on the troops in the use of canned hash, and the result is claimed by the officers to be satisfactory—to themselves. One advantage of it will be that it will not require the thirty-two bites which Mr. Gladstone asserted should be given to every mouthful of food before swallowing it.

..The Most Common Disease.

Yorktown, Ark., Feb. 29th.—Leland Williamson, M. D., a successful and clever local physician, says:

"There is scarcely another form of disease a physician is called upon so often to treat as Kidney Disease. I invariably prescribe Dodd's Kidney Pills and am not disappointed in their effect for they are always reliable. I could mention many cases in which I have used this medicine with splendid success, for example, I might refer to the case of Mr. A. H. Cole.

"Age 31, greatly emaciated, some fever, great pain and pressure over region of Kidneys, urine filled with pus or corruption and very foul smelling and passed some blood. Directed to drink a great deal of water, gave brisk purgative and Dodd's Kidney Pills. The pills were continued regularly for three weeks and then a few doses every week, especially if patient felt any pain in region of Kidneys. Cured completely and patient performed his duties as farm laborer in four weeks."

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Nebraska Notes.

Fritz Hecker, a Putnam lad, had his hand caught in a corn shredder and his fingers torn to pieces, and then blood poisoning caused his death.

Farmers who have winter wheat growing in Dodge county are of the opinion that unless there should be some snow, the crop will be light.

The Wausa Gazette says it knows of many instances where the price of land has within the past four years increased from one-third to one-half.

Nebraska City thieves are cleaning out honest people's cellars. In some cases more than a wagon load of meat, vegetables and canned fruit has been taken.

The contract for a cold storage building at the institute for feeble minded youth at Beatrice was awarded to Louis Werner of Beatrice, his bid being $3,391.

During the month of January Sheriff Wyckofff of Saline county, gathered 80 dozens of eggs laid by 75 hens. He had 75 chickens hatched and has 20 hens setting.

Nebraska cities and towns are anticipating an active building season. Many of them are reporting contracts for such work as soon as the weather permits it to begin.

The Beatrice Express announces that its department under the head of "Too Late to Classify" which has appeared on the editorial page for eleven years, will be discontinued.

A new organization in Omaha is called the Christian Volunteer Warriors. It is said to be commanded by generals, colonels, captains, etc., and to be equipped with all sorts of flags, drums and other war material.

The pay roll of the city government of Kearney has been materially shortened. The council has abolished the salaries of the mayor, members of the council and sewer inspector, and cut off $200 from the city attorney's salary.

A vicious dog attacked a lady at Fremont. The sheriff happened to be near and interposed, whereupon the beast attacked him. Te emptied his revolver at the beast and never touched him.

The blooded stock sale on the farm of Andrew Golder near Scribner was one of the most successful sales ever conducted in Dodge county. The receipts were upwards of $15,000, possibly $18,000. The attendance was large, buyers being present from different parts of the state.

Frederick Riggert of Fremont has a family horse 35 years old. He thought it humane to end the animals life, and so turned him over to a man for that purpose. The latter, however, sold it to a horse trader. Then Riggert replevined the animal, and will see that it is not abused.

An old smokestack standing on the site of an abandoned distillery is a queer place to find a store of salted meat, nice hams and bacon, but that is exactly what has just been found at Nebraska City. The meat had been stolen and "planted" there, and now the authorities are trying to find parties whose taste for meat is so much stronger than their regard for the law.

County Surveyor Edquist of Douglas county has almost completed his plans and notes for the protection of the west bank of the Missouri river between the waterworks at Omaha and the point where the river turns abruptly to the south. He estimates that permanent protection can not be provided for less than $250,000. At present the owners of the land are figuring on an expenditure of $5,000 for fascines which will be built at intervals along the bank for the purpose of throwing the current outward toward the middle of the stream. The company which has offered to do the work for the foregoing sum believes that this protection is all that will be required. But Mr. Edquist thinks that the fascines will give only temporary protection.

The Burlington carpenter shops at Havelock have turned out the first batch of cement signal posts, and they will be used to replace the old ones made of wood. This is an experiment, as none of the cement posts have as yet been put in place. Iron standards will replace the old ones of wood, and the bases will be molded from crushed rock and cement. If those just made prove successful, all the whistling posts and crossing marks will be constructed from the same material.

Three wagon loads of books were hauled to the state house and then hauled away again. They were copies of the Cobbey statutes which were ordered by act of the last legislature. The supreme court had given a decision in the injunction suit instituted by Mr. Stonebraker to prevent the secretary of state and auditor from purchasing the books on the ground that the volumes could not be legally given to members of the legislature. The lower court granted an injunction and the supreme court reversed the judgmeant. Acting on the order of Mr. Cobbey the printer hauled the books to the state house for delivery. Nobody would receive them for the reason that the suit is not finished and can not be until the plaintiff has been allowed forty days in which to file a motion for a new trial.

The gray wolves are becoming so bold near Riverside, Cheyenne county, that they come down the river valley and kill cattle right in front yards. They attacked Pat Rowland's herd but did not succeed in killing anything, although a calf was badly bitten.

It would be cheaper to pay fare than to do what a colored cook of Norfolk did. Without an overcoat, mittens or cap, he rode from Fremont to Norfolk on the front end of a train against a fierce wind. As a result one of his feet, his ears and one hand were so badly frozen that the hide burst open in spots because of the swelling.

Mrs. Newlywed—I am so ignorant about the duties of a wife, dear. I'm simply ashamed of myself. And Richard is as much of an ignoramus as myself.

Mrs. Elderly—You ought to be wise-acres. You've been married nearly a year.

Mrs. Newlywed—Why, my dear; we haven't been divorced yet.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.
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"No, but my confidence in you is severely shaken."

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"Isn't it odd that pretty women always marry plain men?"

"They don't always."

"Tell me one instance, if you can, where a pretty woman has a handsome husband."

"Certainly. My wife is one of the prettiest women in the district."

Aristophanes had just received an order to write "Wasps." "It will be hard for the chorus girls to make good," he said, "as corsets have not yet been placed on the market."

Nevertheless he decided to turn out the production and let the girls take the chances.

One of the hardest things for a man to do when he has come home late from the club and tried to go to bed without taking his collar off is to explain to his wife he heard it was a good cure for sore throat.

A woman thinks she would be perfectly contented if she could wear furs on the Fourth of July and an openwork waist out sleighing.

No, Maude dear; a man doesn't necessarily have his leg pulled just because he happens to be carried on a stretcher.

Mrs. Buggins—I ordered a beautiful decollette gown today.

Mr. Buggins—Well, you'll have to shoulder the responsibility.

Mr. Short—Can I believe it—you will really marry me.

Miss Tall—Yes, I always make my own dresses, and, as we are both the same height, you will come real handy when I'm cutting and fitting.

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When it comes to acquiring a knowledge of schoolbooks the small boy prefers absent treatment.

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And His Daughter Matched Him.

Coffee drinking troubled the family of a physician of Grafton, W. Va., who describes the situation briefly:

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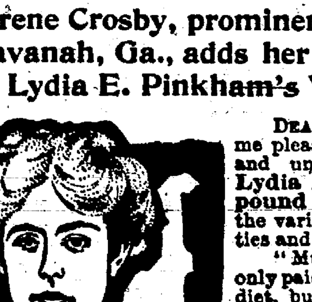
Miss Irene Crosby, prominent in Social Life in East Savanah, Ga., adds her testimonial to the value of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



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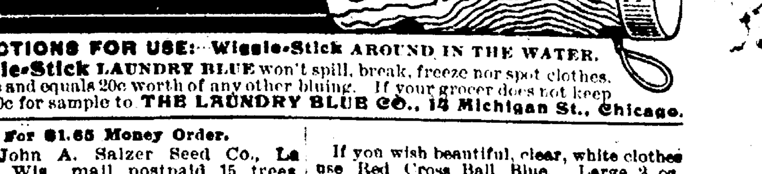

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THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XXI.—Continued.

"There must be some motive shown for the supposition of such an act as murder. What motive can be shown here? Certainly not that of robbery. The horse of the missing man came back alone, its lariat dragging, as we shall prove. It had not been ridden since the lariat was broken. You all know, as we shall prove, that this man Juan was never known to ride a horse. We shall prove that he walked sixty miles, to the very spot where the horse had been tied, and that he scorned to touch a horse on his whole journey. He wanted no horse. He stole no horse. That was no motive.

"To be subject to the law, as you very well know, a man must be morally responsible. He must know right and wrong. I shall show to you that when this man was a child he was struck a severe blow upon the head and that since that time he has never been of sound mind, his brain never recovering from that shock, a blow which actually broke in a portion of his skull. Since that time he has had recurrent times of violent insanity, with alternating spells of what seems a semi-idiocy. This man's mind never grew. In some ways his animal senses are keen to a remarkable degree, but of reason he has little or none. He can not tell you why he does thus or so. This I shall prove to you.

"I ask you, gentlemen of the jury, you who hold this man's life in your hands, are you going to hang a man for murder when it is not shown a murder has been done? And would you hang a man who is more ignorant than a child of right or wrong? Is that fair play? Gentlemen, we are all here together, and one of us is as good as another. Our ambitions are the same. We stand here together for the best interests of this growing country—this country whose first word has always has been fair play.

"Now, say, friend, you don't want to get too gay."

"Answer the question, Mr. Haskins," said the court.

"Well, all right, judge; I'll do it to oblige you. The most we saw there was where a fire had been. Looked like a right smart fire. They was plenty o' ashes lyin' there."

"Did you see anything in the ashes?"

"What business is it a' yourn?"

"Now, now," said the court, "you must answer the questions, Mr. Haskins."

"All right, judge," said Curly. "Well, I dunno hardly what we did see any mor'n what I tole all the boys when we first brought Juan in. I tole you all."

"Very well," said the prosecutor; "what did you see? Anything like a man's figure?"

"We object!" said Franklin, but Curly answered: "Well, yes, it did look like a feller a-layin' there. But when we touched it—"

"Never mind. Did the prisoner see this figure?"

"Shore."

"What did he do?"

"Well, he acted plumb loco. He get down an' hollers, 'Madre de Dios!' he hollers. I 'low he wuz plenty scared."

"Did he look scared?"

"Well, when we roped him he didn't make no kick."

"Never mind. He saw the figure in the ashes?"

"What do you know about it?—you wasn't there."

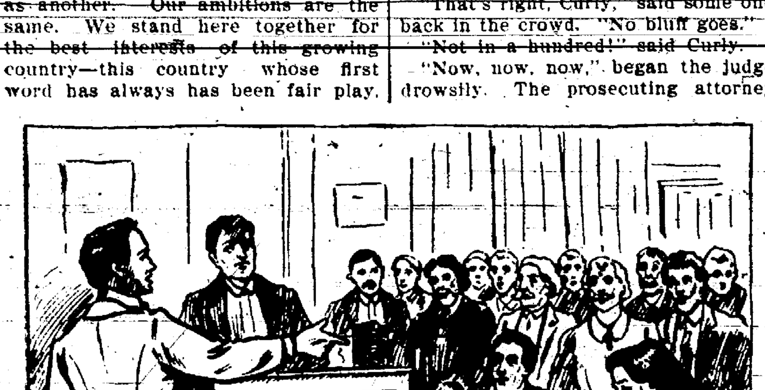
"No, but I am going to make you tell what was there."

"You are, huh? Well, you crack yer whip. I like to see any feller make me tell anything I don't want to tell."

"That's right, Curly," said some one back in the crowd. "No bluff goes."

"Not in a hundred!" said Curly.

"Now, now, now," began the judge drowsily. The prosecuting attorney



"I say, first give him his chance."

Now, is it your already formed wish to punish this man? I say, no. I say, first give him his chance."

As Franklin ceased and seated himself the silence was again broken by a rising buzz of conversation. This was proving really a very interesting show, this trial. It must go on yet a little further.

"Call William Haskins," said the prosecuting attorney, standing up, with his hands in his pockets.

"William Haskins, William Haskins, William Haskins! Come into court!" cried out the clerk from his corner of the store box. No immediate response was made. Some one nudged Curly, who started up.

"Who—me?" he said.

"Is your name William Haskins?" asked the judge.

"Reckon so," said Curly. "My folks used to call me that. I usually go under the road brand o' 'Curly,' though." He took his seat on a stool near the store box, was sworn, with his hat on, and the prosecuting attorney began the examination.

"What is your name?"

"Why, Curly."

"What is your occupation?"

"What?"

"How do you make your living?"

"Punchin' cows. Not that I 'low it's any o' yore d——d business."

"Where do you reside?"

"Where do I live?"

"Yes."

"Well, now, I don't know. My folks lives on the Brazos, an' I've been drivin' two years. Now I take up a claim on the Smoky, out here. I 'low I'll go North right soon, to Wyomin', maybe."

"How old are you?"

"Oh, I don't know; but I 'low about twenty-four or twenty-five, along in there."

"Where were you last Wednesday?"

"What?"

"Were you one of the posse sent out to search for Cal Greathouse?"

"Yep; me and Cap Franklin, there."

"Who else?"

"Why, Juan, there, him. He was trailin' the hoss for us."

"Where did you go?"

"About sixty miles southwest, into the breaks of the Smoky."

"What did you find?"

"We found a old camp. Hoss had been tied there and broke his lariat. Bushes was broke some, but we didn't see no blood, as I know of."

"Never mind what you didn't see."

"Well now—"

"Answer my question."

counseled of craftiness, at this juncture, foreseeing trouble if he insisted. "Take the witness," he said abruptly.

"Cross-'xamine, d'fense," said the judge, settling back.

"Now, Curly," said Franklin, as he took up the questioning again, "please tell us what Juan did after he saw this supposed figure in the ashes."

"Well, of course, Juan acted plenty loco—you know that."

"Very well. Now, what, if anything, did you do to this alleged body in the ashes?"

"What did I do to it?" said Curly. "Why, I poked it with a stick."

"What happened?"

"Why, it fell plumb to pieces."

"Did it disappear?"

"Shore it did. Wasn't a thing left."

"Did it look like a man's body, then?"

"No, it just looked like a pile o' ashes."

"Bore no trace or resemblance to a man, then?"

"None whatever."

"You wouldn't have taken it for a body, then?"

"Nope. Course not."

"Was any part of a body left?"

"Naty thing."

"Any boot, hat or bit of clothing?"

"Not a single thing, fur's I c'd see."

"Well, now, Curly," said Franklin, "please tell us how long you have known this prisoner."

"Ever since we was kids together. He used to be a mozo on my pap's ranch, over in San Saba county."

"Did you ever know him to receive any injury, any blow about the head?"

"Well, onct, ole Hank Swartzman swatted him over the head with a swingletree. Sort o' laid him out, some."

"Did he act strangely after receiving that blow?"

"Why, yes; I reckon you would yourself. He hit him a good lick. It was for ridin' Hank's favorite mare, an' from that time to now Juan ain't never been on horseback since. That shows he's loco. Any man what walks is loco. Part o' the time, Juan, he's bronco, but all the time he's loco."

"He has spells of violence?"

"Shore. You know that. You seen how he fit that Injun—"

"Oh, keep him to the line," protested the prosecutor.

"Now, say," insisted Curly, "if you want something they ain't none o' you said a word about yet, I'll tell you something. You see, Juan, he had a sister, and this here Cal Greathouse, he—"

"I object, yo' Honoh! I object!" cried the state's attorney, springing to his feet. "This is bringin' the dignity o' the law into ridicule, sah! Into ridicule! I object!"

"Er, ah-h-h!" yawned the judge, suddenly sitting up. "'Journ court, Mr. Clerk! We will set to-morrow mornin' at the same place, at nine o'clock. Who is in charge of this prisoner? There ought to be some one to take care of him."

"I reckon I am, Judge," said Curly. "He is sort o' stayin' with me while Bill's under the weather."

"Well, take him in charge some one, and have him here in the morning."

"All right, judge," said Curly quietly. "I'll take care of him."

It was three o'clock of the afternoon. The thirst of a district judge had adjourned the district court. Franklin's heart sank. He dreaded the night. The real court, as he admitted to himself, would continue its session that night at the Cottage bar, and perhaps it might not adjourn until a verdict had been rendered.

CHAPTER XXII.

The Verdict.

There came over the town of Ellisville that night an ominous quiet. But few men appeared on the streets. Nobody talked, or if any one did there was one subject to which no reference was made.

Franklin finished his dinner, went to his room and buckled on his revolver, smiling grimly as he did so at the thought of how intimately all law is related to violence, and how relative to its environment is all law. He went to Battersleigh's room and knocked entering at the loud invitation of that friend.

"Shure, Ned, me boy," said Battersleigh, "ye've yer side arms on this evenin'. Ye give up the profission of arms with reluctance. Tell me, Ned, what's the campaign fer the evenin'?"

"Well," said Franklin, "I thought I'd step over and sit awhile with Curly this evening. He may be feeling a little lonesome."

"Quite right ye are, me boy," said Battersleigh cheerfully. "Quite right. An' if ye don't mind I'll just jine ye. It's lonesome I am meself the night."

Battersleigh busied himself about his room, and soon appeared arrayed, as was Franklin himself, with revolver at his belt.

"Shure, Ned, me boy," he said, "an officer an' a gintleman should nivver appear abroad without his side arms. At laste, methinks, not on a night like this." He looked at Franklin calmly, and the latter rose and grasped the hand of the fearless old soldier without a word. The two strolled out together down the street in the direction of the shanty where Curly was keeping his "prisoner."

(To be continued.)

CLEVER TRICK THAT WON.

Ambitious Youth Sold His Verses by a Ruse.

Many years ago, writes Mr. Thomas Bailey Aldrich in "Ponkapog Papers," a noted Boston publisher used to keep a large memorandum book on a table in his private office. The volume always lay open, and was in no manner a private affair, being the receptacle of nothing more important than hastily scrawled reminders to attend to this thing or the other.

It chanced one day that a very young, unfledged author, passing through the city, looked in upon the publisher, who was also the editor of a famous magazine. The unfledged had a copy of verses secreted about his person. The publisher was absent and young Milton sat down and waited.

Presently his eye fell upon the memorandum book, lying there spread out like a morning newspaper, and almost in spite of himself he read, "Don't forget to see the binder," "Don't forget to mail E. his contract," "Don't forget H.'s proofs," and so forth.

An inspiration seized upon the youth. He took a pencil and at the tail of this long list of "don't forgets" he wrote, "Don't forget to accept A.'s poem."

He left his manuscript on the table and disappeared. That afternoon when the publisher glanced over his memoranda he was not a little astonished at the last item; but his sense of humor was so strong that he did accept the poem—it required a strong sense of humor to do that—and sent the lad a check for it, although the verses remain to this day unprinted.—Youth's Companion.

Mechanical Aids to Rapid Reading.

At the meeting of the French Academy of Sciences, held recently, M. Andre Broca and M. Sulzer communicated a paper on the subject of rapid reading. They showed that the different letters of the alphabet are not all apprehended with the same quickness. For instance, the time taken to recognize an E is nearly one-third longer than that taken to recognize a T. They consider that the alphabet is badly designed from a physiological point of view. It should be composed of very simply designed letters as T or L. Rapidity of reading would thus be increased and "brain fag" would be notably diminished. It would also be better to have the letters printed in white on a black ground than the system which obtains at present. The time taken to recognize a letter printed in black on a white ground was nearly ten times longer than white on a black ground.

An Interesting Girl.

Goldenrod—I'm quite anxious that you meet her.

Silverton—What sort of a girl is she—one with a past?

Goldenrod—No; but I don't think she'd object to having one.—Town Topics.

HEARTH & BOUDOIR.

Child's Sacque and Kimono.

Loose sacques that can be slipped on at a moment's notice are always in demand for the wee folk, who must be kept warm. The little sacque and kimono illustrated are quite different in effect, but each serves its purpose admirably. The sacque is made of white cashmere with trimming of lace insertion and frills and the kimono of pale blue flannel embroidered with French knots, but both are suited to a variety of materials.

The sacque is made with fronts and back that are gathered and attached to a shallow yoke. At the neck edge is a big round collar that falls well over the shoulders and the sleeves are full and ample, gathered into wristbands. The kimono is made in one piece which is so shaped as to form sleeves when tied together at the open spaces.

The quantity of material required

4650 Child's Sacque and Kimono, 6 mos. 1, 2 and 4 years.

for the medium size (2 years) is for sacque 1⅝ yards 27 inches wide, 1½ yards 32 or 1¼ yards 44 inches wide, with 4 yards of insertion and 6 yards of edging to trim as illustrated; for kimono 1 yard 27 inches wide or ⅞ yards 32 or 44 inches wide.

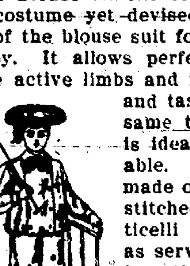
The pattern, 4650, is cut in sizes for children of 6 months, 1, 2 and 4 years of age.

The New Wide Girdle.

Girdles are becoming more complex as they widen. Some that close in back taper off into ends that extend down the skirt and end in fringe or like dangle. Some of these go away to the hem; others not far from the waist line.

Boy's Blouse Knickerbocker Suit.

No costume yet devised takes the place of the blouse suit for the growing boy. It allows perfect freedom for the active limbs and is becoming and tasteful at the same time that it is ideally comfortable. This one is made of blue serge stitched with corticelli silk and is as servicable as it is attractive, but there are a variety of materials from which to choose. With the coming of warm weather washable fabrics will be in vogue and for the cooler days all the light weight wools are appropriate.



4655 Boy's Knickerbocker Suit, 4 to 10 yrs.

The suit consists of blouse and knickerbockers. The blouse is shaped by means of shoulder and under-arm seams and finished with tucks at the front, which give the effect of a wide box plait, while its lower edge is drawn up by means of elastic inserted in the hem. The sleeves are box plaited and finished with straight cuffs. At the neck is a turn-over collar. The knickerbockers are the regulation ones that are opened at the sides and drawn up by means of elastic beneath the knees.

The quantity of material required for the medium size (8 years) is 3⅞ yards 27 inches wide, 2½ yards 44 inches wide or 2⅛ yards 52 inches wide.

The pattern, 4655, is cut in sizes for boys of 4, 6, 8 and 10 years of age.

Elaborate Umbrella Handles.

The handles of umbrellas and parasols have grown so elaborate and expensive since the new sets have been introduced that it is desirable to have a case to protect them when traveling. One made of light-weight green tapestry with a sprawling pattern of pink roses was appropriate. It was lined with chamois skin.

Trim and Pretty Girdles.

Bead belts have had their day—but artistic creations of the kind from abroad are always au fait. The narrow patent leather belt that was so undeniably trim and stylish has been banished, and the broad belt of soft leather or suede has taken its place. The broad belts are unbecoming to the average woman, they are very expensive and call for high-priced buckles that can never be used for any other belt. One of the best of them is of soft suede in a pale gray. It crushes almost as easily as a satin, and therefore accommodates itself nicely to the figure. Broad red leather belts look well worn under short Eton coats.

The Kitchen

Alcohol added to the ice water in which cold compresses are dipped will make these much more efficacious. Where cold cloths are applied to the head or throat they should be as light as possible. Muslin or cheesecloth makes the best compress.

Nuts are said to make a great improvement in chicken salad. A cup of English walnut meats to a cup of celery cubed and one of chicken also cut in cubes is the proper proportion.

An easy way to keep enamel saucepans, pie dishes, etc., clean: Take a small piece of emery cloth, damp it, and rub all soiled parts; rinse well first in soapy, then in clean water, when they will be found quite spotless and quite new.

Put a gill of cream, well salted, into a strong, damp cloth; tie it up tightly and bury it in the earth, well covering it; leave all night, and in the morning take it up, and you will have a lump of nice, stiff cream cheese. Press it into a nice shape and decorate with parsley.

THE WELL DRESSED WOMAN

Loose, belted back coats are very fashionable for walking suits.

The drooping shoulder line is most fashionably imperative at present.

Tiny ruches, now a very smart trimming feature, is an old fashion revived.

The passing of the long coat by spring is confidently predicted by fashion wisacres.

The prevalent idea in dress just now is to have everything loose and comfortable.

Ruffles such as were in style in 1830 now trim the skirts of the smart house gown.

Newer by far than either tucks or shirrings are the old-time gaugings and smockings.

A feature, wholly new, upon the coats of tailor gowns for dress wear is the high girdle.

Except for strictly rough-and-ready gowns the swagger sleeve is almost two-thirds lace.

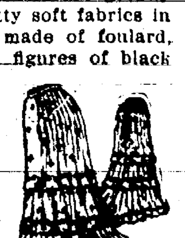
Illuminated Leather Novelties.

"Illuminated leather" table mats and spreads are taking the place of the burnt leather novelties which have been so popular. Some rich effects are obtained by this new method of decoration, which is far handsomer than anything ever devised by the pyrographer. The work is done by the use of a stencil and the decoration is in the embossed style.

One of the most elegant table mats is circular in shape and about thirty-six inches in diameter. It is of dark brown leather and has a Grecian scroll border in gold, with raised iridescent figures above it. As the light falls on the mat the latter appears to be illuminated, hence the name.

Sectional Tucked Skirt.

Triple skirts are shown in many of the newest costumes and are greatly liked for all the pretty soft fabrics in style. This one is made of foulard, amethyst color with figures of black and white, stitched with black corticelli silk, and is charmingly graceful, but is adapted to the entire range of seasonable materials, cotton and linen as well as silk and wool, and is peculiarly desirable for bordered goods and the washable fabrics which it is always well to cut straight at the lower edge.



4654 Sectional Tucked Skirt, 22 to 30 waist.

The tucked upper portion is fitted smoothly over the hips but allowed to fall in folds below and the center and lower portions give graceful lines that harmonize therewith.

The skirt consists of the three portions, all of which are straight at the lower edges. The upper portion is left plain at the front but is tucked at sides and back while the center and lower portions are gathered at their upper edges. Each section is finished with a hem and beneath those of the upper and center portions the joinings are made. When preferred the tucks at the belt can be omitted and the fulness arranged in gathers.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 11¼ yards 21 inches wide, 8⅝ yards 27 inches wide 5⅝ yards 44 inches wide or 4¼ yards 52 inches wide.

The pattern 4654 is cut in sizes for a 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 inch waist measure.

Informal TALKS

A strip of carpet glued to a piece of wood will remove mud from boots quickly and without the slightest injury to leather, and is far better than the usual brush.

When pouring hot fruit into a glass dish place the latter on a wet cloth. This prevents any chance of the glass cracking, which would otherwise be very likely to happen.

When bottling pickles or ketchup it is a good plan to boil the corks, and while hot press them tightly into the bottles, so that when they are cold they are tightly sealed.

ONE OF THE NEW LINEN WAISTS.

Linen, with bands of Bulgarian embroidery, makes the smartest of all smart materials for shirt waists. The excellent model shown is made of white linen etamine with bands of the same material embroidered by hand, all the linen fabrics, colored as well as white, are in vogue and woven bandings, similar in color and design to the embroidered ones can be obtained. The waist is tucked to give a yoke effect at the front and to form a V at the back and includes the favorite sleeves of the season that are snug at the shoulders and form full puffs below the elbows. The front edge is finished with a regulation box plait, over which the banding is applied, so that the design becomes suited to a plain waist as well as to a trimmed one. The quantity of material required for a woman of medium size is 4½ yards 21, 3¾ yards 27 or 2¼ yards 44 inches wide with 2¼ yards of banding, 2½ inches wide to trim as illustrated. A May Manton pattern, No. 4617, sizes 32 to 40, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

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Republican County Convention

A republican convention for the purpose of electing delegates to the congressional convention, which meets at Lincoln on March 22d, and delegates to the senatorial convention, which meets at Pawnee City on April 16, will be held at Pawnee City, at 1 o'clock on Saturday, March 18.

Primaries will be held for the purpose of electing delegates to this convention, and also to a county convention to be held on the 14th day of May, 1904, on Friday, March 17th, in Table Rock, from 4 to 7 o'clock.

The Table Rock Argus.

F. H. Taylor, Publisher.

Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

General Dick has been elected to fill the vacancy in the United States senate caused by the death of Marcus A. Hanna.

August W. Machen and three of his associates in the postal frauds, have peen sentenced to a heavy fine and penitentiary imprisonment.

What's the matter with southeast Nebraska putting forth a candidate for republican national committeeman? She has plenty of good men who would fill the place splendidly.

It is intimated that President Roosevelt has asked Governor Odell of New York, to manage his campaign as chairman of the republican national committee.

At San Francisco on Monday Young Corbett defeated Dave Sullivan, of New York, in the eleventh round of a scheduled twenty round contest, thus retaining the featherweight championship.

It was given out the fore part of the week that certain influential politicians who were opposed to the nomination of a United States senator by the republican state convention, had withdrawn their opposition to the plan.

It has been long years since Pawnee county has had a representative on the state ticket, and so far as our knowledge of Pawnee county goes—and we have been something of a student on this line—she never has had a member of congress.

So far as the Argus editor has been able to ascertain there is no opposition among republicans of the county to the return of Hon. W. H. Wilson and Hon. J. M. Craven as members of the Nebraska legislature and the same is true of J. B. Raper for county attorney.

None of the state funds are deposited in Pawnee county banks. The Sterling State bank has $1,004.40 and the bank of Syracuse has $3 045, and these are the only banks in southeast Nebraska having state deposits according to the treasurer's published report of the location of the $380,234.18 which the state has on hand.

How do you read between lines in the following from the Falls City Journal "Hon. E. A. Tucker is a candidate for the state senate. The Judge would no doubt make a good senator, but he could surely do himself and the party more good in a higher position. A state or district position would be more in keeping with his merits."

Judge Paul Jessen of Nebraska City declares our divorce laws are lax and proposes as a remedy that the party against whom a divorce action is sustained be barred from re-marrying. The Judge's plan would put a stop to cases like the recent one in New York's swell set, when a woman was divorced and was married within an hour, the judge who granted the divorce performing the marriage ceremony.

A Physician Writes.

"I am desirous of knowing if the profession can obtain Herbine in bulk for prescribing purposes? It has been of great use to me in treating cases of dyspepsia brought on by excesses or overwork. I have never known it to fail in restoring the organs affected, to their healthful activity." See bottle at Colwell's.

MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,

Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 29.—Cattle supply here last week 34,940, previous week 35,995, same week last year 33,499. Run was extra heavy first two days last week, injuring prices 10 to 20c, but reaction in supply later restored greater part of the loss, all of it on some kinds. Best steers sold at $5.15, but they were not as good as the steers at $5.25 recently. Steers at $4.65 to $5.25 are not changed in price from two weeks ago. Probably 25 shipments, aggregating 64 cars, were formarded to other markets, account of unsatisfactory bids here, but only one shipment of eight cars made money, the others invaribly lost money. She stuff and butcher cattle closed the week about steady with close of previous week. Best full load of cows brought $3.75. Good to choice corn fed cows ranged from $3.25 to $3.75, and heifers $3 50 to $3.85. Bulls sold steady, but veal calves lost 25 to 50c.

Hogs at Kansas City last week 60,583, previous week 40,509, same week last year 44,137. Today prices are 10c lower and top is $5.50, bulk of sales at $5.20 to $5.40. Heavy hogs sell at $5.35 to $5.50, and light hogs at $5.30 down.

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Pawnee City, Neb, R. F. D No. 5

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWFEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah Kerns, deceased

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on granting letters of administration to C. H. Norris for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the administrator be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in June and September, 1904; and that all claims not filed on before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 23rd day of February, 1904.

FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

[Seal]

In the County Court of Pawnee County, Nebraska.

In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, Deceased.

The heirs at law of said A. S. Crisler, deceased, and all other persons interested, take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Clarinda Crisler, the widow of the said A. S. Crisler, deceased, praying that the homestead in the lands of the said decedent, to-wit: the southeast quarter of section twenty-three, in township three north, of range eleven east, in Pawnee county, Nebraska, of the value of two thousand dollars, be admeasured as provided by law and set apart to the petitioner for her exclusive use and benefit during the term of her natural life, and that her dower in the remainder of said premises may be assigned to her in the manner provided by law, it is ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and appear before the County Court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 24th day of March, 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said County Court, this First day of March, 1904

FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

[Seal]

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of Noah Myer, deceased:

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on granting letters of administration to Joy Harvey Myer for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the administrator be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in June and September, 1904; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 19th day of February, 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased.

The heirs and next of kin of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Clarinda Crisler praying that the administration of the estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased, be granted to D. K. Miller, it is ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 17th day of March, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 18th day of February, 1904.

FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

[Seal]

The Ohio supreme court has declared unconstitutional the law which provides a fine of $100 and six months imprisonment for any one who discharges a workman because he is a member of a labor union.

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Uncle Rube will be town Saturday night.

W D Perry is visiting his daughter at Syracuse.

Don't miss hearing the latest campaign song in the opera, March 12th.

Al Cady has moved from Holdredge here and is employed at the lower elevator.

C. C. Norris left for Council Bluffs Tuesday, where he expects to do railroad work.

Mrs. E. C. Phillips and daughter, Dorothea, spent a few days at Lincoln the past week.

For Sale—40 acres of land one mile south of Table Rock.

L. K. CARMICHAEL.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

Lost—A small sow pig, weighing about thirty pounds. Reward for its return to G. B. Munsinger.

Mrs. Jas. T. Calhoun, from Dentonville, Kas., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Francis W. Parker.

Miss Vivian Jobe left for Alliance, Saturday, for an indefinite visit with her sister, Mrs. Ola Reason.

Ollie Perry, who has been visiting at Syracuse for a couple of weeks, returned home last Saturday.

Mrs W S Kinsey returned to her home at Wymore, after a ten days' visit with her mother, Mrs Longwell.

Mrs Charles Wheaton, of Lincoln, is a guest of Mrs L C Fellers. Charlie will come down on Saturday for a few days' visit.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

Will Cross, Will Billings, Snyder Fuller and Lon Balty, who are doing railroad work at Endicott, Sundayed at home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Al. Parker arrived home from their wedding trip Monday afternoon. They expect to move to Lincoln some time next week.

Word received from the bedside of Mrs. S. G. Wright at Lincoln, reports her very low. She cannot take nourishment and hope of her recovery is very small.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fellers are in St. Joe and Kansas City this week buying their spring goods. They will buy a large line in anticipation of a big trade.

The Humboldt fire department will put on Uncle Rube at the opera house in Table Rock on Saturday evening with a splendid cast of characters. Prices 15, 25 and 35 cents.

The meeting for the discussion of the proposition to build a new court house, will be held at Pawnee City at 1 o'clock on Saturday, March 19. If you are interested, be there.

James Murphy has been at the sanitarium in Lincoln for a week, and on Monday underwent a surgical operation which was quite successful, and he expects to be home soon, a well and sound man.

A letter from Henry Shaw of Hennessey, Ok., to Dr. Covert, states that he is building three new elevators along a new line of railroad. It also says his little daughter, Gertrude, recently fell and broke one of her arms, but that she is getting along nicely.

The meetings at the M. E. church are progressing very satisfactorily. Evangelist Frank Campbell, of Lincoln, has conducted them this week and has preached some excellent sermons. The meetings will be continued each evening next week except Saturday and a cordial invitation is extended to everybody to attend.

While the wind was blowing a hurricane about 7 o'clock last evening, our citizens were startled by the fire alarm, and with gravest apprehensions for the safety of the town, they hurried to the scene, to find relief in the fact that the fire was confined to the burning out of the chimney of Miss Lettie Phillips' house, which went out in about fifteen minutes, doing no damage.

Ora, the little baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smith, died about 7 o'clock last evening; he would have been 3 years old on the 8th day of June. He was taken sick with measles, which complicated with pneumonia and caused the little one's death. The funeral services will be held in the Baptist church of Pawnee City tomorrow, conducted by Rev. Ballard. The sorrowing parents have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

F M Linn has arranged to put a fine cash register in the store and meat market.

Attorney Ed M Tracy, of Tecumseh, was here on professional business one day last week.

March came in like a lamb, but assumed the lion-like character very suddenly yesterday afternoon.

The 9-months'-old baby of Mr and Mrs Ira Thomas was quite sick last week, but is much better at present.

Hear Miss Doremifasolasimi's opera, Saturday evening, March 12th, at 8:15, at Table Rock Opera House.

Mrs C H Brock returned home Monday from Shenadoah, Ia., where she went to visit her father, who has been quite sick.

Come to the opera house, Saturday evening, March 12th, enjoy a good laugh and encourage the elevation of American art.

Mrs Sadie Domedian, of Denver, arrived here Tuesday for a short visit with relatives. She goes to St Joe today to see her mother, Mrs Phoebe Cooper, whom she will take to Denver for a visit.

On Saturday, March 5th, commencing at 1 o'clock P. M., L. D. Snyder will sell a lot of farm implements, a horse, 8 head of shoats, etc., at public sale. A credit of ten months will be given on sums over $5. It will be held at his residence just north of town. See sale bills.

The G. A. R. and Relief Corps will hold memorial services for A. S. Crisler and Mrs. C. A. Groom, on Saturday, March 5th, at 2:30 o'clock, at their hall, to which all members of the Post and Corps and all friends of the deceased, are invited to be present. An appropriate program will be rendered.

Mrs John Bahl and children, who have been guests in this city for a few weeks, left for Douglas, Arizona, on Tuesday afternoon, where they expect to make their future home. J A Combs, who closed out his business in Pawnee City the first of the year, accompanied her, and if things are to his liking, will locate there.

The Humboldt fire department will present Uncle Rube, a 4-act comedy-drama at the opera house on Saturday evening, March 5th. The cast is made up from among the most talented of our neighboring city's young people, who played to a full house in their home town last Saturday evening, and our people can be assured of seeing a good play, well rendered. Prices 15c, 25c and 35 cents.

Saturday evening, March 12th, Misses Nelle Cotton and Sadie Brown, assisted by pupils and other talent, will give a musical entertainment at the Table Rock Opera House. The first part of the program will consist of solos, duets, trios and choruses by the pupils. The second part being the rendition of the bright and pleasing farce, "Miss Doremifasolasimi's American Opera."

Much interest centered Tuesday in the operation of moving the front part of the old Central hotel building, and a crowd of men surrounded the building all day. O W Griffing had the contract, and while it moved slowly at first, after it was fairly started it went right along, until it came to the bridge, where one of the trucks ran off, causing another delay, but was soon righted and the building placed in its new location just west of Charley Munsinger house.

The Woman Suffrage Association will hold their afternoon meeting at the home of Mrs Lizzie C Fellers, March 10th, at 2 p. m. After the general business the following questions will be discussed: "Has the entrance of woman in the medical profession been of benefit to the world?" Leader, Mrs Morrow. A question box will be conducted by Mrs. F. C. Norris. Music, selected, Mrs Schurr. "Come prepared to ask a question." Everybody invited to attend. Preceding the regular program, a memorial service for Mrs. Sarah Kerns, will be held.

Get Acquainted With Your Neighbors

A big part of Table Rock has been on the move this week. L D Snyder moved into the White house, John Endelman into the Longwell house, J D Longwell into the Boyd house, R A Bivens into Mrs Stalling's house, E J Taylor into the house vacated by Bivens, Al Cady into the F Kovanda house, Mr Conant into the Bray house, Bruce Woods to the farm and E P Bracken into the Woods house.

James McCourtney of Franklin, was a guest of his brother, Charles, last week.

The duet by the Misses Lily and Violet will delight you. Saturday evening, March 12th.

Miss Laura Holmes has been visiting relatives and friends at Kansas City since last Thursday.

When in Pawnee City buy RELIABLE DRY GOODS of F. J. MUNEKE Pay less and dress better.

John Matthewson is a proud and happy man now, for a baby boy was born in the home last night; mother and child are doing well.

STEERS WANTED—Three hundred head to pasture in section 15, 3, 10, Pawnee county. Address H. C. Van Horne, Pawnee City, Neb., or George Wolf, Mayberry, Neb.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

Chas. A. Beebe, Table Rock's well known Chester White swine breeder, was a business visitor in Pawnee City Tuesday. He reports his hogs doing nicely, and the outlook for a promising bunch of pigs was never better. Pawnee Chief.

Gather the roses of health for your cheeks,
While the parks are shining with dew.
Get out in the morning early and bright
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night. F. M. Colwell.

Miss M. Della Jordan, of Hastings, Neb., is in the city in the interest of the Fraternal Life Association of Hastings. The association was organized in 1901 and has made a very satisfactory growth. As its name implies, it is a fraternal insurance company, and one of its most pleasing features is that a wife can ride the goat with her husband.

Mr. Richard Law and Miss Kate Heer were united in marriage at Pawnee City yesterday afternoon, the ceremony being performed by Judge Barton. The groom lived here for a year or two, and the bride was born and raised in this vicinity, being a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Heer, and has a wide circle of friends and acquaintances who extend their heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Law. The young couple will live on a farm two miles from Falls City.

Frank A. Harrison, of Omaha, a newspaper man of wide experience, has given up his position in the legal department of the Union Pacific railroad to again enter general newspaper work. Later in the season he intends to make a second trip to Central America for an eastern newspaper syndicate, when the readers of The Journal will be treated to articles from his pen on the land of canals and revolutions.—Nebraska State Journal.

A Washington dispatch says: Some excellent lands, including twelve townships of the Red Lake Indian reservation in Northwestern Minnesota and a part of the Rosebud reservation—about 416,000 acres in Gregory county, South Dakota, will be opened for settlement in a few months. President Roosevelt has conceived the idea that it would be to the interest of the government to adopt the plan of disposing of the land by auction and for some time he has been talking on the subject with senators and representatives in congress, who are interested in it. Representative Martin of South Dakota, expressed the opinion to the president that the auction plan would be inadvisable and unwise. He thinks the government would not realize as much from the lands at auction as it would if the old plan of disposing of the land at a fixed price were adopted. No decision as to the method of sale has been determined on, but it is not improbable that in his proclamation announcing the opening of the lands to settlement the president may prescribe how they shall be sold.

Mass Convention.

The republican voters of Table Rock precinct are invited to meet at the town hall in Table Rock at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening, March 16th, for the purpose of selecting candidates for delegates and alternates to the county convention to be held at Pawnee City, March 19th, also to the county convention to be held at the same place on May 14th and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

F. H. TAYLOR, Committeeman.

Attorney D D Davis of Pawnee transacted professional business in this city on Thursday.

Have you seen Peter Hales' new matched team of bays? One weighs about 1400 and the other 500 or 600 pounds.

I am now prepared to do accordian pleating from 1 to 30 inches wide.

Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots, nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

For Sale:—A number of thoroughbred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Mr Drilling is quite sick at present,

Mrs Freyer was called to Edgar to attend the funeral of her sister, whose death occurred quite suddenly at her home at that place. The young lady had been married but two weeks when death claimed her. Heart trouble was the cause of her death. Mr Freyer has their household goods packed, ready to move to their future home at Dorchester.

A baby boy came to the home of Mr and Mrs Gosman one day last week.

Mr Peterson moved his belongings to the farm east of Humboldt which he has rented for this year.

John Reuter drove to his farm west of Table Rock every day last week to get every thing in tip top order for the coming season.

Sam Sertes and his father came out from Humboldt Monday to help Mr Peterson move Tuesday.

LOWER CLEAR CREEK.

Mrs Ossie Fellers, who has been sick two weeks, is thought to be a little better. She was visited last week by her sister, Mrs Anna Fellers, Mrs Porter and Smith.

Everett Lamar, while loading hogs last week had the misfortune to run a nail into his knee, injuring the knee-cap, which confines him to his bed.

Mrs Lillie Bellows and brother, Leland Woods, are both at their parents' sick with the measles.

Miss Kittie Richards of Pawnee City spent Sunday with Mrs Cora Woods.

J E Tompson moves this week onto the Hammond place in North Pawnee, and Chas Millage out to the D K Miller place.

Ray Darby moved onto his place in upper Clear Creek, and Bruce Woods back onto his farm.

Charlie Linn was papering for Bruce Woods one day this week.

Our mail carrier is on the sick list and his wife has been making the trips for the past week.

Charlie Woods is in St Louis this week with a car of horses.

Horton sawed wood for Reuter, Dudar and Chas Woods last week.

J E Tompson shelled corn Saturday.

Ayer's

We know what all good doctors think of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Ask your own doctor and find out. He will tell you how it quiets the tickling throat, heals the inflamed lungs, and controls the hardest of coughs.

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One of Ayer's Pills at bedtime will hasten recovery. Gently laxative.

Socialism.

Bernard McCaffrey, state organizer of the socialist party, will lecture on "Socialism, the Rise and Fall of the Agricultural class in the United States," at the opera house, on the evening of Thursday, March 10th. Admission free; collection taken.

Working Overtime.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless, little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing indigestion, biliousness, constipation, sick headache and all stomach, liver and bowel troubles. Easy, safe pleasant, sure. Only 25c at Colwell's drug store.

REMOVED!

The Turkish Cream Candy KITCHEN

has been removed to the room in the Opera House Block, formerly occupied by J. F. Ford & Son, and has been fitted up with a view of meeting the demand for a first-class confectionary and lunch room: a large stock of

Fine Candies, Cigars and Tobaccos, Bakery Goods,

ALL KINDS OF SOFT DRINKS

Lunches at all Hours,

Oysters Served in All Styles.

We invite your patronage and shall endeavor to accord curteous treatment to everybody, and try to make it the most popular restaurant in southeast Nebraska.

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WE have just added a complete line of Undertaking to our business. This stock is new and clean and will be sold just as cheap as good goods and good work can be done for, Thanking you for favors in the past, we would respectfully ask you to remember us in the future when you need anything in this line.

Very Respectfully yours,

A. K. TILLOTSON. J. T.

LOCAL MARKET

Wheat	.60
Corn	.30
Oats	.25
Hay	$6.00
Cattle	2.50
Hogs	4.50
Potatoes	.85
Butter	.15
Eggs	.15
Apples	1.50

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FRAUD IN LANDS

Special Agents Working in Kansas to Uncover Rascality.

GOVERNMENT AFTER THEM

Many Cases in Kansas Where Additional 40's and 80's Were Illegally Bought by Ranchers.

Special Agents Burtis and Ryan of the United States land office have gone to Norton, Kansas. Mr. Burtis and Mr. Ryan have both been engaged in the prosecution of cases in the United States district courts against ranchmen who have fenced up government land. The work is now in the hands of Agent Ryan. The purpose of the visit is to gather information about infractions of the government land fencing laws.

Mr. Burtis has been working up information against persons who have taken advantage of the law of 1874 providing for disposing of additional homestead rights and have filed false affidavits regarding homestead entries. Such prosecutions will be on the charge of perjury. They will cover Kansas and Oklahoma. The law of 1874 authorized persons who had not previously homesteaded full allotments of 160 acres to homestead elsewhere enough ground to make up the difference, or to dispose of such rights to other persons. Many instances have come to light where parties who had homesteaded the full limit had made affidavit and had procured land warrants for amounts from 40 to 80 acres, and had transferred them to other parties who entered them in the names of the original holders. Only such cases as have occurred within the past three years can be prosecuted on account of the statute of limitations.

Kansas Oratorical Speakers.

The announcement of speakers for the state collegiate oratorical contest has been made. The contest will be held in the Topeka Auditorium on March 11. Eight contestants will participate, and it is possible there will be a ninth from Kansas university, which has held out on account of an unpleasantness in last year's contest. The speakers and their subjects will be as follows:

Fairmount college, "The Man and the Measure, G. H. Findley.

Ottawa, "The Awakening of China and Its Significance," W. G. Goble.

Kansas State Normal, Emporia, "The New Man," Carl E. Franz.

Southwest Kansas university, "A Mighty Generation and Its Work," speaker not named.

Baker, "The Last Stronghold of Absolutism," speaker not named.

Midland college, "American Diplomacy," O. P. Hudson.

Kansas Wesleyan, "Anglo-Saxon Supremacy," speaker not named.

Washburn, "The Problem of the Cities," Arthur L. Quant.

W. C. Ward, of Southwest Kansas university, will preside at the contest.

Kansas Charters Granted.

The following charters have been granted by the Kansas state charter board:

The Glasco Telephone and Telegraph company, capital, $6,000.

The Morrowville State bank, Morrowville; capital, $10,000.

The Farmers and Merchants' State bank, Delphos; capital, $10,000.

The State Bank of Ottawa; capital, $25,000.

The Mound Valley Vitrified Brick company; capital, $30,000.

The Agricola Valley Oil, Gas and Mining company; capital, $500,000.

The Davis-Brewer Manufacturing company, Coffeyville; capital, $3,000.

Peoples' Ice and Fuel company, Topeka; capital, $15,000. The incorporators of the company are: J. S. Parks, W. F. Jensen, R. F. Hodgins, V. Kaczynski, T. E. Sabin, C. M. Lawrence, and J. B. Nicholson, all of Topeka.

The Citizens' State bank of Chautauqua; capital, $10,000.

The First State bank of Norcatur; capital, $10,000.

The Cawker City Oil, Gas and Mineral company; capital, $10,000.

The authorities at Fort Riley, Kas., have received an official notice from Washington, stating that in selecting sites for the maneuvers that are to be held annually, it was the purpose of the department to have the maneuvers next fall in the Atlantic and Pacific divisions, and in the fall of 1905 at Fort Riley, Kas., and West Point, Ky.

Unjust Taxation in Kansas.

In Saline county, Kan., the state board of equalization increased the assessed valuation $1,355,025 over the amount returned by the township assessors. The total amount paid by Saline county for all purposes this year is $217,461.27, as against $207,978.71 last year. The state tax paid by Saline county this year is $37,298, an increase of $11,656 over last year. Yet the railroads actually pay $826.94 less this year than last in Saline county, according to Mr. Nation's own figures.

TAX TITLES ARE GOOD.

A Supreme Court Decision Important to Nebraskans.

Justice Day has handed down the opinion of the supreme court of the United States affirming the judgment of the supreme court of Nebraska, in the case of Alvin P. Leigh, against Henry S. Green, involving the tax sales of property. The court held that the owner of a tax lien may foreclose the lien upon notice by publication, which shall bring in anybody and everybody intended and that in the exercise of the taxing power the state may delegate that right and authority as was done in this case, to the purchaser at the tax sale and such procedure is not violative of the rights guaranteed by the fourteenth amendment of the constitution.

RATE WAR IN EAST.

Buffalo Grain Men Will Endeavor to Get Another Cut Rate.

The Buffalo Express prints an interview with a traffic official of one of the trunk lines in which he predicts that the grain rate war now in progress between Buffalo-New York lines and the Pennsylvania will become a general rate war within six weeks. Pennsylvania officials say they will continue to cut until they establish the differential in favor of Philadelphia. The New York Central will meet every cut which works against the port of New York and the other Buffalo-New York lines will follow as a matter of self-protection.

Killed by a Bear.

The body of Martin von Schlosser, formerly an officer in the German army and for many years a resident of Port Angeles, has been found on the range south of Hot Springs, Wash., near the body of a dead bear. The baron undoubtedly had been killed by the bear while hunting.

News of the fact was brought to Port Angeles by C. Bowine, a ranger. On his body were found receipts from banks in Portland, Ore., Chicago, and New York for more than $100,000.

A letter found on the body directed that Judge Hatch should administer his affairs. Baron von Schlosser only recently had taken out naturalization papers.

Baltimore Newspaper Enterprise.

The Baltimore News, whose office and plant were completely destroyed in the great fire of February 7, is being published in Baltimore from its own plant. Its twelve issues since the fire were printed by the Washington Post. It has established in the old McShane foundry a complete plant, including three quadruple presses and twenty-one linotype machines, with boilers, engines and motors to run them. The American will use the News' plant temporarily. The Sun is being printed in Washington, and the Herald in Philadelphia until they can get new plants set up in Baltimore, which they are doing with all possible expedition.

No Damages on a Free Pass.

The question as to whether a passenger on a railroad train, riding on a free pass, who loses his life on account of an act of carelessness on the part of the railroad company, stands on the same footing as that passenger who pays his fare, has been decided by the United States supreme court against the free passenger. The case in which the opinion was rendered was that of Northern Pacific Railway company vs. Louise II. Adams and Frank H. Adams, heirs of Jay H. Adams, an attorney at law at Spokane, Wash., who was killed in 1898.

A Bright Kansas Woman.

Mrs. C. M. Burton, of Ness City, Kan., who is one of the wealthiest women in Kansas, is a practical business woman.

Mrs. Burton, who is a widow, is president of the First National bank of Ness City, and owns and manages one of the largest ranches in her county. She did not make her fortune, but the responsibilities which devolved upon her with its inheritance at her husband's death developed in her a business sense and executive ability unusual in a woman. Mrs. Burton has no children, but has two nieces, students at the College of the Sisters of Bethany, to whom she is greatly devoted.

"We wants to be considered a giant in debate."

"Yes," answered the other, "that's why he insists on using stilted language for undersized thoughts."

Horace Burt Guest of Japan.

Horace G. Burt, former president of the Union Pacific railroad and Mrs. Burt were passengers on the Korea, seized by the Japanese at Nagasaki. The Korea had passed Honolulu, the last cable station, when the war broke out, and Mr. Burt could not be notified of the opening of hostilities. His friends in Omaha have had no word from him since he sailed from San Francisco February 2. The cargo of beef carried by the Korea was packed and shipped from South Omaha.

THE HOBSON PLAN

The Japanese Fail to Block the Port Arthur Harbor.

FOUR OLD HULKS ARE SUNK

Russia Divined Japan's Purpose and Prevented It by Sinking Ships Before the Harbor is Reached.

Additional details of the Japanese attempt to close the entrance of the harbor of Port Arthur have been received at Paris from most authoritative quarters. The Japanese sent five or six old transport hulks, convoyed by torpedo boats, to Port Arthur with the evident purpose of sinking the hulks at the entrance of the harbor. The battleship Retvizan discovered their approach and her fire on them was strongly seconded by that of the short batteries north of Port Arthur. The two Japanese ships were wrecked and lie in Tiger bay; along the shore another Japanese ship was burned and a fourth lies wrecked on the shore outside Tiger bay. These wrecks are not warships, but hulks, designed to be sunk at the entrance of the harbor. The wrecks are said to be at considerable distance from the harbor entrance, which remains open.

The report gives no information concerning the Japanese fleet which is said to have supported the operations against Port Arthur.

FIRE AT GREENWOOD, NEB.

Three Buildings Burned and One Life Lost.

Fire which broke out in Greenwood, Neb., caused the death of George T. Cutler and destroyed three business buildings—the opera house, a large wagon shop, blacksmith shop and seed mill, with practically all their contents.

A rough estimate of the total loss is $10,000, with the insurance, if there be any, unknown.

The fire was caused by an explosion of acetylene gas in the basement of the wagon shop, where the plant was located to light the opera house. Mr. Cutler, who owns the opera house, was in the basement at the time, and lost his life.

The flames caused by the explosion quickly spread and the three buildings were consumed in but little over an hour.

Mr. Cutler is an old resident. He leaves a wife, but no children.

United States Oil Output.

The census bureau issued a preliminary report on the production of crude petroleum in the United States during the calendar year 1902. It shows a total production of 89,275,302 barrels of forty-two gallons each, valued at $71,397,739, against 35,163,513 barrels valued at $26,963,340 as reported by the eleventh census, which covered the year 1889. The report shows that in 1902 there were 118,671 wells, 29,522 operators, 3,933 salaried employes drawing an aggregate of $2,986,768 and 17,552 wage earners, drawing $13,242,361. The cost of supplies and materials was $17,781,512, miscellaneous expense $15,811,726 and cost of contract work $12,936,631.

To Have 240 Cells.

The penitentiary is to be equipped with 240 steel cells at an expense of $80,000, as provided for in the appropriation made by the last session of the legislature. The state board of public lands and buildings, after a conference with J. H. Van Dorn, president of the Van Dorn Iron Works of Cleveland, Ohio, which has the contract for furnishing the 156 cells now being erected at a cost of $69,000, decided to advertise for bids for the construction of the additional eighty-four cells, the contract price to come within the $11,000 balance of the appropriation remaining.

The Sixth First to Call.

The central committee of the republicans of the Sixth congressional district met in Grand Island and fixed the date of the convention at March 17 and the place at Alliance. It will thus be the first congressional convention in the state. The representation of the counties was somewhat small owing no doubt to the unanimity of sentiment as regards the holding of the convention as well as to the candidate for congress, Congressman Kincaid. F. M. Currie was recommended as chairman of the convention.

President Harper Dangerously Ill.

President William R. Harper, of the University of Chicago, has suffered a relapse of his recent attack of appendicitis, and is under the closest attention of his physicians. His exact condition is not known to others than his physicians and members of his family, but it is feared at the university that his recent trip in the east caused his malady to return in a more serious form than before.

INSURANCE REVENUES

Amount They Pay Into State Treasury Is Fast Increasing.

Deputy State Insurance Auditor Pierce is prevented from collecting the reciprocal insurance tax provided for by the insurance laws and the new revenue law. The tax is due from the companies which come within the jurisdiction of its provisions, but no payments will be made until the supreme court has handed down an opinion in the case of the state against the North American Insurance company. The opinion is expected at the first March sitting of the supreme court and is awaited with anxiety by both insurance companies and the insurance department, as their annual reports can not be completed until a ruling is made. If the law is upheld a large amount of money will be turned into the state treasury.

Receipts under the 2 per cent of gross receipts provided for by the insurance sections of the new revenue law, have exceeded expectations and the state treasury has been enriched by the tax. The tax on the foreign life company has greatly exceeded that on foreign fire companies. About all of the companies have settled their obligations under the new law. The companies which have had to pay as a 2 per cent tax an amount in excess of $1,000 with the amounts, are as follows:

New York Life Insurance company, $8,330.67; Mutual Life Insurance company of New York, $6,611.69; Northwestern Mutual Life, $4,439.06; Equitable Life, $,171.95; Union Central Life, $2,343.47; Metropolitan Life, $2,106.26; Mutual Benefit Life, $1,393; Aetna Life, $1,389; Prudential Life, $1,947; State Life of Indianapolis, $1,127.

The companies whose tax fell below the $1,000 mark all have settled and help to swell the grand total considerably. When the reciprocal tax has been collected the showing for the year will exceed that of any previous year by more than 300 per cent.

DO AWAY WITH TONNAGE

Cattlemen and Railroads Get Together for this Purpose.

An important meeting was held in Chicago between a committee representing the national live stock association and the freight traffic managers of railway lines centering in hCicago. The members of the live stock association have been for some time opposed to the application of the tonnage system in the method of transporting live stock, the opposition being on the ground that the system reduced the running time of trains and thereby caused heavy shrinkage in the weight and value of animals. The live stock association also asked that the return pass privilege be restored to bona fide shippers and that there be a readjustment of freight rates.

The meeting was harmonious. The traffic managers conceded that the live stock service during the past year had not been satisfactory, and that the representations made by the stockmen would be immediately taken up with the assurances that there would speedily be a satisfactory adjustment. All transportation lines running west and south were represented.

JAPS PAY OLD DEBTS.

They Give Up $115,000 on a Whiskey Claim Case.

The Japanese government passed the famous White whisky claim by handing to United States Minister Griscom the draft for $115,000 in favor of the American Trading company. The claim arose from a customs decision rendered in 1900, holding an importation of 8,000 barrels of whisky to be alcohol and increasing the duty from 40 to 250 per cent. Japan at first rejected the claim for repayment of the amount alleged to have been overcharged by the customs department, but Mr. Griscom on arriving at Tokio renewed it and pressed the case with firmness. His success is securing payment is very gratifying to American commercial men and a settlement of the matter is regarded as another mark of the friendliness of Japan for America.

Higher Rates are Investigated.

The recent advance of freight rates between St. Louis and Texas common points has been made the subject of investigation by the interstate commerce commission, which met in St. Louis. J. D. Youmans of Iowa and C. S. Prouty of Vermont were the only members of the commission present.

Another Cut in Rates.

The Great Western road has given notice of reductions that it desires to make in the rates on wire nails, iron and sugar from Chicago to Missouri river points, effective March 10. The proposed reduction on iron and steel products is from 27 to 19 cents, while on sugar the proposed reduction from Chicago to the Missouri river is from 18 to 12 cents, and from Chicago to the Mississippi river from 12 to 7 cents.

KOREA TO BE FREE

Japan Negotiates a Treaty for Her Independence.

HERMIT KINGDOM NEUTRAL

Japan's Action in Regard to Korea Similar in Many Respects to the United States' Attitude Toward Cuba.

Secretary Hay has received information that Japan has negotiated a treaty with Korea, whereby she guarantees the independence and integrity of Korea.

This is regarded in Washington as one of the cleverest of the many startline diplomatic moves that have been made in connection with the whole eastern question. The effect is to place Japan on a high moral plane, for it is understood that this treaty is an announcement to the world that even if she prevails in her struggle with Russia, involving the military occupation of Korea, Japan will take no advantage of that fact, but will maintain the independence of the hermit kingdom.

Contrasting the two positions, an official points out the attitude of Japan toward Korea is very similar to that of the United States toward Cuba when the republic occupied the island with its military forces only to withdraw them and free Cuba after it had rid her of Spanish control.

America Influenced the Czar.

Reuter's Telegram company, London, England, has given out an explanation of how the abolition of the censorship in Russia was brought about as follows:

"The abolition of the censorship of news telegrams sent broad from Russia is understood to be the direct outcome of an interview which Melville E. Stone, general manager of the Associated press, had with the czar at St. Petersburg. Mr. Stone urged upon his majesty the wisdom of abolishing the censorship and as a result of the manner in which the matter was represented to him, the czar called upon M. von Plehwe, minister of the interior, for a report on the subject. This report having been made, the czar gave an order that the censorship should cease."

Dead, But Has Many Kin.

John Walker, who died in South Omaha a few months ago, apparently friendless and without a relative in the world; would be surprised if he were to suddenly return and find the great number of people who are trying to claim his relationship. And this all comes about because Walker had $8,000 in cash sewed up in his trousers and along the lapels of his coat. Two women, both from remote parts of the country, neither of whom pretends to know the other, allege that they are, respectively, Walker's sister and mother. Several men claim to be his brothers, and one Chicago woman is persistent in her claim that she is Walker's lawfully wedded wife.

Sending Soldiers to Panama.

The war department has issued orders for the entire Third regiment of infantry to proceed to the isthmus of Panama. The regiment will leave at the earliest possible time on the transports Sumner and McClelland from New York.

The regiment is going to Panama to relieve the marines stationed there. The headquarters of the regiment are at Fort Thomas, Ky., where are stationed companies C, D, I, K, L, and M. At Fort Sheridan, Chicago, are stationed companies A and B, and at Columbus barracks companies E, F, G, and H. The regiment will be commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Woodbury, the present colonel, Haskell, being about to retire with an advanced rank.

St Louis Man Found Drowned.

Mrs. Henry Hazelton of St. Louis was almost prostrated with grief when informed by the Associated press of the finding of her husband's body in the Seine river at Paris. She said that nothing had been heard regarding him since his disappearance on December 20, 1903, and she had given up all hope of ever seeing him again. Mr. Hazelton was prominently known in St. Louis, having for a number of years been a dealer in fine laces in the wholesale district on Washington avenue. When he disappeared it was understood that he had in his possession a large sum of money. The French authorities are endeavoring to solve the mystery of how he perished.

Mail Carriers' Salaries.

A hearing will be given by the senate committee on postoffice and postroads on several bills introduced to fix the salaries of rural free delivery carriers. These carriers now receive $600 annually. The postoffice department is said to favor an increase to $750. Country merchants have entered a protest against the rural postmen's carrying packages on the ground that it enables mail order houses to monopolize trade.

STATE FAIR IN AUGUST

Board of Managers Meet and Choose Their Officers.

At a meeting of the board of managers of the state board of agriculture, names of the executive officers of the fair were announced. The list includes all who are to have charge of the various departments.

It was decided to make the presence of a fast horse the leading attraction of the fair as last year and to this end the secretary of the board is in correspondence with the owners of some of the leading record breakers. The board hung up $8,000 in purses for the speed ring, the money to be divided practically as last year. The rulings of the state speed association will be followed in this largely.

The full board was present, comprising President W. R. Mellor of Loup City; Secretary R. W. Furnas, Chairman C. H. Rudge of the board; J. B. Dinsmore, Peter Youngers, H. L. Cook G. W. Hervey.

August 31 was selected as fraternal day.

Following is the list of officials:

General Superintendent, William Foster, Saltillo; chief of police, C. J. Tracey, Loup City; superintendent agricultural hall, W. E. Ewing Franklin; master of transportation, O. M. Druse, Lincoln; superintendent of gates, E. M. Searles, jr., Ogallala; superintendent of amphitheater, G. K. Williams; superintendent of fish exhibit and fish building, W. J. O'Brien, South Bend; superintendent of speed, R. J. Flick, Lincoln; landscape gardener, J. H. Harkinson, Omaha; superintendent of horses, David Hanna, Wood Lake; assistant superintendent of horses, O. P. Hendershot, Hebron; superintendent of cattle, Elijah Filley, Reynolds; assistant superintendent of cattle, W. A. Apperson, Tecumseh; superintendent of swine, L. W. Leonard, Pawnee City; assistant superintendent of swine, V. Arnold, Verdon; superintendent sheep, R. W. Wolcott, Palmer; superintendent poultry, C. W. Lewelling, Brownville; superintendent farm products, L. Morse, Benkleman; superintendent textile department, Mrs. G. H. Deverein, Omaha; superintendent fine arts, Mrs. F. M. Hall, Lincoln; superintendent dairy, A. L. Haecker, Lincoln; superintendent education, Chas. Fordyce, University Place; superintendent bees and honey, Ed Whitcomb, Friend; superintendent machinery, W. C. Caley, Creighton; superintendent county collective exhibits, W. E. Ewing, Franklin; superintendent specials, Charles Mann, Chadron; superintendent agricultural instruction, T. L. Lyon, Lincoln.

S. C. Bassett was made superintendent of concessions, grounds and advertising.

The board contracted with Charles Scully to take charge of the race track for another year.

"Fired" Because Spelled Correctly.

W. E. Baker, a clerk in the office of the quartermaster at Fort Sheridan, who refused to spell "routing" with an "e" when ordered to do so by his superior, Lieutenant Colonel Miller, has received his discharge from the secretary of war, to whom the refusal to spell it "routeing" had been referred. Baker says that he will appeal to President Roosevelt.

The word was used in an order relating to the transportation of troops, and Baker was ordered by Lieutenant Colonel Miller to spell it "routeing." Baker said that he could not conscientiously spell it with an "e."

Isthmauian Canal Commission.

President Roosevelt has received definite acceptances from five of his appointees on the new isthmian canal commission, namely, Rear Admiral John G. Walker, United States navy, retired; General George W. Davis, United States navy, retired; Colonel Frank Hecker, Detroit, director of transportation during the Spanish-American war; William B. Parsons, engineer of the New York subway, and William H. Burr, professor of engineering at Columbia university and one time member of the Walker isthmian canal commission.

The other two members of the commission will be Benjamin M. Harrod of New Orleans, an engineer of the Mississippi river commission, and C. E. Grunsky, of San Francisco, a hydraulic engineer.

Danes Are Neutral.

The Danish government has announced its acceptance of Secretary Hay's proposal in regard to the neutrality of China. King Christian has sent $500 to the Russian aid committee and the premier, Professor Deuntzer, has contributed $50 to the same fund.

Must Keep Out of Politics.

Replying to a query regarding the status of government employes in political matters, Postmaster General Payne, in a letter says:

"You will observe that it is not deemed proper for employes of the government who are within the classified service to take an active part in political matters. This would mean that they should not serve as delegates to any political convention or to act on any political committee."

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"I suppose they are expecting to see your son at the college from which you graduated?"

"I suppose so."

"There is always a feeling that a man owes his alma mater something."

"No doubt," replied the old gentleman, thoughtfully, "but I'm not sure that it wouldn't be cheaper for me and better for the boy to give the college a new building, and put the boy to work in the office."

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Practicing Physicians recognize the unfailing reliability of Doan's Kidney Pills by Prescribing them for Backache, Kidney, Bladder, and Urinary Disorders—a tribute won by no other Proprietary Medicine. Four cases cited from "Notes of His Practice," by Dr. Leland Williamson, of Yorktown, Ark.

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Gentlemen:—I have been engaged in the practice of medicine in this section for ten years. This is a very sickly climate, on the Bayou Bartholomew, near the Arkansas River. It is particularly malarious and miasmatic; we meet with many and various abnormal conditions of the human family, prominent among the cases in which I have been called upon to prescribe is kidney disease. Many of these disorders manifest themselves by pains in the back, often extending to other parts of the body; sometimes headache is present, caused by uræmic or chronic uric acid poisoning, soreness in region of kidneys, cloudy, thickened and foul-smelling urine, discharges of pus or corruption; inflammation of the kidneys, extending to the bladder, is caused by excess of uric acid and decomposition of the urine. Hemorrhage is sometimes met with, caused by high state of inflammation or congestion.

There is no class of diseases a doctor is called oftener to treat than the variety of kidney diseases, in many of which the patient will have chills or rigors, followed by fever, a result of the kidneys failing to eliminate the uric acid poison from the system. Such cases require the kidneys restored to their natural functions, then the poison and foreign substances are removed—shock to the nervous system averted, and natural health restored.

I have, for some time, been using Doan's Kidney Pills in these many manifestations and with uniform success, curing most cases. I can further say that even in hopeless cases where they have waited too long, Doan's Kidney Pills afford much relief and prolong life. I can recommend the pills in conditions of excessive or deficient secretion of urine, as also in convalescence from swamp-fever and malarial attacks, as verified by the following cases in my practice.

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CASE 2. MRS. SMITH, Tarry, Ark., age 29, mother of four children. Had female complaint and kidney trouble, manifest by pain in back and urine irregular; sometimes very clear, changing to cloudy, and with much sediment on standing in chamber. Gave local treatment for female complaint and prescribed Doan's Pills; after using six boxes she regar's herself as cured.

CASE 3. BROWN EAKS, Wynne, Ark., age 21. Had severe case of malarial hœmataria or swamp fever. Gave necessary liver medicine, calomel and padoph, and morph.-sulph., to relieve pain, and ordered Doan's Pills for the high state of congestion and inflammation of the kidneys. Recovery resulted in two weeks. Prescribed Doan's Kidney Pills, to be continued until the kidneys were thoroughly strengthened and all pain in back subsided.

CASE 4. ELIJAH ELLIOTT, Tarry, Ark., age 34. Pain in back and legs and headache. Uric-acid poisoning. Prescribed Doan's Kidney Pills. After taking several boxes pain subsided—urine became normal, or natural, and patient able to resume his work.

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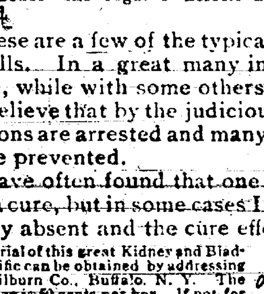

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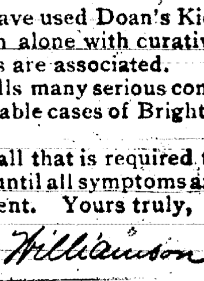

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The favorite abode of ghosts of every age, disposition and character is not the lonely country cemetery but the crowded, yet lonely, by-street and tenement of the great city. And the ghosts of New York do not, like those of the old deserted cemetery, inspire awe or terror. They arouse a feeling of pity, a realization of forever lost opportunities.

Wall street has plenty of ghosts. Sometimes they are men who in past days fed the market, made and spent money like water, had scores waiting on their words for an indication how the tide of fortune would go. In those days the ticker seemed the slave of the present-day ghost. But the ticker is always a treacherous servant. In the end it proved itself the master. Now the man who once dealt in thousands of shares of stock sits in a dingy, little bucket shop, happy when he has enough for a "two-dollar turn." He has become one of the ghosts of Wall street.

The literary ghost is a distinctly different type from the ghost which haunts Wall street. He is sometimes known to the newspaper offices, but far better to book and magazine publishers, for the teeming newspaper world has little time or regard or money to expend on ghosts. Not that the literary ghost is a pauper or "sponger." His pride—for in some ways the literary ghost is a very sensitive person—saves him from that. He does considerable work, and much of it is of more than mediocre quality. But it is generally work for which another receives credit, while the ghost considers himself fortunate to get a money emolument, small as this generally is.

The Rialto, too, has ghosts of its own. In fact, ghosts are probably more common among actors than in any other profession. Many of them in their day filled important roles on the stage. But the pace was too swift; they droped back and down. Like the ghosts of financial and literary life however, they have not yet abandoned the hope of some day making a hit. They also resemble the literary ghosts in that most of them have long stories to tell of merit kept down by jealousy, though with the actor ghosts it has been the envy of managers and fellow-actors, not publishers and authors, which has ruined them.

New York is the greatest haunting ground in the world for ghosts of all classes and descriptions with one exception—the Latin Quarter of Paris. In Paris, the only city where a real bohemian life obtains, the ghosts are a regular institution, are known to all the residents of the Quarter and are aided in their rather intermittent efforts to make a living. Bibi, Paul Verlaine's old companion and secretary when the poet was unable to hold a pen in his nervous fingers, was an exemplar of the Latin Quarter ghost. For years Bibi, out at heels and elbows, yet always affable, courteous and debonair of manner, wandered about the Quarter. In his hand he invariably carried a small bunch of pencils, by the sale of which he ostensibly made a living. But it must be confessed that it was principally from the contributions of the students and other residents of the Quarter that the good Bibi obtained funds for his food, lodgings and even more necessary absinthe, the green fairy the faithful devotion at whose shrine ruined both Bibi and his more famous master.

But, despite some light shades, the picture of the ghost's existence is a dark one. They are far more pitiable subjects of sympathy than the tramps sleeping on the park benches or the destitute ones of a cheap lodging house. The tramps have only the physical discomforts of life to battle against. But the real sting of the ghost's existence comes not from cold, or hunger or lack of home, but from the thought of "what might have been."—Edwin J. Webster in New York Times.

The Cowboy's Song.

Out on the prairie's rolling plain,
No matter what the weather,
My horse and I will live or die,
For work we must together.

We slumber 'neath the open sky,
And while the stars above us
Shine softly down from heaven's crown
We dream of those who love us.

So gayly tread the trail of life,
Though it be strewn with sorrow,
Cast care away, enjoy to-day,
And shed your tears to-morrow.
—Wallace David Coburn in "Rymes from a Round-Up Camp."

Rand Miners.

Sir Godfrey Langdon, South African commissioner for native affairs, recently stated before the legislative council that the native miners on the Rand were "as comfortable and well-looked-after as the miners in Cumberland or in any part of England." Sir George Farrar, commissioner for native affairs in the Transvaal, reports to the legislative council that the native mortality in the Rand mines from November, 1902, to July, 1903 was 70.6 per thousand.

Army Maneuvers by Rail.

During the German army maneuvers there were moved over one railroad in two days, without suspending its regular traffic, 56,000 men, 5,200 horses, 228 wagons and 590 tons of baggage.

To Improve Italian Railways.

The Italian state railways, according to a report from Rome, will soon place orders for 200 locomotives and several thousand freight cars.

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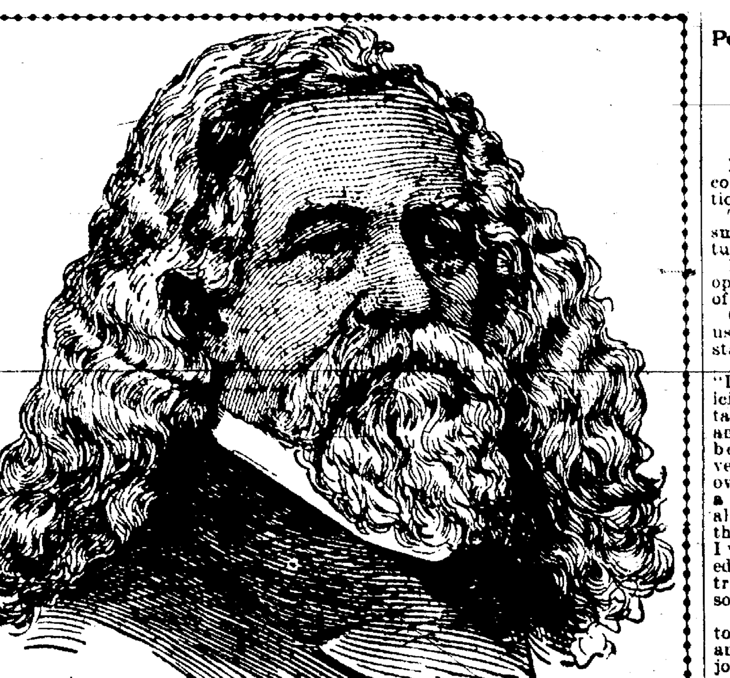

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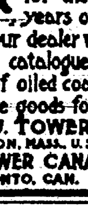

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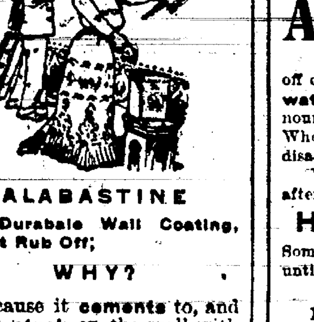

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FISHING FOR SWAMP SMELT.

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The season for Schu swamp smelt begins about the latter part of February and continues well through March. From the sound waters these little fish course their way through Oyster Bay harbor, thence through a tortuous creek bordered by salt meadows extending no little distance inland, until Schu Swamp is reached. The brook proper is navigable for smelt almost to its very source. Along the edges of this brook, where rootlets and withered grasses hang awash, they deposit their spawn; and after having performed this maternal duty retrace their course, leaving their progeny to shift for themselves. A few years ago, before the "swamp" became "restricted," smelt were caught in paying qualities by means of a "scratcher" (a local term), which was nothing more or less than a triangular piece of wire, about four inches long on each angle, with two or more cross sections, to which were soldered a dozen or more fishhooks. A short handle was also attached to this triangle. In large schools, four or five fish were frequently caught at a time. In fact, so numerous at times did they "run up," that, in shallow places, not infrequently a family mess has been kicked ashore. The fish were as a rule caught at night. It was weird to see from a distance a score or more lights glimmering among trees through which the brook ran, suggesting the idea that will-o'-the-wisps were flitting about. Netting smelt in Schu Swamp was forbidden by law in order to protect the trout, but some distance below, where tidewater ebbs and flows, smelt are still caught in quantities by means of drag nets. So delicious is the flavor of this locally celebrated fish (owing no doubt to its freshness and absence of ice) that they never reach New York markets, the surrounding populace consuming the entire catch each year.—Chicago Journal.

PEASANT WOMEN OF VIENNA.

Lead Where They Perform All Kinds of Labor.

To all people interested in women's rights and dress reform Vienna ought to be immensely interesting. Equal rights are most noticeable among the peasantry. Women take men's places, besides filling their own spheres in between times, and there isn't a murmuring against it. The peasant women wear huge cavalry boots and short skirts. As wraps they use whatever they happen to have: an old castoff coat of their husband's, or a shawl, and on their heads they wear anything or nothing. To their backs are strapped baskets which are loaded until the wearers are bent nearly double, or else they put the smallest member of their family in a sling made of a shawl and carry it on their backs. A peasant woman is seldom seen without a muff of dilapidated fur. Often she carries a hod of bricks or a shovel or pulls a wagon with one hand and wears her muff on the other. She seems fond of this muff, although there are absolutely no traces of sentiment or affection to be found in their face, and sometimes she lets her husband or a son warm his hands in it as he sits on the edge of the curbing, watching her send shovel after shovelful of earth up out of the trench in which she stands. A few feet from her is a woman using a jack, and a bit farther on are other women, all working their way down to the gaspipes without the slightest objection on the part of the men. A correspondent stood fifteen minutes on a bitter cold day watching a woman replacing cobblestones in the middle of a car track. She was very much absorbed in her work, and the masterful way she handled her massive hammer was a treat to witness. Each stroke rang out clear and true in the frosty air.—Chicago Journal.

Stayed Home Thirty Years.

Erastus Hall is 65 years of age and lives in an old-fashioned dwelling fifteen miles west of here, on the Danville and Springfield turnpike, in Washington county, Kentucky, and remarkable as the statement may be he has not crossed the threshold of his own residence for thirty-five years, notwithstanding he has always enjoyed the best of health. He was born of wealthy parentage and received a substantial academic education, says the Cumberland Enquirer. His father was the owner of a great many slaves before the war, the most notable of whom was "Uncle Henry," who still lives at the old homestead with the secluded son of his former master. Erastus Hall was a sober, industrious young man, and taught two or three terms in the public schools of Washington county. During the closing days of the civil war his father and mother both died, and considerable property was left as his share of the estate. Among other property inherited by him was the old homestead of his mother.

Cures Sciatic Rheumatism.

Mrs. A. E. Simpson, 509 Craig St., Knoxville, Tenn., writes, June 10th, 1899: "I have been trying the baths of Hot Springs, Ark., for sciatic rheumatism, but I get more relief from Ballard's Snow Liniment than any medicine or anything I have ever tried. Enclosed find postoffice order for $1.00. Send me a large bottle by Southern Express." Sold by F. M. Colwell.

MANY MAYORS IN NEW YORK.

East Side Sections Have Their Own Though Unauthorized Executives.

Certain sections of the east side in New York elect mayors of their own each year. It is generally a matter of common consent or a casting of votes at some saloon on an evening before agreed upon, and the man who wins goes for one year under the title of mayor of Poverty Hollow, or some other like appellation. Upon festive occasions he is permitted to dress up in a regalia of his own choosing and head the procession. Usually he is a saloon-keeper, and as his place of business becomes the local city hall, he coins much money because of the beer and other drinks sold therein. His edicts are of an advisory character. The mayor of Chinatown is a man of real authority in many ways. Of course, he has no recognition in a legal way, but among the Chinese his influence and power count for a great deal. The method of his election is curious. There are several factions, each of which is pushing a candidate. At an appointed hour all of these meet in a public hall. Every man begins to talk and they keep it up without cessation. After a time some of them grow tired and drop out. The rest keep on. Then more go away, and the candidate whose friends remain the longest and talk the last is declared elected and no one questions his authority. The oddest election of all is that held each year in the city almshouse. The men there have no vote for city officers, but as most of them have been voters for years and don't like to give up the habit, they hold an annual election of their own and choose a mayor of the almshouse. A new election will be ordered in a few days. There is a vacancy in the office. Julius Bullock, who was once a soldier in the German army, has laid down his life and his honers together. He had been mayor for eleven years. There are three candidates in the field. "Uncle Mike," who is running because he has a wooden leg; Myers, the ex-sausage man, who used to supply the city aldermen with Frankfurters, and Sandy Meigs, who had a distant cousin who was a hostler in old Commodore Vanderbilt's stables.—Chicago Chronicle.

FAITHFULNESS OF CANINE.

Held Bear in Tree for Nine Days, Barking for Assistance.

The mysterious disappearance of two valuable hounds owned by A. W. Combs of Oakland, Cal., has been explained, and the story behind it proves one of the most remarkable cases of canine faithfulness and determination ever recorded. Combs was one of a party of hunters who returned a couple of weeks ago from a week's hunting trip in the mountains back of Crescent City, Del Norte county. The party had taken along four hounds, which were missed during the first night in the mountains. They had evidently strayed away during the night, and for the following four days the hunters were without their companions. On the fourth day, however, two of the hounds returned to camp, the two belonging to Combs being finally given up for lost or stolen. When the hunters were ready to start for home they informed Superior Judge Cutler of the mysterious disappearance of the two hounds and requested him to advertise a reward for their return in his name. One day Mr. Combs received a letter from Judge Cutler conveying the happy news that the hounds had been recovered; that they were found in the mountains several miles from where the Oaklanders had been hunting, by a miner, who had heard them barking for several days. The miner had gone to investigate and found two hounds holding the fort at the base of a large tree, into which a bear had climbed for safety from their attack. This was the ninth day they had remained on watch at this particular tree. They were completely exhausted and very nearly starved to death, as was also the bear, which the miner killed.

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LORE OF FRENCH CANADA.

Lecture Before L'Alliance Francaise of Cambridge and Boston.

M. Frechette of Montreal, a Canadian poet and man of letters, at a meeting in Hotel Tuileries yesterday afternoon lectured before the Cambridge and Boston group of L'Alliance Francaise, says the Boston Transcript. His subject was "The Legends and Popular Traditions of Canada." He spoke, of course, especially of French Canada, and the superstitions that have developed from the peasant superstitions of France. He described the "messe macabre," or black mass, carried on in provincial chapels on moonlight nights by terrified woodmen, who see the devil and his legion of imps performing sacreligious rites before the altar. The "loup garou" is as common in Canada as in France, only in the former county this man wolf is thought to be the transformed spirit of some wretched sinner, frequently a Protestant, condemned to roam the bleak woods in search of mischief. Numerous charms are worn to frustrate his attacks, as well as the baleful influence of the evil eye and the tricks of witches. Peasants in some parts of the Province of Quebec will not look from their windows when the steps of galloping horses are heard at night, for they know that the witches are on the way to a "sabbat." In the same district gnomes are said to haunt the forests, ghouls go to glut themselves from the parish graveyards, and a handsome stranger coming to a dance and selecting as a partner the prettiest girl of the village makes her scream with the wounds of his sharp claws, and if she does not cross herself and leave him at once flies with her up the chimney in a puff of blue flame. Other superstitions described by the lecturer were the white phantom of the Lachine Rapids, the ugly cyclops of the St. John's forrests and the "feu follet," or will-'o-the-wisp, that lures travelers into treacherous swamps and over the brink of precipitous crags.

TEA CULTURE IN AMERICA.

It Has Passed from the Experimental to the Realization Period.

A deal of humor has been expended on American tea gardens and no man was more ridiculed than William G. Le Duc of Minnesota for expressing the belief when he had charge of the old agricultural bureau that American tea drinkers would one day be getting all the tea they want out of American soil. The South Carolina tea culture has been often described, but Mrs. Ellis writes in a more hopeful vein than others. After inaugurating tea culture in 1881 the government gave it up in 1883 on the ground that climatic conditions were unfavorable. Dr. Shepard, a gentleman of culture, then undertook to produce the tea and was aided by the government with tea seed from Asia. Near Summerville, S. C., he has shown that the tea plant can be successfully cultivated in the South Atlantic section of this country and tea made commercially profitable. He has overcome all alleged climatic difficulties and tested all available varieties of tea and soils. Dr. Shepard has seventy-five acres planted to tea and other tea gardens have been opened. It costs 27½ cents a pound to produce the American tea and he sells it (at retail) at $1 a pound. He expects to reduce the cost of production to 14 cents ere long. At the wholesale selling price of 50 cents a pound the producer gets a profit of 22½ cents a pound. It is shown that, with some varieties, the profit per acre is nearly $70, while $40 is a usual profit per acre. The prospect of raising tea for home consumption is apparently good. We consume nearly 93,000,000 pounds a year of tea. If we produced it a new and profitable industry, employing many thousands of people, would be established. The feat does not seem impossible of accomplishment.

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No. 16—Vestibuled Special daily; local to St. Joseph, Kansas City, and all points east 3.15 p m.

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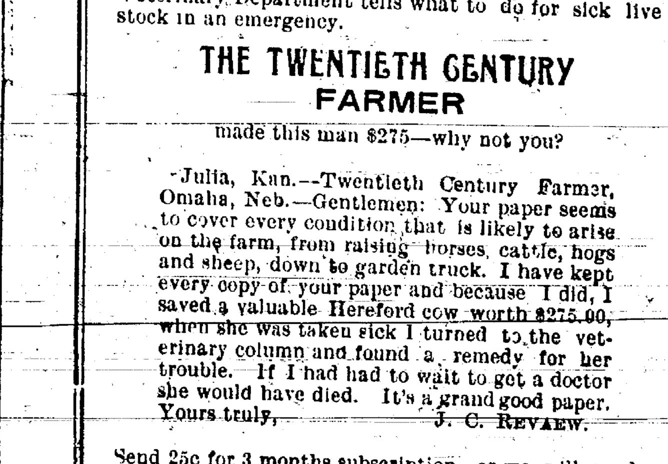

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Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

The New Voice of Feb 18th, gave a description of the Club house at Fort Myer, Washington, Va., one of the 8 $40,000 rooms for recreation and entertainment built by government appropriation, to take the place of the canteen. Who says this is not an age of progress when our congress votes $500,000 to furnishing good and suitable places for the entertainment of its soldiers without the evils attached to the old canteen. At eight of the principal forts the government temperance element is fittingly represented by these forty thousand dollar buildings containing libraries, gymnasiums, bathing rooms, dining rooms, and all needed modern fixtures, while there are many others costing much less, but helptul in a large degree toward furnishing good social surroundings for our soldier boys instead of that old curse the army canteen. Now the Voice of Feb 25th devotes two pages to extracts from leading German citizens' letters, in regard to the Hepburn-Dolliver bill. The following are but samples: "R B Runke, the well known German lawyer of Argyle, Wisconsin, writes: 'I note that certain parties make the claim against the Hepburn-Dolliver bill, that our German population is opposed to such legislation. In my opinion any such claim is an insult to any and all German-Americans. It is well known that there is no more law-abiding class in this country than the German-Americans. To cite them against this bill is to imply that they favor the present evasion of law in the liquor traffic. I am of German descent and can say for myself that the bill has my hearty support and I earnestly hope it may speedily pass.'" G M Smithdeal, Richmond, Va., one of the best known and successful business men in the south, writes, "My father and mother were Germans. My father was unable to speak English until he was nearly grown, but I am glad to say that having studied the liquor question since I was 15 years old, I have been thoroughly convinced that it is the fruitful source of at least two-thirds of the crime, pauperism, lawlessness and suffering in our country. This being true I do not believe I could be a good citizen and favor legal protection of the beverage sale of liquor anywhere, under any circumstances. Still less do I see how I could be a law abiding citizen and not favor the Hepburn-Dolliver bill, which simply means that the law that a majority of the people establish shall not be nullified by any other law, custom or practice." "I want to avail myself as a German-American of the privilege of protesting against the curse of drink," writes that strong German, John Hammert of Greenwood, Nebraska, and to emphasize it he writes it in German.

Dr Babcock said "You are not responsible for the disposition you are born with but you are responsible for the disposition you die with." So many and so great are the helps placed within the reach of every soul in this country that a strong will and perseverance, combined with trust in God as our Father, and Christ as our redeemer and Savior, can overcome all obstacles, and build up for any one a good disposition and a character that will command respect and confidence. But this must be the patient work of years; it can not be accomplished by a single effort or an act of Divine grace. New impulses, pure motives may be implanted in a moment, but we are given this treasure in earthen vessels and have sufficient directions as to how to keep it and cultivate it so that it may grow and increase, but we must use the the same common sense in regard to this that we would in regard to farming, gardening or any other business. 'Tis folly because we cannot do things on a large scale or preach or pray like Paul or Apollos to sit down and fold our hands. The little things are just as necessary. What would this world be without the cooks and dishwashers and woodchoppers and the little ones to run on errands and fill up the lowly nooks and corners. It may not be much but everyone can do something, the hearty hand-shake, the encouraging word, the dropped things picked up and restored to place. Are you faithful in the little things? Do you even save all your church and Sunday school papers and pass them on to some neighbor who is not as well supplied? Satan is sowing evil literature broadcast: are you doing what you can to destroy that and put good seed in its place? If you are really willing to serve the Lord and do His will you may be surprised at the tasks that come to your hand and the blessed joy found in doing them. As the poet said:

"Heaven is not reached at a single bound,
But we build the ladder by which we rise
From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,
And we mount to the summit, round by round."

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Philadelphia, Pa., March 6.—Thos. Emerson, a colored man who was stabbed in the heart Monday by his sweetheart, has been the subject of an unusual operation. His heart was lifted out of the body and six stitches were taken to close the big gash made by the negress's knife. The organ was replaced and Emerson is recovering. After the assault Emerson walked without assistance to the hospital, a distance of five blocks, and was put under the influence of ether as soon as the wound had been examed. On the operating table the heart was exposed by a long incision which necessitated the breaking of several ribs. The operating surgeon inserted two fingers and lifted out the heart. It was drawn clear from the trunk, yet it went on with its work with almost normal steadiness and regularity. The cut was a large one and required six stitches. The pleura was opened and a gathering of blood removed. After the wound had been dressed Emerson was extremely weak, but is rallying slowly, and the surgeons believe he will recover.

Children's Coughs and Colds.

Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. 1st St., Hutchinson, Kan., writes: "I have given Ballard's Horehound Syrup to my children for coughs and colds for the past four years, and find it the best medicine I ever used." Unlike many cough syrups, it contains no opium, but will soothe and heal any disease of the throat or lungs quicker than any other remedy. 25c, 50c and $1.00 at Colwell's.

WALL PAPER

Now is the time to do your spring papering, especially if you will have to move.

We have almost an unlimited choice, with prices as low as the lowest.

Also house paints, all shades.

FRED M. COLWELL,

R - - - - - - Druggist,

TABLE ROCK - - - NEBRASKA

The Designer for April is brimful of seasonable stories, poems and articles of general interest. Decorated Tables for Wedding Breakfasts, Easter Brides, and Pattie's Wedding, give hints most valuable to the prospective bride, as do Confirmation Costumes to the young girl intending to join the church. April Fools and Court Jesters is well written by John De Morgan, and beautifully illustrated with reproductions of famous paintings, and The Lily in Legendary Lore, embodies under one head the many exquisite superstitions connected with this, the flower dedicated to Easter. An Easter Gathering, by Bertha E Bush, is a pretty and simple entertainment, quite within the scope of the child actors for whom it is intended. There are two short stories, Don Quixote's Easter Sermon and The Easter Dream of Mun Chee, while The Bride's At Home, a laughable monologe, and Poem Pictures furnish capital material for the recitationist. For the children there are A Bunny Party for Babies and Eggs to Make the Family Laugh. Cross Stitch Embroidery and Lace and Embroidery supply pretty things in the fancy work line, and the regulation departments of The Mothers' Advisory Club, What Women Are Doing, Helps Along the Way and Knots and Whatnots continue their cash rewards for all meritorious contributions.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For ulcers, wounds, piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by F. M. Colwell, druggist.

Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Addres Manager, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

For Sale:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

For Sale:—A number of thoroughbred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

I am now prepared to do accordian pleating from 1 to 30 inches wide."

Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

Mass Convention.

The republican voters of Table Rock precinct are invited to meet at the town hall in Table Rock at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening, March 10th, for the purpose of selecting candidates for delegates and alternates to the county convention to be held at Pawnee City, March 19th, also to the county convention to be held at the same place on May 14th and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

F. H. Taylor, Committeeman.

The school attendance records show the following to have been perfect during February:

1st PRIMARY

Earl Bicknell, Wanda Fellers, Minnie Kerns, Marguerite Linn, Willie Mead, Lowrain McCrea, Leona Porter, Charlie Reals.

2nd PRIMARY

Hattie Binder, Hallie Bicknell, Leata Bailey, Myron Glenn, Fannie Kozak, Ines Linn, Eva Munsinger, Clyde Porter, Gracie Reals, Charlie Wood, Lloyd Andrew, Harold Bankson, Clarence Bicknell, Jamie Chambers, Charlie Dvorak, Cloyd Freeman, Earl Munsinger, Donnie Thompson.

INTERMEDIATE

Raymond Andrew, Mary Kolacny, Lee Kerns, Lesley Munsinger, Ino Mead, Lillie Buckles, Theo Brothers, Callie Barrett, Della Mead, Ada Mort, Loyd Stewart.

1st GRAMMAR

Frank Barrett, Anna Dvorak, Bessie Hickman, Guy Kerns, Fred Barrett, Frank Dvorak, Zelma McCrea, Anna Bell McNutt, Loyd Phillips, Lena Threlkeld, Pearl Yoeller.

2nd GRAMMAR

Lillie Causey, Elva Fulton, Ella Snyder, Mabel Barnes, Stella Fulton, Grace Horton, Veda McCrea, Ural McCrea, Winnie Broyles, Gladys Mead, Jennie Porter.

HIGH SCHOOL

Ralph Bennington, Mary Dvorak, Mabel Edwards, Mabel Goodale, Roy Kerns, Glen Lehman, Max Marble, Everett Nickelson, Edgar Norris, Nellie Phillips, Hattie Schurr, Ethel Shorter, John Tomek.

Working Overtime.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless, little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing indigestion, billousness, constipation, sick headache and all stomach, liver and bowel troubles. Easy, safe, pleasant, sure. Only 25c at Colwell's drug store.

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TABLE ROCK, NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

Luther Heikes is another Nebraskan who is building a modern $5,000 residence on his homestead.

John Novak has sold his quarter section farm, two miles east of Howells, Colfax county, to Adam Parr for $68 an acre.

A Dodge county farmer sold $15,000 worth of stock off his farm and has enough left to go ahead without the least inconvenience.

Norfolk and north Nebraska are preparing to put forth some stunts at growing that will attract the attention of the west and the entire country.

The Beatrice public library is now the most popular place in town. Since moving into the new building the number of visitors has been greater than ever before.

Colonel A. H. Kidd, the new editor of the Beatrice Express, contributes a daily poem to the columns of the paper, just the same as if Walt Mason had not evaporated from the editorial chair.

The readers of the Ord Quiz were startled by the announcement in glaring black type, "Dance at the Methodist church next Friday evening." Following this in small type the reader was informed that Enslow would speak on dancing and its injuries. Some of the preachers understand advertising much better than some of the merchants.

The city of Fairbury is possessed an excellent park site of thirty acres within three blocks of the public square. The grounds are what formerly were occupied by the Jefferson county agricultural society. The latter became involved, however, and the property went to sheriff's sale and was bid in by the city for $8,500.

Farmers in the vicinity of Cedar Creek are excited over a case of poisoning. Some unknown party entered the barn of a farmer named Jerry Schroeder and poisoned four of his horses by means of rough-on-rats, which was fed to the horses with an quantity of grain. There were three other horses in the barn at the time, but they refused to eat the fatal dose.

Roy M. Hansen was accidentally shot and killed while hunting near his home, three miles north of Henley, Neb. He was a married man about 25 years old, and was with his wife stopping at the home of his father, W. R. Hansen. A coroner's jury was empaneled and after hearing the evidence they returned a verdict of death by accident.

Hans Beck, of Loup City, left home for Omaha with a car load of cattle. Some one visited Mr. Beck's farm house and with a spade broke every window except one, turned the hard coal stove over on the carpet with the fire burning, took five sacks of flour and threw it all over the house, cut up a good top on a buggy, and smashed things in general.

No labor troubles are looked for during this coming season in the building trades in Lincoln. The brick layers and carpenters have signed up the wage schedule for the season. No change is made in the rates paid last year, which were a minimum of 55 cents an hour for brick masons and carpenters, and an hour for eight hours constituting a day's work. Last season a great many contractors paid more than the scale.

The building committee of the state board of regents met and after consultation with members of the athletic board it was announced that matters had been so arranged that the athletic field could be used by the various athletic teams without changing the plans for the physics building. It was said that the building may be moved a few feet to the eastward, thus making the distance the building lays over the field shorter. With the building standing where it was finally located, the overlap would amount to about twenty-nine feet.

Workmen are making excellent progress with the new conservatory of music at University Place. The contractors have promised the building before April, and at the present rate it is believed there will be no difficulty in getting it ready in time. The heating plant is already installed.

Judge Sanborn, in the united states court of appeals, has decided that the right of the Chicago Great Western railroad to enter Omaha from Council Bluffs over the bridge of the Union Pacific company is confirmed by the federal court of appeals. The Great Western is also given the right to use the passenger station of the Union Pacific in Omaha and the use of the tracks of the latter company from Council Bluffs to South Omaha, the great packing center.

Harry S. Vernon, aged, twenty-one years, a Union Pacific brakeman, was seriously, if not fatally, hurt in an accident at Lodge Pole by falling from a brake beam while trying to disconnect the airhose from a car of timber which was being switched to a sidetrack. His left leg was cut off above the knee and the toes of the right foot also cut off. A physician was summoned and accompanied the unfortunate man to North Platte in a special train. Vernon's father is yardmaster at North Platte.

There is earnest discussion at Aurora over the liquor question. There are no public drinking bars, but liquor is sold and used a great deal, being shipped through the express company's office and other ways.

A glance over the list of men in Beatrice who have acquired a competency and are now enjoying the fruits of their labors, will show that 90 per cent of them became independent through investments in real estate, and these men will tell you, that even at the present high prices there is money to be made by investing in Nebraska farm lands.

WESTERN CANADA'S RESOURCES

Farming Very Successful.

By Western or Northwest Canada is usually meant the great agricultural country west of Ontario, and north of Minnesota, North Dakota, and Montana. Part of it is agricultural prairie, treeless in places, park like in others, part is genuine plain, well adapted to cattle ranches, part requires irrigation for successful tillage, most of it does not. The political divisions of this region are the Province of Manitoba and the territorial district of Assiniboia, Saskatchewan, Alberta and Athabaska. At present, however, the latter is too remote for immediate practical purposes.

The general character of the soil of Western Canada is a rich, black, clay loam with a clay subsoil. Such a soil is particularly rich in food for the wheat plant. The subsoil is a clay, which retains the winter frost until it is thawed out by the warm rays of the sun and drawn upward to stimulate the growth of the young wheat, so that even in dry seasons wheat is a good crop. The clay soil also retains the heat of the sun later in the summer and assists in the early ripening of the grain. It is claimed that cultivation has the effect of increasing the temperature of the soil several degrees, as well as the air above it.

Western Canada climate is good—cold in winter, hot in summer, but with cool nights. Violent storms of wind are rare here. The rainfall is not heavy. It varies with places, but averages about 17 inches. It falls usually at the time the growing crops need it.

The department of the Interior, Ottawa, Canada, has agents established at different points throughout the United States who will be pleased to furnish all who desire it with pamphlets and give such other information as to railway rate, etc., as may be required.

That agriculture in Western Canada pays is shown by the number of testimonials given by farmers. The following is an extract made from a letter from a farmer near Moose Jaw:

"At the present time I own sixteen hundred acres of land, fifty horses and a large pasture fenced containing a thousand acres. These horses run out all winter and come in in the spring quite fat. A man with money judiciously expended will make a competence very shortly. I consider in the last six years the increase in the value of my land has netted me forty thousand dollars."

And now it is the Greek dance that is the latest fad. The craze for the statuesque, which is raging so persistently in Gotham, has reached the windy city by the lake, bringing in its train a horde of new ideas and classic fancies destined to revolutionize former methods of gait, dress and department. Banished forever is the kangaroo walk. High heels and tight lacing and their attendant follies must retire. Into oblivion. The strictly up-to-date woman is Greek. To be Grecian one must be calm. Serenity is imperative to classic dignity.

The authority for all this is Miss Cozette Kellar, formerly director of the school of expression in the Chicago musical college. It was she who introduced the Greek fad to the Gothamites and it was she who has brought the mode to Chicagoans. Among her set rules for becoming Grecians are the following:

1. Don't slouch. Stand with head up, chin in, chest up and forward.

2. For proper pose of head, try the old test of putting a book on the top of the cranium and balance it and your head is set right.

3. Don't go up stairs bent over. Life your chest up and you can not get out of breath.

4. Don't imitate the kangaroo and let the feet run after the body. The lower extremities should propel the body forward.

5. Don't hurry. Be calm. Take time.

6. When you go shopping be serene, deliberate. You will make better bargains in the end.

And thus the epistle endeth.

ON A RANCH.

Woman Found the Food That Fitted Her.

A newspaper woman went out to a Colorado ranch to rest and recuperate and her experience with the food probably is worth recounting.

"The woman at the ranch was preeminently a housekeeper. I never have ever known—poor coul, and poor me!

"I simply had to have food good and plenty of it, for I had broken down from overwork and was so weak I could not sit up over one hour at a time. I knew I could not get well unless I secured food I could easily digest and that would supply the great est amount of nourishment.

"One day I obtained permission to go through the pantry and see what I could find. Among other things I came across a package of Grape-Nuts which I had heard of but never tried. I read the description on the package and became deeply interested, so then and there I got a saucer and some cream and tried the famous food.

"It tasted delicious to me and seemed to freshen and strengthen me greatly so I stipulated that Grape-Nuts and cream be provided each day instead of other food, and I literally lived on Grape-Nuts and cream for two or three months.

"If you could have seen how fast I got well it would have pleased and surprised you. I am now perfectly well and strong again and know exactly how I got well and that was on Grape-Nuts that furnished me a powerful food I could digest and make use of.

"It seems to me no brain worker can afford to overlook Grape-Nuts after my experience." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Get the miniature book, "The Road to Wellville" in each pkg.

HEARTH & BOUDOIR

Tucked Skirt.

Skirts that flare with grace and abundant freedom about the feet, yet fit with snugness over the hips make the latest of fashion's decrees and are to be noted on the newest and handsomest gowns. This one is tucked to produce the effect and allows a choice of the yoke, that is cut in one with the front gore or of tucks at sides and back that extend full length and terminate at the belt. The model is made of champagne colored messaline satin, with heavy silk applique and folds as trimming, but all fashionable fabrics that are pliable enough to allow of tucking are suitable. The applied folds at the lower edge, that give a tuck effect, add greatly to the beauty and, in addition, serve the practical purpose of giving greater body to the thin materials in vogue.

4686 Tucked Skirt, 22 to 30 wist.

The skirt is cut in seven gores, the front one being extended to form the yoke. The perpendicular tucks are laid in groups that are arranged at the center front and at the straight edges of remaining gores. When the yoke effect is not desired the front gore can be cut off at the seam and joined to the sides after the usual manner.

The quantity of material required for the medium size, including folds, 12 yards 21 or 27 inches wide, 5¾ yards 32 inches wide or 6½ yards 44 inches wide when material has figure or nap, 5½ yards 44 inches wide when material has neither figure nor nap, with 3 yards of applique to trim as illustrated.

The pattern 4659 is cut in sizes for a 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 inch waist measure.

4659 Box Plaited Yoke Waist, 32 to 40 bust.

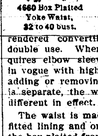
Box Plaited Yoke Waist.

White with cream makes a favorite combination of the season and is always satisfactory. The stylish waist shown is made of crepe de Chine with the yoke of deep cream colored point de Venise over white mousseline and bands of taffeta ruching, and is well suited to theater, and informal dinner wear and to occasions of the sort, but can be rendered available for evening also by omitting the yoke as shown in the small cut, or, again, can be rendered convertible, so serving a double use. When made low it requires elbow sleeves, but these are in vogue with high waists so that by adding or removing the yoke, which is separate, the waist becomes quite different in effect.

The waist is made over a smoothly fitted lining and on this are arranged the box plaited front and backs. When a simple yoke waist is desired it can be made high, the drop yoke arranged over it and all finished together at the neck, but when either a low or a convertible waist is desired it can be cut out on indicated lines. The sleeves are wide below the elbows, but fit snugly below and are plaited for about half the distance from the shoulders to the cuffs.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 3¾ yards 21 inches wide, 3¼ yards 27 inches wide or 2 yards 44 inches wide, with 1⅝ yards of all-over lace for yoke and cuffs and 4 yards of ruching to trim as illustrated.

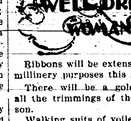
The pattern 4660 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inch bust measure.



4660 Tucked Waist, 32 to 40 bust.

Fashionable Night Robe.

Sleeping garments made with round necks and elbow sleeves are the favorite ones of the season and are made in all filmy fabrics trimmed with lace or embroidery. Their delicacy is their charm and even in cold weather they are preferred to any other sort, additional warmth being obtained, when necessary, from pretty little wash silk or flannel jackets worn over them. The model shown is graceful and becoming and includes a bertha that gives the broad shoulder line. The fullness at the neck is collected in gathers and there is no opening, the gown being slipped on over the head, then drawn up snugly by means of beading threaded with ribbon. To make the gown for a woman of medium size will be required 6¾ yards of material 36 inches wide with 2¼ yards of narrow and 10 yards of wide edging and 6½ yards of insertion.



4661 Night Gown with Bertha, 32, 36, 40 bust.

A May Manton pattern, No. 4136, cut in three sizes, small or 32, medium or 36, large or 40 inch bust measure, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

4136 Night Gown with Bertha, 32, 36, 40 bust.

Girl's Pinafore.

Pretty aprons always are in demand and are both sensible and attractive. This one is quite new and allows a choice between the frill or a plain hem and between tucks and gathers at the upper edge. The model is made of white lawn with bands and frill of embroidery and is tied over the shoulders with colored ribbons, but ties of the material can be substituted for these last and all the materials in use for aprons are quite correct.

4661 Girl's Pinafore, 2 to 8 years.

The apron is made in one piece and is without seams, the ties holding it in place at the shoulders. The fullness at the upper edge can be tucked at the front, gathered at the back, or gathered all round as well as back as may be preferred. The back edges are hemmed and the closing is made by means of a button and buttonhole at the band.

The quantity of material required for the medium sizes (6 years) is 1½ yards 36 inches wide with 2⅞ yards of embroidery 4 inches wide, 2⅝ yards of insertion and 1¾ yards of ribbon 1½ inches wide to make as illustrated.

The pattern 4661 is cut in sizes for girls of 2, 4, 6 and 8 years of age.

Waists shirred to produce a broad effect at the shoulders are eminently smart and are much liked in all the fashionable soft fabrics. This one is made of ivory Corean crepe with the bertha and trimming of corn point de Venise, the yoke of tucked chiffon, meeting lined, but is adapted to all seasonable materials. When lined the sleeves can be made long by the addition of deep cuffs of lace and the yoke can be lined or transparent as preferred. To make the waist for a woman of medium size will be required 4¼ yards of material 21, 3½ yards 27 or 2½ yards 44 inches wide, with ⅝ yards of tucking for yoke, 1¼ yards of all-over lace and ⅝ yards of silk for belt.

A May Manton pattern, No. 4592, sizes 32 to 40, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

4592 Waist, 32 to 40 bust.

COREAN CREPE AND LACE.

The Kitchen

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4592 Waist, 32 to 40 bust

Republican County Convention

A republican convention for the purpose of electing delegates to the congressional convention, which meets at Lincoln on March 22d, and delegates to the senatorial convention, which meets at Pawnee City on April 16, will be held at Pawnee City, at 1 o'clock on Saturday, March 18.

Primaries will be held for the purpose of electing delegates to this convention, and also to a county convention to be held on the 14th day of May, 1904, on Friday, March 17th, in Table Rock, from 4 to 7 o'clock.

LUMBER

COAL

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TABLE ROCK

C. R. SMITH.

EXAMINE OUR STOCK OF GENERAL MERCHANDISE

which is the largest in Pawnee county. Get a new Suit of Clothes that will fit you, for as little money as you would pay for a misfit. A fine line of Shoes for men, women and children. We invite you to call and see our big stock.

Respectfully yours,

C. H. NORRIS

The Table Rock Argus.

P. H. Taylor, Publisher.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, April 5, 1904, at the town hall, in the village of Table Rock, Neb., an election will be held for three members of the Board of Village trustees, to serve for the term of two years, which election will be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and continue open until 7 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

C. C. COVERT,
Village Clerk.

Dated this 8th day of March, 1904.

The Deitrich investigation is to be taken up by the senatorial committee tomorrow, and witnesses have been summoned by telegraph to appear at that time.

President Roosevelt is opposed to the opening of the Rosebud reservation, the house bill, providing that the land be sold for not less than $3 per acre, being the source of his opposition. He thinks the land is worth from $6 to $25 per acre and that the government should get something near its value, when sold.

Gov Odell was obliged to cancel his appointment with the president because of the grip. It was rumored that the president wanted him to take the chairmanship of the national committee, but Mr Odell said in an interview that he would not accept if it was tendered him, as the place had no attraction for him.

The remains of "Old Abe," the famous war eagle which led the Eighth Wisconsin infantry in thirty-six battles of the civil war from Fredrickstown to Hurricane creek, were burned in the fire which destroyed the Wisconsin state capitol, and the lamentations over the loss of the stuffed remains of the bird are as great as over the building itself with all its valuable records. P. T. Barnum once offered $20,000 for the privilege of exhibiting "Old Abe" in his circus, but the offer was declined. His original captor sold him for a bushel of corn, but after his war record feathers which fell from his plumage, sold readily for $5 each.

Services were held in Washington Sunday commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the British and Foreign Bible society. President and Mrs. Roosevelt and many others prominent in National and social life were present. Senator Dolliver and Justice Brewer of the United States Supreme court, were the principal speakers. In his address Justice Brewer said: "It is scarcely necessary before this audience to enter upon a eulogy or defense of the great book of books. But this is the age of the iconoclast, when destructive criticism runs rampant. Some criticism, indeed, is reverent and useful—that which seeks simply, by correcting wrong translations and arranging in chronological order the matchless truths of the scripture. But there are other critics without such lofty aim, who strive to destroy the faith of other men simply because it is held. The iconoclast is a popular man today. To him the Bible appears as a mere sort of crazy quilt of untrue history, distorted science, weak poetry, impractical morality and vague foreshadowings of the unknown and unknowable. Yet we who believe know there are passages in the Bible unsurpassed in solemn beauty in the literature of the world, that its ideals of morality are those to which the best within us is always aspiring; that its promises are the sweetest and most comforting that have ever come to the tired hearts of man."

ANTI-LICENSE CONVENTION.

A mass convention of the anti-license voters of the village of Table Rock, Nebraska, is hereby called to meet in the town hall in said village, on Friday evening, Merch 18, 1904, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating three candidates for members of the village board of truestees, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

COMMITTEE.

The congressional convention will be held at Lincoln March 22d.

Prairie fires did great damage in Oklahoma last week.

From the reports of the senatorial investigation now going on, it is hard to determine whether it is Smoot or President Smith on trial.

If you can figure out the number of ships that have been sunk since the Japanese-Russian war began, you can beat the "How Old is Ann" proposition.

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

A. C. Allinson was taking orders for Henry Field's seeds among his old patrons this week.

James Ogle sold his eighty acre farm to John Heer. It is the east ½ of the northwest ¼ of section 27.

Frank Bennington moved on Tuesday from town to S. S. Becker's place, occupied last year by Fred Ault.

Charlie Mitchell moved to Ben Heer's place, recently vacated by Aloise Heer.

The work on the new bridge across the Nemeha north of town, between sections 17 and 20, is progressing very satisfactorily.

Our neighborhood is in the grip of the measles. W. D. Myers' family is wrestling with it at present, and George Kent's family has just recovered.

Miss May Wilcox will board at home again and ride or drive to her school at Pleasant Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Leonig (nee Minnie Hays) have arrived from Furnas county and gone to housekeeping on a farm north of Humboldt.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Mrs Will Hajnegar came up from Falls City Sunday for a few days visit with relatives in this vicinity.

August Babcock returned home one day last week after an extended visit at Farnam and Beaver City.

Walter Schmelzel and Loyd McClintock are each the proud possessor of a bran new wheel which they received from Sears, Roebuck & Co., this week.

Henry Kuper and family visited near Pawnee Saturday and Sunday.

Aunt Mary Martin and Mrs Hajnegar drove out to Bookwalter Tuesday for a short visit.

We understand John Heer has bought the old Turman place of J. Ogle.

Charles Mertz and Miss Nettie Parker were quietly married one day last week.

Mr Dalkey was quite seriously hurt Sunday while trying to bridle a young horse.

Adam Hays and wife spent Sunday in this vicinity.

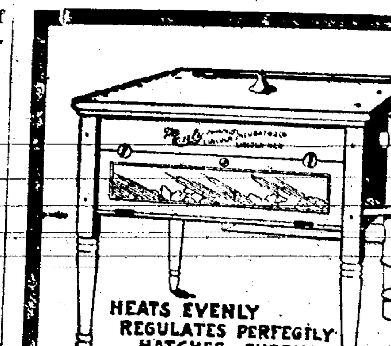
MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,
Live Stock Correspondent,

Kansas City, Mo, March 7th, 1904.
--Cattle supply here last week was 28,992; previous week 34,940; same week last year 26,981. Smaller receipts at all the markets made trade good, and prices higher each day up to Friday, when there was a decline of about 10c. Net gain for the week was 10 to 30c distributed over all kinds. 20 p c of beef steers sold at $4.65 to $5.25, while previous week only 15 p c bro't these prices. Medium steers [illegible] more than [illegible] best steers. Last week 68 p c best beef steers @ $4 @ $4 60, leaving 12 p c that sold below $4. while previous week 25 p c sold under $4. Cows, heifers and butcher stuff gained 10 to 15c. Best cows and heifers bro't $3.25 to $4.25. Fat bulls remained about steady. Veal calves gained 25 to 40c, and bring $6.25 for the best. Stockers and feeders gained 10 to 35c on choice light stockers and heavy feeders in good flesh; former bro't up to $4.35; latter $4.27 1-2. Supply of cattle today 6000 head; market steady on all except common kinds; top $5 15.

Receipt of hogs last week were 39,418; previous week 60,583; same week last year 24,484. The smaller run of hogs was met by lower prices nearly every day, packers claiming that recent strength in provisions and hogs has been largely fictitious. Hogs did not lose as much as provisions, but lost 25 to 30c. Prices are 5 to 10c higher today, as the run is light all around, and it looks like recent losses would soon be regained. Top today is $5.52 1-2, 17 1-2c above Saturday's top, as there were no good hogs here Saturday. Bulk of all the sales today were $5.15 to $5 40; heavy hogs sell best; they were more scarce last week than any time recently.

Receipts of sheep last week were 24,779; previous week 27,546; same week last year 16,510. Wethers and ewes hold up steady, but lambs lost 10 to 15c last week, particularly common ones. Yearlings also show a weakness. Supply today is 5,100 head; market slow on lambs; steady on wethers and ewes. Best lambs today bro't $5 60; yearlings $5.10; wethers $4 60; ewes $4 20.



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Pawnee City, Neb.,
R. F. D. No. 5.

Nordica in Holiday Time is the subject of an interesting contribution to the April Delineator by William Armstrong. Mme. Nordica is a favorite in America, and America is a favorite of hers, for in addition to the season of opera, which she annually passes here, she looks forward to a time when she can spend her leisure in a quiet farmhouse set down in the hills of Maine, where she passed her girlhood. At present this is denied her, for it is a curious edict of the American operatic public that no singer can remain here, even between seasons, without in a way losing caste. Being obliged to summer abroad, Mme. Nordica seeks out those places where she can find most absolute rest. Two summers ago she found a little hamlet on the outskirts of the Black Forest, which affords rare opportunities for rest and the enjoyment of Nature. It is here life here that Mr. Armstrong describes in The Delineator. The article is written in a personal and entertaining manner, and the pictures that accompany it are highly effective.

A Physician Writes.

"I am desirous of knowing if the profession can obtain Herbine in bulk for prescribing purposes? It has been of great use to me in treating cases of dyspepsia brought on by excess [illegible] I have never known it to fail in restoring [illegible]

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah Kerns, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on granting letters of administration to C. H. Norris for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the administrator be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in June and September, 1904; and that all claims not filed on before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 23rd day of February 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON,
County Judge.

In the County Court of Pawnee County, Nebraska.
In the Matter of the Estate of A. S Crisler, Deceased.

The heirs at law of said A. S. Crisler, deceased, and all other persons interested, take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Clarinda Crisler, the widow of the said A. S Crisler, deceased, praying that the homestead in the lands of the said decedent, to-wit: the southeast quarter of section twenty three, in township three north, of range eleven east, in Pawnee county, Nebraska, of the value of two thousand dollars, be admeasured as provided by law and set apart to the petitioner for her exclusive use and benefit during the term of her natural life and that her dower in the remainder of said premises may be assigned to her in the manner provided by law. It is ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and appear before the County Court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 24th day of March 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said County Court, this [illegible] day of March, 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON,
County Judge.

Reconstructs your whole body makes rich red blood. Drives out impurities that have collected during the winter. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is a family tonic. 35c. Tea or tablets. F. M. Colwell.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased.

The heirs and next of kin of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Clarinda Crisler praying that the administration of the estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased, be granted to D. K. Miller, it is ordered that all persons interested in said estate be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 17th day of March, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m. and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 18th day of February, 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON,
County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of Noah Myer deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice, that on granting letters of administration to Joy Harvey Myer for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the administrator be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in June and September, 1904; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 18th day of February, 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON,
County Judge.

Don't forget Patrons' day.

Take your laundry to W. C. Fellers

Miss Blanche Shawhan is visiting her friend, Miss Myrl Craig.

These March winds are not the most pleasant things in the world.

W. C. Fellers is agent for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try him once.

Don't miss hearing the latest campaign song in the opera, March 12th.

George Goodrich, who was so seriously ill for several weeks, was up town yesserday.

A. J. McLain was a guest of his brother, W. H. McLain, a couple days this week.

Mrs. Minnie Taylor arrived home last week from an extended visit with relatives in Kansas City.

Our line of calicos is full and complete. Call and see it and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

Mrs. E. C. Fellers was quite sick the fore part of the week with grip, but is much improved at present.

Chancellor Andrew has promised to deliver the address for the graduating class at commencement time.

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Den Patchin has sold two houses and lots on East Luzerne street, to Wm. Glenn for a consideration of $800.

Mr and Mrs. Fred G. Bogle, of Pawnee City, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Parker, last Friday.

Word has been received to the effect that Abe Greiner is quite sick at his home near Mineral Point, Ks., with Bright's disease.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

Drs. Wilson and McCrea attended the meeting of the county medical society at Lewiston on Monday, and report a very pleasant and profitable meeting.

At a meeting of the board of trustees held Saturday evening, an election board was appointed as follows: For judges, M. H. Marble, A. E. Heywood, S. J. Jobe; for clerks, W. C. Smith, E. D. Tressler.

Lower town is taking on quite a boom. Capt. Jennings has just moved two houses down east of the bridge on the north side, which he will put up in good shape for renting purposes, and G. B. Johnson's new house is a homelike place on the south side.

The meetings at the M. E. church continue to hold the interest of fair sized audiences each evening. Rev. Campbell preaches strong sermons, and the singing is enjoyed by all. The meetings will continue over Sunday, and possibly over next week.

The village election will be held on Tuesday, April 5. Three members of the village board are to be elected. The members whose terms expire are, C I Norris, F M Linn and J D Longwell, who was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Wm White.

The new Buerstetta building will be 44x80, two stories high. J. H. Purcell will also put up a two story building, and M. H. Marble's new building will be two stories high. When these are all completed, it will add materially to the appearance of our town.

Without exception our line of wash goods—Batiste, Volle Cord, Dimities, Orenadine, Persian Lawns, Mauselines, Madras, etc.—is the largest, prettiest and most complete ever carried by a Table Rock store, and we invite you to inspect it.

W. C. FELLERS.

Mrs Murphy, (wife of the new pastor of the Presbyterian church), two children and household goods, arrived last week and are now domiciled in the parsonage. The people of the congregation, and the citizens, generally, extend Mr Murphy and family a cordial welcome, and hope they will find this a pleasant and profitable place in which to live.

Jennie and Fred Mitchell left yesterday to join their father, E. L. Mitchell, in the Idaho home. On Friday evening a farewell party was given them by a number of schoolmates at the home of Hattie Schurr. A very pleasant time was had, marred only by the thought that soon the time of parting would come. Mrs. Mitchell will remain here to care for her daughter, Mrs. Caulk, who is in quite a precarious condition.

C. I. Wilson sold a fine team to John Koticka for $215.

W. D. Perry returned from his visit at Syracuse the first of the week.

Jim Murphy arrived home from Lincoln yesterday, much improved in health.

Fred Kevmeir of Tecumseh, has accepted a position in F. W. Parker's harness shop.

Mrs R W Davidson of Peru, has been a guest of relatives and friends here during the week.

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Hear Miss Doremifasolasimi's opera, Saturday evening, March 12th, at 8:15, at Table Rock Opera House.

Come to the opera house, Saturday evening, March 12th, enjoy a good laugh and encourage the elevation of American art.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. W. C. Fellers.

There will be preaching at the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening, by Amos Crisler. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The one who borrowed a light ten-foot top piece to an extension ladder, from C. H. Norris' sometime ago will confer a favor by returning same to Chas. Linn.

T. C. Calhoun, the jeweler of Pawnee City, spent Sunday here with relatives. His mother returned home with him where she expects to visit a few days, returning to her home at Dentonville, Kansas.

Word received from Mrs. A. E. Lane of Hennessey, Ok., conveys the information that she is a grandmother, her daughter, Mrs. Irene Davidson, being the mother of a ten pound boy one day last week.

A representative of an Omaha firm has been in this vicinity during the past ten days, buying walnut trees, which men are cutting down to be shipped to that city and worked up into furniture, gun stocks, etc. He has bought quite a number of trees.

Mr. and Mrs. C I Wilson were called to Peru on Saturday by the death of Mr. Wilson's sister, Mrs McLain. The lady had been in poor health for some months, and leaves a husband and two children to mourn her loss.

P. W. Slayton and his daughter, Mrs Irene Libby, were guests of the family of C. S. Wood last week. Mr. Slayton left on Tuesday for Cody, Wyo., and Mr. and Mrs. Libby will go to the same place in a couple of months, they having purchased a large tract of land near that rustling western city.

Lewis Fellers, of St. Louis, is visiting old-time friends here this week. He does not like St. Louis as a home—everything is so different from Nebraska; the people are different and do things differently—when they build houses, they go up and build down—so that it is hard for Lewis to get used to it. He says his family is well.

The well known Apperson & Lamb herd of Registered Jersey cattle and Duroc and Berkshire hogs, is to be closed out at public auction, April 12, 1904, at the firm's barns adjoining Tecumseh. This sale interests you. It means the dispersion of the finest dairy herd of A. J. C. Cattle ever held in the west. Watch this paper for later news.

Saturday evening, March 12th, Misses Nelle Cotton and Sadie Brown, assisted by pupils and other talent, will give a musical entertainment at the Table Rock Opera House. The first part of the program will consist of solos, duets, trios and choruses by the pupils. The second part being the rendition of the bright and pleasing farce, "Miss Doremifasolasimi's American Opera."

Last Thursday afternoon Mrs D K Miller was driving from the farm to town, and when coming down the steep hill this side of Ed Woods' place, a livery team driven by Harry Lane, ran into her buggy from the rear; the horses ran away and after crossing the bridge, Mrs Miller was thrown out, and the horse and shafts of the buggy continued to a neighboring cornfield, where it was caught by Gordon Miller, who chanced to be coming from town; Mrs Miller was found to have sustained quite severe bruises about the head and body. The buggy was damaged beyond repair. Little or no damage was done to the livery rig. Lane says be accidentally dropped his lines and his horses were running away when they collided with Mrs Miller's buggy.

Our store is overflowing with new goods. W. C. Fellers.

The duet by the Misses Lily and Violet will delight you. Saturday evening, March 12th.

For Sale—40 acres of land one mile south of Table Rock.

L. K. CARMICHAEL.

Art Brown has moved his blacksmith tools to the Table Rock Clay Company's yards, and will do the company's work the coming season.

The meeting for the discussion of the proposition to build a new court house, will be held at Pawnee City at 1 o'clock on Saturday, March 19. If you are interested, be there.

"Patrons' Day, March 18th

The school patrons and all others interested are invited to visit the school on 'Patrons' Day.'' There will be the regular morning session, and at 2 p. m., a program in the Assembly room.

The Table Rock Dancing Club will give a dance in the Opera House on the evening of St. Patrick's Day, —March 17th—and cordially invites the public to attend. Supper will be served at Robertson's restaurant. A good time is promised all who attend.

John Fritz and family and Frank Fritz and family left this week for their recently purchased farms in Marshall county, Kansas. John has 445 acres, and Frank 80 acres in the sunflower state. Joe Fritz has also bought a farm there, but will not go for some weeks yet.

W. C. Loch, who has been deputy treasurer the past two years, is moving this week to his farm in West Branch precinct. He has made an efficient deputy, and the friends of his most estimable family are sorry to have them leave the city.—Pawnee Chief.

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In order to reduce expenses here, and also owing to the fact that the greater part of the heavy machine work will in the future be done at Havelock, the force of the Burlington machine shops at this place was reduced by twelve men this week. It is thought that several more will be laid off in the course of a week. Nearly all of the men laid off were married men and they will be given work in the Havelock shops, if they so desire. It is said that engines can be turned out there in one-half the time it would take for the same work here.—Wymore Wymorean.

Memorial services were held by the G. A. R., and W. R. C., for Lieutenant A. S. Crisler and Mrs. L. E. Groom, at the G. A. R. hall, on Saturday afternoon. Brief histories of the deceased were read; a quartette sang "She Sleeps in the Valley of Peace;" Hon. Wm. Sutton in an address, paid a tribute to the soldier life of Lieut. Crisler; selections were rendered by Mrs. L. A. Holmes, Margaret Sutton and Eunice Norris; the quartette rendered another selection, and short addresses were made by comrades, A. C. Allinson and J. D. Longwell. The services were attended by members of the post and corps and friends of the deceased, and expressed the sympathy and affection in which members of these orders hold each other.

PART I

Entertainment at opera house, Saturday evening:

Chorus.... Kentucky Babe .. Geibel
Piano solo... A Lawn Party.. Heins
Miss Hazel Taylor
Trio ....Summer Fancies .. Metra
Misses Mabel Miller, Minnie Boggs, Ruby Allen
Piano solo .....Reverie......Heller
Miss Veda McCrea
Vocal solo...The Bandelero...Stuart
Dr. C. C. Covert
Piano solo......Tarentelle ....Heins
Miss Georgie Fulmer
Vocal duet... Hark To The Mandolin....Henry Parker
Miss Sadie Brown, Dr. C. C. Covert
Vocal solo...A May Morning...Denza
Miss Lolla Beck
Chorus.......Millers Wooing........................Eaton Faning
Vocal solo......I'm Such a Naughty Kid.................Schleiffarth
Loyd Phillips
Song.....Don't Leave Me, Dolly..............Maxwell and Simpson
Miss Nellie Phillips
Song....I'll Take My Dolly and Go ....Clark Stewart
Misses Lilas Jobe and Hazel Taylor
Song.....Grandma, There's None Like You ....Fredricks
Miss Hazel Taylor
Quartet...
Miss Sadie Brown, Mrs. Boyd Phillips Mr. Boyd Phillips, Dr. C. C. Covert.

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F. H. Broyles has accepted a position with Mentgen Bros., of Wymore, as salesman in the dry goods department. He spent Sunday with relatives here.

STEERS WANTED—Three hundred head to pasture in section 15, 3, 10, Pawnee county. Address H. C. Van Horne, Pawnee City, Neb., or George Wolf, Mayberry, Neb.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

A word to our advertisers: Those who wish a change of ad. weekly or otherwise, send in your copy by Monday evening. It will greatly oblige us, and you will have a better looking ad. than if it reached us Thursday noon. Thursday is our press day.

Joe Harmon, of Burlingame, Kas., returned to his home Tuesday, as did Hiram Harmon, of Van Buren county, Ia. The gentlemen are brothers of Mrs. Cavault, who was stricken with paralysis a few weeks ago, and is still in a critical condition.

Gather the roses of health for your cheeks,
While the parks are shining with dew.
Get out in the morning early and bright
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night.
F. M. Colwell.

Among the moves in town since the first of March, and not mentioned by the Argus last week, were, John Allen and Ezra Fellers into the Snyder house, the latter having purchased the farm; G. W. Pepoon into the house on the Wm Binder farm; Chas Jones to the Bray farm northwest of town; O D Howe back to the farm; P. W. Pepoon to the house vacated by Charles Jones.

PATRONS' DAY PROGRAM

March 18th, at 2 P. M.

Song...............Double Quartet
Recitation............Chas. Wood
Exercise...........Primary Grades
Solo.................Nellie Phillips

Papers or Talks

Patrons' Day..........Supt. Waddell
Teaching Patriotism......Mrs. Marble
Practice and Disciplinary Studies.........Mr. W. C. Smith
Religious Training.......Rev. Morrow
School Economics.........Dr. Wilson

To The Boys and Girls of Pawnee County

The Farmers' Institute of Pawnee county is planning a corn exhibit for their meeting next winter. $100 will be awarded in premiums. The first fifty young people, twenty-one years of age or under, who will make application to Mr. J. E. Atkinson, Secretary, at Pawnee City, will receive one peck of Reed's pure bred seed corn, free of charge, upon agreeing to plant same and exhibit forty ears of the product at said meeting. White or yellow seed will be furnished as desired. All applications for seed must be in before April 15th, 1904.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

BY MAX MARBLE.

The literary society had a very profitable meeting last Friday afternoon. The debate was the best one given this year. It showed much care and thought in preparation. Officers for the last term of the year were elected: Max Marble, president; Kay Dow, vice president; Stella Craig, secretary.

Fred and Jennie Mitchell have moved to Idaho, which takes two scholars out of the H. S. All of the scholars were sorry to have them leave us.

The juniors met with Miss Athen last Wednesday evening. They organized their class and elected Max Marble, president, and Fannie Phillips, secretary; after this the rest of the evening was given to games

Friday the 18th is Patrons' day, when all people are invited to the school to look at the work done by the scholars.

April 1st is the date for the next meeting of the literary society.

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Corn	.30
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Hogs	4.50
Potatoes	85
Butter	15
Eggs	15
Apples	1.50

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CEMETERY SOCIETY IN DEAL

Land Leased to Oil Companies on School, Church and Cemetery Property, the Proceeds of Which Will Pay the Teachers and Ministers

A new way of paying the school teacher has been discovered in Chautauqua county, Kansas. Down at Peru, where every lot almost has an oil well or two on it, the speculators have induced the school board to lease them the back end of the school house play ground and an oil well is to be put down upon it. The "duster" or dry hole is unknown in the city limits of Peru, where there are now over 140 producing oil wells. The school board figured that they could eventually cease to levy taxes for school purposes because the oil well will bring in enough to pay all the expenses of the school. Almost any of the Peru wells bring in from $50 to $75 a day and the land or lot owner gets about one-eighth or one-sixth of this.

Hradly had the Peru school board leased its lot until the Methodists of Peru say a chance to pay the preacher in the same way. They have leased their lots to a company that will put down a well within twenty-five feet of the church. They have been unable heretofore to have a resident minister, but contented themselves with a circuit rider. They now believe they can pay one of the highest priced ministers the bishop can send.

But there are other things that will be leased. Four miles east of Peru there is a small cemetery within 100 feet of one of the biggest gushers in the field. The trustees of this cemetery have petitioned to be allowed an acre of the cemetery so it can be leased for drilling purposes. The commissioners probably will grant the request. The cemetery owners figure that they can get an oil well on part of the property and then improve the balance of the cemetery until it is one of the finest in the state.

A MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

Meeting Held in Lawrence for Purpose of Completing Organization.

A meeting of interest to Kansas educational circles was held in Lawrence, when a committee of prominent mathematicians of the state met for the purpose of forming plans for the organization of the Kansas Mathematical society. The movement began at the last meeting of the Kansas State Teachers' association in Topeka, when a committee of five was appointed to arrange the preliminary organization. This committee includes H. B. Newson, of the chair of mathematics of the University of Kansas, chairman; C. E. Merwin, principal of Central school, Lawrence, secretary and treasurer; R. F. Knight, superintendent of the Wichita schools; W. H. Garrett, of Baker university, Baldwin, and Miss Effie Graham, of the Topeka high school. These, with the exception of Mr. Knight, met with Professor Newson in Lawrence and took the first steps toward the organization of the society. The objects of the society are the improvement of mathematical teaching in the public schools of Kansas and adoption of uniform entrance requirements in mathematics by Kansas colleges to conform with the requirements recently proposed by the American Mathematical society. Teachers of mathematics in all the colleges and high schools, city and county superintendents, high school and grammar school principals and common school teachers are eligible to membership and will be urged to join the society.

Driving Association at Manhattan.

A driving association will be organized by the horsemen of Manhattan, Kan., for the purpose of improving and training trotting and pacing horses. The race-track at the city park will be used for matinee driving. W. B. McCormick, owner of Red Bird, and several other fast horses, is the instigator of the move.

Japs Going Home to Fight.

Japanese patriotism is developing trouble for the Northern Pacific, the Great Northern and the Canadian Pacific lines. Hundreds of Japanese laborers employed on track work are hurrying home to fight the Russians. Officers of the road are eager to know how the Japanese can be replaced.

Elope and Cut Telephone Wires.

A. L. Graw, of Windsor, Mo., and Miss Ethel F. Hewlett, formerly of Glen Rose, Tex., but recently living with an aunt near Windsor, went to Wichita, Kan., and were married. The bride had left the home of her aunt, who objected to the marriage, wearing a calico dress. On the way to Wichita the young man purchased a trousseau for his intended. Before leaving Windsor they cut the telephone wire at the country house which the bride left.

PLATTE RIVER ON BOOM

No Damage to Bridges—1,500 Sheep Are Drowned.

The Burlington reports indicate no damage to bridges. The water in the Platte river is high, but no damage has been done to the structures by ice. The absence of snow on the ground and the freshets from the smaller streams due to melting snow, has had much to do with the ice going out without causing great trouble. Superintendent Bignell says he looks for no trouble. As yet the Loup river has caused little or no damage to the railroads.

Rock Island reports indicated high water at the South Bend bridge over the Platte. The bridge had not been damaged by the ice and no serious trouble was looked for.

The most serious property loss resulting from the overflow of the Platte river was the drowning of 1,600 sheep belonging to N. H. Schreiner. Mr. Schreiner has been pasturing nearly 6,000 sheep on his farm at Fremont, and succeeded in geting 4,000 of them into the pens, but the others perished in the stalk fields, where they had been turned out to graze. The value of the sheep was something like $8,000.

LATE WAR SUMMARY.

Japan Landing Big Army in Northern Korea.

One hundred thousand Japanese troops have been landed in northern Korea.

Blockade runners have successfully entered Vladivostok, with supplies of coal and provisions. Japan's acquiescences gives rise to the belief that that country intends soon to besiege the city.

Action by the Washington cabinet leads to the inference that no other nation than the United States will be allowed to lay a cable from Japan to Guam.

St. Petersburg newspapers announce and welcome the return of better feeling between Russia and the United States.

Russia is convinced that Great Britain intends to remain honestly neutral.

American marines have been sent to guard mining property in Korea.

Coal Handler Gets $750.

Charles Johnson, proprietor of an Omaha coal yard, will be required to pay to John Heath $750 damages for injuries sustained by Heath in falling off a plank while engaged in wheeling coal for Johnson. In the Douglas county court Mr. Heath was awarded $1,500, but in the estimation of the court this is excessive and should be reduced. Heath was engaged in wheeling coal, in a wheel-barrow, from a box car to a bin in Johnson's coal yard. The transferring was done along an elevated gangway consisting of a plank placed on the top of several stakes. On one trip the plank turned and Heath was thrown to the ground, the barrow of coal landing on top of him, fracturing his leg below the knee. He brought suit alleging that the foreman of the yard had removed one of the stakes from the gangway, causing the plank to sag and bringing about the accident.

Babe Killed by Exploding Celluloid.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Votaw, of Arkansas City, Kan., died in agony from burns received while playing with a celluloid rattle box. The baby was sitting on the floor near a hot stove when the rattle box took fire and exploded. The flames were blown into his face and set fire to the clothing, burning the flesh. The flesh of the hand in which the toy was held was blown away by the explosion. There was no one in the room with the child except an older sister. The baby was about four feet from the stove when the accident happened.

Mysterious Losing of Eyesight.

Miss Hinkley, the daughter of Dr. Hinkley, of Barnard, Kan., the young lady who lost her eyesight in a mysterious manner recently, is in Salina to be fitted with a pair of eye-glasses. It will be remembered that the young lady awoke one morning to find her eyesight gone, although she had never any previous trouble. After several days of blindness the sight of one eye was restored in as mysterious a manner as it was taken away, but the sight of the other eye has never been fully restored and it is for this reason that it becomes necessary for her to wear glasses.

While walking across the Missouri Pacific railroad bridge at Kansas City, Kas., Patrick Sheehan, a laborer, fell into the Kaw river and was drowned.

Gambler Sued for $3,000.

Mrs. J. G. Welsh, of Wichita, Kan., has commenced suit in the district court for $3,000, which she alleges her husband lost at gambling. She avers that the money was hers in her own right and that she had made her husband her agent with power to deposit and invest the funds for her. She charges the defendantin the suit with having induced her husband to "become drugged and intoxicated," and then persuaded him to gamble at faro, until he lost all of the money.

SWEPT BY FIRE

Oklahoma, Kansas and Nebraska Have Big Prairie Fires.

HOUSES AND STOCK BURNED

Terrific Wind Made it Impossible to Cope With Flames—Few Lives Lost—Damage Hard to Estimate.

Driven by a terrific gale from the north, which at times reached a velocity of 90 miles per hour, a prairie fire swept over 75,00 acres in Comanche county, Oklahoma, inflicting damage now estimated at $200,000. The city of Lawson was saved only by extreme effort, while many farm houses were consumed. Kiowa county was also visited by a prairie fire during the storm, while damage is reported from all over the southwest. The losses from wind and fire reported to date follow:

Hobart, $40,000; Vinson, $8,000; Lawton, $5,000; small country towns aggregating $50,000; farm property, $100,000.

Persistent reports of loss of life come from rural districts, but owing to difficulties of communication they have not yet been confirmed.

The country was very dry, no rain having fallen forth months. Grass and stubble fires, set by farmers as is customary at this season of the year, were driven beyond control by a violent gale, which rose suddenly.

Hundreds of people are homeless and it is impossible to estimate accurately the financial loss owing to the wide extent of country affected.

At Hobart the fire approached from the east, destroying stables and fifteen races horses, fifteen residences, two buisness houses and various small buildings. Spreading to the southwest the fire swept 75,000 acres of government military and timber reserve and Indian school reserve, destroying several Indian houses and forty head of government cattle. Spreading westward, the flames covered miles of the homestead district, destroying houses, barns and stock. It was in this district that five persons are reported to have perished in attempting to protect their property.

A prairie fire raged a few miles northwest of Elmwood, Neb., destroying the home of H. O. Haller, burning his house, barn and outbuildings, two teams of horses, harness, hay and grain. It burned the barn and outbuildings and fifteen hundred bushels of wheat at the home of J. S. Tewell, and the house and other buildings belonging to Mrs. Corder. It burned a large scope of country, taking everything in the way of hay and feed in its path. The origin of the fire is not known.

A terrific prairie fire swept over the northeastern part of Dawson county, doing an immense amount of damage. Several buildings were burned, live stock destroyed and much damage done to other property. A large force of men fought the fire continually. It is reported to have been started by the burning of weeds by a farmer.

Numerous reports come in from Kansas telling of heavy losses from prairie fires. In almost every instance the fires were caused by people burning stubble and pasture land.

Many narrow escapes from death are reported, but as far as known only one person, Frank McGrew of Bird City, was burned to death. No estimate is possible of the aggregate damage, but it is very high.

Around Salina, eight fires were burning at practically the same time. The damage there will be about $10,000.

It took the most desperate efforts on the part of Gypsum City people to prevent the burning of the town.

Great damage to farm buildings, stock and grain is reported from Culver, Lincoln, Colbert, Marquette, Ellsworth, Kanopis, Graham, Ellis, Russell, Lakin, Hill City, Concordia, and other places.

At Deerfield, seven miles from Lakin, the school children were kept in the school bulding until after 9 o'clock at night, until the danger had passed.

At Hill City the people rushed to the Solomon river to escape the fire. No fatalities resulted.

In Lincoln county the fire cut a swath two miles wide and ten miles long. Similar reports are received from other counties. Most of the fires burned out during the night.

Dreyfus Retrial in Progress.

The court of cassation, Paris, France, began the consideration of the appeal of Alfred Dreyfus for a revision of his trial. Counsellor Chamberand presided. Dreyfus was not present, his interests being in the hands of Lawyer Mornard.

The report of M. Boyer, reporter of the court, which was read presents two new facts upon which the minister of justice, M. Valli, received a revision of the case.

HELD FOR BIG RANSOM.

Daniel Cushing of Texas Kidnapped and Held for $10,000 Ransom.

On order of Governor Lanham, a squad of Texas rangers joined the sheriff of Del Rio county, Texas, in a fruitless search for Daniel Cushing, a wealthy man of Columbus, Miss., who was kidnapped at Devil's River. Mr. Cushing had gone to Devil's River for his health. He started for the railroad station. Later a note in his handwriting was found pinned to the door of the small station saying he had been kidnapped by four men and would be held for a ransom of $10,000. The note gave instructions for leaving the money on the steps of the Mexican school house at Del Rio. Inside the station was found Mr. Cushing's gold watch and Masonic pin, probably indicating that he had thought his captors meant to rob him and had, at their approach, secreted his valuables. The region is the wildest in Texas, the station being two miles from the Mexican border and at least three miles from human habitation, in the midst of almost impenetrable canyons.

E. B. Cushing, engineer of maintenance of way for the Southern Pacific railroad, is a brother of the missing man, and first discovered the disappearance.

LUNATIC IN WAR OFFICE

Finally Subdued After He Had Wounded Two Clerks.

Armed with a revolver, William J. O'Brien, alias William Duffy, an insane discharged soldier, entered the war department, and going to the mail and record division, shot Robert J. Manning, a messenger, and Arthur Wiecker, a clerk. Miss Emma Sexton, another clerk, barely escaped being shot through the head. The injury to Manning is on the right side just above the kidneys, and is regarded as dangerous. Wiecker was shot in the arm.

Before the maniac could fire a third time he was overpowered by James J. Dawson, a messenger. It required the combined strength of half a dozen men to finally subdue the man. Prominent among them was Lieutenant General Adna R. Chaffee, chief of staff. The lunatic still held the smoking revolver in his hand, when General Chaffee noticed it and with his left hand on the man's throat, took the weapon from him and also the papers in his pocket.

Want a 50 Per Cent Cut.

Pacific coast lumber manufacturers representing 600 mills are preparing to make a strong showing before transcontinental railroads in favor of a reduction from 50 to 40 cents of the rate on fir lumber from Puget sound to Missouri river common points. The association has secured statements from scores of lumber dealers throughout Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, showing that the lumber shipments from Washington will be increased 50 to 100 per cent if a cheaper rate is granted.

No Escape for Wrongdoers.

John T. Miller and W. D. Ballantine, who were acquitted in January last in the local customs court of appeals before Judges Crossfield and Rexas, of conspiracy to defraud the customs department by furthering the illegal entry of the non-exempt class of Chinese, were re-arrested in Manila, P. I., on a similar charge. Ballantine was an inspector of customs at the time of the arrest for the issuance of alleged fraudulent Chinese certificates and Miller was an ex-inspector of immigration.

Banker Langworthy Dead.

S. E. Langworthy, an old citizen and prominent business man of Seward, Neb., has passed away. Mr. Langworthy was about eighty years old at the time of his death. He came to Seward in 1876 and started the Bank of Seward, county, of which he was president.

Bridge Burned at Wray, Colo.

The Burlington railroad bridge over the Republican river near the Nebraska line at Wray, Colorado, was burned. Traffic was delayed several hours. The bridge was nearly a mile long and cost $500,000. It caught fire from a passing locomotive. A sixty mile an hour wind was blowing, making it impossible to extinguish the flames.

Presented With Marriage License.

Sixteen names of fair and eligible maidens were folded upon the top of a cake, together with a marriage license won as a prize by Fred Hellerman at a leap year party at Norfolk, Neb. He has not determined which one he will take.

Pleaded Guilty to Charge.

Frank Betts, who is charged in district court with the forgery of checks on Lincoln jewelers, decided to change his plea of not guilty to one of guilty. He did this on recommendation of his father, who on hearing the evidence against the boy, saw that it would be futile. Betts has made an endeavor to recover some of the money taken, but as yet has not been successful.

Make the best of the troubles you have and don't fret for more.

KEARNEY NORMAL

State Board Meets and Selects the Architect.

A BEATRICE MAN IS CHOSEN

Board Well Satisfied With the Manner Kearney Citizens Have Lived Up to Their Proposition—Other News.

The state board of education has chosen George A. Berlinghof of Beatric as architect for the new $50,000 state normal school to be erected at Kearney. A committee was appointed to arrange plans to be submitted to the board. Notice was received by the board that the citizens of Kearney had awarded the contract to Knutzen & Isdell of Kearney to repair the interior of the Green Terrace for a dormitory to be used in connection with the school. The contract price was $5,350. Some outside repairs will increase the total expenditure of the people of Kearney to over $6,000. This building was donated by the citizens with the understanding that it would be remodeled to suit the wishes of the board. Superintendent A. O. Thomas, of Kearney, was present to represent the city of Kearney.

The board meeting was held in the office of State Superintendent Fowler. All members of the board comprising State Superintendent Fowler, State Treasurer Mortensen, T. J. Majors, L. P. Ludden, George Rogers, R. A. Tawney and P. E. Delzell, were present. The board had authorized the state superintendent to ask at least five architects to submit a preliminary sketch of the proposed building. Propositions were received from Mr. Berlinghof of Beatrice, W. T. Misener of Omaha and State Architect James Tyler, jr. J. H. Craddock of Lincoln called and made a verbal proposition. After balloting informally five or six times the board took a formal ballot which resulted in the selection of Mr. Berlinghof as the architect who will prepare plans for the building. On the last informal ballot Mr. Berlinghof received four votes, Mr. Meisnes, Mr. Tyler and Mr. Craddock one each. During the balloting Mr. Latenser of Omaha received one vote.

Under the terms of Mr. Berlinghof's agreement he will receive 3 1-2 per cent commission for his work. What the other propositions contained is not known, with the exception of Mr. Tyler's offer. As state architect he offered his services free of cost to the board. It is ris contention that the act creatingthis office gives him power to supervise the construction of all state buildings. sA the statute creating the Kearney normal school gives the state board of education specific power to employ its o dwrancsslof-fiUJgMl to employ its own architect, the board decided to do so regardless of the state architect's proposition.

LILINOIS LAW IS STRICT.

Over One Thousand Corporations Go Out of Business.

Charters of one thousand corporations doing business in Illinois have been cancelled by the secretary of state for failure to comply with the law which requires annual statements. Monday was the last day on which reports could be filed, and a large number have defaulted. About two hundred reports were received at the office of the secretary, but whether or not they will be recorded is yet to be determined. The law demanding annual reports from all corporations doing business in the state has been in question for some time. The Illinois supreme court, in a recent opinion, upheld its validity, and there has since been a rush on the part of various corporations to get their reports to Springfield in time. The majority of charters cancelled are those of Chicago corporations.

Rulo Forging to the Front.

Rulo is looking forward to a boom during this year. Waterworks and electric light bonds have been voted and bonds are printed preparatory to floating them. This will give the town much needed fire protection, which has been lacking in several disastrous fires in past years. A number of fine residences will be erected in the spring, and a steady growth for Rulo is sure to follow. The local telephone company has poles and supplies on the ground to begin putting in a system here and connecting with adjacent lines of Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri. The farmers near Rulo are organizing a mutual company and expect to run to Rulo and connect with other lines.

Prairie Fire at Kearney.

A destructive prairie fire two miles east of Kearney burned all the buildings on the Calkins ranch as well as those on the Old Gamble Place, occupied by George Peterson. The wind caused the flames to leap the railroad track when they reached it and sped on southward licking up hay stacks, buildings and everything else. So far as learned no livestock perished.

PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT

First of Month Figures Submitted, With Other Financial Data.

The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business February 29, 1904, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to $918,034,634, which is an increase for the month of $2,972,091. This increase is accounted for by the decrease in the amount of cash on hand.

The cash in the treasury is classified as follows:

Gold reserve, $150,000,000; trust funds, $946,994,979; general fund, $142,273,715; national bank depositories, $162,505,517; in Philippine treasury, $5,532,361. Total, $1,407,296,573, against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to $1,034,228,068, which leaves a cash balance on hand of $373,068,505.

The monthly comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures show that for the month of February, 1904, the total receipts were $45,895,406 and the expenditures $42,654,772, leaving a surplus for the month of $3,240,634. For February, 1903, the surplus was $5,250,000.

The monthly circulation statement shows that at the close of business February 29, the total circulation of national bank notes was $430,324,310, an increase for the year of $47,525,465, and an increase for the month of $3,166,683.

The circulation based on United States bonds amounted to $390,352,491, an increase for the year of $51,692,130, and an increase for the month of $2,694,760.

The circulation secured by lawful money aggregated $39,971,819, a decrease for the year of $4,166,665 and an increase for the month of $771,923.

The amount of United States bonds on hand to secure circulating notes was $392,671,550. The amount of bonds on hand to secure public deposits was $166,034,898.

The statement of the coinage executed at the mints of the United States during February shows a total of 13,928,510 pieces; the gold coined amounted to $35,605,500; silver, $1,475,000; minor coins, $22,350.

This coinage includes 9,545,000 pieces for the Philippine government.

ELEVATOR MEN IN OMAHA

Elevator Builders Meet in Omaha for Better Organization.

Twenty states were represented by more than 250 delegates to the National Co-Operative Grain Growers' and Stock Raisers' association when that body convened at the Millard hotel in Omaha. The executive committee appointed at the last convention, held in Chicago, was in session two days, and presented to the convention a plan for more thorough organization and for making the work of the association of a much wider scope than has heretofore been attempted.

"Every delegate to this convention paid his full fare,' said L. B. Day of Albion, who is a members of the executive committee. "The railroads consider us their enemies and refused to make us half fare for the trip. We are not fighting anybody. All we want is to right to build our own elevators and if the railroads care not to permit us to erect them on their rights-of-way we will purchase ground near their tracks. We are going to build these elevators and nothing can stop us. All we wish is to have an opportunity to compete with the elevator companies of the country. Our aim is to give the producer an opportunity to get what is coming to him, without increasing the price to the consumer. We are not going to take any hand in politics, nor allow politics to take any hand in our business. We have a capital of five millions and it will all be paid up before many months elapse. We anticipate erecting an elevator in Omaha at a cost of $250,00."

The board was empowered to proceed with the organization and to elect officers and incorporate under the new name of the Farmers' National Exchange company. Nearly all the delegates present subscribed stock, and Earl B. Brown was made temporary treasurer, pending the election of regular officers by the board.

A board of nine directors was elected as follows: H. N. Gaines, Topeka, Kas., chairman; L. B. Day, Albion, Neb.; C. E. Jackson, Minnesota; A. G. Van Patten, Van Patten, Ill.; H. H. Hanks, Nebraska City, Neb.; H. W. Hueckel, Caseyville, Ill.; Jacob Payne, Missouri; C. E. Balnum, Alva, Okla; C. Strossbaum, Wakita, Okla.

Shipping Bill Passed.

The senate has passed the bill requiring the use of American vessels in transporting government supplies in shipping merchandise to the Philippines and relieving the inter-island trade of the Philippines from the exactions of the coastwise laws of the United States. The first mentioned requirement of the latter bill is already in force, but this measure enacts it in different form. The bill now pending as introduced provides that it shall go into effect July next.

Miss Nettie Blackmore, Minneapolis, tells how any young woman may be permanently cured of monthly pains by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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If there is anything about your case about which you would like special advice, write freely to Mrs. Pinkham. She will hold your letter in strict confidence. She can surely help you, for no person in America can speak from a wider experience in treating female ills. She has helped hundreds of thousands of women back to health. Her address is Lynn, Mass.; her advice is free.

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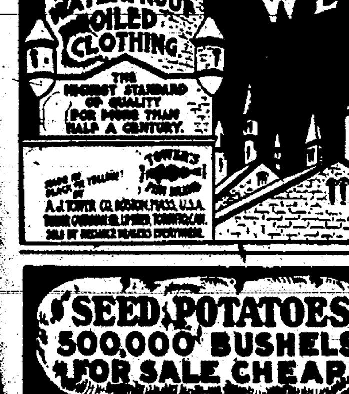
Many a fellow who thinks he is a budding genius develops into a blooming idiot.



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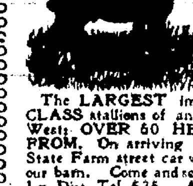

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J. P. Dolliver, United States senator from Iowa, recently delivered an address in Plymouth church, Brooklyn, filling the pulpit usually occupied by Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis. The senator's subject was "The Republic and the Spirit of Patriotism," and he spoke of the poor boy as the most important factor in the making of the republic.

"I am not wasting my sympathy on the children of the poor," he said. "What little sympathy I have I will give to the children of the rich.

"If you have $100,000 and give it to a boy to start him out in life, he doesn't start. I suggest keeping that hundred thousand and that boy apart; it will be better for the boy, and, as the facts seem to prove, better for the hundred thousand."

The real American type with its background of poverty, discipline and hard work, was characteristic of every president of the United States, he continued since Washington, and could have been said of W. J. Bryan if he had been elected.

A Massachusetts court which takes common sense with its law comes in for another bunch of popular applause. The court holds that the free distribution of cigars by a candidate for office is not bribery. Doubtless the court was prevailed upon to tackle a campaign cigar at some time in its career.

What makes most people poor is the fear that they can't afford to appear not to afford things other people have.

A Physician's Advice.

Yorktown, Ark., March 7th.—Dodd's Kidney Pills must not be confounded with the ordinary patent medicine. They are a new discovery, a specific for all diseases of the Kidneys and have been accepted by physicians only after careful tests in extreme cases. Dr. Leland Williamson, of this place heartily indorses Dodd's Kidney Pills "as a remedy for the various forms of the diseases of the Kidneys, pains in the back, soreness in the region of the Kidneys, foul-smelling urine and cloudy or thickened condition of the urine, discharges of pus or corruption, Gout, Rheumatism, Inflammation and Congestion of the Kidneys and all kindred complaints." Continuing he says:

"I could mention many cases in which I have prescribed Dodd's Kidney Pills with success. For instance, Mr. Robert Weeks, farmer, malaria, haematuria or swamp fever three times, kidneys weakened, continual pain and soreness in back, which made him very nervous, had a little fever and sometimes chilly. Urine changeable, but generally very high-colored; an old chronic case who had taken much medicine with little effect. After taking Dodd's Kidney Pills about six weeks he was entirely cured and had gained fifteen pounds in weight. The last time I saw him he was the picture of perfect manhood."

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Victoria Rape, which can be grown at 25c a ton, and Speltz at 20c a bu., both great food for cattle, also come in for their share in the discussion.

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Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'BRIEN, 322 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

The thief regards the policeman as a foeman worthy of his steal.

DO YOUR CLOTHES LOOK YELLOW?
If so, use Red Cross Ball Blue. It will make them white as snow. 2 oz. package 5 cents.

Follies of life are the amusements we don't care for.

COULD HAVE HIS PLACE.

Frick Tired of Listening to Rambling Clergyman.

H. C. Frick, who has presented to the government a $20,000 Chartran painting, the "Signing of the Protocol," was the subject of much laudatory comment in the House when the announcement of his gift was made.

A friend of the Pittsburg millionaire, in discussing his tastes, said:

"Mr. Frick dearly loves a good, strong sermon, and in an equal degree he hates a sermon that is carelessly composed and insincere. Sitting beside him in church one day, I got a manifestation of this latter trait of his.

"The minister was talking about a foreign divine who had died, but his mind didn't seem to be fixed on his subject very firmly. He wandered on and on, in a wordy way, like this:

"'What place, my brethren, shall we assign to the deceased? Was he the greatest of the Apostles? Ah, no, for that place belongs to St. Peter. Was he the greatest of saints? No, for that place belongs to St. Augustine. Was he the greatest of philanthropists? No, for in philanthropy St. Francis excelled him. Then, I repeat, what place'—

"'Oh, give him my place and get on.' I heard Mr. Frick mutter to himself with an impatient frown."

HER RETORT WAS READY.

Miss Edyth Walker's Fitting Rebuke to Pert Chorus Girl.

Miss Edyth Walker, the opera singer, who lately arrived from Paris, was standing in Mr. Conried's office one morning while many voices were being tried. She was attired in an ordinary walking skirt with a veil tied over her head. Her manager had just asked her to sing a song about which he had been arguing.

A young woman seeking a chorus position stepped in just in the midst of the singing.

After finishing Miss Walker sat down, listened as the voices one after another were tested, and thinking of her own experience she uttered many encouraging words.

It chanced that after the chorus girl had ended her song she stood near the opera singer waiting Mr. Conried's verdict.

"My dear," cooed Miss Walker, "you did nicely, and you look very pretty this morning."

The girl eyed her flatterer from head to foot and sneeringly remarked, so that all could hear:

"I'm so sorry I cannot return the compliment."

"Oh, but you could," sweetly answered Miss Walker in the same loud tone, "if you had lied as glibly as I did."—New York Times.

The Typical Boss.

The public may groan under H. H. Vreeland's street railway methods, but his men like him. "I abominate the officious, overbearing boss," said Mr. Vreeland one day to a reporter. "This boss is derided and disliked always. He never succeeds, for his men won't work for him heartily.

"You know the type of boss I mean. We find him everywhere. He treats his inferiors as though they were machines. They get no credit from him for intelligence, and he tries to make them think he is himself infallible—a kind of god.

"This sort of boss, if he has to go away for an hour or two, is apt to turn to his men and say, as he starts off:

"'Look after this, now, and look after that, and remember the other thing; and if it rains while I'm gone—well, don't try to stop it. Let it rain.'"

About Human Nature.

The Rev. Peter McQueen is an optimist who always has a good word to say for everybody, even if the person under discussion may seem to have no admirable qualities. One day when he had been standing up for a particularly disreputable specimen of humanity, a friend said to him, "McQueen, how is it that you always can think of something pleasant to say about everybody under the sun?"

Father McQueen laughed. "Well, you see," he said, "there is so much good in the worst of us, and so much bad in the best of us, that it does not become any of us to speak ill of the rest of us."—New York Times.

The Wanderer's Compliment.

George Vanderbilt was reading in the smoking room of his home at Biltmore, North Carolina, recently, when looking up from his paper he saw a seedy looking individual standing down on the carriageway, head thrown back, eyes dilated, and mouth wide open, seemingly amazed at the imposing sight before him.

After watching him for some time Mr. Vanderbilt became annoyed and, looking out of the window, said:

"My man, don't you know this is private property? Why are you standing there staring at my house; do you take it for a church?"

His unwelcome visitor, after looking him over as carefully as he could at the distance, replied:

"Well, I thought as how it might be a church till I saw the devil poke his head out'n the window."—New York Times.

Blessed by a Smile.

Because she smiled he went away
Brave hearted to his work that day;
His petty cares were all forgot,
He hurried on with one glad thought,
His task became joy-giving play,
He did not know the sky was gray,
To him the world was bright and gay;
By splendid hopes his breast was sought—
Because she smiled.

She smiled as any woman may
While letting fancy freely stray;
She smiled at him, yet saw him not,
And lo' a miracle was wrought—
A man was made from hopeless clay—
Because she smiled.

HOW TWO BEAUTIFUL WOMEN ESCAPED DREAD CATARRH BY USE OF PE-RU-NA.

Catarrh Robs Women of Health and Beauty. Pe-ru-na Makes Women Healthy and Beautiful.

Miss Amanda Johnson.

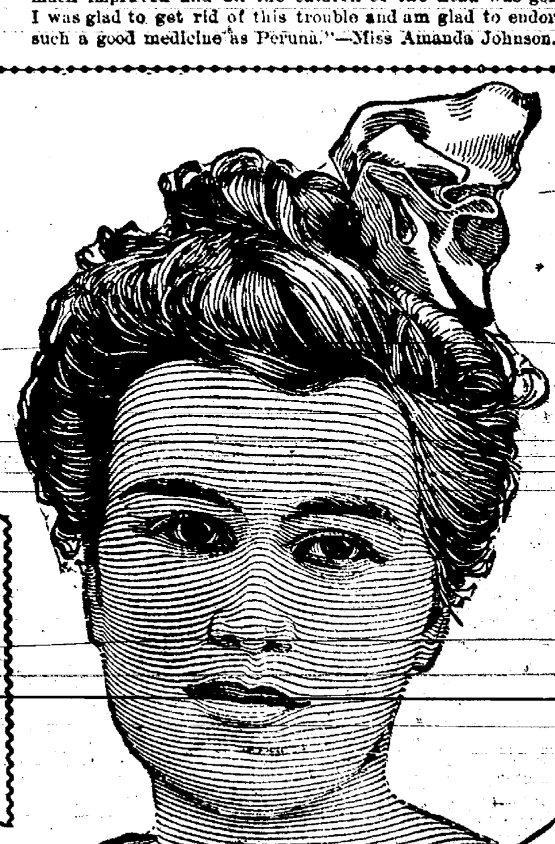
Miss Amanda Johnson, Fairchild, Wis., writes:

"I write to tell you how much Peruna benefited me. For a number of years I had pain in my head around my eyes, and I thought it was because my eyes needed treatment, so I went to an occulist and had glasses fitted to my eyes and wore them for some time, but felt no relief whatever. In fact, I felt worse than before, and came to the conclusion that the trouble was not with my eyes, but with my head and that it must be catarrh. As so many of my friends had used Peruna with benefit for this trouble, I thought I would try it. I was not sorry that I did so, for in a short time I began to improve, and in four weeks my eyes were in splendid condition, my general health was much improved and all the catarrh of the head was gone. I was glad to get rid of this trouble and am glad to endorse such a good medicine as Peruna."—Miss Amanda Johnson.

Miss Flora Hauser, 1032 S. New Jersey Street, Indianapolis, Ind., writes:

"I think I must have been troubled with catarrh ever since I was very young, aggravated each time I caught a cold. This did not prove sufficiently serious to be obnoxious until last winter. Then my head and nose were so stopped up that I felt I must do something. Peruna was recommended to me by a friend. I used it for four weeks and found to my relief that it cured me. I have not had a bit of trouble since. My head is clear, and I can safely affirm that Peruna cured me."—Miss Flora Hauser.

No Woman Afflicted With Catarrh Can Be Either Beautiful or Attractive.



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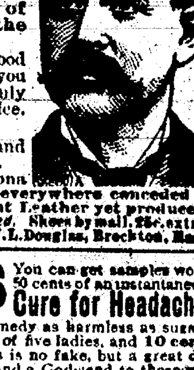

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CONSUMPTION

DOG'S LIFE MADE HAPPY.

Story of Tramp Canine and Something of His Benefactors

People who have traveled Washington street all winter may have seen every day at the noon hour a medium-sized cur dog of a dirty yellow color curled up in front of a leading dry goods store on the north side of the street, between Meridian and Illinois streets, says the Indianapolis News. His favorite place has been in a corner made by a show case and the grating above the sidewalk that gives light and air to the store basement. If the sun shines, he is apparently asleep and contented. He knows his business. In a few minutes two women will appear, one a pretty miss of about 20 years, the other her mother with kindness marked in her face. They will have a dog's dinner with them, and when it is disposed of the store porter will be asked to bring a pan of water to slake the homeless canine's thirst. This has been the program daily for a month. The women would not give their names, saying, "That makes no difference." The dog first made his appearance in the News alley, where he was petted or kicked, according to the inclination of the newsboys, whose scraps, however, he gratefully picked from the pavement. The buffetings were too much for him, and he found his way to the News composing room. After a short stay there he wandered higher to the editorial rooms, but not relishing the degree of encouragement received there he finally located in the etching room, where large lunches prevailed and where he fared well. But there came a time when the etching department left the building, and there was not accommodation for the dog in the new quarters. Then he took to the alleys again, skirmishing for his daily food as of yore. His life has been a happy one since the women discovered his needs and filled them. But the women are busy in many other charitable affairs and when they learned, two or three days ago, by a visit to the courthouse, where they enlisted the sympathy and attracted the admiration of Comptroller Johnson, that there is a refuge in this city for homeless dogs, they have been endeavoring to get their pet canine in it. Arrangements were made to have him removed there this morning, but at noon he was serenely cuddled in his accustomed place.

ARMY CHARGING ON WOLVES.

Government Issues Orders for Troops to Fight Sparrows.

Some months since wolves and wild boars became so numerous in the province of Luxemburg as to cause great alarm among the inhabitants, who approached the minister of agriculture upon the subject. That functionary promptly organized hunting parties, composed of forest guards and soldiers, who, setting to work with a will, soon slaughtered a considerable number of the animals and calmed the inhabitants' fears. Not long previous to this East Belgium had suffered from an invasion of enormous rats. They swarmed over the frontier from Germany, and so bold and rapacious did they become as in many cases even to attack children, so that the villagers in terror abandoned their houses. The government was at length appealed to, and orders were sent to the garrisons in the neighboring towns to proceed to the affected districts and open a campaign against the rodents. Such stringent measures soon proved effective, and the predatory vermin yielded to military authority. Two years ago the Third African French battalion, stationed at Kef, in Tunis, was called upon to cope with a plague of sparrows that were damaging the crops. Gallantly the soldiers took the field, and after a brisk campaign returned with the spoils of conquest in the shape of several thousand eggs. These were handed over to the regimental cook, who with the aid of several pounds of other ingredients turned out a gigantic omelette measuring seven feet in circumference, which was served up to the victors.

Most Used Numbers.

A member of the French Academy of Sciences has recently made known the result of a curious investigation of his. His object was to find out the numbers most used by the people of different countries, and to this end he made a study of the various denominations of money, postage stamps, weights and measures. He finds that nearly all countries show a preference for two, three and five, and their multiples. The Mohammedans, however, do not use the number three; he did not find a trace of it in either Turkey or Persia, and found very little trace of it in Egypt. The French and other Latin races prefer three to five, and the English two to three. In China the preference is about what it is in France, and India shows a marked partiality for two. The number 7 is most used in Russia and other Slavic countries.

Cures Sciatic Rheumatism.

Mrs. A. E. Simpson, 509 Craig St., Knoxville, Tenn., writes, June 10th, 1899: "I have been trying the baths of Hot Springs, Ark., for sciatic rheumatism, but I get more relief from Ballard's Snow Liniment than any medicine or anything I have ever tried. Enclosed find postoffice order for $1.00. Send me a large bottle by Southern Express." Sold by F. M. Colwell.

THEY WANT A "PIED PIPER."

New Jersey Town Suffering from a Plague of White Mice.

Mercerville, N. J., is suffering from a plague of white mice. The little white rodents swarm in the houses and barns and make life miserable for the housekeepers and farmers. The foundation of the trouble was laid a year ago last summer when a man visited Mercerville and vicinity, carrying with him a cageful of white mice that were trained to do tricks and tell fortunes by selecting cards with mottoes on them from a pack distributed in a rack. The showman's headquarters were in a tent on the outskirts of the village. One day a bull terrier wandered that way, and before the mouse man could stop him was in the tent mixing up with the mice. He made short work of the wire cage in which the mice were kept, and had slaughtered a half-dozen of them before his master could call him off. A dozen or more of the mice disappeared. The mouse man kicked up a fuss over his loss, but the owner of the dog finally appeased him with a liberal sum of money, and he folded his tent and quietly stole away. It was not long before the white mice began to appear in the houses of Mercerville. They haunted the milk houses, provision closets and attics, and nested in bureau drawers, to the annoyance of the housekeepers. They swarmed in the feed boxes and grain bins of the farmers and played havoc with the stock of the village storekeeper. As time went on the mice increased and their depredations became more annoying and expensive. One night a meeting was held at the village store, with the purpose of devising means of ridding the community of the mice. It was thought that the quickest way to annihilate the pest would be to plant the village with cats. The next day a hundred cats were distributed among the families in Mercerville, and the people expected to be free from the scourge in less than a week; but, to their utter amazement, they discovered that the cats had no appetite for white mice. They refused to kill them; on the contrary, they appeared to like their company. The people were finally compelled to kill off the extra cats, and as a last resort they strewed their houses with pieces of bread and cheese smeared with poison, but the mice refused to nibble the poisoned food, and now the housewives and farmers are wondering what they will do next. They are hoping that a Pied Piper will wander that way.—Chicago Journal.

HERMITS IN LARGE TOWNS.

Many Denizens of Cities Feel Lonesome and Talk to Themselves.

A newspaper the other day recorded an anecdote about a prominent western physician on his first visit here, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. His dinner companion asked him what interested him most in the streets of the city, and the physician replied the fact that so many persons were encountered who were talking to themselves. He could not explain the phenomenon to his own satisfaction, and ventured the opinion that it was because people were so busy and carried their cares about with them. At least he could think of no other reason. Possibly it is because a great city is such a solitary place for many, and solitude, of course, promotes self-communing. Many a person here is more truly a hermit, cut off by inclination or circumstance from his fellows, than some recluses who live an ostentatious life of isolation. They pass their fellows on the street mutually unknown. Many persons have no friends; some have no desire to make any; others, probably with a gregarious instinct, are too diffident to push an acquaintance. So they talk to themselves as men in a desert learn to talk to themselves. In a smaller place acquaintances would jolt a man out of the habit of talking to himself on the streets, but here nobody cares.

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved," writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well." Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for coughs, colds and all lung diseases. Guaranteed by Colwell. 50c, and $1.00. Trial bottles trial bottles free. F. M. Colwell.

Curious Sovereignty.

There is not a reigning sovereign in Europe whose family is of the nation over which he rules. The house of Austria is in reality the house of Lorraine, the Hapsburgs being of Swiss origin. The king of the Belgians is a Saxe-Coburger. The king of Denmark is a Holsteiner. The young king of Spain is an Austro-Bourbon. The king of Italy is a Savoyard. The founder of the Bernadotte dynasty in Sweden was a country attorney at Pau, in Italy, less than a century and a quarter ago, and the king of the Hellenes is a Holsteiner. The Hohenzollerns were originally Swabians, being therefore partly Bavarian and partly Swiss.—Chicago Journal.

WHERE BEGGARS CAN RIDE.

Horses Cheap Enough in New Zealand to Give All a Mount.

Horses are so cheap in Auckland that pedestrianism bids fair to become extinct. The postman does his round on horseback. The butcher, a huge basket slung over his arm, canters up with ordered provender. Schoolboys, two frequently sharing a mount, ride to school, where a paddock is reserved for their ponies. Even the lamplighter performs his duties perched on an ambling nag, while the droves of live stock, passing along the roads are always under the care of a mounted escort. When an outdoor man is sent on an errand that would entail walking a quarter of a mile he invariably spends ten minutes in catching a horse that he may ride. But more ludicrous than all else was it to see a sweep, his attention to the kitchen chimney completed, canter off on his nag, with the bag of soot perched on the saddle before him. As an instance of the topsy-turvy state of things antipodean it may be mentioned that it is considered smarter to drive in a hired carriage than in your own trap.

Wisconsin's Obligation to the Poor.

In the absence of a statute creating an obligation, the supreme court of Wisconsin, in the case of Patrick vs. Town of Baldwin (85 N. W. Rep., 274), holds that none rests on a municipal corporation to maintain or relieve poor persons, and that a court has no power upon the ground of moral obligations or the equities of any given case to hold such a corporation liable to a private person who may have relieved or supported a poor person. And where the law imposes on a municipality the duty of maintaining poor persons and designates officers therefor to act in its behalf in the performance of such duty, their mere negligence will not operate as an implied request to a private party to supply a needy person's wants, upon which such party can act and hold the municipality liable as upon an implied contract.

Design of Ruskin's Tomb.

The design of Mr. Ruskin's tomb is a cross of the early English type hewn out of a block of green slate and lettering is replaced by symbols. On the face the candlestick of the tabernacle represents the "Seven Lamps," the "Lion of St. Mark's," the "Stones of Venice," in the center, an artist near a pine forest and before the rising sun suggests "Modern Painters," while below is a figure with a lyre. On the back are St. George and the Dragon, the Crown of Wild Olive, Fors Clavigera, Sesame and Lilies, and at the foot "Unto this Last" is represented by the payment of the workers in the vineyard.

How Long Will This Condition Continue?

None may say surely, but it won't be for long, and the sooner you invest the cheaper will you be able to do so, for the advance is just as sure as has been the advance in the price of similar land in other sections. For further information write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha.

Bridge Under the Water.

A very peculiar bridge is being constructed over the Mary river at Maryborough, Queensland, in that it is being designed so that its surface will be submerged several times during the year at the seasons of high floods. The idea in building the bridge in this way is to save the material that would be required to build it sufficiently high to escape submersion at high water. The country on the banks of the Mary river lies so low that the approaches would have to be extraordinarily long to be entirely out of the water during floods, and this would have involved an immense expense, so that it was decided to disregard the floods and build the bridge for use during low water and employ boats during the comparatively short time that the water would cover the bridge. The bridge will clear by twelve feet and six inches at ordinary high water. The highest flood level is thirty-three feet, so that at times the bridge will be submerged more than twenty feet.

Alcohol in Cubes.

A London newspaper says that alcohol is now being rendered into an industrial product with which we are quite unfamiliar. Mixed with nitrocellulose, such as collodion, and evaporated, the product assumes a jelly-like consistency, which hardens on exposure. Cut into cubes, or pressed into ornamental shapes and perfumed, the substance is obtaining a considerable vogue as a heating agent for drawing-room purposes. It burns with a most powerful heat, and leaves neither ash nor discoloration, and mixed with benzol is being utilized for candles.

This spring you will need a nerve food, one that will cleanse and reconstruct your nerve centers and wasted energies. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do it. 35c. Tea or tablets. F. M. Colwell.

Wanted—Men who can furnish team and wagon and sell Dr. Mason's Remedies, Extracts and Spices to farmers. A paying business. In writing state territory wanted and send reference. National Medical Co., Sheldon, Iowa.

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Corrected July 6, 1902.

No. 13.—Vestibuled Express daily—Pawnee, Wymore, Denver, and all points west. 1.50 a.m

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No. 22—Daily Rulo and Atchison local 4:20 p m

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FEMALE WEAKNESS

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Treasurer, Portland Economic League

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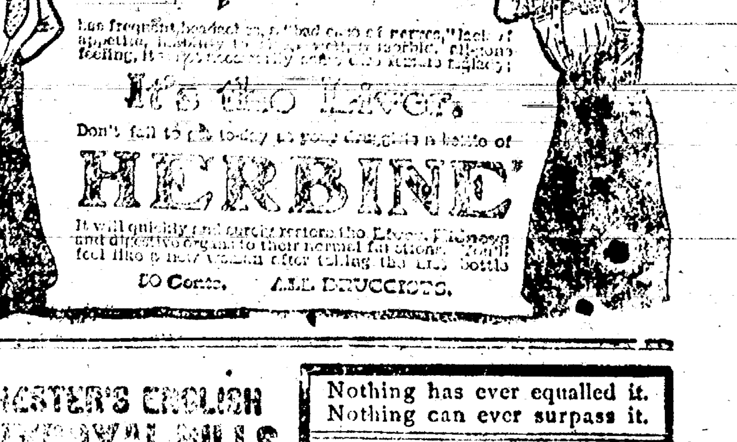

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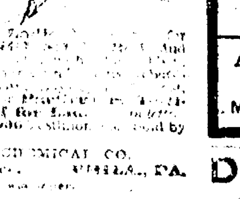

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The importation of champagne into the United States from Jan. 1 to May, 1903, was 137,742 cases, as against 112,- for the same period of 1902.

TABLE ROCK ARGUS.

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GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headache, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land." Political Righteousness at a Premium

A United States senator said to a preacher friend the other day: "Let me tell you something in utter frankness. You can say to young men who are looking forward to public life that there is nowadays a big premium on 'squareness.' The politician who expects to succeed must be honest. It is not the highest motive to which to appeal, but I am simply stating a fact. The people insist on integrity and clean living, and as between two men who ask for public favors, the clean man has the advantage every time. Now there is our president. We do not always agree with him, but we believe in him. Sometimes he is just a little too strenuous, but we can stand that because we can trust him to do the right thing as he sees it. It is simply amazing how keen he is in his emphasis on uprightness of life. Let him find out that an office seeker is of doubtful morals, and that ends it."

I've never read Miss Willard's book "How to Win," but I certainly know how any cause or individual can easily fail. If we just begin to look at the dark side, and the weak knee'd ones in the ranks, and excuse ourselves from duty because of these things we at once become useless to God and society and mere stumbling blocks in the way of others. But think how different it would be if everyone would say "Yes, I want to see things bettered, I can't do much, but my heart longs to see happy and prosperous homes and people and good environments for our girls and boys, you may count on me for what I can do, and I'll wish you well, at least." If every woman in the churches would do even that much, and all who could, would give two cents a week and a prayer and wear the bow of white ribbon, there would be little fear of any saloon being planted in our town, but so long as many who should be workers will not do anything, we may expect the fight will be on every spring. Let us not be classed with the fearful, unbelieving and faultfinding, but ask ourselves the question: "How much better would matters be if everybody should do as I am doing?" If those who know the right would do it, and plant themselves squarely on God's side, where they can claim His promises, then should we see the desire of our hearts and Christ's kingdom built up in our midst.

"Fruits of the Liquor Traffic in the United Kingdom from newspapers of the last week of 1903" is a striking headline in the Alliance News, London, of Jan. 14 and 21. These clippings are carefully classified and present a striking array of truth regarding the curse of liquor. The facts cover 34 pages of the news and give the following totals which speak for themselves:

Murders	3
Manslaughters	4
Suicides, commited and attempted	28
Stabbing, cutting, wounding	17
Premature, sudden, violent deaths	65
Outrages, violent assaults	73
Assaults upon wives	41
Assaults upon constables	64
Drunken obscene language	27
Damage to property	42
Robberies through drink	26
Cruelty to children	10
Drunk in charge of children	14
Juvenile intoxication	3
Perilous accidents	3
Old offenders	49
Permitting drunkenness	20
Miscellaneous	2785
Total	3292

All this in one week, in one government; what war, famine or pestilence has done more?

Working Overtime.

Eight hour laws are ignored by those tireless, little workers—Dr. King's New Life Pills. Millions are always at work, night and day, curing indigestion, biliousness, constipation, sick headache and all stomach, liver and bowel troubles. Easy, safe, pleasant, sure. Only 25c at Colwell's drug store.

LINCOLN LETTER

Lincoln, March 14.—County assessors are requested to observe that the credit decision of the attorney general applies to all annuities, bonds, notes secured by mortgage, book accounts due, all moneys loaned and not entered elsewhere on the schedule, certificates of purchase at tax sale, building and loan stock and all credits not otherwise listed.

Lincoln physicians have decided that the state house has been a breeding shed for typhoid germs for many years and are of the opinion that insufficient sewerage is the cause. Three cases of fever were reported among the clerks last week and for years there has been a great deal of the disease among those who inhabit the state house. So far the present conditions have not served to cool the ardor of prospective inhabitants of the building. The candidates all seem willing to assume the risk.

The largest warrant drawn during Auditor Weston's term was issued and paid Thursday morning, it being in favor of the Van Dorn Iron works and representing the tidy sum of $41,418, the same being a payment upon the new cells at the penitentiary.

Chancellor Andrews is confident that the "Rockefeller" Temple to be erected at the University, will be a reality before another year has passed

The state board of assessment and equalization has decided that deputy assessors must report the exact amount of property owned by telegraph, telephone and other like corporations. This does not mean to report so many miles of poles and wire, but to state the exact number of lines strung. All other details must be as conscientiously listed.

H. C. Lindsay, chairman of the republican state central committee, has been sick in a Lincoln hospital for the greater part of a week, and while his condition is not at all alarming, his physician prescribes complete relaxation and rest for a few days longer.

Superintendent Clark of the Peru Normal has learned a lesson from the recent small fire in that institution and besides drilling a volunteer fire brigade composed of students the superintendent will reluctantly part with a few hundred dollars of his scant appropriation for new fire fighting apparatus. At present there is but 75 feet of hose in the building and a fire in the upper floors or upon some portions of the ground floor could not be drenched.

To The Boys and Girls of Pawnee County

The Farmers' Institute of Pawnee county is planning a corn exhibit for their meeting next winter. $100 will be awarded in premiums. The first fifty young people, twenty-one years of age or under, who will make application to Mr. J. E. Atkinson, Secretary, at Pawnee City, will receive one peck of Reed's pure bred seed corn, free of charge, upon agreeing to plant same and exhibit forty ears of the product at said meeting. White or yellow seed will be furnished as desired. All applications for seed must be in before April 15th, 1904.

Children's Coughs and Colds.

Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. 1st St., Hutchinson, Kan., writes: "I have given Ballard's Horehound Syrup to my children for coughs and colds for the past four years, and find it the best medicine I ever used." Unlike many cough syrups, it contains no opium, but will soothe and heal any disease of the throat or lungs quicker than any other remedy. 25c, 50c and $1.00 at Colwell's.

Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Address Manager, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

For Sale:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

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Guaranteed to wear for five years. Send for book of Paint knowledge and Advice (free) to PATTON PAINT CO., Lake St., Milwaukee, Wis. For sale by F. M. COLWELL.

Every gallon of Patton's Sun Proof paint is sold under a guarantee that it will wear at least five years. The fact is that it will wear nearer ten years than five, but it must wear five years. This is the only paint made that is sold under this kind of a guarantee—proof positive of its excellence. We have a full line of paints for every purpose and can be of use to you when paints are wanted. Come in and get color cards

FRED M. COLWELL,
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TABLE ROCK - - - NEBRASKA

COLONIST RATES

During March and April the Burlington will sell one way to the Pacific Coast at very low rates.

Here are some of them:

$25 to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

$25 to Portland, Tacoma and Seattle.

$22.50 to Spokane.

$20 to Salt Lake City, Butte and Helena.

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Proportionately low rates to hundreds of other points.

These rates offer an excellent opportunity to see the great Northwest which presents unusual attractions to the homeseeker. It passes the iron and lumber of Michigan, the wheat of Minnesota, the wool of Ohio, the fisheries of New England, a seaboard rivaling the Atlantic coast.

If you will tell me where you are going I shall be glad to give you full information about rates and train service and send you advertising matter descriptive of these wonderful sections. J. Francis, G. P. A., Omaha, Neb.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For ulcers, wounds, piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by F. M. Colwell, druggist.

Mass Convention.

The republican voters of Table Rock precinct are invited to meet at the town hall in Table Rock at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening, March 17th, for the purpose of selecting candidates for delegates and alternates to the county convention to be held at Pawnee City, March 19th, also to the county convention to be held at the same place on May 14th and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

F. H. Taylor,
Committeeman.

ANTI-LICENSE CONVENTION.

A mass convention of the anti-license voters of the village of Table Rock, Nebraska, is hereby called to meet in the town hall in said village, on Friday evening, March 18, 1904, at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating three candidates for members of the village board of trustees, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

Committee.

Manager Charles Johnson of the Wabaska Electric Co., was killed in front of T. P. Hargrave's clothing store Wednesday evening about 6:30 o'clock. He was working on an electric light pole and it is thought caught hold of a live wire in an endeavor to save himself from falling. Before he could be rescued from his perilous position he fell twelve or fifteen feet, striking on his head and crushing his skull. He was taken into Dr. Gafford's office but expired before any assistance could be given. Deceased was a widower and leaves a son 18 years old, now located at Florence, Colorado. Deceased is a brother of Mrs. C. P. Philbrick. He was a painstaking, careful electrician and was one of the best men ever employed by the Wabaska people. Coroner Walden was down today and decided that an inquest was unnecessary.—Wymore Arbor State.

The newspapers of a town are its looking glasses. It is in them that you see yourself as others see you. You smile at them and they smile back at you; you frown at them and you are repaid in kind. They are the reflex of the town. If the town is doing business the paper will show it in its advertising columns. If the merchants are spiritless, shiftless fellows, whose stores are jumbles of junk and jam, the papers will show it by the lack of space they take. If you want the world to know you have a live town, you can let it be known through the newspaper.—X

So Sweet and Pleasing in Taste!

Mrs. C. Peterson, 625 Lake St., Topeka, Kan., speaking of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, says: "It has never failed to give entire satisfaction, and of all cough remedies, it is my favorite, and I must confess to my many friends that it will do, and has done, what is claimed for it—to speedily cure a cough or a cold; and it is so sweet and so pleasing in taste." 25c, 50c and $1.00 bottle at F. M. Colwell's.

PATRONS' DAY PROGRAM March 18th, at 2 P. M.

Song	Double Quartet
Recitation	Chas. Wood
Exercise	Primary Grades
Solo	Nellie Phillips

Papers or Talks

Patrons' Day	Supt. Waddell
Teaching Patriotism	Mrs. Marble
Practice and Diciplinary Studies	Mr. W. C. Smith
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Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

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Why It is the Best

is because made by an entirely different process. Defiance Starch is unlike any other, better and one-third more for 10 cents.

If all the women who look back were turned into salt pillars the streets would be full of statues.

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE $2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Many a girl marries a man simply to keep some other girl from getting him.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

No man can ever make love to a girl in all the different kinds of ways she thinks he ought to.

You can do your dyeing in half an hour with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES.

A man is in great danger when a girl begins to let him know she is afraid of him.

Stops the Cough and Works Off the Cold
Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25c.

Good breeding seldom causes a man to leave the dinner table hungry.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

An amusing method of securing the marriage of his five daughters has been adopted by a wealthy tradesman in Berlin. As suitors were not apparently inclined to seek the hands and affections of the daughters, the father advertised that he would pay to the accepted suitor of each daughter a dowry in cash proportionate to the weight of the selected damsel immediately after the wedding ceremony. A young lawyer was the first who submitted himself for the father's approval, and having produced satisfactory evidence as to his respectability, he was presented to the daughters. He visited them for a week, and then choose the stoutest of the five to whom he was recently married. When the ceremony was over the lady was weighed and registered 17 stone, the father immediately paying over to his son-in-law a sum of 13,000 crowns.

"Strange how some people make money. A mental healer down in Jacksonville undertook to think a man out of jail for $10."
"Did he think him out?"
"The man in jail thinks not."
"Thinks he is still in jail, eh?"
"Yes, that's what he thinks."
"But he may be in error."
"Couldn't be in error and jail, too, could he?"
"Doesn't look reasonable, does it?"

After she has been married seven years and had five children a woman begins to know almost as much about managing a family as she thought she did a week before her wedding day.

The wise man never tells a woman that she reminds him of an old friend.

THIN DIET.

No Nourishment in It.

It's not easy to keep up when coffee has so ruined the stomach that food won't digest.

A Mo. woman says: "I had been an invalid for two years from stomach trouble caused by coffee, got so bad I couldn't digest food and for quite a while I lived on milk and lime water—nothing but that—a glass of milk and lime water six times a day. In this way I managed to live, but of course did not gain.

"It was about 5 months ago I began using Postum Food Coffee; I did not need the milk and lime water after that, for I gained rapidly and I can now eat a good meal and drink from 1 to 3 cups of Postum each meal and feel fine.

"I would not go back to coffee for any reasonable pay. I like Postum better than coffee now and make Postum by directions on box and it is just fine; never found a better way to make it than on box. Now this is all true and you can easily prove it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Postum is a brew from field grains with all the nourishment left in. It makes red blood and rebuilds particularly well where coffee has done damage as it does to nearly all who drink it.

A 10 days' trial of Postum in place of coffee works wonders. There's a reason.

Get the little book, "The Road to Wellville" in each pkg.

THE ARGUS

PUBLISHED WEEKLY.

TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

The citizens of Aurora are planning to organize and finance a canning factory.

Four octogenarians died at Omaha on the same day. One of them settled there as early as 1856.

A team of mules, probably one of the finest in Gage county, was sold on the streets of Beatrice for $335.

One of the finest country school houses in the state is said to be that of district No. 3 in Dodge county.

Elgin, Nebraska, is to have a new school house. It will cost $10,000. Contractors at Elgin have secured the work.

Out in Sheridan county the farmers are organizing for more extensive and better directed operations in raising potatoes.

The city council of Grand Island is taking time by the forelock in passing ordinances to insure quiet and safety on July Fourth.

The new revenue law says every man must swear to the number of his dogs, and pay taxes on every dog, and double taxes on lady dogs.

The Pflug family in Nebraska are engaged in better business than their namesakes in Russia. One of them out at Exeter is expert in dairying.

The Rev. C. W. Savage of Omaha, in twenty years has married over 1,100 couples. Yet the reverend gentleman himself was very slow in marrying.

Of the proposed $50,000 endowment fund for the Hastings college, $39,000 has now been subscribed, of which $26,000 comes from subscribers outside of Hastings.

Nebraska may have no fancy entertainment at the St. Louis fair, but when it comes to the exhibit of agricultural resources, Nebraska will be there with the goods.

Beatrice is said to be enforcing the law for the prevention of the sale of tobacco to minors. If Beatrice is really doing this it is about the only town in the state that is.

A forty-acre piece of farming land north of Fremont sold at $100 per acre. The same land sold a few years ago at $55 per acre, that price being regarded as high at that time.

About thirty new buildings are already contracted for by the people of the vicinity of Ord to be put up right away. The same kind of news comes from other Nebraska communities.

The Norfolk Leap Year club is being flooded with communications from all over the state. Two of the members have already succeeded in landing victims. They hold their meeting mysteriously once each week.

Fremont has a dog whose breed ought to commend itself to telephone companies. The dog is perfectly congenial to all persons except alone to those who try to sponge the use of his owner's telephone. For these he has no toleration.

The Rock Island has announced that a 3,000-mile ticket will be placed on sale in the near future. The ticket will be good for one year from date of sale. It will be honored over every mile of the Rock Island and 'Frisco systems and their auxiliary roads.

Lester Somers, a 4-year-old Fremont boy, mistaking arsenic pills for cough drops, and swallowed some. A doctor and a stomach pump being handy, the mistake luckily did not prove fatal, but the boy's mother has found a new place to store arsenic pills.

The contract has been let for the new church building of Trinity German Evangelical Lutheran, Lincoln, to be erected at the corner of Thirteenth and H streets, adjoining the present edifice. The new church will be of brick, will be fifty-six feet by eighty feet and will cost about $12,000. The old frame building will be left where it is and fitted up for the use of the parochial school.

A successful beet harvesting machine has been invented and completed by two farmers living near McCook. The machine operated by one man with four horses harvests and loads three acres of beets in a day, the equivalent of what four men and fourteen horses can do under old methods. It costs about the same as a grain harvester.

Lincoln county has scored the initiation of a new annual grain industry in the raising and shipping of upland rye for the St. Louis distillery market, about fifteen carloads being marketed. The rye yields forty bushels to the acre, brings 38 cents and is excellent in quality.

The citizens of Wausa show the proper spirit in sticking together and pushing any project that is for the benefit of the community. Differences of opinion sometimes arise, but when it comes to the final struggle, everyone takes a hold and does everything possible towards making a success of the undertaking, whatever it may be.

Ernest Bessey, of the University of Nebraska, '96, at present studying in the University of Halle, Germany, will go to Algiers, Africa, to study the date palms which grow there. He does this at the request of the United States department of agriculture. Shortly after his return to Germany he will take the examination for the doctor's degree.

H. J. Lee, of Fremont, is the oldest hardware merchant who has been continuously in that business in Nebraska. He began in February, 1870, just thirty-four years ago. N. M. Pillsbury, of the same city, disputes Mr. Lee's title, claiming priority by a month or two.

The storm that swept over Nebraska recently was rather severe in some places. A farmer driving a buggy between Norfolk and Pierce struck a sand streak in the road. The buggy and horse were completely turned over and sand blown into the buggy in such quantities that it was impossible to drag the rig out again.

AGRICULTURE IN WESTERN CANADA.

Its Grain Fields.
Ranching Lands.
Dairying Resources.

The Editor of the Wisconsin Agriculturist, who was one of a party of editors of agricultural papers who took a trip through Canada during the past spring, writes to his paper in the following strain:

The reason of his visiting Canada was to satisfy himself that the reports coming to his paper regarding the wonderful resources of that country were accurate. In view of the wonderful settlement that was going on there, many from this country crossing the line in search of permanent homes and in view of what he had heard in regard to conditions of soil, water, climate, topography, fuel, grasses, rainfall, markets, etc., and also the influence which these have had on the present and future of agriculture, he deemed it necessary to make an extended trip through all of the above territory.

In speaking of the Province of Manitoba, he says:

"The province of Manitoba comprises within its limits the far-famed grain-growing valleys of the Assiniboine and Red rivers. Although called the Prairie Province of Canada, Manitoba has large areas of forests, numerous rivers and vast water expansions.

"The soil is a rich, deep, mould, or loam, resting on a deep clay subsoil. It is well adapted to wheat-growing, giving a bountiful yield of the finest quality, known the world over as No. 1 hard wheat. During the past ten years the growth of wheat and other grains has steadily increased, until now the production, by 35,000 farmers, reaches over 100,000,000 bushels. Of the 23,000,000 arable acres in Manitoba, probably not one-half of it is occupied. Cultivated grasses yield about two tons per acre and native grasses a ton and a half.

"There can be no question but that dairying will become a great industry throughout the Northwest, and especially cheese-making, as the climate is favorable and similar to that of Ontario.

"Crops grown are wheat, barley, oats, flax, rye, peas, corn for fodder, brome, potatoes, roots, etc. The soil is very fertile and moisture ample. The climate is good and the growing season, while not quite so long as in Wisconsin, matures crops as the sun shines much longer, rising about 4 o'clock and shines until about 9 at night. One can easily read a newspaper at 10 p. m. The long days make growth fast and push crops to maturity ahead of frost.

"The ranching, the wheat-growing and the mixed farming belts all cross over Assiniboia. The yield and the quality of wheat raised along the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway, at such places as Indian Head and its allied districts, have become famous. Its possibilities are shown by the averages of tests made at the experimental farm in 1902, when eleven varieties of the most suitable wheat, sown on April the 19th, were cut in 130 days and yielded 4,314 pounds of straw and 43 bushels and 2 pounds of grain per acre. Its mixed farming area is excellent, its range cattle, horses and sheep are the equals of any seen in the Northwest, and its treeless portion is underlaid with coal. The town of Medicine Hat is heated and illuminated with natural gas. There are abundant deposits of brick, pottery and fire clays."

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For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

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WANTS THE EARTH

Turkey Makes Preposterous Conditions to Russia

DEMANDS POUND OF FLESH

Russia Endeavoring to Get Fleet Past the Dardanelles—Turkey Steadfastly Refuses Until Terms are Granted

The porte has thus far met the requests of the Russian ambassador to Turkey, M. Zinovieff, to permit the Black sea fleet to pass the Dardanelles by namings conditions wholly unacceptable by Russia. One of these conditions naturally is that Russia shall break off or evade the fulfillment of her agreements with Austria respecting the Balkans, give the sultan leave to settle the controversy by his own methods, and assist Turkey should Austria or other powers dispute the sultan's decision.

Russia rejected these proposals as preposterous, but she renewed her request, to which there seems little likelihood of the sultan yielding, as British diplomacy is active at Constantinople in urging on the porte a strict observance of the Berlin treaty. France, so far as can be perceived at Berlin, has not seconded Russia in this matter. Such a step as permitting the Black sea fleet to pass the Dardanelles would be regarded diplomatically as a breach of neutrality on the part of Turkey, though Great Britain's opposition to it, being aimed at the maintenance of the statu quo, is not so considered. Russia's diplomatic weight at Constantinople has been somewhat reduced by the occurences in the far east. The porte will give nothing without a heavy price.

Seventh Day Advents at Omaha

Seventh Day Adventists from Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Colorado and New Mexico, forming the southwest division of the general conference of that denomination, held a session in Omaha. About 150 delegates were present, including a number of prominent leaders in the faith. The Russo-Japanese war was one of the most important subjects of study, and Bible conferences were conducted morning and afternoon of each day, with sermons in the evening.

Elder A. G. Daniels, of Washington, D. C., president of the general conference, presided and preached the opening sermon. He declared that the present war would involve all the great powers of the world and that it was the beginning of a strife that was to disrupt the world.

Definition of "Local Assessor."

The term "local assessor," as used in the revenue law means deputy assessor. The state board of equalization came to this conclusion and telephone companies in the state will be required to make reports to the deputy assessor of each district through which their lines may run. Assessors will be expected to make an equitable valuation of telephone property.

The companies will submit sworn returns to the deputies of the property on hand and this will be valued at the fair market value. The returns from the various assessing districts then will be reviewed by the county boards of equalization. Telephone companies were the only things considered by the board at its meeting and the secretary was instructed to inform the several companies in the state of the action taken. A meeting will be held soon to discuss and reach a conclusion on schedules.

Alleged Murderer Causes Trouble

Frank Barker, who is in the county jail awaiting trial for the alleged murder of Dan and Alice Barker on February 1, caused a disturbance in the jail at Red Cloud.

A barber had been called to shave him and he was taken into the corridor where there was a better light. He refused to go back into the cell and it took the combined efforts of the barber and sheriff together with other visitors at the jail to get him back.

He broke a chair, lamp and everything else in the cell, and then set fire to the oil from the lamp on the floor. He afterwards laughed about it, thinking he had been a hero.

Railroad Can Hold Goods.

The supreme court of Illinois has handed down a decision holding that a railroad company has a lien upon goods carried, until reasonable storage and demurrage or car service charges have been paid.

Hobson on Alabama Ticket

At a meeting of the executive committee of the democratic and conservative party of Alabama the former action of the committee was rescinded and the name of Richmond Pearson Hobson can now be placed on the official ballot for the primary of April 11. Captain Hobson will oppose Congressman John P. Bankhead. Captain Hobson is not a registered voter of Alabama, not having had an opportunity to register under the primary plan.

NAME DELEGATE-AT-LARGE

The Democrats Indorse Richard L. Metcalf for Representative

Democratic editors at the state meeting in Lincoln, endorsed Richard L. Metcalfe, editor of the World-Herald, for delegate at large and passed a resolution commending W. J. Bryan. The latter could not be present at the meeting.

The following officers were elected: President, C. D. Casper, David City; vice president, H. W. Risley, Grand Island; secretary and treasurer, J. W. Barnhart, Auburn.

The following is a list of those attending the state meeting: N. J. Ludi, Wahoo Democrat; R. L. Metcalfe, Omaha World-Herald; J. W. Barnhart, Auburn Herald; Edgar Howard, Columbus Telegram; J. M. Tanner, South Omaha Sun; C. D. Casper, David City Press; R. O. Adams, Grand Island Democrat; D. T. Corcoran, York Democrat; Cliff Frank, York Teller; J. H. Kearnes, Auburn Herald; Waldo Wintersteen, Fremont Herald; F. M. Brown, Sutton Register; Will M. Maupin, Commoner, Lincoln; John B. Donovan, Madison Star-Mail; J. Herman Johannes, Columbus Biene; H. W. Risley, Grand Island Democrat; Conway Leedom, Hebron Register; C. J. Bowlby, Crete; Edgar G. Barnhart, Auburn Herald.

Resolutions of regret were passed, condoling the death of G. A. Luikart and Victor Vifquain.

Dr. P. L. Hall and other democrats entertained the editors last night at the Lindell hotel.

Water Famine Predicted

A dearth of water is promised the irrigators of Nebraska by Secretary Dobson of the state board of irrigation for this year. Advices received from the headwaters of the Platte river are to the effect that the mountain snow fall has been unusually light this winter and will not last long after the spring thaw sets in. The greatest scarcity will be along the North Platte river, and in this district irrigated lands will suffer the most unless there is an abundance of snow between now and the first of April. Secretary Dobson advises all irrigators to secure water early.

Body of Babe Recovered

The body of the little son of Mr. and Mrs. George Lauderbach, who was drowned in the canal near the Colton mill, Kearney, has been found. A party has been searching the lake. Dynamite was used to blow out the ice which was over six inches thick. The body was found in the deep water in the lake about fifty yards below where the little one had met his death, and it was taken at once to the home of the parents. The remains were remarkably well preserved and showed little signs of having been in the water so long.

Killed by Gasoline Explosion

A terrible accident occurred at the home of L. W. Welch, living three miles east of Blue Springs. The family had retired for the night, with the exception of one girl, who was just ready to go to bed and started to blow out the light. As she did so a terrific explosion occurred, the flames igniting her clothing and a number of articles in the room. After a night of fearful agony the girl died. The accident was due to the fact that the lamp had been filled from a can of oil purchased at a local store, and supposed to contain kerosene, but which upon investigation proved to contain gasoline.

Omahans "Dig Up" Cheerfully

The directors of the Omaha Auditorium are making a final appeal for $20,000 with which to complete the convention hall that has been in process of construction for eighteen months. They have asked for two hundred subscriptions of $100 each and have a good start, forty-one business and professional men having signed the list Monday. Probably $1,000 more will be required to finish the interior. The side walls and roof girders are complete, and the work of placing the roof in position will be proceeded with at once.

Coal Mines Shut Down

Practically every coal mine in the McAlester district, Indian Territory, has closed on account of lack of demand for coal. The shut-down is indefinite. The output of the mines is two million tons a year. Several mines are still running only to supply the coke ovens.

The evelator boy is poorly paid when one considers the fool questions he is asked.

Definition of "Credits"

The term "credits" used in the new revenue law means "net credits" and not "gross credits" according to the opinion of Attorney General Prout, given at the request of the state board of equalization. The opinion of the attorney general follows closely that of Supreme Court Commissioner Duffie, who wrote the suplementary opinion of the supreme court in regard to the constitutionality of the new revenue law several months ago.

RESTORED TO HEALTH.

Many weak, suffering women do not know that their kidneys are sick. Backache tells of sick kidneys, and so do urinary disorders. Sick kidneys make bad blood, and bad blood makes bad digestion, heart palpitation, dizzy headaches, nervousness, sleeplessness, sciatica, rheumatic pains and constant depression.

Can't be restored to health until the kidneys are cured. Read how one woman was restored by using Doan's Kidney Pills:

Mrs. H. A. Van Sickle, 311 6th Ave., S. W. Roanoke, Va., says: "Kidney trouble was hereditary in our family and I had been so continually afflicted with the disease that I began to despair of even temporary relief. Sometimes I suffered so severely that I was confined to my bed. The aching in my back was intense and the kidney disorder caused an excess of uric acid in my blood which impaired my digestion. I was compelled to deny myself of many of the little delicacies of diet. The doctors diagnosed my case as congestion of the kidneys. I had about given up hope when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, but I took only a few doses when their curative powers were proven to my satisfaction. I have never been without them in the house since."

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Three handsome boys about 21, well-dressed, wellkept, and decent looking, passed the Emporia (Kan.) Gazette office. They are sons of well-to-do parents—boys who have a little pocket money whether they work or not. If the style of clothes should completely change in the next thirty days, each of these boys would have a complete new outfit. He could go to the store and order it, and the bill would be "sent in." The are not bad boys: they would think nothing, however, of spending two dollars at the bowling alley, and borrowing the money from some other boys to pay for it, and kiting the debt around till they could work their fathers and mothers for it. An old codger who sat in the Gazette office and saw the boys pass, said: "Poor devils—poor little devils—they have no show. Luck is against them."

"Why don't you make more speeches?"
"I'm afraid to," answered Senator Sorghum. "I've seen too many instances of a man's allowing all his attention to be absorbed in the preparation of a speech, thereby allowing the opposition to get in a lot of practical and effective work."

This Is Miraculous.

Manhattan, Kans., March 14.—One of the strangest cases that has ever been heard of in Riley Co. is that of the three-year-old daughter of Mr. Jonas Brubaker of this place.

Some time ago the little girl took whooping cough, which was followed by pneumonia. When the pneumonia left her, she was taken down with malaria fever with at times symptoms of Spinal Meningitis.

The family doctor brought her safely through these troubles, but after the fever Bright's Disease set in and the doctors gave her up. Her father tells the rest of the story:

"We began to give her Dodd's Kidney Pills and after she had taken about three and a half boxes, she was entirely cured. Now she is well as any child, running and playing as if nothing had ever been the matter with her. The doctors said she was beyond the reach of medicine. Dodd's Kidney Pills certainly saved our little girl's life, when she was so far into the chronic stage of Bright's Disease that we thought nothing could save her."

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Lots of people come to grief by meeting trouble half-way.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XXIII.—Continued.

Now there came upon the face of the country faint scars where wheels had cut into the hard soil, these vagrant indices of travel not pointing all one way and not cut deep, as was the royal highway of the cattle, but crossing, tangling, sometimes blending into main-traveled roads, though more often straying aimlessly off over the prairie to end at the homestead of some farmer. These new houses were dark and low and brown, with the exception that each few miles the traveler might see a small frame house painted white. Here and there over the country were broken rows of little yellow, faded trees struggling up out of the hard earth. The untiring wheels of windmills could be seen everywhere at their work.

In the town of Ellisville the great heap of buffalo bones was gone from the side of the railroad track. There were many wagons now, but none brought in bones to pile up the railway; for even the bones of the buffalo were now gone forever.

The Land Office was yet at Ellisville, and the rush of settlers was continuous. Ellisville had thirty business houses and two thousand inhabitants. It had large railway shops and the division offices of the road. It had two schoolhouses (always the schoolhouse grew quickly on the Western soil), six buildings of two stories, two buildings of three stories and built of brick.

The stranger who asked for the old, wild days of Ellisville the Red was told that no such days had ever been. Yet stay; perhaps there were half a dozen men who had lived at Ellisville from the first who could, perhaps, take one to the boarding house of Mrs. Daly; who could, perhaps, tell something of the forgotten days of the past, the days of two years ago, before the present population of Ellisville came West. There was, perhaps, a graveyard, but the headstones had been so few that

verse ending, after the vocal fashion of his race, with a sudden uplift of a sheer octave, as thus:

"I-i-i-i'd dance li-i-i-ke a fa-a-a-iry-e-e-e,
For to see ould Dunlear-e-e-e-e!
I-i-i-d think twi-i-i-ce e-e-e-r-r-r i-i-i-d have it,
For to be-e-e-e-e a drag-o-o-n."

Franklin stepped in and said good morning. "You seem in fine fettle this morning, friend," said he. "Very fine for an old man."

Battersleigh squared around and looked at him soberly. "Ned," said he, "ye're a dethractor of iunycince. Batty ould! Listen to me, boy! It's fifty years younger I am to-day than when I saw ye last. I'm younger than ye ivver saw me in all your life before."

"And what and where was the fountain?" said Franklin, as he seated himself at his desk.

"The one fountain of all on earth, me boy—Succiss—succiss! The two dearest things of life are Succiss and Revinge. I've found thim both. Shure, pfwhat is that gives one man the lofty air an' the overlookin' eye, where another full his ekil in inches fears to draw the same breath o' life with him? Succiss, succiss, me boy!"

"Well, I suppose you don't mind my congratulating you on your success, whatever it may be," said Franklin, as he began to busy himself about his work at the desk. "You're just a trifle mysterious, you know."

"There's none I'd liever have shake me by the hand than yoursilf, Ned," said Battersleigh, "the more especially by this rayson, that ye've nivver believed in ould Batty at all, but thought him a visionary schamer, an' no more. Didn't ye, now, Ned; on your honor?"

"No," said Franklin stoutly. "I've always known you to be the best fellow in the world."

"Tut, tut!" said Battersleigh. "Ye're dodgin' the issue, boy. But pfwhat wud ye say now, Ned, if I should till ye I'd made over tin thousand pounds

"And what and where was the fountain?"

one could tell but little of it now. Much of this, no doubt, was exaggeration, this talk of a graveyard, of a doubled street, of murders, of the legal killings which served as arrests, of the lynchings which once passed as justice. There was a crude story of the first court ever held in Ellisville, but of course it was mere libel to say that it was held in the livery barn. Rumor said that the trial was over the case of a negro, or Mexican, or Indian, who had been charged with murder, and who was himself killed in an attempt at lynching, by whose hand it was never known. These things were remembered or talked about by but very few, these the oldtimers, the settlers of two years ago. Somewhere to the north of the town, and in the center of what was declared by some persons to be the old cattle trail, there was reputed to be visible a granite boulder, or perhaps it was a granite shaft, supposed to have been erected with money contributed by cattlemen at the request of Mrs. Daly, who kept the boarding house on a back street. Some one had seen this monument, and brought back word that it had cut upon its face a singular inscription, namely:

JUAN THE LOCO,

The End of the Trail.

This matter was, of course, not understood by all, nor did many concern themselves therewith; men being now too busy working eight hours a day. It was generally supposed to refer to something that had happened in the days when Ellisville was wrongfully alleged to have been a cow town—a day far back in the past, in the time of Two Years ago.

CHAPTER XXIV.

The Success of Battersleigh.

One morning when Franklin entered his office he found his friend Battersleigh there before him, in full possession, and apparently at peace with all the world. He did not hear Franklin as he apprached the door, and the latter stood looking in for a moment, amused at Battersleigh and his attitude and his song. When quite happy Battersleigh always sang, and very often his song was the one he was singing now, done in a low nasal, each

of good English money since I came to this little town?"

"I should say," said Franklin calmly as he opened an envelope, "that you had been dreaming again."

"That's it! That's it!" cried Battersleigh. "Shure ye wud, an' I knew it! But come with me to bank this mornin' an' I'll prove it all to ye."

Something in his voice made Franklin wheel around and look at him. "Oh, do be serious, Battersleigh," said he.

"I'll till ye a secret, which heretofore I've always neglicted to mintion to anybody. Here I'm Henry Battersleigh, agent of the British-American Colonization Society. On t'other side I might be Cuthbert Allen Wingate-Galt. An' Etcetera, man; etcetera, to God knows what. Don't mintion it, Ned, till I've gone away, for I've loved the life here so—I've so enjoyed bein' just Batty, agent, and so forth! Belave me, Ned, it's much comfortabler to be merely a' And-so-forth thin it is to be an' Etcetera. Ah! I've loved ye so, Ned! Ye're the noblest nobleman I ivver knew or iver expict to know."

Franklin sat gazing at him without speech, and presently Battersleigh went on.

"It's a bit of a story, lad," said he kindly. "Ye see, I've been a poor man all me life, ye may say, though the nephew of one of the richest women in the United Kingdom—an' the stingiest. Instid of doin' her obvayus juty an' supportin' her nephew in becomin' station, she marries a poor little lordlet boy, forsakes me entirely. Wasn't it hijius of her? There may have been raysons satisfyin' to her own mind, but she nivver convinced me that it was Christian conduct on her part. So I wint with the Rile Irish, and fought fer the Widdy. I've been in the Rile Irish ivver since—whin not somewhere else; though mostly, Ned me boy, stone broke, an' ownin' no more than me bed an' me arms. Ye know this, Ned."

After his fashion Franklin sat silent, waiting for the other's speech.

"Ned," said Battersleigh at length, "till me, who's the people of the intire worrld that has the most serane belief in their own shupayriority?"

"New Yorkers," said Franklin calmly.

"Wrong. Ye mustn't joke, me boy. No. It's the English. Shure, they're the consatedest people in the whole worrld. An' now, thin, who's the wisest people in the worrld?"

"The Americans," said Franklin promptly again.

"Wrong agin. It's thim same d—d domineerin' idjits, the yally-headed subjecks o' the Widdy. An' pfwhy are they wise?"

"You'll have to tell," said Franklin.

"Then I'll till ye. It's because they have a sacra fames fer all the land on earth."

"I infer, Battersleigh," said Franklin, "that you have made a sale."

"Well, yis. A small matter."

"A quarter-section or so?"

"A quarter-township or so wud be much nearer," said Battersleigh dryly.

"You don't mean it?"

"Shure I do. It's a fool for luck; allowin' Batty's a fool, as ye've always thought, though I've denied it. Now ye know the railroad's crazy for popylation, an' it can't wait. The railroad offers Batty the Fool fifteen hundred acres o' land at three dollars the acre, if Batty the Fool'll bring settlers to it. So I sinds over to me ould Aunt's country—not, ye may suppose, over the signayture o' Cubberd Allen Wiggit-Galt, but as Henry Battersleigh, agent o' the British-American Colonization Society—an' I says to the proper party there, says I, 'I've fifteen hundred acres o' the loveliest land that ivver lay out of dures, an' ye may have it for the trifle o' fifty dollars the acre. Offer it to the Leddy Wiggit,' says I to him; 'she's a philanthropist, an' is fer Bettherin' the Pore' ('savin' pore nephews,' says I to mesilf). 'The Lady Wiggit,' says I, 'I'll be sendin' a ship load o' pore tinniuts over here,' says I, 'an' she'll buy this land. Offer it to her,' says I. So he did. So she did. She tuk it. I'll be away before thim pisints o' hers comes over to settle here, glory be! Now, wasn't it aisy? There's no fools like the English over land, me boy. An' 'twas a simple judgment on me revered Aunt, the Leddy Wiggit."

"But, Battersleigh, look here," said Franklin, "you talk of fifty dollars an acre. That's all nonsense—why, that's robbery. Land is dear here at five dollars an acre."

"Shure it is Ned," said Battersleigh calmly. "But it's chape in England at fifty dollars."

"Well, but——"

"An' that's not all. I wrote to thim to send me a more matter of tin dollars an acre, as evidence o' good faith. They did so an' it was most convaynient for settlin' the little bill o' three dollars an acre which the railroad had against me, Batty the Fool."

"It's robbery!" reiterated Franklin.

"It wud 'ave been robbery," said Battersleigh, "had they sint no more than that; for I'd 'av' been defrauded of me just jues. But whut do you think? The murdherin' ould fool, me revered Aunt the Leddy Wiggit, she grows 'feared there is some intint to rob her of her bargain; so what does she do but sind the entire amount at wance—not knowin', bless me heart an' soul, that she's thus doin' a distinguished kindness to the missin' relative she's long ago forgot! Man, would ye call that robbery? It's Divine Providence, no less! It's justice. Man, man, it's happy I am to-day!"

"It looks a good deal like taking advantage of another's ignorance," said Franklin argumentatively.

"Sir," said Battersleigh, "it's takin' advantage o' their Wisdom. The land's worth it, as you'll see yoursilf in time. Anyhow, the money's in the bank, an' it's proper dhrunk'll be Batty the Fool this night, an' likewise the Hon. Cubberd Allen Wiggit-Galt, Etcetera. There's two of me now, an' it's twice the amount I must be dhrinkin'. I swear, I feel a thirst risin' that minds me o' Ingy in the hills, an' the mess o' the Rile Irish wance again."

"You'll be going away," said Franklin, sadly, as he rose and took Battersleigh by the hand. "You'll be going away and leaving me here alone—awfully alone."

(To be continued.)

HOW INDIANS ARE NAMED.

Have Various Cognomens at Various Periods of Life.

Major Frank Terry, who is in charge of the Indian school on the Puyallup Reservation, is thus quoted by the Tacoma (Washington) Ledger: "Translations of Indian names, as a rule, have been unsatisfactory, though there are exceptions. The case is reported from the Pawnee Reservation, Oklahoma, of an Indian named Coo-rux-ruh-rah-ruk-koo. The literal interpretation of his name as given to me is 'Fearing-a-bear-that-is-wild.' With this interpretation the agent named him 'Fearing B. Wilde.' As the Indian grows he commits acts from time to time, each of which gives him a new name. For example, he may see a bear and run screaming to a tepee. The folks laugh at him and call him 'Afraid-of-a-bear.' If he braids in his hair a yellow feather which he has plucked from the tail of an eagle, he may be called 'Eagle-tail,' 'Eagle-feather,' 'Yellow-tail,' 'Yellow-feather.' If he gives it to his friend he will be known as 'Gives-feather,' but if he keeps it, when asked for it, he becomes 'Keep-the-yellow-feather,' if he has more than one feather. The plan resorted to in some quarters of discarding the Indian names and fitting the Indians out with names that are purely English has not worked well, for those selected in many cases, are names illustrious in American history, and this has caused the Indians to become the butt of many a joke. William Penn, Fitzhugh Lee, David B. Hill and William Shakespeare are the names of Indian policemen at the Shoshone Agency, Wyoming. I myself have seen George Washington, John Quincy Adams, Franklin pierce, Rip Van Winkle, Allen G. Thurman and Hilary A. Herbert engaged together in a game."

London has one licensed drinking place to every 436 inhabitants.

HEARTH & BOUDOIR

The Revival of Sachet Bags.

The old fashion of wearing sachet bags is being revived. The bags are now heart-shaped and are suspended by the same shade of baby ribbon. Sometimes different colors are combined to give the rainbow hues so much sought for. Larger sachet bags, oblong and heart-shape, are suspended from the mirror knob of the dresser with good effect, and they exhale a delicate fragrance that is refreshing.

It is quite the fad to attach these sachet bags to coat hangers in the same color with which they are covered. They are fastened at each end of the hanger and dangle at all sorts of lengths.

Circular Skirt.

Full skirts, that are confined over the hips yet take soft and graceful folds below, make the latest shown and can be relied upon as the favorites of the coming season. The one is circular and is arranged in small tucks at the upper portion that gives a yoke effect but is left plain at the front, so avoiding unbecoming fullness. The model is made of tan colored foulard figured with brown and white and is trimmed with folds of the material stitched with corticelli silk, but all the fashionable clinging materials are admirable and trimming can be applique of any sort, little bias frills of the material or anything that may be preferred.

4665 Circular Skirt, 22 to 30 waist.

Both skirt and folds are circular and the latter are shaped to fit smoothly over the foundation which can be tucked at the upper edge as illustrated or arranged in gathers as preferred.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 10 yards 21 inches wide 8 yards 27 inches wide or 5½ yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4665 is cut in sizes for a 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 inch waist measure.

Blouse Eton.

Short coats are the favorites of the season for handsome suits and promise to still further increase their vogue. This one is peculiarly smart and includes both a novel yoke collar and wide sleeves finished with flare cuffs and falls of lace. The model is made of mixed gray cheviot, with threads of white and blue, and is trimmed with white cloth and blue velvet to give an exceedingly handsome as well as novel effect, but all suiting materials are appropriate and trimming can be varied again and again. Braid of all sorts is in style and numberless bandings are shown. The flat neck is especially desirable and the box plait effect at the back, produced by the elongated yoke, is as becoming as it is new inasmuch as it does away with the overbroad back apt to result from a plain blouse.

4666 Blouse Eton, 32 to 40 bust.

The Eton is made with fronts and back and is fitted by means of shoulder and under-arm seams. Over it is arranged the yoke collar, which droops over the shoulders, and both neck and front edges are finished with a shaped band overlaid with pointed tabs. The belt is full and arranged over the lower edge, closing with the coat at the front. The sleeves are made in one piece each, are tuckd above the wrists and are held by the cuffs, the pointed bands concealing the seams.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4½ yards 21 inches wide, 3⅞ yards 27 inches wide or 2⅛ yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4666 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inch bust measure.

The Floral Muff.

Among the new departures in gifts for bridesmaids is the flowery muff. It forms a pretty as well as a serviceable present, for it is by no means the fragile thing it seems. The flowers are fixed on a foundation into which the real muff is slipped, and this may be sable, ermine, moleskin or, in fact, whatever the generosity or means of the bridegroom may suggest. Some of the frillings to the flower muffs are of real lace, so that altogether the dainty token is by no means inexpensive, often, indeed, costing far more than a piece of jewelry.

The Kitchen

A paint brush makes a good swab for greasing cake tins. Of course the butter applied must be melted.

If it is desired to heat baker's rolls leave them in the bag in which they came and twisting it up tightly place it in the oven. The rolls will plump up as soft and fresh as when first purchased.

Water, bread and butter (in tiny balls) should be at hand for replenishing at a formal dinner quite as much as when the family is alone, and an adept waitress will see that they are served without being asked.

Most housekeepers are accustomed to freshen salads and other vegetables by soaking in cold water, but not every one knows that most fruits are vastly improved by being treated in the same manner. Pears, peaches and like thin-skinned fruits, likewise berries, should never be soaked, but plums, melons, bananas and even grapes benefit by the process. Tomatoes and cucumbers are made over, so to speak.

Informal Talks

To Clean Oilcloth, Tiles, Etc.—Put into a pail of hot water two or three handfuls of salt and wash with a linen rag. It takes off all stains and leaves a beautiful polish.

To Clean Fruit Jars Quickly.—Fill them (almost) with hot soapsuds. Then put into the jars an ounce of carpet tacks and shake vigorously; afterwards rinse well in clean cold water and turn upside down to dry. This is a much quicker method of cleaning than the ordinary one.

To Brighten Mirrors.—These may be rendered brilliant and spotless by rubbing them with tissue paper vigorously for a moment or two.

To Remove Red Ink Stains.—Moisten the stains with a mixture of ordinary alcohol and nitric acid. Some colors might not stand such a strong application, so it would be advisable in the first instance to try the preparation upon a loose piece of the material.

Art in Tea Jackets.

A beautiful tea jacket could be made of Dresden or pompadour ribbon joined with plain silk or with lace. The embroidered panels also make lovely little jackets, having the ledge for the bottom of the sleeve and jacket. A material which looks quite rich, and is very effective when accordion pleated, is albatross. A great deal of lace is used upon the smart new jackets.

Girl's ...

Tucked frocks are for girls and are ...tive as well as gi... one is made of ... with pale green ... all the pretty ... as the many wools and silks can be ...ized, any material that allows of tuc...d, ing being appropriate.

4667 Girl's C... 8 to 14 years.

In pattern shown the waist is laid in narrow perpendicular tucks that form the yoke and again in wider horizontal ones above the belt, and is gathered at the waist line and arranged over a body lining that can be cut away beneath the yoke when a transparent effect is desired. The bertha is circular and cut in deep handkerchief points at front, back and shoulders, and is eminently graceful. The sleeves are made in two portions each, the upper ones tucked, the under ones full and are gathered into straight cuffs. The skirt is straight, tucked in two groups of three each, and gathered at the belt.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 8½ yards 27 inches wide, 7 yards 32 inches wide or 5½ yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4667 is cut in sizes for girls of 8, 10, 12 and 14 years of age.

Misses' Sailor Blouse.

Sailor styles always are popular with young girls and are peculiarly well suited to their needs. This stylish blouse is made on the familiar lines but with the big sleeves of the season and is of white linen banded with the material and blue and white braid. With it is worn a silk tie knotted in true sailor fashion. The

4426 Misses Sailor Blouse, 12 to 16 years.

big square collar falls over the shoulders to give the broad effect of fashion and the shield is stitched on horizontal lines that are most effective.

To make the blouse for a girl of 14 years of age will be required 3¾ yards of material 27, 3 yards 32 or 2¼ yards 44 inches wide.

A May Manton pattern, No. 4426, sizes 12 to 16 years, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

A SMART SHIRT WAIST.

Yoke effects with shoulder straps giving long, drooping lines are to be noted on many of the latest waists and are most attractive. This one is made of linen etamine, blue with big spots of white, and is worn with a novel stock of white, but the list of available shirtings is long and varied. The waist is laid in box plaits that extend to the neck and shoulders and can be made plain, without the yoke, when liked. The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4⅞ yards 27, 4⅛ yards 32 or 2⅜ yards 44 inches wide.

A May Manton pattern, No. 4656, sizes 32 to 40, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out all blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

Name ....
Town ....
State ....
Pattern No. ....
Waist Measure (if for skirt) ....
Bust Measure (if for waist) ....
Age (if child's or miss's pattern) ....

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DOG'S LIFE MADE HAP[PY]

Story of Trusty Canine and [illegible] of His Master.

ounty Convention

People who have traveled [illegible] not to meet all winter many [illegible] every day at the noon hour [illegible] sized cur dog of a dirty [illegible] curled up in front of [illegible] goods store on the north [illegible] street, between Meridian [illegible] streets, says the Indianapolis [illegible] His favorite place has been [illegible] der made by a show case and [illegible] jug above the sidewalk that [illegible] and air to the store basem[illegible] sum shines, he is apparently [illegible] contented. He knows his [illegible] a few minutes two women [illegible] one a pretty miss of [illegible] the other her mother. [illegible] marked in her face [illegible] a dog's dinner when [illegible] it is disposed of [illegible] to be baked to [illegible] shake the hom[illegible] has been [illegible] month. [illegible]

[illegible]vention for the purpose of electing [illegible]ssional convention, which meets at [illegible] and delegates to the senatorial con[illegible] Pawnee City on April 16, will be held for the purpose of electing [illegible] o'clock on Saturday, March 18. [illegible] and also to a county conven[illegible] the 14th day of May, 1904, on Friday, [illegible] Table Rock, from 4 to 7 o'clock.

...ple Rock Argus.

[illegible] P. B. Taylor, Publisher.

[illegible]ed at the Table Rock Post-Office [illegible] as second-class mail matter.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on [illegible], April 5, 1904, at the town [illegible] the village of Table Rock, [illegible] an election will be held for [illegible] members of the Board of Vil[illegible] trustees, to serve for the term [illegible] two years, which election will be [illegible] at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and [illegible]tinue open until 7 o'clock in the [illegible]ernoon of the same day.

C. C. COVERT,
Village Clerk.

Dated this 8th day of March, 1904.

Prohibitionists are urging General Nelson A. Miles to become their candidate for the presidency.

Next Saturday is county convention day, when delegates to the senatorial and congressional conventions will be chosen.

The democratic state central committee has decided to call two conventions. One will meet June 1 at Omaha to select delegates to the national convention and the other is to be held on call of the chairman some time between July 6th and September 1st.

Buffalo Bill has brought suit for divorce from his wife, on a charge of cruelty, specifying an attempt to poison him, which the lady denies and asserts the great scout lied in his complaint. She claims another woman is the cause of Bill's attempt to shake her, and she won't be shook without a struggle.

W. H. Harrison has many friends in Pawnee county, who believe he would make a good governor, but who think Gov. Mickey should be given the nomination this time. Some, however, are of the opinion that the opposition to Mickey is so intense that he would be defeated if nominated and these think Mr. Harrison's candidacy is rightly timed.

On Monday J. B. Dinsmore announced his withdrawal from the race for governor, giving as his reason his belief that Governor Mickey has by his clean record deserved renomination. The papers of the same day contained the formal announcement of W. N. Robinson of Norfolk, as a candidate. This leaves Harrison, Mickey and Robinson in the race at present, with Mickey's chances growing.

In the United States supreme court on Monday an opinion was delivered in the merger case of the "Northern Securities company vs. the United States in favor of the government's contention that the merger was illegal. The opinion was handed down by Justice Harlan, and upheld the decree of the circuit court for the district court of Minnesota in every particular. Four of the justices dissented from the five constituting the majority.

There are republicans here who believe Gov. Mickey is entitled to a second term; that he has given the state a good, clean administration, and that there is no good reason why he should be turned down; some are willing to concede that he has made some mistakes—and who has made no mistakes dqring the past two years? He has been honest and earnest, and no citizen of Nebraska, however high his standard of moral rectitude, need blush for any act of Governor Mickey.

It would be well for Nebraska if everyone in the east who thinks of coming here or who thinks at all of the dairying industry could be handed a copy of an article on "Dairying in Nebraska," prepared by Prof. A. L. Haecker, of the State Experiment Station, after the victory of the steer "Challenger," which was given his start in life on skim-milk. The professor believes that the possibilities of Nebraska as a dairying state are almost limitless, and he shows not only that one creamery paid farmers for butter-fat during 1903 a total of $1,250,000, and that another paid $1,000,000, but that this is only a small representation of what will be paid when the industry is developed. In substantiation of this, Secretary S. C. Bassett, of the Nebraska Dairyman's Association, showed, at the annual meeting in January, that whereas there were only two milch cows to the square mile in Nebraska in 1880, there are now 16 to the square mile, with a total value of $37,000,000 and with production aggregating $20,000,000 during 1903. The Burlington Route has published the Haecker article, with the Bassett figures, in pamphlet form, this week, and will circulate hundreds of copies in the east. We are informed any Nebraskan can have copies sent his eastern friends by sending their names and addresses to J. Francis, the general passenger agent at Omaha. The pamphlet contains also a list of creamery stations, and it is noteworthy that there are now 550, as compared with 282 in January, 1903.

MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,
Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo., March 14, 1904.—Cattle receipts here last week were 29,226; previous week 29,992; same week last year 30,071. The kinds that bring $4.25 to $4.75 sold about steady, as they came in competition between packers and feeders. There seems to be a confidence in better prices on beef steers. Cows and butcher stuff were scarce all week, and prices closed a shade higher than close of previous week. Stockers and feeders sold higher last week than for several months; stockers with any degree of quality bro't $3.85 to $4.40, and feeders in good flesh sold even higher. Milch cows are selling well now, and bring from $35 to $60. Receipts today are 7000 head, including 1,500 in Quarantine Division. Market is steady on beef steers, as there is a good outside demand from dressed beef and export buyers. Cows and butcher stuff are strong.

Hog receipts at K C last week, 28,530; previous week 29,418; same week last year 27,657. Market was erratic, and showed a tendency to change for the worse on the slightest provocation. Friday and Saturday packers appeared anxious for hogs and prices gained some. This morning market opened strong to 5c higher, but within an hour had changed to weak to 5c lower, resulting in a number of salesmen being left with hogs, which they were unable to sell except at a loss from early bids. Top today is $5 42 1-2; bulk of sales, $5.15 to $5.35; heavy hogs still bring top prices, but quality and weight fell off last week.

CORRECTING ERRORS.

"Let me do it when bringing it to from your children."

This seems to be the way it is with a magazine and the bookkeeper who [illegible] My friend the [illegible] of a magazine and the bookkeeper who [illegible] best discovering correcting errors. The bookkeeper thinks you are likely to make things worse by paying attention to errors. There is certainly a right time to do it if it is to be done. The editor recently got a sarcastic letter from a man to whom he had written a polite inquiry regarding an office error. The bookkeeper thinks it is best to ignore errors all you can, as they are likely to cause trouble if not corrected it seems to me the right time and method should be found for correction. The bookkeeper says that calling attention to errors is likely to cause coolness which would not otherwise occur.

But by not correcting some errors you are likely to cause something worse than coolness. That is what I think—what is your opinion?

LUMBER

COAL

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TABLE ROCK

C. R. SMITH.

SPRING HOUSECLEANING

is at hand! Need some matting for floors? We have a nice stock on hand in full rolls.

Prefer carpets or rugs? Well, we have some splendid samples from which to select an elegant carpet. Sold two large rugs last week. Are you next?

Our Stoves and Ranges are the best shown in town. Our customers say so. We think so. They know it. We believe them.

Curtains, Beds, Tables, Dressers

Anything in House Furnishing.

We have our own Hearse and are fully prepared for Undertaking Work.

CARMICHAEL & SMITH.

On Tuesday afternoon Coroner Lutgen received a 'phone message from the B. & M. depot stating that a baby had been found lying by the side of the track east of the station and that he was wanted to investigate. The coroner then got County Attorney Quackenbush and together they procured a hand car and went east almost to the M. P. crossing where they found a child of premature birth wrapped in a newspaper lying by the side of the track having all the appearances of having been thrown from a car window. The body was first seen by Jas. Gill, the engineer on the west bound freight who reported it. The supposition is that it was thrown from the car window on the east bound passenger on Monday afternoon and as the same train drew will pass through town this afternoon, the coroner and prosecuting attorney will go to the depot and interview the trainmen to ascertain if any of the passengers acted in a suspicious manner in order to find a clew to the guilty person.—Auburn Post.

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My Seed Corn Stands in the Front Rank

as to quality, yield per acre and per cent. of shelled corn to the bushel. My 1903 crop is sound and will grow. I am prepared to fill all orders promptly. Every bushel hand-picked and guaranteed true to type. Will fill orders graded or shelled. Shelled corn will be tipped and butted. Address, mentioning his paper,

F. W. CHASE,
Pawnee City, Neb.,
R. F. D. No. 5.

A GOOD THING.

German Syrup is the special prescription of Dr. A. Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an ephemeral medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which is rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three per cent. relief says ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. W. Colwell.

A Physician Writes.

"I am desirous of knowing if the profession can obtain Herbine in bulk for prescribing purposes? It has been of great use to me in treating cases of dyspepsia brought on by excesses or overwork. I have never known it to fail in restoring the organs affected, to their healthful activity." 50c bottle at Colwell's.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah Ecker, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested, take notice that on granting letters of administration to C. H. Norris for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the said administrator be allowed to make private sale of such personal property of said estate as he may deem necessary for the payment of debts, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before the county court of said county, at the county court room in Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 5th day of April, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause why an order should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said county court this 5th day of February, 1904.

FRANK A. BARTON,
(Seal) County Judge.

In the County Court of Pawnee County, Nebraska.

In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Ecker, Deceased.

The heirs at law of said A. S. Ecker, deceased, and all other persons interested, take notice that on receiving and filing the petition of Charles Ecker the widow of the said A. S. Ecker, deceased, praying that the homestead of the said deceased, to-wit: The northeast quarter of section twenty-three, in township one north of range fifteen east, in Pawnee county, Nebraska, of the value of $2,000, and all of the personal property of said deceased, be allowed and assigned to her and set apart to her as provided by law and such property not exempt by law be sold to pay the debts of said deceased, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before the county court of said county, at the county court room on the 5th day of April, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said county court, this 5th day of March, 1904.

FRANK A. BARTON,
(Seal) County Judge.

Remember that a cough, cold or sore throat can be relieved by Piso's Cure. Contains no opium. Tastes good. 25c.

M. H. Marble,

Justice of the Peace and Notary Public,

Insurance and Rents. Collections Specialty.

TABLE ROCK, NEBRASKA

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Don't forget Patrons' day.

Take your laundry to W. C. Fellers.

Ed Myers, east of town, is quite sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. Vina Nickelson, of Elk Creek, visited her parents here, Saturday.

Miss Laura Holmes returned Saturday evening from her visit at Kansas City.

Miss Clara Hansen's mother, of Wymore, was the former's guest over Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Kinsey's little daughter is quite sick with measles, at the home of Mrs. E. Standiford.

Our line of calicos is full and complete. Call and see it and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

Dr. P. C. Johnson, of Tecumseh, was a guest of his daughter, Mrs. B. F. Norris, on Friday night.

John Andrew, of Filley, was a guest over Sunday of his brother, Dann Andrew and family.

Mrs. Peter Gold and her little grandchild are both quite sick at the family home east of town.

B. L. Wilcox has been bedfast this week with sciatic rheumatism, and J. D. Longwell is working his route.

Unquestionably our line of laces and embroideries is the finest ever shown in Table Rock. W. C. Fellers.

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Porter, who live on the Pepoon farm, on Thursday of last week.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. W. C. Fellers.

C. A. J. Moss, one of Pawnee City's best known citizens, was a guest of his daughter, Mrs. C. H. Bernard, on Monday and made calls on some of his numerous friends in town.

C. A. Combs and wife, of Pawnee, are visiting in the city. Mr. Combs has just returned from Arizona and may return there in the fall; but he does not expect to spend the summer there.

Lawrence Griffing left yesterday morning for Edgmont, and will make a few runs with his brother, Winford, after which he will probably be assigned a run from Edgmont to Deadwood.

Rev. J. F. Kemper and wife of University Place, were guests of relatives and friends here Monday night. Dr. Kemper is presiding elder of the Lincoln district of the M. E. church, and a former pastor of the church of this city, and has a host of friends among the people of the community.

Will Greiner, who recently moved to Washington county, Kansas, was a guest in this vicinity over Sunday, having come here from a visit to his father, Abe Greiner, at Mineral Point, Kas. He says his father is quite weak, but if he can keep from taking cold his physicians say he is in no immediate danger.

Frank Kovanda, jr., and family left for their new home at Albany, Mo., on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Kovanda and his wife are Pawnee county products, and have a host of friends here who regret to have them leave us, but hope prosperity and happiness will follow them to their new home. Mr. Kovanda has not definitely settled just what he will do at Albany, but will probably buy land.

The entertainment given in the opera house on Saturday evening by Misses Nelle Cotton and Sadie Brown, assisted by their pupils, was greeted by a good audience. The first part of the program consisted of solos, duets, quartettes, choruses and instrumental numbers, and were pleasing to the audience. The second part was "Miss Doremifasolasini's American Opera," which kept the audience laughing during its rendition.

The south side of the square looks dilapidated enough now, but you know before the butterfly is beautiful it is a hideous looking worm, and out of the present uncouth condition the south side will blossom into the most beautiful street in town. The building occupied by Mr. Parker's harness shop stands out in the street, and you can now buy a harness from the road; a force of men are at work excavating for the new Puerstetta building, and another force is busy tearing down the old frame building on the Purcell lot and a two-story brick will take its place.

Remember! Patrons'! Day!

Ollie Perry is baker for the Smith restaurant.

Mrs. James Karas, sr., is very sick with pneumonia.

I will pasture twenty head of colts. Call on Art Horton. 37-tf

Our store is overflowing with new goods. W. C. Fellers.

For Sale.—Plymouth Rock eggs. Inquire of J. R. Sutton. 37-tf

Mrs. Mattie Griffing has been quite sick during the week with the grip.

W. C. Fellers is agent for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try him once.

Miss Sadie Brown is confined to her room at Mrs. Jessie Phillips' this week with a very sore throat.

C. C. Norris has accepted a position in the switch yards of the Northwestern railroad at Council Bluffs.

Unquestionably our line of laces and embroideries is the finest ever shown in Table Rock. W. C. Fellers.

BARRED Plymouth Rock eggs for sale. 25c per dozen. Mrs. P. G. Hales.

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Mrs. A. J. Marble attended an open meeting of the Humboldt equality club, given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Sterns, at Humboldt on Monday evening.

Thos. Shorter has been very sick during the past week with pneumonia. He was taken ill on Friday, and on Saturday the illness had developed into pneumonia.

All interested in school work should attend the exhibition at the school house, March 18th. Program at 2 P. M. Come before that time, so you may inspect the work.

Ross Phillips, who is attending business college at Lincoln, was home over Sunday. He expects to finish in five weeks and will then come back home and go into the office of C. R. Smith.

W. J. Smith has leased his farm to Amos Crisler for the coming season, and expects to start with his family next week for Oregon, where he will spend the year in hopes of bettering his health.

Everyone remembers the monster cottonwood tree that stood close to and spread its branches over Mrs. C. Wheeler's house in lower town. It was chopped down this week and will be worked up into stove wood.

The Kinner residence properties in the southwestern part of town were sold this week, Harve Tracey securing the one west of the opera house for $700, while George Tracy secured the one near the home of Frank Shane for $1200.—Pawnee Chief.

Without exception our line of wash goods—Batiste, Voile Cord, Dimities, Orenadine, Persian Lawns, Mousselines, Madras, etc.—is the largest, prettiest and most complete ever carried by a Table Rock store, and we invite you to inspect it.

W. C. Fellers.

Some time ago members of the Rebekah lodge divided into two sides and entered a contest to secure new members, by which it agreed the losers should banquet the winners. During the contest twenty new members were added to the order and on Monday evening the winners were treated to an oyster supper.

F. A. Harrison, of Omaha, was in the city a few hours on Friday evening, having stopped off here on his way home from Pawnee City, where he is interested in a canning factory movement. Frank expects to make a trip to Central America after awhile, and will write articles for a newspaper and magazine syndicate.

The band is coming to the front as a musical organization, and will be much larger than last year. The instrumentation now is, ten clarinets, eight cornets, six altos, five slide trombones, two Eb basses, one Bb bass, two baritones and two drums. The new members who joined last fall are doing good work and are advancing rapidly.

Last Thursday morning as Mrs E. Standiford was engaged in her household duties, Van Shriner drove up to the door and asked her out to see some express he had for her. As she came to the back, to her very great surprise she found the express was—her children, and they had come home to help celebrate her birthday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kinsey and little daughter, St. Joseph, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kinsey, Wymore, Neb., George E. Kinser Moberly, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Homer Bennett and children, of this city.

Charley Hawkins is quite sick with a severe attack of the grip.

G. W. Pepoon & Co., will deliver wood to any part of town for $1.75 per rick. 37-tf

STEERS WANTED—Three hundred head to pasture in section 15, 3, 10, Pawnee county. Address H. C. Van Horne, Pawnee City, Neb., or George Wolf, Mayberry, Neb.

The one who borrowed a light ten-foot top piece to an extension ladder, from C. H. Norris' sometime ago, will confer a favor by returning same to Chas. Linn. 36-tf

Notice is hereby given that all parties hunting or shooting on the Miller 40 north of J. H. Purcell's, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. 37-39 P. G. Hales.

The meeting for the discussion of the proposition to build a new court house, will be held at Pawnee City at 1 o'clock on Saturday, March 19. If you are interested, be there.

NOTICE my prices in another column. If you can get as good stock somewhere else for less money, better do it; if not, I feel entitled to your patronage. May I have it?

Respectfully, J. E. Atkinson.

The revival meetings still continue at the M. E. church and maintain their interest. Rev. Campbell's son assists in the singing this week. The meetings will continue over Sunday and how much longer cannot be told now.

C. O. Barnard wrote us from Saxe, Virginia, that he has done some planting already, but that it is most too wet to plant; that they have fine growing weather and the frogs are croaking all day and night.—DuBois News Record.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all persons not to buy a certain note given by me to G. S. Griffing, for $150 dated March 5, 1904, and due on Feb. 1st next, and secured by mortgage, as I will not be responsible for same.

E. R. Horton.

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W. C. Fellers.

L. A. Fisher, of Wilsonville, is a guest of his father and mother this week. He came with a car load of stock which he had sold for the St. Joe market, and says twenty-one cars of stock were shipped from his home town on Monday. He and his family like Furnas county very much. A number of renters in his vicinity raised wheat enough last season to buy the farms on which they live and pay the rent besides.

Mrs. S. G. Wright died at her home in Lincoln at 8 o'clock last evening, after an illness of several weeks, in which she was a great sufferer. For a number of years the deceased lived with her family in Table Rock, and has a large circle of friends who appreciated her many womanly qualities, and loved her because of her goodness of heart. The remains will be brought here this afternoon, and the funeral services will be held in the M. E. church at 4 o'clock, conducted by Rev. G. M. Gates, her pastor in Lincoln, and a former pastor of the church here. The sorrowing husband and children have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

On Friday, March 25th, a Sunday school institute will be held in the M. E. church of this city, under the auspices of the state association, and in charge of the secretary, H. M. Stiedley. It will be a union meeting and all Sunday school workers of the city and vicinity are cordially invited to take part. Some special music will be prepared by the local music committee, and it is desired that all singers of the schools be ready to assist in this part of the program. At 4 o'clock a children's meeting will be held to which all the children are invited.

The following program will be carried out:

2:00 Prayer for S. S.'s, and Bible Lesson ..... Miss Agnew
2:30 S. S. Management ..... H. M. Stiedley
3:20 The Primary Teacher ..... Miss Agnew
4:00 Children's Meeting ..... (Evangelistic)
7:30 Song Service
8:00 Address: The Boy God Made ..... H. M. Stiedley

Money to loan; real estate; favorable terms. 37-tf C. W. Chambers.

Our store is overflowing with new goods. W. C. Fellers.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Parrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

When in Pawnee City buy Rellable Dry Goods of F. J. Mueneke. Pay less and dress better.

For Sale—40 acres of land one mile south of Table Rock.

L. K. Carmichael.

Our line of calicos is full and complete. Call and see them and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

For Sale:—A number of thoroughbred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

The Table Rock Dancing Club will give a dance in the Opera House on the evening of St. Patrick's Day, —March 17th—and cordially invites the public to attend. Supper will be served at Robertson's restaurant. A good time is promised all who attend.

Patrons' Day, March 18th.

The school patrons and all others interested are invited to visit the school on "Patrons' Day." There will be the regular morning session, and at 2 p. m., a program in the Assembly room.

Gather the roses of health for your cheeks;
While the parks are shining with dew,
Get out in the morning early and bright
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night.—F. M. Colwell.

Word has been received here of the death of Charles Crisler, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Crisler, of Burlingame, Kas., which occurred last week in Illinois. He went to Illinois on a visit and was taken sick with measles which complicated with pneumonia and caused his death.

Mrs. O. H. Loch was taken to a Lincoln hospital for treatment last Sunday, it is thought such a course might hasten her recovery.—Mrs. Loch has been very ill from an attack of malarial fever and a complication of other diseases for several months, but her friends hope for a speedy recovery.—Pawnee Chief.

At a meeting of a committee composed of members from each of the three Sabbath schools of the city, the following committees were appointed for the Sunday school institute to be held in the M. E. church on Friday, March 25th: Music, Charles Linn, Mable Miller, Rena Kerns; reception and entertainment: Maggie Sutton, Mrs. Jennings, Anna Pangburn.

Trees. If you grow them and know 'em: You get them and set 'em.

Evergreens, 13 kinds, 1 to 8 feet.

Pines, Cedars, etc.		10c to
Apples, 27 varieties		05c to 15c
Peach, 16	"	05c to 15c
Cherry, 3	"	20c to 40c
Pear, 10	"	20c to 40c
Plum, 12	"	15c to 50c
Currant and gooseberry		05c to 10c
Blackberry, 12 kinds		05c
Raspberry, 5	"	05c
Grapes, many kinds		05c to 10c
Rhubarb and horseradish		05c
Asparagus	per 100	75c
Strawberries, 20 varieties		50c

Best varieties of Roses, Spireas, Deutzias, Weigelias, Honeysuckles, Wisterias, Hydrangeas, Peonias, etc., and a good stock of house plants and bedders, at low prices.

37-40 J. E. Atkinson,
'Phone 153, Pawnee City, Neb.

MANAGER WANTED

Trustworthy lady or gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for well and favorably known house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced. Position permanent. Address Manager, 810 Como Block, Chicago, Illinois.

NOTICE

Having leased the J. H. Purcell land, from the iron bridge south to section line, and from railroad east to river and 40 acres west of the railroad, and notice is hereby given, that all persons hunting or shooting on the same will be prosecuted.

A. J. Purcell,
37-39 P. G. Hales.

REMOVED!

The Turkish Cream Candy KITCHEN

has been removed to the room in the Opera House Block, formerly occupied by J. F. Fors & Son, and has been fitted up with a view of meeting the demand for a first-class confectionary and lunch room: a large stock of

Fine Candies, Cigars and Tobaccos,
Bakery Goods,

ALL KINDS OF SOFT DRINKS
Lunches at all Hours,
Oysters Served in All Styles.

We invite your patronage and shall endeavor to accord curteous treatment to everybody, and try to make it the most popular restaurant in southeast Nebraska.

Our Home-Made Candy Can't Be Beat H. E. ROBERTSON

Notice.

WE have just added a complete line of Undertaking to our business. This stock is new and clean and will be sold just as cheap as good goods and good work can be done for. Thanking you for favors in the past, we would respectfully ask you to remember us in the future when you need anything in this line.

Very Respectfully yours,

A. K. TILLOTSON.
J. T.

LOCAL MARKET

Wheat	60
Corn	30
Oats	25
Hay	$6.00
Cattle	2.50
Hogs	4.50
Potatoes	85
Butter	15
Eggs	15
Apples	1.50

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THE FLOUR OUTPUT

Kansas Has Grinding Capacity of 10,000,000 Bu. Annually

DAILY RUN 33,555 BARRELS

A Magnificent Record for a State Engaging in Milling, Employing Modern Methods Only of Late

One hundred and twenty-four mills in Kansas, including fifty-three mills with a daily capacity of 200 barrels or more, report that they have ground 23,235,000 bushels of wheat in the eight months beginning July 1 (estimating the amount for the last two weeks of February.) There are ten mills each of over 200 barrels capacity and about 100 small mills of 50 to 100 barrels capacity each which have not reported. Making a small, moderate allowance for these mills, it appears quite certain that the Kansas mills have used, in the aggregate, not less than 30 million bushels of wheat in the first eight months of the crop year. The mills which have reported, estimate that they will grind 8,688,000 bushels of wheat in the four months from March 1 to July 1. If the mills not reporting use 2 million bushels, the total requirements of Kansas mills in the next four months will be 10 million bushels, making an aggregate of 40 million bushels of what as the year's proportion of the crop ground by Kansas mills.

The daily capacity of the 120 mills that have reported is 31,555 barrels. The actual daily (including Sunday) output of these mills amounts to 22,000 barrels, or a little over two-thirds their extreme capacity. If the mills were all closed Sundays and holidays their average daily output for actual working days was 26,000 barrels. Including a conservative estimate for the mills that did not report, the actual daily flour production in Kansas for eight months has been about 33,000 barrels. The Kansas people consume about 6,000 barrels of flour daily. The remainder has gone to other states, and a moderate proportion has been exported.

BODY FOUND IN RIVER

Farmer's Body Found After Being in River Since December

The body of Charles H. Willes, the Morris county farmer, who disappeared after leaving Junction City, Kansas, on the night of December 7, was found a mile south of that city in the Smoky Hill river. The body had been in the water three months, and was still in a good state of preservation. It was easily identified. There were marks on the body that indicate that the man had been assaulted and his body thrown into the river.

The night Willes disappeared he left Junction City late in the evening, and early the next morning his horse returned home. One of Willes' sons came to Junction City in search of his father, and when he arrived at the bridge, just south of town, he found his father's cap, glove and broken cane strewn about the bridge. There were signs of a struggle. Willes carried over $5,000 fraternal life insurance, and his family was unable to collect any of it. They were confident that he had been killed, and they offered $500 reward for the finding of the body. The county also offered a reward of $25.

Held for Manslaughter

The preliminary examination of Geo. H. Calloway, of Furnas county, Nebraska, charged with the murder of James W. Shewmake, of Norton, Kas., was held before L. A. Smith, a justice of the peace at Norton. Calloway was bound over to the district court for manslaughter in the fourth degree and his bond was fixed at $800.

Calloway went to Shewmake's farm in company with Will Hillman, January 13, to settle a claim for damages, Calloway's cattle having strayed into Shewmake's cornfield a week before. A fight took place in which Calloway struck Shewmake in the face and on the left temple. Fifteen minutes after the encounter Shewmake, who was a small man, and 56 years old, was taken sick, and shortly after became unconscious. He died the next day.

Small Pox Stamped Out

Officials of Sherman township, Kansas, report to the county board of health that there was only one case of smallpox in the Linwood neighborhood, which is adjacent to Leavenworth, Kas. This is the last of one hundred cases which were in the township since November. The public schools were closed part of the winter.

First Rain in Four Months

The first substantial rain since last October fell at Wichita, Kan. It will aid the growing wheat and put the ground in good shape for plowing for corn and oats. The storm extended throughout east Oklahoma.

Waterworks at Hayes City

At an election held at Hayes City, Kan., $25,000 bonds were voted for the erection of a water works system.

KANSAS CATTLE HEALTHY

The Sanitary Board Makes an Interesting Report

M. C. Campbell, chairman of the Kansas state live stock sanitary board is making an investigation into reported cases of tuberculosis in cattle. The board is making an effort to stamp out the disease.

"There is no cause for alarm," said Mr. Campbell, "except so far as the local effect is concerned. Tuberculosis is not a fast spreading disease. In Kansas it is confined to a few of the larger cities, and doubtless will be removed soon. There are a few cases in Shawnee county and Sedgwick county and the disease is reported to be in Leavenworth. The disease is confined generally to Jersey cattle. Few town people take proper care of their cows. In the country tuberculosis is rarely heard of because the cattle have plenty of air and exercise and their sheds are kept clean.

"The live stock sanitary commission took vigorous steps to keep tuberculous cattle out of Kansas a few years ago but the breeders made so much fuss about it that we rescinded the order. Since then little has been done, except to investigate reports of tuberculosis and to have infected cattle disposed of. It is safe to say that the cattle of the state are in no danger from the few cases which lately have attracted attention, although the commission expects to make a thorough investigation of the Topeka situation."

OATS FOR ARID NEBRASKA

Experiment Station Finds Well Adapted Variety

Tests of a new variety of oats are reported in bulletin No. 82 of the Nebraska experiment station. These oats were imported by the station from Russia in 1897, and are called Kherson oats. The variety originated in the Kherson government in southern Russia. The climatic conditions of that region are not such as are favorable to the production of oats. The average yearly rainfall is only sixteen inches, and the summers are extremely hot.

The Kherson oat is a vigorous but not a rank grower. The straw is very short; the leaves are broad and expose a large surface. The berries are light yellow in color, small but numerous, and have a very thin hull. The usually weigh well per bushel. They mature very early.

This variety is peculiarly suited to central and western Nebraska on account of its habits of growth.

In the spring of 1901 seed of Kherson oats was sent out to a number of persons in various parts of the state to test. Two bushels of oats were sent to each experimenter and he was asked to thresh the crop separately and to report the results. This was repeated in 1902 and 1903 as more seed became available. The results of the three years' tests are given in the bulletin. These show it to be peculiarly suited to central and western Nebraska; there are other varieties that in the river counties, at least, compare favorably with it. West of that, tests that have been made of it during the three years, indicate that it is earlier, yields better and weighs heavier than any other variety, with the possible exception of the Texas Red. It has steadily out-yielded the Texas Red on the station farm.

T. L. LYON.
Nebraska Experiment Station.

Radium Increases in Cost

An importer of radium in New York gives out the startling news that the price of this latest product of the scientists has increased $4,200,000 a pound in two days. The commercial rate ten days ago was $8,400,400, now it is $12,600,000. So great has been the demand for a few grains that the supply on the market probably will have disappeared entirely by the end of the present month.

Break Up a Desperado Gang

City detectives at Pittsburg, Kan., practically broke up a gang of burglars and thieves in that city when they arrested Almeta Morrow, Annie Beckham and Gordon Holt, all negroes. Burglaries have been almost of nightly occurrence for the past two months, and the police force and secret service officials have been unable to locate the thieves until now. About $300 worth of plunder, consisting of women's and men's wearing apparel, and jewelry, was found in the house occupied by the trio.

Turon claims to have the champion crank of Kansas. When his wife wants to go anywhere he is always ill and when she is sick he is wild to make calls.

Mr. Bryan Gains a Point

By a decision handed down by Judge Gager of the superior court at New Haven, Conn., based on a demurrer to answers to an appeal by William J. Bryan from the decision of the probate court which ruled against him in the Philo S. Bennett will case, Mr. Bryan has the right to contest for the $50,000 bequest to himself by proving that the "sealed letter" is a part of the will.

Judge Gager's decision is largely in Mr. Bryan's favor on questions raised by the demurrer.

A STRATEGIC WAR

Russia and Japan Doing Little Worth Details

BOTH WANT WARM WEATHER

Chinese at Liao Ying Compelled to Abdicate and Make Room for Comfort of Russian Soldiery

Japanese and Russian scouts had an engagement near Ping Yang, Korea. There were no casualties.

Japanese warships again bombarded Port Arthur. It is not known that any damage was done.

The Russian squadron at Vladivostok is still safe in the harbor, and there was no open sea battle.

Japan's program, according to naval officers, is to continue bombarding Port Arthur until the place is reduced.

Harsh treatment of Russian recruits by officers, together with starvation, has broken their spirit.

The concentration of troops at the Russian strategical base has resulted in much suffering among Chinese inhabitants, especially at Liao Ying, where even private buildings have been appropriated to accommodate the soldiers, and thousands of Chinese are consequently without homes. Russian troops are encamped at all the essential points along the railroad.

Two hundred thousand troops have been shipped from Japan, and a portion of the second army corps is now on its way to Korea. The correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle at Tokio, evidently referring to the same movements, cables that the transportation to northern Korea of three divisions of Japanese troops has been completed and that these men are beginning to advance, while ten divisions of the second army corps have already been mobilized.

The Rissians are moving northward in Korea, with the intention of making Wiju their defensive base.

The Russians are withdrawing all their superfluous troops from Port Arthur to Harbin and Kirin because of the shortness of provisions, and because it is doubtful whether or not they would be able to hold either Port Arthur or New Chwang against a resolute attack.

Russia has served notice on China that the later must not send troops beyond the great wall and that she must exercise her influence to restrain the Chinese bandits, who are partially under the control of Chinese officers, from interfering with the railroad and telegraph lines. A refusal to heed this warning will be considered a breach of neutrality.

Going Back to Pennsylvania

Twenty persons from the Yoder settlement near Bertrand, Neb., left for Pennsylvania, and the rest will follow shortly. The settlement has existed for about twenty years, but all have now sold their farms and will return to their former homes in the state named. These people are Mennonites and wear the same style of homespun garb that their ancestors did generations ago. Notwithstanding their odd customs they will long be remembered for their thorough honesty and reliability as a class.

Strangles to Death

Peter Peters, a well known farmer residing west of Plattsmouth, was suddenly taken with a severe choking spell and died before he could be relieved. Mr. Peters, although 71 years of age, was in his usual health and his sudden death was a great shock to the family. Owing to the fact that the deceased was an extraordinarily large man it was found necessary to send to Omaha for a special casket, and it was too broad to go into the hearse. The remains were interred in the German cemetery.

20 Per Cent Unsold

The March report of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture shows the amount of wheat remaining in farmers' hands on March 1 to have been about 132,600,000 bushels, or 20.8 per cent of last year's crop, as compared with 24.5 per cent of the crop of 1902, on hand on March 1, 1903, and 23.2 per cent of the crop of 1901 on hand March 1, 1902.

The corn in farmers' hands is estimated at about 938,000,000 bushels, or 37.4 per cent of last year's crop, as against 41.6 per cent of the crop of 1902 on hand March 1, 1903, and 29.2 per cent of the crop of 1901 on hand March 1, 1902.

Burned to Death

Four unidentified men were burned to death in a box car containing gasoline which caught fire at Branch intersection, ten miles east of Harrisburg, Pa. Two others, George Klinger of Harrisburg and William C. Yoter of Lewistown, barely escaped with their lives, their bodies and clothing being badly burned. The men were employed on the Pennsylvania railroad improvements at Enola.

OSMOND, NEB., BURNED

List of Those Who Have Burden of Loss to Bear

Fire destroyed practically the entire business district of Osmond, Neb. The flames were first discovered in the rear of the meat market of Turner & Peterson, their origin being at this time unknown. The wind was high and sparks were carried to a livery barn. The principal losses are: Farmers' State bank, loss on building, $5,000, fully insured; Mitchell & Saunders, loss on merchandise, $14,000, insurance $8,600; E. P. Rogers, loss on two buildings, $2,500, no insurance; J. C. Saunders, loss on building, $3,000, no insurance; Christal & Wiley, loss on drugs and jewelry, $4,000, no insurance; Turner & Peterson, loss on butcher shop, $500, no insurance; Maine hotel, loss on furniture, $2,000, insurance, $1,000; Gus J. Marek, loss on building, $1,000, insurance $625; W. H. Booton, loss on three buildings, $4,000, insurance unknown; Hamer and Cozek, building and stock, loss $4,500, partial insurance; William Klindt, loss on saloon and fixtures, $4,500, partially insured; L. L. Davis, loss on livery barn, $1,000, insurance, $700; Mrs. Chamberlain, restaurant and millinery, loss $200, no insurance; household goods of B. M. Smith about $1,200, partial insurance.

LEARNING TO CORRESPOND

Pupils of Ohiowa, Neb., Schools Writing Letters to English Scholars

The students of the city schools of Ohiowa, Neb., are engaged in the exchange of correspondence with the students of the schools of London, England. Recently the board of education of London decided, as a practical method of teaching letter writing and to increase the spirit of friendliness among the English speaking nations of the world, to recommend the exchange of letters between the pupils of the public schools of England, Australia, Canada and the United States.

Requests were made of prominent educators in the United States, Canada and Australia that they assist in the inauguration of the scheme. The Ohiowa teachers were among the first to adopt the suggestion and for some time the pupils have been engaged in correspondence with the students of London. Superintendent Fowler received a package of letters from Ohiowa and will forward it to the clerk of the London school board.

Reward of Merit for Convicts

Convicts at the Nebraska Penitentiary are to be permitted to lay aside the striped uniform now in use at the institution. Warden Beemer has arranged a credit system whereby prisoners whose conduct is good will be uniformed in gray and will be quartered in the new cell house. Those of unruly disposition will be confined to the old cell house and will continue to wear the customary garb. The present black striped uniform is the pet aversion of the average convict, and it adds neither to beauty of face or figure. In the large penitentiaries of the eastern states the system to be adopted by Warden Beemer has been in vogue for a number of years and is alleged to be conducive to good behavior of the prisoners. The female prisoners at the penitentiary have worn the gray uniforms for a number of years.

Bad Outlook for Missouri Wheat

Prof. F. B. Mumford, acting dean of the university of Missouri college of agriculture at Columbia, does not think Missouri will have a large wheat crop this year. "From reports received," says Professor Mumford, "the general impression of the farmers is that the conditions have not been favorable for a maximum wheat crop in 1904. The winter has been cold and the ground unprotected by snow. The extremely dry weather of the fall and winter resulted in a weak fall growth of wheat. It is too early to predict the probable damage from the ravages of the Hessian fly, but last year the damage from this source was very great. A favorable spring with sufficient rainfall may yet overcome the numerous unfavorable conditions which have interfered with the growth of the crop, but prospects certainly are not flattering."

Appointed Reform School Physician

Dr. C. V. Basten of Kearney has been appointed chief physician of the Kearney reform school to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. H. S. Bell, who is also a Kearney resident.

Diphtheria at Bertrand, Neb.

Owing to the prevalence of diphtheria in the country near Bertrand the board of education ordered the public schools closed for two weeks and all the teachers have left town for a vacation. There is great dread of the disease there, and people are taking every precaution possible to prevent its appearance in the town.

A good many people are down on slippery sidewalks.

'TWAS BORN IN SIN

Sample of Epithets Hurled at the Postoffice Investigation

EQUAL TO SMOOT SCANDAL

Congressmen Are Indignant Because Their Postoffice Deals Will be Finally Investigated

That an investigation of the postoffice department by the house of representatives will result from the publication of the report involving members of congress in that connection has been indicated by every expression possible short of a vote in that body. With a whirlwind of protest the report was taken up by indignant members, their personal connection with it explained, and epithets hurled at Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow.

"The Bristow report was conceived in iniquity, born in sin and has traveled its course until it has struck the public of the United States as a great attack on a body of men as free from wrongdoing, corruption, crime and irregularity as any equal number of men on the face of the earth."

This was the parting shot of Representative Grosvenor of Ohio in paying his tribute to the report.

"That document is the production of a liar and a scoundrel," shouted Representative Hill of Connecticut, in making an explanation of his connection with certain leases.

THE PRISON ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting Shows Much Aid Has Been Given Worthy Convicts

The regular quarterly meeting of the Nebraska prison association was held at the Lindell hotel, Lincoln. The time was spent listening to reports from the officers, details of which were concerned with the administration of the association, much of which is of a privatec haracter. The organization assists men who are leaving the penitentiary by helping them to secure positions and preserving their identity from the public at large. Many letters of thanks for the good work done have been received.

The report of Superintendent Martin showed that during the last quarter twelve men have been aided and that fifty-one communications have been sent to friends of released convicts. The superintendent had addressed seven meetings in furtherance of the work of the association. Reports have been received from thirty-four men, assisted in this way, and each is doing well. The association does not accept the statement of the men themselves, but takes only the reports of their friends and persons who have rendered assistance and are qualified to give unprejudiced opinions.

Chancellor Andrews in Hospital

Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, former superintendent of Chicago schools, and now at the head of the University of Nebraska at Lincoln arrived in Chicago from the west, suffering an attack of illness. He was taken from the train to the Chicago Baptist hospital and the doctor says he is suffering from a hard attack of grippe.

The hospital authorities say Dr. Andrews will not be able to travel for some time, as his condition demands perfect quiet and rest. He was on his way to the east, where he had planned to deliver several lectures. He did not feel at all ill when he started from Lincoln, but his sickness developed rapidly after he reached the lake region.

"The physicians say there is no cause for apprehension, but that Dr. Andrews must remain there for two or three weeks at the outside.

Governor Must "Put It Back"

Among the decisions recently rendered by the newly elected judge, Arthur Evans, at Osceola, Neb., was one in the case of Oscar Samuelson against Governor John H. Mickey. Samuelson sued to recover title to his homestead consisting of 160 acres. In 1897 Mr. Samuelson owed a loan company on the first mortgage and his debt to Mr. Mickey being $2,000, Mr. Samuelson claimed he agreed to deed the farm to Mr. Mickey in trust until he could pay the incumbrance against it. He remained on the farm and paid what he could each year. Recently he was ordered off the land. He at once began suit against Mr. Mickey to recover title to the land. The court ordered Mr. Mickey to deed the land back to Mr. Samuelson.

Central Labor Union Auxiliary

At a meeting of the Lincoln central labor union a temporary organization of an international ladies' league was affected. Another meeting will be held to perfect the organization. The new organization is to be a local branch of an international society already in existence. It is for the wives and near relatives of union men or for women engaged in any employment, but the members need not necessarily be employed. The object of the ladies is to further the interests of organized labor.

TEACHERS MEET AT AURORA

On March 30 Teachers of Central Nebraska Will Have Session

Extensive preparations are being made for the annual meeting of the Central Nebraska Educational association which will be held in Aurora on March 30 and 31, and April 1. The program has been completed, printed copies of which are in the hands of the county superintendents of the twenty-four counties comprising that district. On each one of the three evenings of the meeting a general session will be held at the opera house. The first evening Frank R. Roberson of New York will give his stereopticon lecture, "Japan, Up to Date." The second evening William Wallace Stetson, state superintendent of Maine, will deliver an address. And on the third evening will be held the high school declamatory contest, in which will take part representatives from Clay Center, Edgar Geneva, Grand Island, Hastings, Howard, Kearney, Lexington, Ord, Seward, York and Aurora. In addition to these general sessions there will be various special meetings for the high school, grade and the superintendents sections, at all of which will be heard good speakers from many of the towns of the state. It is expected that at least 500 visiting teachers and educators will be in attendance. The railroads are granting a special rate of one and one-third fares within the district.

KANSAS STATE TICKET

Hoch Nominated Governor—Nearly Everything by Acclamation

The republican state convention at Wichita, Kan., nominated the following ticket:

Governor—Edward W. Hoch.
Lieutenant Governor—David W. Hanna.
Secretary of State—J. R. Burrows.
Auditor—S. G. Wells.
Attorney General—C. F. Coleman.
Treasurer—Thomas T. Kelly.
Superintendent of Insurance—Chas. Lulling.
Superintendent of Public Instruction—J. L. Dayhoff.
Judge of Supreme Court (four-year term)—Clark A. Smith.
Six-year Term—W. R. Smith.
Six-year Term—E. W. Cunningham.
Railroad Commissioners—J. W. Robinson, A. D. Walker, George Wheatley.

There was considerable opposition to Treasurer Kelly. However, he was nominated by an overwhelming majority. The nominations, except those of Kelly and one of the supreme judges, were made by acclamation.

Six delegates at-large to the republican national convention were elected.

Mr. Hoch's nomination was made by acclamation. His name was presented by F. Dumont Smith.

Found Dead in Pasture

Jacob Mann of Stella, Neb., was found dead in the pasture of his brother John, with whom he made his home.

Mr. Mann was an eccentric character and rarely left the farm, though living within a few miles of Stella for a long period had never been seen in town. All his business affairs were looked after by his brother. He went to an adjoining pasture apparently in good health to water the stock and as several hours elapsed and he did not return the family became uneasy and went to look for him, finding him dead, apparently having died shortly after leaving the house. His death is supposed to have been the result of a paralytic stroke. He was a widower, and since his wife's death had made his home with his brother.

Killed by a Live Wire

Charles N. Johnson, manager of the Nebraska Electric company at Wymore, met with instant death while in the discharge of his duties. At the time of the accident he was engaged in cutting a loose wire on Main street and in some way caught hold of a live wire. Being unable to let go, Mr. Johnson called for help to those who had gathered below, and his nephew, Charles Philbrick, imediately went to his assistance and succeeded in cutting him loose, but was unable to hold him and the man fell twenty-five feet, striking his head on the pavement.

Dug Out of Indianola Jail

Two young men named Miller and Walters, bound over to the district court for forgery and burglary, broke jail at Indianola by digging through solid brick wall of the jail. Sheriff Crabtree was absent, leaving his deputy in charge.

Kansas City Labor Union Ticket

Delegates representing fifty-five labor unions of Kansas City met in convention at labor headquarters, adopted a platform and nominated a ticket for the coming city election. A full ticket with the exception of office of police judge, was nominated. The union men are supporters of Hugh Brady, the present democratic police judge, but they did not place him on their ticket, such action, they believe, would injure his chances of election on the democratic ticket.

Two severe cases of Ovarian Trouble and two terrible operations avoided. Mrs. Emmons and Mrs. Coleman each tell how they were saved by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I am so pleased with the results obtained from **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** that I feel it a duty and a privilege to write you about it.

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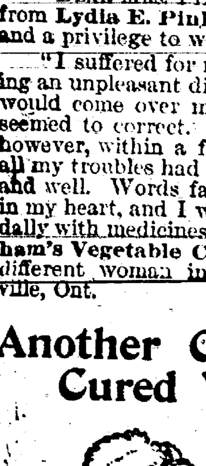
Another Case of Ovarian Trouble Cured Without an Operation.



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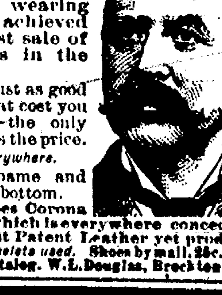

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SAVAGES IN SIBERIA

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Their Strength and Wealth Render Them Immune from Consequences of Their Misdeeds—Barbarous Acts That Are Common Among Them.

In Russian Siberia lives a race of reindeer breeders called Korjaks. These men, who are among the richest and most haughty of the peoples of the cold north, have exceedingly violent tempers, and their strength and wealth make them headstrong and indifferent to consequences when they wish to revenge themselves on enemies.

They have a terrible and strange method of doing this.

In the winter, the Korjaks seal the small doorway into their huts with ice and earth and let it freeze solid. Then the only entrance and exit is the hole in the roof of the huts, which permits the escape of smoke.

Now, if a band of Korjaks feels itself injured in any way by another band, the avengers creep into a village at night and clamber softly up on the roofs. There, with snow and hides they close up the smoke hole and seal it absolutely. As a result, if the occupants have not been awakened by the noise, they smother in their sleep. If they do wake up and put out the fire, there is no escape for them, for the moment they try to climb out through the roofs, the besiegers club them to death.

One of the richest of the Korjaks thus killed one of his enemies, slaughtering the entire family, consisting of the father, three wives and two children.

This man afterward made his deed a subject of his boasts, and was accustomed to tell the story at length with all the details. Nobody tried to punish him for it, because he was too powerful. He owns 8,000 reindeer and with this wealth he commands respect from all the headmen.

These Korjaks live in great comfort, as compared with the other inhabitants of their bleak country. They are never in danger of famine, for their immense herds cannot be destroyed by even the fiercest winter, so that, no matter how many thousands of reindeer may die, there will always be more than enough for food and for breeding.

They have a queer way of hunting the wild reindeer. They chase these animals not on land, but with canoes in the water. The hunters wait until the herds begin to swim a river in the summer and then paddle among them and kill them with spears.

How We Measure Men.

You've noticed it, of course you have,
that he's a reg'lar trump
Who thinks our way, but if he won't,
why, he's a bloomin' chump.
'Tis true we hain't got everything
in our mental clutch,
But what few facts escape us don't
amount to very much.

And sometimes it disgusts us and surprises us to see
Some man who's had a chance to learn about as much as we,
Hold views so very different from the ones that we maintain;
It sort of makes a feller think that folks are plumb insane.

Religion, science, politics and other things that we
Have put our minds upon and made as plain as A. B. C.
Some dull and stubborn intellects still shroud in shades of doubt
And puzzle with 'em jest as if we hadn't worked 'em out.

We don't know why we know so much unless it must be that
Our "common sense" jest makes us get most everything down pat;
But of this fact we're mighty sure—that man's a reg'lar trump
Who thinks our way; but if he won't why, he's a bloomin' chump.
—"Hank Spink" in Boston Herald.

Wild Gardens Under Trees.

It is commonly said that it is impossible to grow anything at the base of a tree, but a fine colony of wild flowers may be grown in such a position, where the plants bloom freely every year. The hepatica, one of our first spring wild flowers, is a plant of the woods, and the shade is congenial. These plants may be dug when they are in flower, so as to get the different colors wanted. In addition to the usual white, blue, pink and lavender varieties there are blue and pink ones with white margins. Many of the plants are remarkably "double" sort. It is very interesting to study the opening and closing of the blossoms with reference to the changes of wind and weather, especially if one has a barometer for comparison. Such a wild garden costs nothing and, with a little replenishing, lasts indefinitely.—Country Life in America.

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Gain in Export.

The value of the exports of the whole country in 1903 was 58 per cent greater than in 1883, but the gain in New York was only 31 per cent, and the gain at New Orleans was 69 per cent, at Galveston 239 per cent and at Mobile 422 per cent.

Suffrage in Austria.

Adult suffrage was tried for the first time in the commonwealth of Australia in the federal elections held upon December 16, 1903. The total number of voters registered was 1,700,000, of whom in round numbers 700,000 were women.

28 Army Generals Send Letters of Endorsement To The Inventor of the Great Catarrh Remedy, Pe-ru-na.

Brigadier-General King of Confederate Army,
Writes: "I unhesitatingly state that I am convinced Peruna is a medicine that will effect all the cures that is claimed for its use."—J. Floyd King, Washington, D. C.

General Smalls, Beaufort, S. C.,
Writes: "I have used Peruna for catarrhal trouble and find it beneficial and to be all that it promises, and freely give it my unqualified recommendation."—Robert Smalls.

General Abbott, of Washington, D. C.,
Writes: "I am fully convinced that your remedy Peruna is an excellent tonic. Many of my friends have used it with the most beneficial results for coughs, colds and catarrhal trouble."—Ira C. Abbott, 906 M. St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Captain Yarnell, of Washington, D.C.,
Writes: "Your medicine, Peruna, I believe to be the best medicine for catarrh on the market. I have taken only a small amount, and can see very beneficial results."—W. G. Yarnell, 2322 Lincoln street, N. E., Washington, D. C.

General McBride of U. S. A.,
Writes: "I have no hesitation in recommending Peruna to all persons who are afflicted with catarrhal troubles."—J. D. McBride, 450 Pennsylvania Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.

General Longstreet of the Confederate Army,
Writes: "I can testify to the merits of Peruna, both as a tonic and a catarrh remedy. Peruna enjoys the greatest reputation as a catarrh remedy of any medicine yet devised."—James Longstreet, Gainesville, Ga.

General Noske of O. V. U.,
Writes: "I commend Peruna to those who are troubled with colds producing catarrh as a most efficacious cure and as a good general tonic."—Chas. F. Noske, 213 B St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

General Erwin's Recommend.
"Many of my friends have used Peruna as a dyspepsia remedy with the most beneficial results."—John B. Erwin, Washington, D. C.

Brig.-General Schell Benefited.
"Peruna is indeed a wonderful tonic, and for coughs and colds I know of nothing better."—F. M. Schell, Washington, D. C.

General Duffield of the Union Army,
Writes: "I have used Peruna in my family and have found it a valuable medicine, and take pleasure in recommending it to all who suffer from catarrh of the stomach or who require a tonic of efficiency."—The Cairo, Washington, D. C.

General Butler of South Carolina,
Writes: "I can recommend Peruna for dyspepsia and stomach trouble. I have been using your medicine for a short period and I feel very much relieved. It is indeed a wonderful medicine besides a good tonic."—M. C. Butler.

Brigadier-General Kirby
Writes: "I can recommend Peruna to all who are afflicted with catarrh."—General D. T. Kirby, Washington, D. C.

Gen. Powell, Hecker Post No. 443,
Writes: "After using one bottle of Peruna I became convinced of its curative qualities, and continued its use to date. All symptoms of catarrh have disappeared, yet I continue its moderate use as a preventive, and an old man's tonic."—W. H. Powell, Belleville, Ill.

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Writes: "I can cheerfully recommend your valuable remedy Peruna as a very excellent tonic, and also good for coughs, colds, catarrh, and general debility."—W. H. Sebring, 133 W. 4th St., Jacksonville, Fla.

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Writes: "I can cheerfully recommend your remedy as a permanent and effective cure for catarrh, colds and to any one who needs an invigorating tonic to build up their system."—L. L. Lumax, 1603 19th St., Washington, D. C.

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Writes: "I join with my comrades in recommending Peruna to my friends as an invigorating tonic to build up the system."—Gen. Eugene B. Payne, 407 4th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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Gen. Chase, Ass't Adj. Gen'l, G. A. R.,
Writes: "The excellence of Peruna as a cure or relief for catarrhal disturbances is well established. Many of my friends have been benefited by its use."—B. F. Chase, 28 Harrison St., Anacostia, D. C.

General S. S. Yoder of Ohio,
Writes: "I have found Peruna to be a wonderful remedy. I only used it for a short time and am thoroughly satisfied as to its merits."—S. S. Yoder, Washington, D. C.

General O'Connor of U. V. Legions,
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Writes: "I take pleasure in recommending Peruna. It is a remarkable medicine and should be used by persons who are in need of a good tonic and by sufferers from catarrh."—Marcus Wright, 1724 Corcoran St., Washington, D. C.

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Writes: "I have used Peruna and find it very beneficial for kidney trouble and especially good for coughs, colds and catarrhal troubles."—A. F. Hawley.

Gen. Urell of Spanish War Veterans,
Writes: "Many of my friends have used Peruna with beneficial results as an effective remedy for catarrh."—M. Emmet Urell, 813 12th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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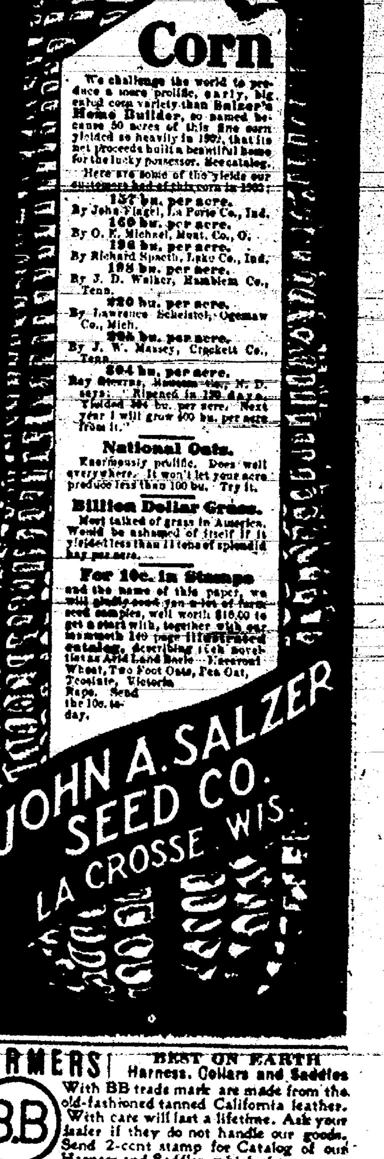

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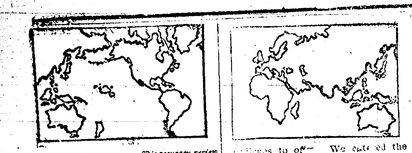

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Forethought can be grown like wheat after we know how.

A HUNDRED-DOLLAR DINNER.

A couple of years ago there came to me a beautifully printed invitation reading as follows: "The committee of management requests the pleasure of your company at dinner on Thursday evening. Important plans will be presented relating to the approaching celebration." I went. I SAW and was conquered. The banquet was in the interest of an old debt. During the dramatic appeals and after the many courses of gastric endangerers, I remarked that I thought the friends of my department would give them a hundred dollars. The two secretaries in charge of the subject replied that they would help me if necessary get that amount.

Failure.

By experience I found my plan for getting the money did not work. One young man told me that I would be in better business if I were collecting money for the debt on his new house. Nearly one seemed to think I was holding him up.

Then came the following: "I am instructed to write you with reference to your pledge of one hundred dollars. I shall be glad to have an expression from you within a few days so that I may report to the committee. We are in special need of funds at present, and of course nothing would be more acceptable than the money. Very truly yours, Secretary." To which I replied: "The plan I had for getting that hundred dollars has been rather, and it is not wise for me to promise when I can pay it, though I have not abandoned it."

Trouble.

When the secretary saw me he twirled me of repudiating my signature. At another time I hinted that he was using the lowest form of commercial promotion, lolling in securing signatures. We had plenty of arguments pro and con. Finally we decided that he should write me a letter such as he thought that I should have written one, and then I should reply to it as I thought he should have written me. This is what he sent me: "Mr. Secretary: Dear Sir—I write you concerning the pledge I made to give or raise one hundred dollars toward removing the floating debt. When I made this pledge, about a year ago, I thought I had a plan whereby the amount could be easily secured. The plan has fallen through, however, and I only succeeded in getting three dollars. I regret very much that I am unable to comply with the conditions of my pledge and must confess somewhat to a feeling of chagrin that I have fallen so far short of meeting my obligations. I still consider myself bound to keep the agreement, however, although I am obliged to ask you to grant me an extension of time. It is impossible for me to say just when I will secure the money but as I am troubled very much about the matter you may be sure that it is my purpose to do this work at the earliest possible moment. Please tell me what you think of this, and I should also be grateful for any suggestions you may make as to how I could go about raising such a sum of money. I have not had much experience soliciting money and not being very well acquainted with your work and the reasons why business men should contribute to it, I found myself handicapped to a considerable extent. Trusting you will appreciate the spirit in which I write this letter, I remain, Very truly yours."

The Other Letter.

In the sample letter I sent him there were blank spaces left for special information for me from him. The following is the complete letter: "Dear Sir—Your favor of the 6th inst. concerning your pledge of one hundred dollars to the debt fund is received. We are simply experiencing what many others have been through, and I am as anxious to assist you in making your plan to secure one hundred dollars succeed as I am to get the one hundred dollars. In reply to your question concerning the indebtedness which now rests upon us the sum of $— is funded; would say this was created as follows: The present building was erected on the site of the old building. During the erection our funds were interrupted and the members were obliged, as they were low, to offer [illegible] floating bills amounting to $5,000 at 5 per cent. The promptness of our people was at once manifest in the purchase of [illegible] within the next 4 years the work was conducted on a scale commensurate with the plans. Owing to the small figures the membership was not as large as expected and there was a deficit in two years of an additional $7,000. Every year since then we have sold all bills, including the interest on his indebtedness, which we are now ascertaining to remove. You will understand that the payments were due when all had been secured, must have resulted from a lack of sufficient explanation, which I very much regret. The agreement in the subscription book which you signed is certainly very clear on this point. The wording of this agreement is as follows: 'We, the undersigned, hereby agree to give or raise the sums set opposite our respective names toward a fund of $[illegible],500 for liquidating the entire floating indebtedness of — — and we guarantee the payment of the sums in equal installments on the following dates:

this is practically the same as a note of hand, and while we may not be able to collect by legal means in a case like this. But we would not talk about the negative side of this question; you are going to get that money and if we can help you as well as we would like to you are going to make your original plans work successfully. It is easier to get money for some things than for an old debt, which is like burying an old horse. Nevertheless it is something which ought to be done and we can never be truly successful as long as this indebtedness hangs as a millstone around our neck. There are men who like tackling difficult jobs and conquering them. Regarding the reasons why business men should subscribe to our work the following seem to me among the best: First, next to the church and the home it is a great moral force in the community, the value of whose restraining and upbuilding it is impossible to overestimate.

Commercial Value.

Every business man should have a part in maintaining such a work. Second it is a work of prevention, an ounces of which we are told is worth a pound of cure. Most business men prefer to give ten dollars to keep a young man from going wrong than to be taxed a hundred dollars to reform him after he has gone astray. That kind of a proposition appeals to a business man. Third, it promotes a healthful interest in young men and spend their leisure hours. An employer of young men is not worried about the honesty, sobriety and faithfulness of those employes who workers are members of our work, and spend their leisure time at our building. They are anxious about the young men who patronize questionable resorts and lead a life where the temptation to live beyond one's means is often responsible for loss by theft and defalcation. These men know this and spend much money for private detectives to study the habits of their trusted employes to find out just how they spend their time and money. Finally, as to the methods of soliciting, I would say it is best to ask for what you would like and take what you can get. Most solicitors make a mistake by not asking for a large enough sum and in a way that suggests that they are extending a privilege rather than asking a favor, or perpetrating a hold up. Try to find men who have money and who are not common marks for every one with a subscription paper. It is better and cheaper economical to cultivate a few intelligent givers for large amounts than a great number of givers for small amounts. The whole question of getting a man to give money is an extremely difficult one. Some men seem to be naturally ordained for this work, but it is also clear that others can acquire it. I am confident that if you do not consider yourself in the first class you will soon be numbered among the second. Very truly yours, Secretary." What might have caused us to forever disrespect each other may on this plan of exchange letters prove mutually helpful and encourage us to do what we want to do.

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well." Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure cure for coughs, colds and all lung diseases. Guaranteed by F. M. Colwell. 50c, and $1.00. Trial bottles free. F. M. Colwell.

The congressional convention will be held at Lincoln March 22d.

BLIND READ PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fifty Copies Embossed by Louisville, Ky., Printing House.

The American Printing House for the Blind in Louisville, one of the two printing houses of its kind in the country, has just finished embossing fifty copies of President Roosevelt's message to Congress for the New York State Library. The embossing of the President's message was made possible by the generosity of some unknown woman. Some time ago a blind man asked the Librarian for a copy of the message. He wanted an embossed copy, one that he could read. It was the first request for a President's message that the Librarian ever received, and the answer was that the message was not in the library. The Librarian said it was not likely to be for some time, as there was as yet no appropriation, and the treasury was empty. The Librarian told Jacob A. Riis, and Mr. Riis said he would write to a woman who he thought would donate the money. He wrote and was not disappointed when the answer came. The woman contributed money enough to emboss fifty copies, but under condition that her identity be concealed.

LITTLE BROTHER HAD NAME WRONG

But Otherwise His Story Did Not Deviate from the Truth.

Eight-year-old Harry, in revenge for some act of sisterly tyranny on the part of 10-year-old Margaret, conveyed the intelligence to their mother that Charlie Robbins had kissed the girl under the stairs in the main hall of the school building. The young lady stoutly denied the charge, declaring her small brother to be guilty of a mean falsehood. "Don't you believe him, mamma! He is just a tell-tale, and it's a story—so there!" "It isn't a story, mamma. He did, and I seen her—way back—behind the stairs!" "He never, mamma! Kissed me, indeed! I wouldn't let him." "My dear," said the judicious parent, "what occurred behind the stairs when Harry saw you there?" "Well, anyway," was the reluctant reply, "it wasn't Charlie Robbins at all. It was Willie Sommers."

Floor Coverings.

In the last twenty-five years a considerable change has been effected in the treatment and furnishings of floors. This seems a short period in which to reckon, when the history of floor coverings dates from far back before the Christian era, even to the ancient days of Egyptian splendor. Prior to this time primitive ages had adopted the fur skins of wild beasts to make a comfortable footcloth in their habitations, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. The Babylonians were renowned for their weaving of rugs and the ornamentation they introduced. From them the art was passed on to the Persians and the people of India, and so through Asia and eastern Europe, and, after the Renaissance, into France and England. In this country rugs are becoming more and more in demand in place of carpets. From a hygienic viewpoint they are much to be preferred.

Cures Sciatic Rheumatism.

Mrs. A. E. Simpson, 509 Craig St., Knoxville, Tenn., writes, June 10th, 1899: "I have been trying the baths of Hot Springs, Ark., for sciatic rheumatism, but I get more relief from Ballard's Snow Liniment than any medicine or anything I have ever tried. Enclosed find postoffice order for $1.00. Send me a large bottle by Southern Express." Sold by F. M. Colwell.

By Boc on the Street.

A tattered, foolish man of [illegible] summers entered the office of a [illegible] real estate man the other day, [illegible] parently in search of [illegible] [illegible] said the [illegible] [illegible] this day he was [illegible] [illegible] know where he was [illegible] [illegible] at a glance, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

BIG WHEAT YIELDS

Record of Sixteen Kansas Farmers for Year of 1903

THE SYSTEM THEY FOLLOW

Yield Surpasses the Most Prolific Returns Known in Eastern Kansas, Where Rainfall Is Abundant

Sixteen farmers scattered through the five western Kansas counties of Trego, Logan, Thomas and Sheridan, harvested last year an aggregate, in round numbers, of 4,600 acres of wheat, with an aggregate return of, in round numbers, 144,000 bushels of wheat, or in round numbers again, of thirty-one bushels per acre. These 144,000 bushels of wheat commanded a market value of from 58 cents to 88 cents per bushel, with 70 cents per bushel as a fair average, which means that these sixteen farmers realized an aggregate of over $100,000 in cash from their 4,600 acres of wheat, or an average in round numbers, of over $21 per acre.

The Campbell system of agriculture, from which such rich results were obtained, means nothing more or less than a cropping of the concerned soil every year with a careful and scientific preparation of the ground during the twelve months' interim. The farmer plows his ground to a depth of from seven to ten inches in the fall, thoroughly pulverizing the soil by the use of a heavy harrow. In the next early spring the soil is again harrowed, the harrow being thereafter used after each recurring spring rainfall, the result being the formation of a dust deposit or crust, which effectually conserves from wind sweep or natural atmospheric evaporation, the moisture garnered in the soil during the winter snowfall or spring rain precipitation. In the fall this long prepared and moisture garnered soil is sown to winter wheat, for instance, with a next year harvest results which rivals, if not actually surpasses, the most prolific returns of western canal irrigation. Distributed beneath the western dry, divide areas at, perhaps, a minimum depth of three feet, is a clay subsoil deposit impervious to water. The Campbell system of "dry" region agriculture is therefore really a scientific application of natural irrigation, the winter and spring moisture being thereby conserved and actually reservoired upon the broad surface of the impenetrable clay subsoil, a fact which fully explains why western Kansas soil under the Campbell system is yielding as high as seventy-eight bushels per acre, while immediately adjoining acreage, farmed with usual season conditions, returns from twenty to thirty bushels per acre.

At least 25 per cent of the farmers of western Kansas have already realized the farming fortune embraced in the Campbell system, and it is safe to say that within the next five years this system will completely revolutionize western Kansas farming, with the undoubted results of a practically doubling of the wheat harvest per acre, a heavy increase in wheat weight test, and the adding of at least 50 per cent to the market value of the lands in the new Kansas wheat belt.

Meeting of Educators

A conference of high school principals, city superintendents and teachers of Kansas will be held at the University of Kansas, at Lawrence, April 15 and 16. The conference is called to consider the mutual interests of the university, the accredited schools and the public school system of Kansas in general.

An interesting program is being arranged for the meeting. Opportunity will be given to visit the university classes and see the work done, and museums, laboratories and libraries will be thrown open and inspected. An address will be made by Prof. G. W. Myers, of the school of education of the University of Chicago.

Cleared of Murder Charge

The case of the state vs. O. W. Coffelt, the cowboy charged with the murder of George C. Montgomery, a Santa Fe detective, was dismissed in the district court at Winfield, Kan., on motion of the county attorney. Coffelt had been tried four times on the charge each trial resulting in a hung jury, and he appeared in court to be tried again. The case has been in the courts for two years.

George C. Montgomery, a Santa Fe detective, was shot and killed in his own home in Winfield by an assassin October 5, 1901.

Potato Planting Near Emporia

The farmers at Emporia, Kas., are planting oats and potatoes. W. S. Williamson, who has a record for potato raising in that locality, has some potatoes in the ground. He says early planting is one of the secrets of success. He often puts them in as early as the middle of February; planting them eight inches under ground and cultivating the soil away from, rather than on the plants. Mr. Williamson raised 350 bushels to the acre last year.

TERRIBLE PRAIRIE FIRE

More Than $25,000 Worth of Damage Near Hemmingford

Prairie fires set by a locomotive burned over forty thousand acres of splendid range near Hemingford, Neb., besides destroying some buildings and range horses and cattle. Messrs. Hall, Rockey, Whalen, Fronapfel and many small ranchmen are completely burned out. Ranchmen Taylor and Hunter are partly burned out and the loss of hay is great. A high wind prevailed, but a large force is fighting the fire. The loss to the Burlington Railroad company is probably $25,000. There are no particulars from north of the river Niobrara, eight miles north. Fires south of Hemingford cannot be heard from.

FATAL COW DISEASE

Many Head of Kansas Cattle Dying from Unknown Malady

R. A. Biddleman, of South Bend, Kas., reports the loss of many milch cows in his vicinity. The animals were stricken with a weakness in the limbs and back. The disease seems to be chiefly with cows soon coming fresh. It is not a result of cornstalk feeding or wheat pasture, as the cattle are kept on a diet of cane, Kaffir corn, hay and straw. The animals last from one to three weeks after taking the disease.

Mr. Biddleman will call the attention of the state veterinarian to the trouble. He has lost three head, William Hoffmaster six and several others have met with losses. The trouble exists in other parts of the county also.

Railroaders Co-Op Store

The shop men employed by the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad company at Parsons, Kas., have organized a co-operative grocery and meat store. This action was brought about by prices charged by the business men of Parsons for groceries and meat. The men expect by this means to supply themselves with the necessary goods at less than current market prices. There are about 1,200 men employed in the Parsons shops and 250 of them have taken up with the co-operative idea. It is expected that the whole 1,200 men will fall in line in a few months.

He Took the $1,000 Cash

D. L. Wagoner, a painter who lives in Kansas City, Kas., drew the house which was given by the Wichita Central Labor Union. He was given his choice between the house and its value, $1,000, and he took the money. There were two gifts, Wagoner getting second. S. M. Stevens of Wichita has sued the union for $600 because of a disagreement over the first gift.

No Ohio Spring Elections

There will be no municipal elections in Ohio this spring. Governor Herrick has signed the Chapman bill abolishing spring elections and it is now a law. The terms of all elective municipal officers, which would have expired in April, have been extended until after the elections next November.

No Fighting at Panama

A French steamer which has just arrived from Colon brought the news to New York that the Colombian government has definitely desisted from any movement to recover its lost territory, and has prohibited any further attempts to attack the Panama frontier.

Senate Confirmations

The senate in executive session confirmed the following nominations:

Charles H. Robb, assistant attorney general.

Postmasters: Nebraska, Edmund J. Burke, Bancroft; John Ring, Hooper.

Capt. Theodore F. Jewell to be a rear admiral.

Glass Blowers Strike

A strike is now on at the works of the American Window Glass company, at Jeannette, Pa. The strike is due to a question of wages, the men who operate the blowing machines demanding an increase. The cessation of work on the part of the blowers has thrown idle all the other departments of the works. This is the largest window glass plant in the United States.

Caught Government Napping

The government was defeated in the house of commons by 141 to 130 votes, on a motion of John Redmond, the Irish leader, for a reduction of the Irish education estimates. As it was in the nature of a snap division engineered by the nationalists, the government refused to resign, but it is regarded as another straw showing the direction of the wind.

Five Tourists Killed

Five unknown tourists, who were were stealing a ride, were killed in a freight wreck on the Colorado & Southern railroad at Mayne, a small station forty miles north of Trinidad, Colo. The engine and five cars of the train were piled in a ditch. The accident was caused by a broken rail. The crew escaped.

The people who look for trouble are generally those who find fault.

"ALL CONFIDENTIAL"

General Bristow Testifies Before House Special Committee

HAS CONVENIENT LOOPHOLE

Damaging Testimony was Unearthed by "Clerk Hire Section" of the Postoffice Department

Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, in testifying before the house special committee on postoffice report claimed for himself responsibility for only the first seven pges of the report which was sent to the postoffice committee and said the other portions of the document were the work of other officials of the department.

The clerk hire section, he said, was prepared in the office of the first assistant postmaster general, and that part relating to leases by inspectors and others in his own department.

Mr. Bristow's testimony threw considerable light on all phases of the inquiry. He practically cleared members of congress from wrongdoing, touching the clerk hire section of the report by stating that it was the duty of the first assistant's office to ascertain the condition of the work in an office where an increase had been recommended.

The committee was in executive session part of the time General Bristow was present.

Mr. Bristow was asked particularly as to how the committee was to get possession of certain of the confidential exhibits connected with his report on the postoffice investigation. These exhibits have been kept secret because of their bearing on pending prosecutions. They were used in making up the report touching members that was submitted to the house.

Mr. Bristow told the committee the reports would be submitted to it for confidential inspection.

INDICT WHISKY SHIPPERS

Grand Jury at Wichita, Kan., Bring in a Big Batch of True Bills

The federal grand jury returned six indictments against Kansas City and Kentucky wholesale liquor dealers at Wichita, who are charged with violation of the prohibitory law. The method complained of is the shipping of liquors to fictitious persons and then allowing express agents to dispose of the packages to who ever wants them. The names of the dealers against whom true bills were found were not made public.

True bills also were found against Chauncey Depew, C. P. Dewey, W. J. McBride and W. J. Ratcliffe for enclosing government land.

Chauncey Depew and McBride were at the trial at Norton, Kas., charged with the murder of Burchard Berry, a fellow ranchman in a quarrel that sprung originally from land questions.

UNIFORM INSURANCE RATES

New York Meeting of Fire Underwriters Make Rapid Progress

The national board of fire insurance underwriters at a meeting held in New York came to an agreement with a committee of twenty persons representing foreign insurance companies by which all the fire insurance companies in this country will form a combination. Uniform rates are to be fixed for the same class of risks in all cities, uniform legislation in all states and cities, uniform legislation in all states and cities is to be advocated and all technical work of all the companies is hereafter to be done by a central board instead of local, state or city boards, as has been the custom.

Old insurance men say that this is the first time the companies have been able to agree on plans, although the subject has been frequently proposed. "Had we agreed long ago," said a leading insurance man, "we would not now be seeing an average ash heap of $150,000,000 every year in this country."

Coining Gold for Japan

The Examiner says that the San Francisco mint is making United States coin for the Japanese government, gold being sent there for coinage into money which will be used in the purchase of food and other supplies for the army and navy. The last two steamers from the Orient have each brought $2,000,000 worth of gold bullion from Japan.

Outlive Bribery Charges

The statute of limitation has expired on all bribery offenses committed during the 1901 session of the Missouri legislature and there can be no prosecutions of legislators who have not been indicted during the three years just ended. The cases of State Senators Frank H. Farris, Charles H. Smith and Buel Matthews, who were indicted on charges of bribery, are yet to be tried.

NEW LAND BILL

Repeals the Timber and Stone Act—A Check to Grafting

The senate committee has reported favorably the Quarles bill to repeal the timber and stone act. No bill introduced in congress in several years has been pushed with more vigor by its friends, or fought more stubbornly by its enemies, than the original bill fathered by Senator Quarles, which provided for the repeal of the timber and stone act, the desert land act and the commutation clause of the homestead law. For two years, the committee on public lands has had the measure almost constantly before it and heated contests have been so frequent that they threatened many times to break the personal regard in which members of the committee always held each other. The last three meetings of the committee have been no exception.

Last year the committee reported the bill over the head of the chairman, Mr. Hansbrough, but he prevented its passage. This year a majority of one was against Hansbrough, but he refused to put the motion to report the bill. He then interviewed members of the committee individually, urging that the passage of the bill would upset land laws and turn to Canada the tide of immigration now building up the west, and declared that the homestead law was vital to the unimproved west. He suggested that a measure be introduced repealing the timber and stone act only. He won Senator Nelson to the same view and having a majority the bill was introduced by Quarles and approved by the committee.

APPOINT COMMISSIONERS

Judges Ames, Oldham and Letton Reappointed by Supreme Court

The three judges of the supreme court, Chief Justice Silas A. Holcomb, Judge S. H. Sedgwick and Judge J. B. Barnes, reappointed Commissioners J. H. Ames, W. D. Oldham and C. B. Letton to serve for a period of one year from April 10. The salary of each commissioner is $2,500 a year. At present nine commissioners are serving. The last legislature extended the commission for a period of two years, nine to serve one year and two to serve two years from April 10, 1903. Now that the court has made its selection of the three to remain the others will retire from the commission. The retiring commissioners are Fawcett, Albert, Kirkpatrick, Hstings, Duffie and Glanville. Commissioner Oldham is a democrat and Commissioners Letton and Ames are republicans. Mr. Ames was formerly a democrat, but has been a republican since the campaign of 1896 and is registered in his precinct as a republican.

CATTLE MUST BE DIPPED

State Veterinarian Thomas Backed Up by Governor Mickey

State Veterinarian Thomas has begun a war on parasite skin diseases of cattle which the veterinarian has discovered is prevalent among most of the cattle on the ranges and Governor Mickey issued a proclamation governing the dipping of those affected.

Veterinarian Thomas holds that much good had resulted from the dipping and that had the proper formula been used in the making of the dip the diseases would have been wiped out entirely. He therefore in his regulations instructs that the dip shall be made of sulphur and lime. Owing to the lack of funds it is impossible to send an assistant veterinarian to superintend the work and therefore the governor instructs the sheriffs of the various counties to see that the regulations are enforced. The dipping is to be done during the months of April, May and June and none but the formula issued by the veterinarian is to be used in preparing the dip.

Hearings on 8-Hour Law

The senate committee on education and labor has began a series of open hearings on the eight-hour bill, which was reported favorably in the Fifty-seventh congress, and which is also pending before the house committee on labor. Daniel Davenport, representing the American anti-boycott association, was heard and Judge Joseph K. McCamer, representing steel industries, presented resolutions calling upon the secretary of commerce and labor for information concerning the number of hours now exacted on the government work.

Snow Storm in Chicago

In a furious snow storm enough snow fell to make the total for the winter more than break all previous records in Chicago. The season several weeks ago was officially declared the coldest ever known.

Noted Bishop Passes Away

The Right Rev. Louis Maria Fink, bishop of the Leavenworth diocese of the Catholic church, died at his home at Kansas City, Kas., of pneumonia. He had been hovering between life and death for several days.

Attorney Summers Must Suffer

William S. Summers, United States district attorney of Nebraska, will be removed from office.

President Roosevelt has informed Senator Dietrich and Editor Rosewater of the Omaha Bee that he would take such action against Mr. Summers.

WANTS FREE TRADE

Governor Wright, Manila, P. I., Advocates Tariff Reductions

DINGLEY TARRIFF TOO HIGH

Custom Receipts Have Fallen Off 25 Per Cent in Six Months Without Chances of Improvement

Secretary Taft has made an explanation to the house committee on insular affairs as to conditions in the Philippines, particularly with reference to the necessity of railroad-building. Taking up first the question of internal improvements in the islands, Secretary Taft read a cablegram from Governor Wright suggesting the $10,000,000 bond issue for such improvements. In this cablegram Governor Wright said that in the last six months the customs receipts had fallen off 25 per cent. "While we hope that this is due to temporary causes," said Governor Wright, "at the same time we do not feel safe in making increased expenditures for improvements."

"If we can induce congress next year to make trade free, or reduce the tariff 10 to 25 per cent of the Dingley rates," said Secretary Taft, "we can show an income greatly in excess of the present."

Secretary Taft declared his belief that the $10,000,000 bond issue could be sold at par at 4 per cent interest.

SHIPPERS ORGANIZING

They Propose to Take Their Grievances to the Nebraska Legislature

A prominent Lincoln wholesaler says:

"The shippers of Nebraska will be organized before the next legislature and will endeavor to protect their interests at the hands of the lawmakers and against the railroads.

"They are taking steps to get together and it may be that they will wield some influence which the railroads will be unable to overcome. The shippers are not allowed transportation and yet the roads by the use of free transportation seek to control legislation through the politicians. The people for whom the laws are passed must take the consequences.

"The shippers are not in a humor to stand up under this order of things and have an idea that if the present order of things is to be maintained, a two cent passenger rate, and lower freight rates would be equitable. If the roads are to deprive one class of persons of transportation and these the ones who are most entitled to it, the law should be made to go further and include everybody. The shippers are very much wrought up over the matter, and are going to do something."

SIX YEARS FOR BETTS

Young Forger Goes to Penitentiary for Term Above Stated

"As you grow older you may grow wiser," said Judge Holmes to Frank Betts, as he administered a penitentiary sentence of six years and six months.

"You can hardly expect the court to be lenient, and I am not sure that I feel very kindly toward you," continued the court.

Forgery and false representations, by which young Betts robbed a number of Lincoln jewelers of diamonds, watches and money, cost him this penitentiary sentence.

Standing behind a chair in Judge Holmes' court, shabby, without a collar, and his head hanging forward, Betts received his sentence. At the conclusion of the court's remarks the boy's eyes filled as the sheriff lead him from the court room. When asked if he had any reason to give why sentence should not be pronounced, he merely shook his head.

Kindness to Aged Man Rewarded

Noah Beery, proprietor of a small hotel at Leavenworth, Kan., has been rewarded most liberally for an act of charity from which he expected no returns.

He had been taking care of an old soldier named Emil Butts, who was apparently very poor. The old man was in bad health and during his last weeks on earth Noah Beery was as a son to him. Butts died and among his property was found a will, in which he left $3,000 in cash and considerable real estate in Germany to Beery. A brother and sister in Germany are cut off with $1 each. The rear estate is said to be quite valuable. In the will William Berlington of Hamburg, Germany, attorney for Butts, is instructed to convert the real estate into cash.

More Pay for Postmasters

Bills were introduced by Representative Burdsell of Iowa, authorizing the postmaster general to allow postmasters in third class offices out of the surplus revenue of the respective offices an amount of clerk hire in addition to allowance for "separating service," as follows: In offices where the salary of the postmaster is $1,900, $600; where the salary is $1,800, $500; where $1,700, $400, and where the the salary is $1,600, $300.

RULING IN PENSION RATES

Information of Great Interest to All Veterans of Civil War

Commissioner of Pensions Ware, with the approval of Secretary Hitchcock, has issued an order making the following change in age considerations in pension ratings:

"Ordered: In the adjudication of pension claims under said act of June 27, 1890, as amended, it shall be taken and considered as an evidential fact, if the contrary does not appear, and if all other legal requirements are properly met, that when a claimant has passed the age of 62 years he is disabled one-half in ability to perform manual labor and is entitled to be rated at $6 per month; after 65 years at $8 per month; after 68 years at $10 per month, and after 70 years at $12 per month.

Allowance at higher rate, not exceeding $12 per month, will continue to be made as heretofore, where disabilities other than age show a condition of inability to perform manual labor.

"This order shall take effect April 13, 1904, and shall not be deemed retroactive. The former rules of the office fixing the minimum and maximum at 65 years and 75 years respectively are hereby modified as above."

THE RHODES SCHOLARSHIP

Three Nebraska Young Men Will Try for the Selection

Three university students have registered for the examination for the Rhodes scholarship, offered according to the will of Cicil Rhodes, the former great English financier. The three candidates are Burdette G. Lewis, of Omaha, Arthur H. March of Central City high school, and Frank Peterson of the Omaha high school. The examinations will be held some time during the Easter vacation.

The scholarships offered are to one student in each state in the country. This test will not be competitive, but the names of all who pass the examinations successfully will be considered by the committee on selection at the university and one will be elected by that body. The committees and the universities making appointments will be furnished with a statement of the qualifications which Rr. Rhodes desired in the holders of his scholarships, and they will be asked in exercising their right of selection to comply as nearly as circumstances will permit with the spirit of the testator's wishes.

George R. Parkin, representing the trustees of the will of the late Cecil Rhodes, sailed for New York from Southampton on the North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, in connection with the holding of examinations in the United States and Canada for Rhodes' scholarships at Oxford.

Spanish-American Vets. Favored

Any veteran of the Spanish-American war, within the age limit, or any member of the national guard is eligible to appointments to the waiting list for commissions in the army, according to a new ruling of the war department. All applicants from Nebraska are requested to file their applications with General Culver before June 1.

Applicants will be expected to pass the usual physical examination, an examination in the common school branches and a third examination in military science of the branch of the service they may desire to enter. Those who pass the examinations will be placed on the reserve list and in case of war will be commissioned as officers of the volunteer forces which may be raised by the government aside from the national guard.

No Coal Miners Strike

National officers of the United Mine Workers of America, at Indianapolis, Ind., state that from reports they have received from locals of the nine states which voted on the subject of accepting or refusing the offer of the operators, the two years' scale is accepted, and there will be no strike. Returns from central Pennsylvania show three to one against a strike. Eighteen locals at Linton, Ind., show a majority of 300 against the strike. In a few places in Indiana where the foreign element prevails there is a small majority in favor of a strike.

Killed in Runaway

Peter Hansen, jr., was killed at Brunswick, Neb., in a runaway. His horses got scared four miles northwest of town, smashed the buggy and threw Hansen out. He never recovered consciousness.

Marx Claims He Did It

Gustax Marx, one of the three car barn bandits now under sentence of death, declared in a confession that he was one of three men who held up the Chicago & Northwestern express train at Tower W., near DeKalb, Ill., four years ago. The crime, which has passed into history as one of the most desperate ever committed in or about Chicago, has never been fastened upon any one of the many suspects arrested, and the identity of the bandits has remained a mystery to the police until now.

Miss Alice M. Smith, of Minneapolis, Minn., tells how woman's monthly suffering may be permanently relieved by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have never before given my endorsement for any medicine, but **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** has added so much to my life and happiness that I feel like making an exception in this case. For two years every month I would have two days of severe pain, and could find no relief, but one day when visiting a friend I ran across **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound**,—she had used it with the best results and advised me to try it. I found that it worked wonders with me; I now experience no pain, and only had to use a few bottles to bring about this wonderful change. I use it occasionally now when I am exceptionally tired or worn out."—MISS ALICE M. SMITH, 804 Third Ave., South Minneapolis, Minn., Chairman Executive Committee, Minneapolis Study Club.—*$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.*

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound carries women safely through the various natural crises and is the safe-guard of woman's health.

The truth about this great medicine is told in the letters from women being published in this paper constantly.

DOLLAR HUMOR CURE

From Pimples to Scrofula From Infancy to Age

To those who have suffered long and hopelessly from Humors of the Blood, Skin, and Scalp, and who have lost faith in doctors, medicines, and all things human, CUTICURA Soap, Ointment, and Pills appeal with a force hardly to be realized. Every hope, every expectation awakened by them has been more than fulfilled. More great cures of Simple, Scrofulous, and Hereditary Humors are daily made by them than by all other Blood and Skin Remedies combined, a single set, costing but one dollar, being often sufficient to cure the most distressing cases when all else fails.

Sold throughout the world. Cuticura Resolvent, 50c. (in form of Chocolate Coated Pills, 25c. per vial of 60), Ointment, 50c., Soap, 25c. Depots: London, 27 Charterhouse Sq.; Paris, 5 Rue de la Paix; Boston, 137 Columbus Ave. Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props. Send for "All About the Skin and Scalp."

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Mustang Liniment
cures Sprains and Strains.

PISO'S CURE FOR
CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.
Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.
CONSUMPTION

Free to Twenty-Five Ladies.

The Defiance Starch Co. will give 25 ladies a round trip ticket to the St. Louis Exposition, to five ladies in each of the following states: Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, who will send in the largest number of trade-marks cut from a ten-cent, 16-ounce package of Defiance cold water laundry starch. This means from your own home, anywhere in the above named states. These trade-marks must be mailed to and received by the Defiance Starch Co., Omaha, Nebr., before September 1st, 1904. October and November will be the best months to visit the Exposition. Remember that Defiance is the only starch put up 16 oz. (a full pound) to the package. You get one-third more starch for the same money than of any other kind, and Defiance never sticks to the iron. The tickets to the Exposition will be sent by registered mail September 5th. Starch for sale by all dealers.

The trouble with the average woman's request for pin money is that she generally has her eye on a diamond pin.

Experts who have been over the field of fire ruin in Baltimore find the great steel and tile buildings practically intact, requiring only a minimum of expenditures for repairs upon the structural parts.

Floor arches, main partitions and tile floors remain in rooms where the heat fused typewriting machines into molten masses. Ornamental marble work, wooden floor strips, glass and various fixtures have all disappeared, but the gigantic steel frameworks stand.

It is the opinion of the best experts that if these tall buildings were fitted with iron shutters and metal window frames and equipped, as many in other cities are, with water standpipes, they would not only be well-nigh invulnerable themselves, but would prove invaluable obstacles to the spread of fires.

Am I in favor of expansion? Everything that grows expands. See how the State Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of South Omaha has grown.

Jan. 1, 1896 we had	$	50,215.00
" " 1897 we had		438,850.00
" " 1898 we had		2,696,165.00
" " 1899 we had		4,224,375.00
" " 1900 we had		7,538,973.00
" " 1901 we had		10,480,483.00
" " 1902 we had		13,541,367.00
" " 1903 we had		16,413,869.00
" " 1904 we had		18,416,388.32

Don't you think you would like to belong to a live Company like this? Write the Secretary, B. R. Stouffer, South Omaha, Nebr.

"The fellow who talks to his wife about the coffee his mother used to make," says the Manayunk Philosopher, "will come home late at night and expect her to swallow the same old excuse that her daddy used to make."

Ask Your Dealer For Allen's Foot-Ease. A powder. It rests the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Sore, Hot, Callous, Aching Sweating Feet and Ingrowing Nails. Allen's Foot-Ease makes new or tight shoes easy. At all Druggists and Shoe stores, 25 cents. Accept no substitute. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Fortunate is the man who can borrow enough money to pay his debts.

The Best Results in Starching can be obtained only by using Defiance Starch, besides getting 4 oz. more for same money—no cooking required.

A weak artist can draw a larger object than a strong horse.

YELLOW CLOTHES ARE UNSIGHTLY. Keep them white with Red Cross Ball Blue. All grocers sell large 2 oz. package, 5 cents.

It's all right to follow our own inclinations if they don't lead to disaster.

FOR RENT OR SALE On Crop Payments. SEVERAL CHOICE FARMS. Send for list. J. MULHALL, Sioux City, Iowa.

Any fool can gain experience, but it takes a wise man to profit by it.

To Cure a Cold in One day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

There is no reason why a deaf mute shouldn't be dumbfounded.

When You Buy Starch buy Defiance and get the best, 16 oz. for 10 cents. Once used, always used.

Enthusiasm and lying are synonymous with some people.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—MRS. THOS. ROBBINS, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Pawning an engagement ring is a pledge of love.

Rheumatism's Killing Pain. Left in quick order after taking 10 doses of Dr. Skirvin's Rheumatic Cure, in tablet form. 25 doses 25c, postpaid. WIS. DRUG CO., LA CROSSE, WIS. (W. N. U.)

One man's greatness is due to the aid of many smaller men.

Do Your Clothes Look Yellow? Then use Defiance Starch, it will keep them white—16 oz. for 10 cents.

The fellow who has no family tree must branch out for himself.

Smokers find Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar better quality than most 10c brands. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Lots of theories won't work—likewise lots of theorists.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES cost but 10 cents per package.

The less money a man has the more polite he has to be.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Bad habits breed bad luck.

WESTERN CANADA HAS AN EXCELLENT CLIMATE

The Saskatchewan Valley Very Highly Favored.

An interesting feature of Western Canada is its climate. Those who have made a study of it speak highly of it. The Canadian Government Agents are sending out an Atlas, and at the same time giving valuable information concerning railway rates, etc., to those interested in the country. As has been said, the climate is excellent. The elevation of this part of Canada is about 1,800 feet above the sea, about twice that of the average for Minnesota. It is a very desirable altitude. The country has a very equable climate taking the seasons through. The winters are bright and the summers are pleasantly warm. R F. Stupart, director of the meteorological service for Canada, says:

"The salient features of the climate of the Canadian northwest territories are a clear, bracing atmosphere during the greater part of the year, and a medium rainfall and snowfall. The mean temperature for July at Winnipeg is 66, and Prince Albert 62. The former temperature is higher than at any part of England, and the latter is very similar to that found in many parts of the southern countries."

At Prince Albert the average daily maximum in July is 76 and the minimum 48. Owing to this high day temperature with much sunshine, the crops come to maturity quickly.

Moisture is ample in the Saskatchewan valley, being about 18 inches annually. It is notable that about 75 per cent of the moisture falls during the crop months. Thus, Western Canada gets as much moisture when it is needed and with several hours more sunshine daily than land further south gets during the growing season, it is not difficult to understand why crops mature quickly and yield bountifully.

Winter ends quickly, sowing is done during April and sometimes in March. Harvest comes in August, about the middle. Cyclones, blizzards, dust and sand storms are unknown.

Grand Secretary W. W. Perry of the Wisconsin grand lodge said that Masonry exists among the Indians. "They have no lodges that I know of," said he, "and I don't know where they got their Masonry, but some of the Indians are good Masons. I remember having heard stories of narrow escapes from death and disaster by white men making themselves known as Masons. Many years ago they brought a shipload of slaves to New Orleans, and when one of them was put on the block to be auctioned off he made the Masonic hailing sign. He was taken down from the block, examined and found to be a Mason. He was not sold into slavery, but a purse was raised by New Orleans Masons to purchase his freedom, and he was sent back to Africa."

Salzer's Home Builder Corn.

So named because 50 acres produced so heavily that its proceeds built a lovely home. See Salzer's catalog. Yielded in 1903 in Ind., 157 bu., Ohio 160 bu., Tenn. 98 bu., and in Mich. 220 bu. per acre. You can beat this record in 1904.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THESE YIELDS PER ACRE?

120 bu. Beardless Barley per acre.
310 bu. Salzer's New Nat. Oats—per A.
80 bu. Salzer Speltz & Macaroni Wheat.
1,000 bu. Pedigree Potatoes per acre.
14 tons of rich Billion Dol. Grass Hay.
60,000 lbs. Victoria Rape for sheep—acre.
160,000 lbs. Teosinte, the fodder wonder.
54,000 lbs. Salzer's Superior Fodder Corn—rich, juicy fodder, per A.

Now such yields you can have, Mr. Farmer, in 1904, if you will plant Salzer's seeds.

JUST SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10c in stamps to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive their great catalog and lots of farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

In the report of Professor Allen of the National Pure Food association it is stated, as the result of investigations made in Europe, that 60 per cent of French wines and 80 per cent of French champagnes are adulterations or imitations. Many of the wines included in the 60 per cent never saw a vineyard, the professor states, and grapes had no part in their composition. These wines are concocted of new alcohol dyes and acids injurious to the health. The result of studies made by official commissions on the continent and in England is to secure pretty general agreement to the effect that antiseptics cannot be safely permitted in foodstuffs and that artificial coloring is generally evidence of fraud. The line begins to be drawn against sophisticated food of all kinds.

Now that the scientists are discovering everything to be germ-infested and dangerous, only one more point of attack remains. That will fall when the germ hunters discover that the human breath is swarming with bacilli and that the only way to be entirely safe is to stop breathing. Already the fiat has gone forth that we must stop eating and drinking, so that the last alternative is perhaps merely the logical conclusion of the whole germ theory.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz. in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

Do you want 16 oz. instead of 12 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

"Yes, I saw Mr. Lushton on the street today, but he didn't see me," she said. "He appeared to be preoccupied."

"Huh!" remarked her husband, "perhaps he was merely 'occupied.'"

"What do you mean by that?"

"Well, 'occupied' sometimes means 'full.'"

IF YOU USE BALL BLUE, Get Red Cross Ball Blue, the best Ball Blue. Large 2 oz. package only 5 cents.

The golden slipper must have been marked a size smaller than it was or Cinderella would have refused to try it on.

HUNTING THE WILD TURKEY.

Most Popular Method Is the "Calling" Trick.

Several different methods for taking the wild turkey are pursued, the most popular being the "calling" method. The wild gobbler, like his tame brother, is an inveterate and ardent lover, which quality since even before the white man first came to hunt him in Virginia and the Carolinas has led him blindly into a vastly more serious trouble than the matter of squabbles with his jealous brothers. Long, long ago some observing aboriginal learned to call him to his doom by imitating the seductive yelp of the hen turkey. The ambushed savage, well practiced in producing his mendacious call, readily decoyed the love-mad gobbler within easy range of his deadly arrow. The white man learned of the Indian. Shrewd as he is, the turkey has not fully learned that frequently death lurks behind the dulcet call of his lady-love. His desire is tempered by distrust, however, and despite his bluster and hurry to reach the side of the lovelorn hen, he is wary, and cautiously dallies in his coming, to assure himself that all is well. He will detect the faintest error in the most carefully modulated call, or will see the slightest movement. Then swift and still as a fleeting shadow he will steal away to the deepest cover, there to remain in hiding till his fears subside before his rising ardors.—Field and Stream.

JOKES OF OLD GREEKS.

Many Ancient Jests That Can Still Pass Muster.

Prof. Charles Zueblin, of the University of Chicago, lectured recently in Philadelphia on "Ruskin and the Ethics of Wealth." After his lecture Prof. Zueblin talked about education.

"Greek," he said, "can be made very interesting to boys and girls. I know an instructor in Greek who puts his pupils to translating the Astela of Hierocles as soon as they can construe.

"Hierocles, you know, was a Greek joker, and his jokes still ring true. Most of them are about schoolmasters. One of them is about a schoolmaster who boards a ferry on horseback, and when the people ask him why he does this, he replies that he is in a hurry, and wants to get across the river faster.

"Another of the schoolmasters of Hierocles is on a ship when a great storm arises. The people, in fear of shipwreck, proceed to lash themselves to spars, to oars, and to other heavy and buoyant objects. But the schoolmaster lashes himself to an anchor.

"A third schoolmaster wants to see what he looks like when he is asleep. Accordingly he stands before a mirror and shuts his eyes."

Is Your Hair Red?

Red hair is the fashion. We have it on the authority of counsel in a recent action for libel through the character of a novel, and certainly a more or less flagrant style of chevelure has been conspicuous of late. Why or how it became the fashion is, perhaps, one of those esoteric mysteries better left to the imagination. It is, nevertheless, a remarkable fact, notwithstanding a very ancient prejudice against it, red hair is the fashion. "Ginger" and "carrots" are not exactly flattering metaphors, and there is even a vulgar superstition that rufus hair, like radium, has the property of emitting heat. "Don't come too near," cried a young collier to a Scotch lady who canvassed a mining village in the interest of her husband and offered the electors a kiss for a vote. "Don't come too near. You might set fire to us." "Not you, my lad," was the singeing retort; "you are too green."—London (Eng.) Globe.

City Alligator has Typhoid.

The carnivorous reptile of the municipality known as A. Mississippiensis, but more commonly called Allie, alias Pat, is afflicted with typhoid fever. For over three years this alligator has lived without known pain or ache in the city laboratory, but now it is feared by the city's physicians that he may not recover.

Pat has been ill several days, but an official diagnosis of his case was not made until late yesterday afternoon after a conference between Dr. Behm, director of the laboratory; Dr. Drake, and H. Lantry, the head animal keeper. After getting all the facts regarding the alligator's illness, examining his body and observing for half an hour his symptoms, they announced as a certainty that the alligator is suffering from typhoid fever.—Chicago Chronicle.

Want Indian Citizenship.

Fifty-nine thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven applications for citizenship in the five civilized Indian tribes have not been granted by the Dawes commission, and they are classified either as rejected or undetermined. Of the latter class there are 25,729 distributed among the tribes as follows: In the Creek nation, 527 cases of disputed citizenship are still pending; in the Choctaw nation, 8,299 such cases; in the Chickasaw nation, 3,747 such cases, and in the Cherokee nation, 13,429 such cases.

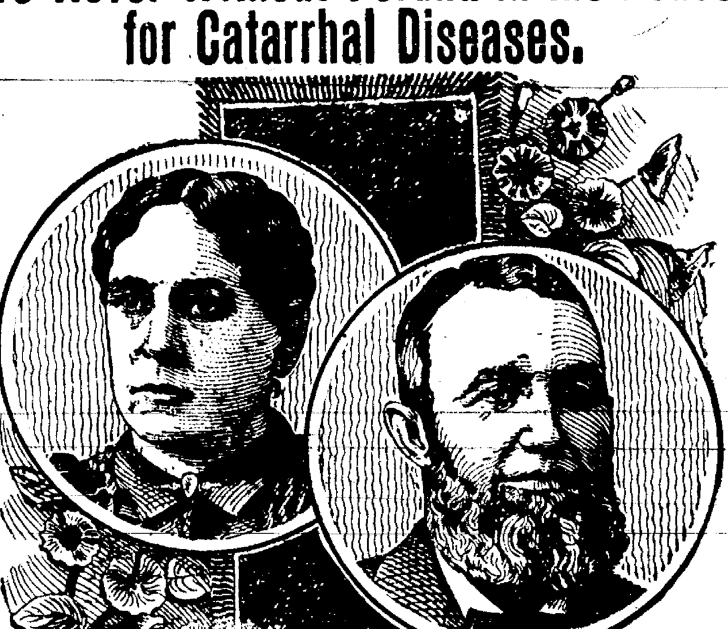
Trouble.

Trouble's comin' soon enough,
I's g-gwine to wait.
Won't rush f'um ne front room do'
To meet it at de gate.
If it's out to catch you
'Tain' much use to run;
So you might as well be happy
While you has a chance fo' fun.

Trouble's mighty curious;
Don't wear out a bit.
De mo' of it you has, de mo'
You's liable to git.
An' yet it's mighty timid.
You'll learn it after while;
Like dem microbes in de sunshine,
You kin kill it wife a smile.
—Washington Star.

THE OLD FOLKS AT HOME

Are Never Without Peruna in the House for Catarrhal Diseases.



MR. AND MRS. J. O. ATKINSON, INDEPENDENCE, MO.

UNDER date of January 10, 1897, Dr. Hartman received the following letter:

"My wife had been suffering from a complication of diseases for the past 25 years.

"Her case had baffled the skill of some of the most noted physicians. One of her worst troubles was chronic constipation of several years' standing.

"She also was passing through that most critical period in the life of a woman—change of life. In June, 1895, I wrote to you about her case. You advised a course of Peruna and Manalin, which we at once commenced, and have to say it completely cured her. She firmly believes that she would have been dead only for these wonderful remedies.

"About the same time I wrote you about my own case of catarrh, which had been of 25 years' standing. At times I was almost past going. I commenced to use Peruna according to your instructions and continued its use for about a year, and it has completely cured me.

"Your remedies do all that you claim for them, and even more. Catarrh cannot exist where Peruna is taken according to directions. Success to you and your remedies."

John O. Atkinson.

In a letter dated January 1, 1900, Mr. Atkinson says, after five years' experience with Peruna:

"I will ever continue to speak a good word for Peruna. In my rounds as a traveling man I am a walking advertisement for Peruna and have induced many people during the past year to use Peruna with the most satisfactory results. I am still cured of catarrh."

John O. Atkinson,
Box 272, Independence, Mo.

When old age comes on, catarrhal diseases come also. Systemic catarrh is almost universal in old people.

This explains why Peruna has become so indispensable to old people. Peruna is their safe-guard. Peruna is the only remedy yet devised that meets these cases exactly.

Such cases cannot be treated locally; nothing but an effective systemic remedy could cure them. This is exactly what Peruna is.

If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

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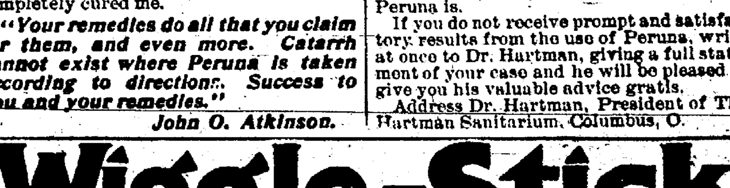
(Patented)
Laundry Blue



DIRECTIONS FOR USE:—Wiggle-Stick AROUND IN THE WATER.
Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10c and equals 20c worth of any other bluing. If your grocer does not keep it send 10c for sample to THE LAUNDRY BLUE CO., 15 Michigan St., Chicago.

CONSUMERS OF SHOES

ALWAYS ASK FOR THE BEST WESTERN MADE SHOES.

These brands will guarantee you a good shoe for men:

Star and Crescent — **E. Z. Walker**
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Our PRAIRIE QUEEN leads all others in Women's and Children's Shoes.

See that our name is on the shoes you buy.

F. P. KIRKENDALL & CO. Manufactured in OMAHA.

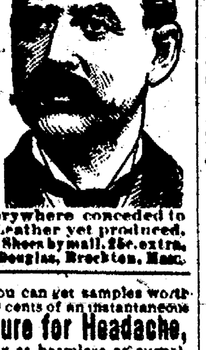
Lincoln Paints ABSOLUTELY PURE

PLUCK WINS—It ALWAYS wins. We had pluck enough 15 years ago to put an absolutely pure house paint on the market and it won. It stands this western climate, and we have pluck enough to guarantee it. Ask your dealer for it, and write us for special color design for your house—free. Lincoln Paint & Color Co., Lincoln, Nebr.

All Up to Date Housekeepers use Defiance Cold Water Starch, because it is better, and 4 oz. more of it for same money.

When it comes to modesty, the tights worn at a theater seem to have a shade more of it than the union suits worn in the advertisements in the newspapers.

W. L. DOUGLAS
$3.50 & $3 SHOES UNION MADE



W. L. Douglas shoes have by their excellent style, easy-fitting, and superior wearing qualities, achieved the largest sale of any shoes in the world.

They are just as good as those that cost you $4 to $5—the only difference is the price.

Sold Everywhere.

Look for name and price on bottom.

Douglas uses Corona Coltskin, which is everywhere conceded to be the finest Patent Leather yet produced. Fast Color Eyelets used. Shoes by mail, 25c. extra. Write for Catalog. W. L. Douglas, Brockton, Mass.

LADIES

You can get samples worth 50 cents of an instantaneous **Cure for Headache,** or Neuralgia (a remedy as harmless as sugar), by sending addresses of five ladies, and 10 cents to pay postage. This is no fake, but a great discovery in medicine, and a God-send to those who are thus afflicted. Address

DR. J. T. POTTER,
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HIGHEST MARKET PRICE
PAID for DUCK and GEESE FEATHERS.
PAYNE & LEEK, Lincoln, Nebraska

Looking for a Home?

Then why not keep in view the fact that the farming lands of

FARMS IN WESTERN CANADA FREE — **Western Canada**

are sufficient to support a population of 50,000,000 or over? The immigration for the past six years has been phenomenal.

FREE Homestead Lands

easily accessible, while other lands may be purchased from Railway and Land Companies. The grain and grazing lands of Western Canada are the best on the continent, producing the best grain, and cattle (fed on grass alone) ready for market.

Markets, Schools, Railways and all other conditions make Western Canada an enviable spot for the settler.

Write to Superintendent Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, for a descriptive Atlas, and other information, or to the authorized Canadian Government Agent—W. V. Bennett, 801 New York Life Building, Omaha, Neb.

MANAGER WANTED

Trustworthy lady or gentleman to manage business in this County and adjoining territory for well and favorably known house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Experience not essential. Address

T. J. COOPER, Manager,
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If afflicted with sore eyes, use **Thompson's Eye Water**

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CURES catarrh of the stomach.

The Table Rock Argus.

F. B. Taylor, Publisher.

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Richardson county instructed for Judge E. A. Tucker for state senator

The Reavis faction controlled the Richardson county republican convention held last week Thursday. It endorsed Fred Miller for secretary of state.

The Dietrich senatorial investigation has closed, but the report has not yet been made. The general opinion of those who have followed the case is that Mr Dietrich was innocent, the evidence showing very clearly that the charges were the outgrowth of the malice and revenge of a couple of men.

The congressional convention met at Lincoln Tuesday morning and completed its work in three-quarters of an hour. Congressman Burkett was renominated by a unanimous vote. W. J. Crandall of Firth, and Frank Helvey of Nebraska City, were selected as delegates to the national convention, with J. L. Root of Cass and C. H. Halstead of Johnson as alternates. Judge Frank Barton of Pawnee was endorsed for presidential elector. C. A. Schappel was selected as the committeeman from Pawnee county. The candidacy of Harry Lindsay for United States district attorney, was endorsed.

The county republican convention convened at Pawnee City Saturday afternoon. J. T. Premsler was elected chairman and F. H. Taylor secretary. The business of the convention was the selection of delegates to the congressional and senatorial convention and a committee of one from each precinct was appointed to submit a list of delegates. While the committee was doing its work resolutions endorsing President Roosevelt, Congressman Burkett, and the state administration, were adopted. The committee on delegates made its report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

Congressional—Chr Hansen, Lin L. Noble, S A Isaacs, Wm Scott, Wm. Steiner, N G Steinauer, J W Moore, H C Lindsay, C A Schappel, J F Griffith, N A Steinauer, G H Pelton, Evan Davis, F H Taylor, Wm Sutton; John Hassler, at large.

Senatorial—A D Barclay, W J Halderman, E H Gifford, F E Johnson, James Ray, John McClung, A E Leibendorfer, G A J Moss, J R Little, F L Bennett, C H Barnard, R H Church, Chas Hurd, M H Marble, O W Griffith.

The senatorial convention will be held in Pawnee City at 5 o'clock p., on Saturday, April 16.

MARKET LETTER.

JOHN M. HAZELTON,
Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo., March 21, 1904.

Cattle receipts here last week were 55,440, about 6000 more than previous week, and 4000 more than same week last year. All the markets had liberal supplies of cattle, and lower prices were the rule after Tuesday. Market being steady first two days of the week. $5.35 was reached Tuesday for beef steers, which hereforefore stuck at the $5 mark. Best grades of beef steers lost 10c, and others were 25c lower. Cows and butcher stuff showed some weakness about Wednesday, but closed the week steady with the close of previous week. Good to choice cows sold from $3.50 to $3.85 for carload lots, and choice heifers brought up to $4.25. Stockers and feeders were 25c lower, but that still left them at a high figure, ranging from $3.25 to $4.25 with scattering sales up to $4.50. The decline on beef steers, when nearly everyone has been expecting an advance, started off many buyers of fleshy feeders. The receipts today are 6000 head, but a liberal run at Chicago and 10c lower prices there makes the market slow here. Beef steers are plentiful and prices barely steady with close of last week. Cows and butcher stuff are scarce and steady. Stockers and feeders are steady, as the spring-like weather always benefits this trade at this season.

Hog receipts at K C last week were 94,000, about 6,00 more than previous week, but 2000 less than same week last year. After Tuesday the prices were lower each day, and the week closed with a net loss of 20c. Market is lower again today, and the best price is $5.15, with bulk of sales at $4.90 to $5.10. Light hogs sell relatively better than they did two weeks ago. Depression in provision market and lack of support is given as a reason for continued lower prices for hogs.

Sheep receipts last week were 24,231, practically the same as previous week; also same as corresponding week last year. Lambs made up large majority of receipts, and were mostly common quality. Best lambs and yearlings sold steady, but the common lambs were 15 to 25c lower. Ewes and weathers gained 10 to 15c during the week, owing to scarcity. Run today is 7000, and the market is strong on everything except medium to common lambs, which are very steady.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

W A Frank shipped a carload of hogs to St Joe. John Silor shipped a carload of cattle.

Mr Snoke had his foot badly crushed from a log rolling off of the saw table onto it.

Wm Frietag of Diller is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

The year old baby daughter of Mr and Mrs Jud Davis died Thursday evening after a short but severe illness. The little one was laid to rest Sunday in the Seventh Day cemetery.

Mrs John Pierce died Sunday after one week's sickness.

Edgar Davis came home Saturday from Wisconsin where he has been attending school for the past year.

Adam Hays and wife visited friends at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Mary Halnegar came up from Falls City Thursday for a visit with Grandpa and Grandma Martin.

Miss Pearl Martin is visiting her sister Mrs Will Turnbull at Rockwalter.

Miss Edith Allen visited in Table Rock a couple of days this week.

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

Ed Myers, who has been sick with pneumonia is improving. Dr W H Wilson is the attending physician.

Mr and Mrs Bi Johnson and Mr and Mrs John Pattison visited at Willie Burrow's on Sunday.

The junior members of the firm of Peter Miller and Sons, took a new top buggy home on Saturday.

George Kent shipped a carload of cattle to St Joe last week, receiving very remunerator prices.

Anton Krofta has bought the Dobrovony eighty which joins his farm on the south. Consideration $4800.

John Cocor has purchased for $4500 the old Avery home of eighty acres, from his father, who has bought a quarter-section in Oklahoma, near his daughter's.

Miss Edith Allen is visiting the Misses Hickman in Table Rock this week.

Mr and Mrs Will Linn and family from west of Table Rock spent Sunday with James Stockman and wife.

The superior merits of the Page fence are highly recognized by the people who want a strong, durable fence, and as a result G E Redic is receiving a very satisfactory number of orders.

Ray Warner, wife and baby from near Humboldt came up Saturday to see the home folks in this vicinity, remaining over Sunday.

Lee Horton has moved to the Hubka farm, part of which he will tend, also the land from which he moved.

Wm Fridos of Diller, his brother-in-law of W F and Henry Franz, spent a few days with relatives and friends here the first of the week. He is greatly pleased with Jefferson county, and has been offered $3000 more for his farm than he gave two years ago. He reports the twelve other families who moved there from Long Branch well satisfied and prosperous.

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We are selling more than ever. Would like to furnish your floors!

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Cheap and handy and clean. Just the thing for summer. Clean and cool.

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Three sold this week. They are swell goods, too. We claim they are the best and cheapest ever shown on our floor.

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For hard colds, bronchitis, asthma, and coughs of all kinds, you cannot take anything better than Ayer's

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Miss. H. B. HAXWORTH, St. Joseph, Mich.
Ayer's Sarsaparilla
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All Throat Ills.

You will hasten recovery by taking one of Ayer's Pills at bedtime.

Report of the Condition of the STATE BANK OF TABLE ROCK Charter 409

Of Table Rock, Nebraska,

(Incorporated) in the State of Nebraska, at the close of business March 17, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$123,549 88
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	35 71
Stocks, securities, judgments, claims, etc	none
Banking house	6000
Bonds	6+59
Other assets	5,093 09
Banking house furniture and fixtures	1,000 00
Other real estate	1,841 27
Current expenses and taxes paid	600e
Premium on U. S. and other bonds and securities	343 27
Cash items	38,490 61
Due from National, State and Private Banks and Bankers	9,639 17
To all Cash on hand	none
Total	$164,983 44

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	$50,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Undivided profits	5,939 38
Dividends unpaid	none
Individual deposits subject to check	$57,732 19
Demand certificates of deposit	18,952 75
Time certificates of deposit	23,266 52
Certified checks	90 241 03
Cashier's checks out-standing	none
Due to National Banks	none
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	none
Notes and bills re-discounted	none
Bills payable	none
Total	$164,930 41

STATE OF NEBRASKA, }
COUNTY OF PAWNEE. } ss.

I, David K Miller, President of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is correct and a true copy of the report made to the State Banking board. DAVID K. MILLER, President.
Attest
DAVID K. MILLER, } Directors
J. J. MILLER. }

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of March, 1904.
[Seal] C. H. NORRIS, Notary Public.
My commission expires July 10th, 1906.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, April 5, 1904, at the town hall, in the village of Table Rock, Neb., an election will be held for three members of the Board of Village trustees, to serve for the term of two years, which election will be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and continue up to until 7 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

C. C. COVERT,
Village Clerk.

Dated this 8th day of March, 1904.

What town in the county will furnish the most money toward getting the new court house in their midst? Don't all speak at once. What is the matter with TABLE ROCK, where the county seat was once located? Tell it in News-Record.

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M H Marble,
Justice of the Peace and Notary Public,
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TABLE ROCK, NEBRASKA

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice that on reading petition of administratrix to sell real estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the administratrix be allowed to sell the real estate of said deceased at private sale for not less than the appraised value thereof, and that all claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Tuesday in July and October, 1904; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 15th day of March, 1904.

[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

A Physician rites.

"I am desirous of knowing if the prescription can obtain Heroine in bulk for prescribing purposes? It has been of great use to me in treating cases of dyspepsia brought on by excesses or overwork. I have never known it to fail in restoring the organs affected, to their healthful activity." 50c bottle at Colwell's.

Take your laundry to W. C. Fellers
Go to Geo. Buerstetta & Co., for your Easter hat. 38-tf

Harley Pickering, of Tecumseh, is a business visitor here today.

For Sale.—Plymouth Rock eggs. Inquire of J. R. SUTTON. 37-tf

Rev W H Morrow transacted business at Falls City Tuesday and Wednesday.

F. W. Parker, our harness maker, confined to his home by rheumatism.

G. W. Pepoon & Co., will deliver wood to any part of town for $1.75 per rick. 37-tf

Roscoe Zink has been transferred to Wymore, and John Hartzell is now day operator here.

When in Pawnee City buy REGAL FAIR DRY GOODS of F. J. MUNGER. Pay less and dress better.

Mrs Helen Roberts, of Auburn, is quite sick at the home of her parents, J L Fisher and wife, in this city.

Pasture—Having rented the State Bank land section 29, I am now prepared to pasture cattle. 38-tf
A. A. Widdifield.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

Our line of calicos is full and complete. Call and see it and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

The Christian Sunday school will hold a social at the home of J H Purcell on Saturday evening, to which a cordial invitation is extended all to attend.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. W. C. Fellers.

STEERS WANTED—Three hundred head to pasture in section 15, 3, 10, Pawnee county. Address H. C. Van Horne, Pawnee City, Neb., or George Wolf, Mayberry, Neb.

The license people held a caucus this evening and nominated the following ticket for members of the board of trustees: J. M. Land, C. H. Mitchell, and Hays Smith.

NOTICE my prices in another column. If you can get as good stock somewhere else for less money, better do it; if not, I feel entitled to your patronage. May I have it?
Respectfully, J. E. Atkinson.

Without exception our line of wash goods—Batiste, Voile Cord, Dimities, Grenadine, Persian Lawns, Mausselines, Madras, etc.—is the largest, prettiest and most complete ever carried by a Table Rock store, and we invite you to inspect it.
W. C. FELLERS.

Having purchased the art gallery from Chas. Linn, I will be in Table Rock every Monday prepared to do all kinds of Photo work. We will give an extra picture to the first customer every Monday. Call and see me. Jno. F. Wilson, Artist, Pawnee City, Neb. 38-tf

We cordially invite the ladies of Table Rock and vicinity to call and see our fine line of millinery goods; the stock includes all the latest designs in pattern and street hats, and is the largest and best ever shown in Table Rock. Hats retrimmed.
38-tf Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

On Tuesday afternoon, D K Miller, administrator of the estate of A. S Crisler deceased, will sell some hay, farm implements, 600 bushels of ear corn, and other articles, at public auction, at the farm of the deceased, four miles northwest of town. Ten months' time on sums over $5.

In answer to a letter to The Lincoln Daily Star, we quote the following: "In reply to your letter in which you ask for information concerning loses sustained in the Chicago and Baltimore fires, I will say that the total losses in the Chicago fire were $100,000,000, and the total losses in the Baltimore fire, according to latest estimates by the insurance adjusters, were about $87,000,000."

Mr Alvin Deremiah and Miss Floyd Shurtleff were united in marriage last Thursday at the home of W. B. Shurtleff, brother of the bride, east of town. Rev. E. C. Thompson of the Christian church officiating. These people are well known and highly respected by levery body in this community and the Herald joins them in wishing Mr and Mrs Deremiah a long and happy life. They will go to housekeeping in the Tracy residence property on Jefferson street in a few days.—Elk Creek Herald.

Our store is overflowing with fine goods. W. C. Fellers.

One of Homer Bennett's little boys is down with measles.

W. C. Fellers is agent for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try him once.

J. L Fisher has moved to town and is now domiciled in the Goodell house.

George Layman has been very sick with pneumonia during the past week.

Don't forget Wilson, the artist of Pawnee, will be in Table Rock each Monday at Linn's old stand. 38-tf

We carry a line of Easter hats that will please you. Call and get one. 38-tf Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

Unquestionably our line of laces and embroideries is the finest ever shown in Table Rock. W. C. Fellers.

Our line of calicos is full and complete. Call and see them and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

Mrs. Rebecca M. Robertson left on Monday for Wilsey, Kan., to attend the golden wedding of Mr and Mrs Scott Miller, which occurs in April. She will be gone three or four weeks.

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W. C. FELLERS.

Those from abroad who attended the funeral of Mrs. S. G. Wright, of Lincoln, last Thursday, were: Rev. G. M. Gates, who preached the sermon and who had been the pastor of the deceased at Elk Creek, Table Rock and at Lincoln; W. H. Woolsey, wife and two daughters, Misses Lena and Hazel; C. B. Woolsey; Roy Woolsey and wife; H. T. Casford, Mrs. H. N. Libbey, J. L. Young, all of Tecumseh; H. P. Marble, wife and daughter, of Humboldt; J. G. Woolsey and Wright Woolsey, of Hubbell; Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Cleaveland and daughter, Zora, of Lincoln.

John F. Wilson, the photographer of Pawnee City, has purchased the Linn gallery in this city, and has taken possession. Mr. Linn has worked up a nice trade, and Mr. Wilson's reputation for good work will undoubtedly retain it. Mr. Wilson will be here every Monday.

Patrons' Day was observed in the public school Friday afternoon. A splendid program was rendered, consisting of talks by Prof Waddell and W. O Smith; a paper by Mrs Marble; songs by a double quartette and Miss Nellie Phillips; Artie Seism and Charlie Wood gave recitations; the seniors and juniors served refreshments. The rooms were tastefully decorated and furnished.

The series of revival meetings in progress at the M E church closed on Sunday evening. Rev. Campbell, of Lincoln, conducted them during the last three weeks and preached some excellent sermons. The meetings resulted in a number of conversions and a higher spiritual life for the church. On Sunday morning a collection approximating $100 was taken for Mr. Campbell.

The W. S. A. will hold their monthly evening meeting at the home of Mrs Harold Smith, March 28th.

Roll call—with response from Victor Hugo.

Current events—Dana Andrew

Headquarters-message—Mrs Kavanda

Song—Mrs Schurr

Debate—Resolved, That Socialism is the best solution of the Labor Problem.

Affirmative—Prof. Davies, Lydia Andrew.

Negative—Walter Smith, Jennie Stewart and others.

Music—Anna Wilson

Refreshments will be served and a collection taken. All are cordially invited.

Next Tuesday will be the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Ball and the event will be celebrated by a reception given them at their home by the citizens of the vicinity. They are among the very earliest residents of this county, coming here from Pennsylvania in 1856 and have resided here ever since. The reception will be from 2 to 5 o'clock, and it is hoped everyone who possibly can will call on them. The following committees have been appointed:

Table: Mesdames Ida Norris, Dottie Smith, Lydia Andrew, Jessie Phillips, Nannie Hales, Jennie Stewart, Capitola Faulkner, Lulu Conklin.

Finance: Lydia Holmes.

Fruice: Clare Scism.

Geo. Buerstetta & Co. are receiving their Easter hat. 38-tf

Tom Shorter, who suffered a seige of pneumonia, is able to sit up some.

Clark Patchin, of Shawnee, O. T., was a visitor here Friday and Saturday.

Wm Kelly won the championship at the state checker tournament held at Lincoln last week.

Unquestionably our line of laces and embroideries is the finest ever shown in Table Rock. W. C. Fellers.

Aubra Duncan, Will Aylor and Lon Baltzy left Tuesday night for a few days' duck hunt at Lake Bigelow.

C H Rock has been very sick for ten days with pneumonia, but is thot now to have passed the crisis; his little son, Dee, was taken down early in the week, and Mrs Brock is now down with the same disease, making three in the same home, and all very sick.

The meeting held at the court house in Pawnee City on Saturday afternoon to discuss the new court house proposition, selected J. M. Hurd for chairman and Lin L Noble for secretary. Two propositions were discussed, one to enlarge and repair the present building, and the other to erect a new building entire. The commissioners were empowered to appoint a committee of one from each precinct to act with the board in preparing a proposition for submission of the question to a special election.

A special meeting of the executive board of the State Line Old Settlers Association was held at one o'clock Tuesday at the Hazel house at Du Bois. There were present at the session, A D Stunk, pres., John R Gossney, sec'y, R F Scott, M H Marble and M H Allison, who lives across the state line in Kansas some five or six miles from DuBois. The time of the picnic was set for July 26, 27 and 28. The first named date will be preparation day; second day "Kansas Day;" third day "Nebraska Day." Gov W J Bailey and other Kansas speakers will speak on Wednesday; Nebraska speakers will be secured for "Nebraska Day." Letters were read from the vice president, W E Wilkinson, of Seneca, Kan.

The Tecumseh relatives of George Brott, who is in jail at Auburn awaiting a new trial on the charge of burglary, received word the first of the week that he had attempted to take his life by drinking a quantity of carbolic acid Sunday night. Prompt action on the part of a physician saved his life. Brott was convicted of the burglary charge in the Nemaha county court last fall, mainly on the evidence of a pair of bloodhounds, the dogs having traced him after a house had been burglarized in that city. He had been taken to the penitentiary to serve his sentence but his attorney made an appeal to the supreme court for a new trial, objecting to the damaging evidence of the dogs as not being legal, and the same was given. The acid had been used to disinfect the jail and Brott secured a bottle of it in some way. He has a wife and two children living in Auburn.—Tecumseh Chieftain.

The funeral services of Mrs. Sue A. Wright, wife of S. G. Wright, of Lincoln, were held in the M. E. church of this city on Thursday afternoon at last week, conducted by Rev. George M. Gates, pastor of Emanuel M. E. church, Lincoln, of which deceased was a member. She was born in Knox county, Ill., in 1857; came to Nebraska in an early day, with her parents, but returned to Illinois, where she was united in marriage to Mr. Wright, with whom she again came to Nebraska. To this marriage four children were born—three daughters and a son; the son, Clyde, died in this city three and a half years ago, in young manhood; the daughters—Mrs. Pauline Taylor, and Misses Florence and Edna Wright—who with the grief-stricken husband, survive her. In 1891, Mr. Wright moved with his family from Elk Creek to Table Rock, where they lived until the fall of 1902, when they moved to Lincoln. The floral tributes were very beautiful: the Eastern Star and Royal Neighbor lodges and personal friends expressing their esteem for the deceased in these beautiful tokens. Mrs. Wright had won the friendship and esteem of all who knew her by her many acts of kindness, her devotion and faithfulness to the duties encountered along the daily walks of life. To the sorrowing husband and children the sympathy of the community is extended.

Mrs. Chas Beebe is visiting the family of Abe Greiner at Mineral Point, Kas.

We carry a line of Easter hats that will please you. Call and get one. 38-tf Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

Catalogues are out for Apperson & Lamb's closing out sale of 52 head of high-class Jersey cows, herd bulls and dairy utensils, including No. 3 De-Laval separator. This is one of the greatest working herds of the country; large cows with large records and up-to-date breeding. Also close their herd of Duroc and Berkshire hogs. Everything goes, herd, boars and all. Many sows will have pigs at sale. You see what you get. April 12 is the day, at Tecumseh, Nebr.

A mass convention of the anti-license voters of Table Rock was held at the town hall on Friday evening, for the purpose of placing in nomination three candidates for members of the board of village trustees to serve for two years. The retiring members are C I Norris, F M Linn and J D Longwell. F M Linn was selected as chairman of the convention and P W Pepoon secretary. An informal ballot was taken and a number of names were brought out, the balloting finally resulting in the selection of

C. I. Norris
J. D. Longwell
A. E. Heywood

A committee was appointed consisting of F H Taylor, W C Smith and J H Talbot to circulate and file a petition to have these names placed on the ballot, and the same committee was empowered to fill vacancies if any occur.

Joe Bent was arrested this afternoon on complaint of John Pattison, charged with stealing a spade. The case was tried before a jury in Justice Marble's court, when it developed that the young man had taken the spade under the impression that it belonged with those used in the Buerstetta cellar work where he was employed. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty. The costs will be in the neighborhood of $15.

About noon on Friday the depot lunch counter was robbed of about $8 in cash; the girl who runs the place during the day, stepped out for a few minutes and the robbery is supposed to have taken place during this time. Willie Mapes, a boy about 17 years of age, was arrested, charged with the robbery and arraigned before Judge Marble on Monday, when he plead not guilty, and gave bonds for his appearance Friday morning, the continuance being arranged by the attorneys.

Trees! Grow them and know 'em. You get them and set 'em.

Evergreens, 13 kinds, 1 to 8 feet	
Pines, Cedars, etc	10c to
Apples, 27 varieties	05c to 15c
Peach, 10 "	05c to 15c
Cherry, 3 "	20c to 40c
Pear, 10 "	20c to 40c
Plum, 12 "	15c to 50c
Currant and gooseberry	05c to 10c
Blackberry, 12 kinds	05c
Raspberry, 5	05c
Grapes, many kinds	05c to 10c
Hardiest and hoverdalis	05c
Asparagus, per 100	75c
Strawberries, 20 varieties	50c

Best varieties of Roses, Spireas, Deutzias, Weigelias, Honeysuckles, Wisterias, Hydrangeas, Peonias, etc., and a good stock of house plants and bedders, at low prices.

37 40 J. E. Atkinson,
'Phone 153, Pawnee City, Neb.

On Friday, March 25th, a Sunday school institute will be held in the M. E church of this city, under the auspices of the state association, and in charge of the secretary, H. M. Stiedley. It will be a union meeting and all Sunday school workers of the city and vicinity are cordially invited to take part. Some special music will be prepared by the local music committee, and it is desired that all singers of the schools be ready to assist in this part of the program. At 4 o'clock a children's meeting will be held to which all the children are invited.

The following program will be carried out:

2:00 Prayer for S. S.'s, and Bible Lesson ..... Miss Agnew
2:30 S. S. Management .....
..... H. M. Stiedley
3:20 The Primary Teacher .....
..... Miss Agnew
4.00 Children's Meeting .....
..... (Evangelistic
7:30 Song Service
8:00 Address: The Boy God Made
..... H. M Stiedley

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The Turkish Cream Candy KITCHEN

has been removed to the room in the Opera House Block, formerly occupied by J. F. Ford & Son, and has been fitted up with a view of meeting the demand for a first-class confectionary and lunch room: a large stock of

Fine Candies, Cigars and Tobaccos,

Bakery Goods,

ALL KINDS OF SOFT DRINKS

Lunches at all Hours,

Oysters Served in All Styles.

We invite your patronage and shall endeavor to accord courteous treatment to everybody, and try to make it the most popular restaurant in southeast Nebraska.

Our Home-Made Candy Can't Be Beat

H. E. ROBERTSON

Notice.

WE have just added a complete line of Undertaking to our business. This stock is new and clean and will be sold just as cheap as good goods and good work can be done for. Thanking you for favors in the past, we would respectfully ask you to remember us in the future when you need anything in this line.

Very Respectfully yours,

A. K. TILLOTSON,
J. T.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the Table Rock Cemetery Association, for the election of trustees and officers of said association, and the transaction of such other business as may come before it, will be held at the office of the secretary on Monday, March 28, 1904, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. A full attendance is desired. Dated March 21, 1904. M. H. Marble, sec'y Table Rock Cemetery Association.

Gather the roses of health for your cheeks,
While the parks are shining with dew.
Get out in the morning early and bright.
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night.

Money to loan; real estate; favorable terms. 37-tf C. W. Chambers.

Children's Coughs and Colds.

Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. 1st St., writes: "I have given Ballard's Horehound Syrup to my children for coughs and colds for the past four years, and find it the best medicine I ever used." Unlike many cough syrups, it contains no opium, but will soothe and heal any disease of the throat or lungs quicker than any other remedy. 25c, 50c and $1.00 at Colwell's.

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Weary Willie—No, ma'am. I never knew what a saloon was in dem days. Honest!

Mrs. Goodart—Well, here's a quarter, but it's strange you never knew what a saloon was.

Weary Willie—We done our boozin' at de drug stores, ma'am. My native town waz in Maine.

"What," exclaimed the irate father who had surprised a low gas jet spoonfest on his library couch, "what does this mean?"

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TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

Nelson boasts of a daily newspaper, the Daily Nonpareil.

Two prisoners escaped from the tin city jail at Plattsmouth.

A new paper in Nebraska is the Trenton Republican, F. M. Flansburg, editor.

According to reports in Nebraska newspapers the congressmen are doing a big seed business.

Central City is the latest Nebraska town to take up the matter of establishing a canning factory.

Weeping Water will not have a saloon as long as the sentiment is as strong against it as it is now.

The average value of farm lands in Otoe county, according to the assessor's listing of bona fide sales actually recorded, is $55.48.

The Hay Springs-Alcove Telephone company, with a capital stock of $25,000, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state.

Owing to the flood along the Platte bottoms the stores of the Fremont merchants have been cleaned out of rubber boots and like goods.

If a red-hot summer follows, the ice man would rather not be anybody else. The Nebraska ice crop, according to all reports, is unprecedented.

A committee of leading business men of Aurora have gone carefully over the matter of a canning factory, with the result that the matter will be dropped for the present.

J. J. Lamill, a farmer near Stanton, during the past two years sold upwards of $15,600 worth of fat hogs, besides selling a number of gilts, and now has in his feed yards more than 500 Duroc-Jerseys.

Commenting on the disastrous damage by fire recently to the state capitols of Iowa and Wisconsin, a Wood River paper says: "If there is a possible danger of fire in the state house at Lincoln it should be looked after."

Harlan county land sells readily for $50 an acre right along. Such land is along the rivers and raises big alfalfa crops to make the cows laugh, and the old brood sow put on a broad smile, and hogs $5 plus at that.

Corn is in great demand at Broken Bow. While the market price is quoted at only 31 cents, it is retailing on the streets at 40 to 50 cents a bushel. The elevators get scarcely any as the local demand exceeds the supply.

The restaurant owned by Louis Beard on the north side of the public square in Humboldt, was entirely destroyed by fire. The fire started in the rear of the building and was caused by the explosion of a gasoline stove.

N. T. Shriner of Fremont, recovered about eight hundred of the 1,500 sheep swept away in the flood. The animals had taken shelterd on a knoll which was surrounded by water. This reduces Mr. Shriner's loss to less than $3,000.

The Hastings Country club has decided to make large improvements on its ground this year. At a recent meeting of the club it was decided to build a $350 extension to the porch, lay two new tennis courts, improve the golf links and to add other field features. Also it was decided to purchase 35 acres more land for the use of the club. The land will be paid for from the sale of the new stock issued.

There is a notable decrease in the number of public sales in Nebraska. It indicates that the country has become settled up with a class of citizens who are going to stay; that the roving element is gone and there are bright prospects for the development of the country. There are some people selling out, but the majority of these are moving into the towns, while others have come to take their places on the farm and ranch.

In state papers is the familiar instruction: "Test your seed corn." And the injunction is always valuable and timely at this season of the year.

Spalding can boast of the best water plant of its size in the state. The reservoir holds 27,080 barrels of the finest water ever taken out of the ground. The well, having been put down to coarse gravel, has an inexhaustible supply of water, and a fifteen horse power engine that is attached to a pump that throws several gallons to a stroke, can not pump it dry. The mains are six inch pipes, with hydrants at every corner, which with an abundance of hose, makes a perfect system of fire protection.

The Hastings school board is dealing seriously with truancy. One of the members of the board, who had gone to the trouble to investigate the records and compare the last school census with the present enrollment of th city school, learned to his astonishment that there are in that city at the present time 1,027 children between the ages of 8 and 14 who are out of school. A truancy officer has been appointed. If no more than one-half of the 1,027 now out of school are rounded up, two or more additional teachers will have to be employed.

Don't spit on the sidewalks in Lincoln. Many visitors have been arrested for spitting on the walk and many have been fined. Strangers have sougth dismissal on the ground that they did not know the law, but many were fined anyway.

The people of Lincoln will be asked at the spring election to vote bonds to the amount of $25,000, issued for the erection of two school buildings in Lincoln, one eight room building in the Hayward sub-district at Ninth and Z streets, and one two-room structure in the West A street district at A and Folsom streets.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XXIV—Continued.

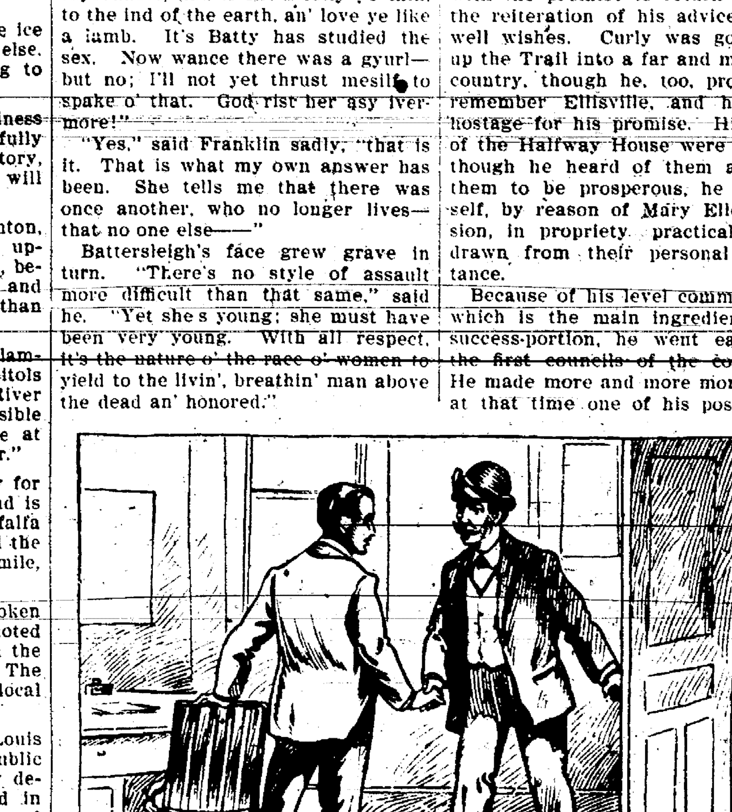
"Ned," said the tall Irishman, rising and laying a hand upon his shoulder, "don't ye belave I'll be lavin' ye. I've seen the worrld, an' I must see it again, but wance in a while I'll be comin' around here to see the best man's country on the globe, an' to meet agin the best man I ivver knew. I'll not till why I belave it, for that I can not do, but shure I do belave it, this is the land for you. Don't be restless, but abide, an' take ye root here. For Batty, it's no odds. He's seen the worrld."

Battersleigh's words caused Franklin's face to grow still more grave, and his friend saw and suspected the real cause. "Tut, tut! me boy," he said. "I well know how your wishes lie. It's a noble gyurl ye've chosen, as a noble man should do. She may change her thought to-morrow. It's change is the wan thing shure about a woman."

Franklin shook his head mutely, but Battersleigh showed only impatience with him. "Go on with your plans, man," said he, "an' pay no attintion to the gyurl! Make ready the house and prepare the bridal gyarments. Talk with her raysonable, an' thin try unraysonable, and if she'll folly ye thin, to the ind of the earth, an' love ye like a lamb. It's Batty has studied the sex. Now wance there was a gyurl—but no; I'll not yet thrust mesilf to spake o' that. God rist her asy ivvermore!"

"Yes," said Franklin sadly, "that is it. That is what my own answer has been. She tells me that there was once another, who no longer lives—that no one else——"

Battersleigh's face grew grave in turn. "There's no style of assault more difficult than that same," said he. "Yet she's young; she must have been very young. With all respect, it's the nature o' the race o' women to yield to the livin', breathin' man above the dead an' honored."



"The Consate o' you!"

"I had my hopes," said Franklin, "but they're gone. Let it go that way. I'll not wear my heart on my sleeve—not for any woman in the world."

"Spoken like a man," said Battersleigh, "an' if ye'll stick to that ye're the more like to win. Nivver chance follyin' too close in a campaign ag'inst a woman. Parallel an' mine, but don't uncover your forces. If ye advance, do so by rushes, an' not feelin' o' the way. But tin to wan, if ye lie still under cover, she'll be sendin' out skirmishers to see where ye are an' what ye are doin'. Now, ye love the gyurl, I know, an' so do I, an' so does ivery man that ivver saw her, for she's the sort min can't help adorin'. But, mind me, kape away. 'Go 'way,' she says to you, 'an' you go.' 'Come back,' she whispers to herself, an' you don't hear it. Yet all the time she's wonderin' pfwhy you don't!'

Franklin smiled in spite of himself. "Battersleigh's Tactics and Manual of Strategy," he murmured. "All right, old man. I thank you just the same. I presume I'll live, at the worst. And there's a bit in life besides what we want for ourselves, you know."

"There's naught in life but what we're ready to take for oursilves!" cried Battersleigh. "I'll talk no fable of other fishes in the say for ye. Take what ye want, if ye'll have it. An' hearken; there's more to Ned Franklin than bein' a land agent and a petty lawyer. It's not for ye yersilf to sit an' mope, neyther to spind your life diggin' in a musty desk. Ye're to grow, man; ye're to grow! Git your nose up, Ned, or you'll be unwittin' classifyin' yesilf with the great slave class which we lift behind not long ago, but which is follyin' us hard and far. Git your nose up, fer it's Batty has been thinkin' ye've Destiny inside your skin. Listen to Batty the Fool, and search your sowl. I'll tell ye this: I've the feelin' that I'll be hearin' of ye, in all the marrches o' the worrld. Don't disappoint me, Ned, for the ould man has belaved in ye—more than ye've belaved in yersilf. As to the gyurl—bah!—go marry her some day, av ye've nothin' more importhant on yer hands.

"But, me dear boy, spakin' o' importhant things, I ralely must be goin' now. I've certain importhant preparations that are essintial before I get dhrunk this avenin'——"

"O Battersleigh, do be sensible," said Franklin, "and do give up this talk of getting drunk. Come over here this evening and talk with me. It's much better than getting drunk."

Battersleigh's hand was on the door knob. "The consate o' you!" he said. "Thrue, ye're a fine boy, Ned, an' I know of no conversayshun more entertainin' than yer own, but I fale that if I didn't get dhrunk like a gintleman this avenin', I'd be violatin' me juty to me own conscience, as well as settin' at naught the thraditions o' the Rile Irish. An' so, if ye'll just excuse me, I'll say good-bye till, say, to-morrow noon."

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And now there still fared on the swift, sane empire of the West. The rapid changes, the strivings, the accomplishments, the pretensions and the failures of the new town blended in the product of human progress. Each man fell into his place in the community as though appointed thereto, and the eyes of all were set forward. To Franklin the days and months and years went by unpunctuated, his life settling gradually into the routine of an unhappy calm. He neglected too much the social side of life, and rather held to his old friends than busied himself with the search for new. Battersleigh was gone, swiftly and mysteriously gone, though with the promise to return and with the reiteration of his advice and his well wishes. Curly was gone—gone up the Trail into a far and mysterious country, though he, too, promised to remember Ellisville, and had given hostage for his promise. His friends of the Halfway House were gone, for though he heard of them and knew them to be prosperous, he felt himself, by reason of Mary Ellen's decision, in propriety practically withdrawn from their personal acquaintance.

Because of his level common sense, which is the main ingredient in the success-portion, he went easily into the first councils of the community. He made more and more money, since at that time one of his position and opportunities could hardly avoid doing so. His place in the business world was assured. He had no occasion for concern.

For most men this would have been prosperity sufficient; yet never did Edward Franklin lie down with the long breath of the man content; and ever in his dreams there came the vague beckoning of a hand still half unseen. Haunting him with the sense of the unfulfilled, the face of Mary Ellen was ever in the shadow—of Mary Ellen, who had sent him away forever; of Mary Ellen, who was wasting her life on a prairie ranch, with naught to inspire and none to witness the flowering of her soul.

So much for the half-morbid frame of mind due for the most part to the reflex of a body made sick by an irregular and irrational life. This much, too, Franklin could have established of his own philosophy. Yet this was not all, nor was the total so easily to be explained away.

Steadily, and with an insistence somewhat horrible, there came to Franklin's mind a feeling that this career which he saw before him would not always serve to satisfy him. Losing no touch of the democratic loyalty to his fellow-men, he none the less clearly saw himself in certain ways becoming inexorably separated from his average fellow-man. The executive instinct was still as strong within him, but he felt it more creative, and he longed for finer material than the seamy side of man's petty strifes with man, made possible under those artificial laws which marked man's compromise with Nature. Longing for the satisfying, for the noble things, he found himself irresistibly facing toward the past, and irresistibly convinced that in that past, as in the swiftly marching present, there might be some lesson, not ignoble and not uncomforting. Horrified that he could not rest in the way that he had chosen, distracted at these intangible desires, he doubted at times his perfect sanity; for though it seemed there was within him the impulse to teach and to create, he could not say to himself what or how was to be the form, whether mental or material, of the thing created, the thing typified, the thing which he would teach.

Of such travail, of such mould, have come great architects, great engineers, great writers, musicians, painters, indeed great me of affairs, beings who stand by the head and shoulders above other men as leaders. The nature of such men is not always at the first assured, the imprimitive seal not always surely set on, so that of one thus tormented to his inner self it may be mere accident which shall determine whether it is to be great artist or great artisan that is to be born again.

To Franklin, dreaming as he woke or slept, there sometimes waved a hand, there sometimes sounded a Voice, as that which of old summoned the prophet in the watches of the night. Neither in his waking nor his sleeping hours could he call this spirit into materialization, however much he longed to wrestle with it finally. It remained only to haunt him vaguely, to join with the shade of Mary Ellen the Cruel to set misery on a life which he had thought happily assured.

CHAPTER XXV.

The Great Cold.

The land lay trusting and defenceless under a cynical sky, which was unthreatening but mocking. Dotting a stretch of country thirty miles on either side of the railway, and extending as far to the east and west along its line, there were scattered hundreds of homes, though often these were separated one from the other by many miles of open prairie. Most of them contained families. Men had brought hither their wives and children—little children, sometimes babes, tender, needful of warmth and care. For these stood guardian the gaunt coal chutes of the town, with the demands of a population of twenty-five hundred, to say nothing of the settlers round about, a hundred tons for a thousand families, scattered, dwelling out along breaks and coulees; and on worn hillsides, and at the ends of long, faint, wandering trails, which the first whirl of snow would softly and cruelly wipe away.

Yet there was no snow. There had been none the winter before. The trappers and skin-hunters said that the winter was rarely severe. The railroad men had ranged west all the winter, throats exposed and coats left at the wagons. It was a mild country, a gentle, tender country. In this laughing sky, who could see any cynicism?

One morning the sun rose with a swift bound into a cloudless field. The air was mild, dead absolutely silent and motionless. The wires along the railway alone sang loudly, as though in warning—a warning unfounded and without apparent cause. Yet the sighing in the short grass was gone. In the still air the smokes of the town rose directly upright; and answering to them faint, thin spires rose here and there far out over the prairies, all straight, unswerving, ominous, terrible. There was a great hush, a calm, a pause upon all things. The sky was blue and cloudless, but at last it could not conceal the mockery it bore upon its face, so that when men looked at it and listened to the singing of the wires they stopped, and without conscious plan hurried on, silent, to the nearest company.

Somewhere, high up in the air, unheralded, invisible, there were passing some thin inarticulate sounds, far above the tops of the tallest smoke spires, as though some Titan blew a far jest across the continent to another near the sea, who answered with a gusty laugh, sardonic grim, foreknowing. Every horse free on the range came into the coulees that morning, and those which were fenced in ran up and down excitedly. Men ate and smoked, and women darned, and babes played. In a thousand homes there was content with this new land, so wild at one time, but now so quickly tamed, so calm, so gentle, so thoroughly subdued.

(To be continued.)

Faithful Dogs.

The faithfulness of the dog is well known, though not appreciated as it should be. Perhaps most faithful of all the species is the Eskimo dog.

We learn the following about this animal from the writings of Frederick Schwatka, who made a wonderful trip on a sledge from Hudson Bay to the Arctic Ocean. The sledges were drawn by the dogs, and he started out with sixty of them, returning with only nineteen, all the rest dying of starvation en route.

Says Schwatka:

"They were, through all this terrible time, perfect respecters of their human allies, and the little children used to go among them and play with them by pelting them with toy whips; yet the same dogs were starving, and should one of them die, his comrades would eat him. I notice this particularly, as some sensational writers have tried to make their readers believe that the Eskimo dogs are liable to become dangerous fellows, even to a powerfully built man, when simply hungry, and to be worse than wild beasts when ravenous. Any onslaught of Eskimo dogs is unknown among the natives where I traveled.

"It was pitiable in the extreme to see their sufferings, as they devotedly helped us along—many of them up to the very minute they had to be taken from the harness and abandoned along the road. As they dropped out along the way, we harnessed ourselves in their places to the sledge traces, and it was thus we were not compelled to leave certain parts of our load."

Perfectly True.

"He says he is in business for himself now manufacturing automobiles."

"Yes."

"And he claims not one of his machines has ever been known to break down on the road."

"That's right; he hasn't sold any yet."

Season for Beggars.

Even beggars have their "season" in Constantinople. During the winter months the city harbors a much larger number of them than in the summer, when many migrate to the country.

"I see that the secretary of the treasury has decided that frogs' legs are poultry," said the boarder who is well up in the news of the day.

"Indeed," the facetious boarder remarked. "Then what's mock turtle soup?"

"Or corn beef hash?" inquired the quiet boarder.

"Or mince pie?" inquired the philosophical boarder.

And there they let it rest.

Few men consider it worth while to be jealous of their wives after they have been married ten years.

It has been said that girls give up piano playing after marriage. Probably the dear creatures started the rumor for the purpose of encouraging young men to propose.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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Every day in the year, at least four hundred tons of coal are loaded into the tenders of the freight and passenger engines that are tributary to the Lincoln round house. Some times the quantity vastly surpassed this amount, as often happened during the busy season a few weeks ago when numerous extra freights were sent out. The coal used comes mostly from the Iowa mines, though a little is furnished from the Newcastle deposits. Recently the management of the coal chutes has been transferred from the storehouse to the mechanical department. This has had no effect on the coal used by the Burlington, though it is possible some changes in the kind employed will be made in the future.

It is reported that former rPesident Kruger of the Boer republic is slowly dying, mind and body, an exile at Mentone, France. The loss of his country, his wife, and his son have proved too much even for his sturdy constitution, and it is when men come to such a pass as this that they are said to be dying of broken hearts. Poor old "Oom Paul" is one of the most pathetic figures of present-day history.

If some girls who think they can sing would not try to prove it they would be forgiven.

For Growing Girls.

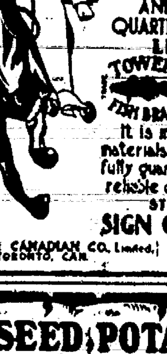
West Pembroke, Me., March 21—Mrs. A. L. Smith of this place, says that Dodd's Kidney Pills are the best remedy for growing girls. Mrs. Smith emphasizes her recommendation by the following experience:

"My daughter was thirteen years old last November and it is now two years since she was first taken with Crazy Spells that would last a week and would then pass off. In a month she would have the spells again. At these times she would eat very little and was very yellow, even the whites of her eyes would be yellow.

"The doctors gave us no encouragement, they all said they could not help her. After taking one box of Dodd's Kidney Pills, she has not had one bad spell. Of course, we continued the treatment until she had used in all about a dozen boxes, and we still give them to her occasionally, when she is not feeling well. Dodd's Kidney Pills are certainly the best medicine for growing girls."

Mothers should heed the advice of Mrs. Smith, for by so doing they may save their daughters much pain and sickness and insure a healthy, happy future for them.

When a woman gets a letter from another woman that isn't underscored every other word it seems cold and distant to her.



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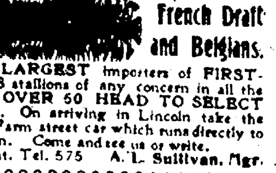

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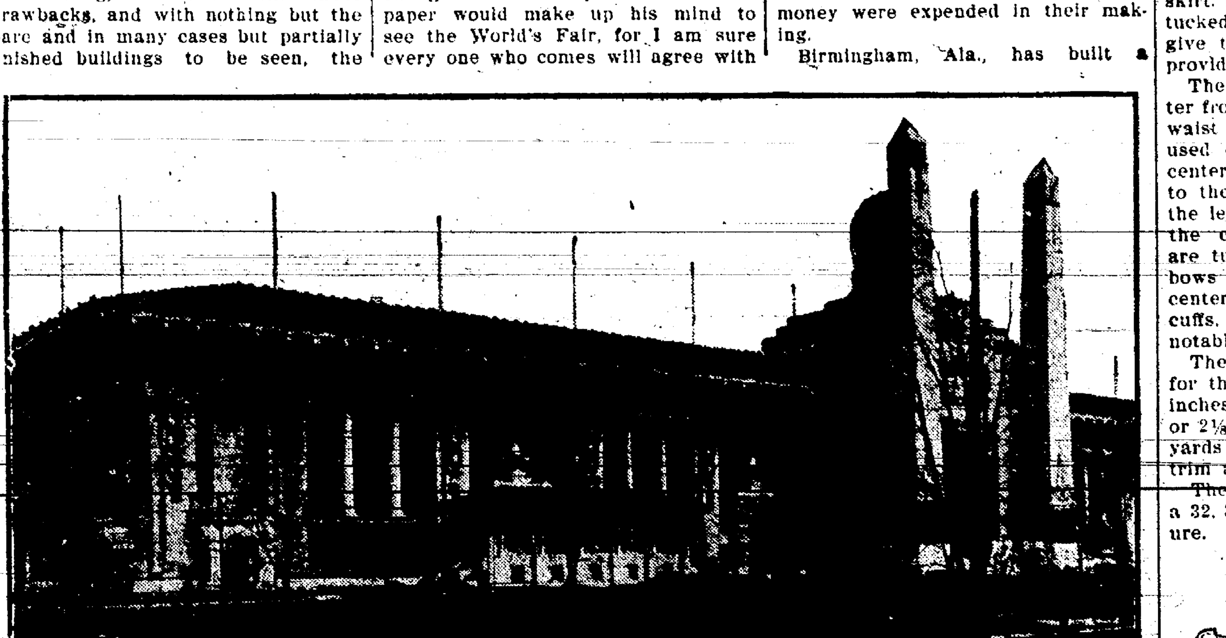
The World's Fair of 1904 Is the Greatest Educational Factor as Well as the Most Stupendous Entertainment that Was Ever Organized-No Words Can Describe Its Magnificence or Magnitude

Mr. E. E. Stevens, editor of the Minneapolis Union, visited the World's Fair at St. Louis a few days ago, and the following letter in the Union describes in part what his impressions were:

To Readers of "The Union":

I have been through the World's Fair grounds again to-day for the third time since coming to St. Louis last week, and every day the wonder within me grows. I had imagined from the descriptions that the management intended to eclipse anything ever before attempted, but I had no idea of the tremendous size, the magnificent designs, the splendid settings, and the artistic beauty of the buildings. I was somewhat prepared to see something of the ordinary, but my mind had by no means grasped the splendors which will be open to the visitors to the World's Fair this summer. Of course the grounds and the buildings at this time are in a chaotic state, and the weather was unpropitious for pleasant visiting, but even with these drawbacks, and with nothing but the bare and in many cases but partially finished buildings to be seen, the grounds are well worth traveling hundreds of miles to see, even as they are. This being the case, what will it be when everything is completed and when nature has combined with art to make this the fairest vision ever seen by mortal eyes.



Palace of Mines and Metallurgy.

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It would be presumptuous on my part to attempt to give a description of the grounds or of the buildings, and when I attempt a description I am at a loss for words, and can only repeat, "Wonderful, wonderful, wonderful." The grounds are a natural beauty spot, and with the addition of the buildings, the statues, the fountains, the lagoon, the cascades, and all the cunning contrivances of art, the visit will be one which will never be forgotten, even if one should not go inside the buildings at all. And then the inside of the buildings—buildings covering acres and acres of ground, and stretching out for what seems to be interminable distances—when those are filled with the works of nature, of art, of science and of skill from every portion of the known world, who would be so foolish as to miss it?

I would make it compulsory upon every parent who can afford to do so, to send his children there, as they will never have an opportunity again to see anything approaching it, and they might travel all their lives and not see as much of the world as they will see here within the confines of this great Exposition. Every nation in the world will be represented, and a trip here will be a liberal education in itself. I certainly hope that every reader of "The Union" will take my advice and go to the Fair, even if they can spend but a few days there. It will be the event of a lifetime, and no one should deny themselves this much of the pleasures of the world, even if they have to deny themselves in some other direction. By all means make up your minds right now that you are going to the St. Louis World's Fair, and begin saving for that purpose right now, if necessary. And don't fail to give the boys and girls an opportunity to go. They will learn more here in a week than they will in school in a year.

I wish I could make this strong enough so that every reader of this paper would make up his mind to see the World's Fair, for I am sure every one who comes will agree with me that there was never anything to equal it and that the one who misses seeing it will never have another opportunity to see its equal.

Sincerely yours,
THE EDITOR.

HYMN OF THE WEST.

The Poet Stedman Has Written the World's Fair Hymn and It Has Been Set to Music.

Western folk will be charmed by the beautiful hymn written by Edmund Clarence Stedman upon the invitation of the World's Fair management. He calls it the "Hymn of the West," a title befitting so splendid a production. It has five stanzas, and Prof. John K. Paine of Harvard University, has written the music, which is no less grand. The first public rendering of this hymn will be on the opening day of the great exposition, Saturday, April 30, when a drilled chorus of 600 voices will sing it. Other musical compositions specially written upon invitation of the World's Fair management are a march by Frank Vanderstuken, director of the Cincinnati orchestra, and a waltz by Henry K. Hadley of New York. All are famous composers and their compositions have the originality and high merit expected for such a signal event. The several pieces will be played by the many bands in their musical programs during the Exposition, under the direction of the Bureau of Music.

OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Dozens of Unique Materials Used in the Creation of World's Fair Statuary.

Enduring marble and temporary staff, which have marked the statuary of past expositions, are not the only kinds at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, although more works of art carved from these materials are there exhibited than were ever collected at one place in the history of the world.

Many odd materials have been made up into artistic figures that eloquently proclaim the idea of the designer. Some of these unique statues are colossal in size and large sums of money were expended in their making.

Birmingham, Ala., has built a statue of Vulcan. It is 50 feet high, the base constructed of coal and coke and the statue cast in iron. It portrays Birmingham's importance as a manufacturing center. King Cotton is Mississippi's offering. Cotton is the material used, and the giant is as tall as Alabama's Vulcan. The Spirit of Utah is manifested in an artistic figure modeled from beeswax. Idaho presents the figure of a Coeur d'Alene miner cast from copper. Golden butter was used by a Minnesota artist as the appropriate material for a statue of John Stewart, the builder of the first creamery.

Louisiana presents two curiosities in sculpture—a figure of Mephistopheles in sulphur and Lot's wife carved from a block of rock salt. California shows the figure of an elephant built of almonds.

World's Fair Notes.

The exhibits will amount to twenty thousand carloads.

A machine will stamp the likeness of a World's Fair building on a penny for souvenir collectors.

The Inside Inn, a hotel on the World's Fair grounds under Exposition control, has 2,359 rooms.

AMUSED MEN OF MONEY.

Conductor Forgot His Audience in His Earnestness.

What is known as "the millionaire's train," running from Morristown, N. J., to Hoboken, carries a number of men known to the world of finance. The conductor is David Sanderson, to whom his passengers, grateful for his uniform good nature and efficiency, have just presented a handsome watch and a purse of gold. They insisted on his making a speech and Sanderson did so, winding up in this way: "Some people wonder why it is I have had such great success in life; why I have had no trouble with nobody. Even the other conductors don't understand it and they often ask me how I get along with the drunks on my train, an' I just tell 'em——" Such a shout of laughter went up from the millionaires that Sanderson's speech ended then and there.

Bimmelstein Not Interested.

On the car the other morning I happened to hang by the strap next to Bimmelstein's. Between begging patrons of and granting pardons to my near neighbors, I managed to read a few paragraphs in my newspaper. One of them told of a remarkable find by a Nippur expedition of the University of Pennsylvania. It was nothing less than a well-preserved and thoroughly authenticated tailor's bill nearly 5,000 years old.

Since Bimmelstein himself is engaged in the clothing business, I thought he would be interested in this ancient relic, so I told him about it, but the story seemed to make no impression on him.

"Hang it, man," said I, "don't you understand? It's a tailor's bill almost 5,000 years old."

"Vell," he answered, "vot iss it good for? Dey can't gollect it."—Brooklyn Eagle.

Many Royal Visitors Coming.

If all promises are fulfilled, the United States will have royal visitors galore next summer. So far these have announced their intention to visit the land of the free: King Leopold of Belgium, King Menelek of Abyssinia, the crown prince of Germany, the crown prince of Sweden and the crown prince of China.

SERVED AS MESSENGER BOY.

Congressman Hardwick Mistaken for One of the House Pages.

Congressman Hardwick, the boyish-looking man from Georgia, has had the experience that has befallen other youthful statesmen. He was standing close to the speaker's desk one day when one of the reading clerks, mistaking him for a page, said: "Run and bring me that paper that is lying on Gen. Grosvenor's desk." Smiling at the clerk's error, the Georgian did as requested. Half an hour later the chair recognized "the gentleman from Georgia," and to the surprise and mortification of the reading clerk, Mr Hardwick, the beardless boy, who had performed messenger duty a short time previous, arose and delivered a long speech on the race problem in the south.

The Crinoline Is Coming.

The new skirts with their extreme fullness, especially toward the front, will be the mother of our old curse—crinoline. Nothing but the stiffened petticoat will throw into shape the wide skirts of the immediate future,

BEEF TEA NEW TO HIM.

Irishman Spoiled the Preparation by His Addition.

Orville and Wilbur Wright, the inventors of the most successful flying machine that has appeared thus far, live in Dayton, Ohio, where they conduct a bicycle factory.

An aged Irishman, a faithful employe of theirs for a number of years, was kept at home last month by illness. Orville Wright, a basket on his arm, visited the sick man one afternoon.

"Here John," he said, "are some dainties I have brought you. Here is some fruit; here is jelly; here is a tonic, fine for the aged, here is some superb beef tea."

"Beef tay, is it, sor?" said the old man. "Shure, an' it shud be good, that beef tay. 'Tis a dhrink Oi niver thried befure. Oi thank ye, sor, for all ye've brought, but specially Oi thank ye for the foine beef tay."

In a week or two the Irishman was back at work. The day of his return, seeing him at his post, Mr. Wright asked him with a smile how he liked his beef tea.

"Shure, not a bit," said the old man, bluntly.

"Why," said Mr. Wright, "beef tea is delicious if you heat it and add a little salt and pepper."

"Well, sor, it may be good thot way," said John. "But I put milk and sugar to it."—Los Angeles Times.

Your Corner

Topics of General Interest to Our Feminine Readers—Fashion's Decrees in Wearing Apparel—Hints for the Housekeeper—Handsome and Simple Coat for Infant—Pretty Costume for Girl.

Blouse or Shirt Waist.

Banding in Oriental colors are to be noted among the features of linen and cotton waists, as well as of those made from wool and silk. This smart and novel model suits materials of all sorts, but is shown in heavy white linen with bandings of the same material. The vest effect obtained by the narrow front is exceedingly becoming and quite novel, yet it in no way detracts from the simplicity and usefulness of the waist, which is equally well adapted to the entire costume and to wear with a separate skirt. Fronts, back and sleeves are all tucked to simulate box plaits which give tapering lines at the back and provide fulness over the bust.

4670 Blouse or Shirt Waist, 32 to 42 bust.

The waist consists of fronts, center front, back and sleeves, with fitted waist and sleeve linings that can be used or omitted as preferred. The center front is plain and is stitched to the right front, hooked over onto the left beneath the tuck, so making the closing invisible. The sleeves are tucked to be snug above the elbows and form full puffs below, the center tucks being extended to the cuffs, so giving the line that is so notable a feature of the season.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4¼ yards 21 inches wide, 3⅝ yards 27 inches wide, or 2⅛ yards 44 inches wide, with 1½ yards of banding 5 inches wide to trim as illustrated.

The pattern 4670 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 40 and 42-inch bust measure.

The Kitchen

When the fat for deep frying looks muddy while very hot, a handful of crushed egg shells would clarify it.

For making sandwiches, bread baked in large-sized baking-powder cans will be just the right size and free from crusts.

Cranberries are more tempting if strained before sweetened, made into a jelly and cut into cubes when cold, than in the ordinary used form of sauce.

To have celery very crisp but not soggy wash it thoroughly eight or ten hours before using; do not dry but roll in a towel and put on ice till time to serve.

Candle Shades.

Floral designs are the favorite for candle and electric light shades. Tulips, poppies, and chrysanthemums of mousseline in delicate colors, and also those dipped in silver or gilt, are popular. The newest floral designs are novelties, however, and look like big bouquets or roses, poppies, daisies or nasturtiums. An unusual one showed a foundation of red silk, covered with white daisies made of satin ribbon.

Another elaborate candle shade was in art shades of silk shirred at the top and edged with turquoise beads. Large turquoise beads finished the bottom edge, from which hung a fringe of small beads put on in circular effect. Long pendants of beads hung like earrings between the circular fringe.

Importance of Capes.

Capes are important factors on tailor-made gowns, and are an immense assistance in remodeling a last season's coat. A velvet cape and cuffs with perhaps a stitched belt and tabs, will bring a garment of last season quite up to the high-water mark of fashion.

Misses' Military Coat.

All things that suggest the military are dear to the girl's heart and certain to find favor in her sight. This smart little coat includes a novel cape, that is laid in plaits over the shoulders, and the severe standing collar that is characteristic of the style. As shown, it is made of military blue cheviot, with bands of black braid and gold buttons, and is single breasted, with full sleeves, but various cloaking materials are appropriate, and the cape can be omitted in favor of shoulder straps, and the coat can be made double breasted with plain sleeves substituted for the full ones when desirable.

4668 Misses' Military Coat, 12 to 16 years.

The coat is made with fronts and backs and is fitted by means of shoulder, under-arm and center back seams, the under-arm seams being left open for a short distance at the lower edge, to provide flare. The cape is circular and is rendered specially graceful by the plaits which are stitched for a part of their length only. The full sleeves are made in one piece each, gathered and held by the cuffs, but the plain ones are made in regulation coat style.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4 yards 27 inches wide, 2⅞ yards 44 inches wide, or 2½ yards 52 inches wide when cape is used; 3 yards 27, 2⅛ yards 44 or 1¾ yards 52 inches wide when cape is omitted.

Pattern No. 4668.

Fancy Trimmings.

Fancy trimmings, as well as buttons, will be a feature of the early spring frocks, as well as various embroideries. A good many graduated bands of taffeta, satin and velvet will also be used. In some cases these bands are very smart, but on the other hand they are apt to accentuate any tendency to stoutness. These bands of satin ribbon are most useful where renovations are concerned; for instance, in order to lengthen a frock a new flounce may be added beneath a band, and all of us who patronize the cleaner realize that some things must shrink a little.

Infant's Coat with Shirred Cape.

Long coats that are handsome and simple in one always are in demand for the wee babies who must be kept warm while they breathe the fresh pure air. This one includes a novel cape, that is shirred to give a yoke effect, and is adapted to various materials, but is shown in ivory henrietta with the cape enriched with motifs of heavy lace. For greater warmth it is interlined with wool wadding and lined with white China silk. Bengaline silk, bedford cord and all the materials used for infants coats are, however, appropriate and the cape can be of the same, or contrasting material as preferred.

4669 Infant's Coat, one size.

The coat is made with a shallow yoke and skirt portions that are gathered and joined to its lower edge. The sleeves are full and are gathered into wristbands and the cape is circular, shirred on indicated lines and arranged over a plain foundation which serves to regulate the fullness. At the neck edge is a narrow frill.

The quantity of material required is 5½ yards 21 inches wide, 4¼ yards 27 inches wide or 2⅝ yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4669 is cut in one size only.

Girl's Costume.

Tucked frocks are much in fashion for girls and are exceedingly attractive as well as girlishly simple. This one is made of white batiste dotted with pale green, and is charming, but all the pretty washable fabrics, as well as the many soft wools and simple silks, can be utilized, any material that allows of tucking being appropriate.

The waist is laid in narrow, perpendicular tucks that form the yoke and again in wider horizontal ones above the belt, and is gathered at the waist line and arranged over a body lining that can be cut away beneath the yoke when a transparent effect is desired. The bertha is circular and cut in deep handkerchief points at front, back and shoulders, and is eminently graceful. The sleeves are made in two portions each, the upper ones tucked, the under ones full, and are gathered into straight cuffs. The skirt is straight, tucked in two groups of three each, and gathered at the belt.

4667 Girl's Costume, 8 to 14 years.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is 8¼ yards 27 inches wide, 7 yards 32 inches wide, or 5½ yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4667 is cut in sizes for girls of 8, 10, 12 and 14 years of age.

Latest Ideas in Lace.

The day of the heavy, rope-like lace is waning, and all the new sorts coming in now to trim summer frocks are on the Chantilly order, thin and airy as cobwebs. But most beautiful cobwebs they are, wrought upon with delicate wreaths of flowers and other designs suggesting the Pompadour period. Breton, alencon and the maline laces, as those with a basis of fine net-like maline are called, are going to have a great season. Last year one couldn't get laces coarse enough. The thing was perhaps overdone; which accounts for this revolution in favor of more dainty, fragile trimmings.

A HANDSOME WAIST.

Double yokes are among the latest novelties seen and are eminently becoming and attractive. This handsome waist shows one of brown chiffon velvet and heavy ecru lace with a blouse of tan-colored voile, which includes elbow sleeves finished with frills of Pierre lace, the two laces on the one gown making a distinctive feature of advance styles. To make the waist for a woman of medium size will be required 5 yards of material 21, 4 yards 27 or 2¾ yards 44 inches wide, with 1¾ yards of velvet, 1 yard of all-over lace and 3 yards of lace for frills.

A May Manton pattern, No. 4641, sizes 32 to 40, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out all blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

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Notice is hereby given that all parties hunting or shooting on the Miller 40 north of J. H. Purcell's, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. 37-39 P. G. HALES.

This spring you will need a nerve food, one that will cleanse and reconstruct your nerve centers and wasted energies. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do it. 35c. Tea or tablets. F. M. Colwell.

WANTED—Men who can furnish team and wagon and sell Dr. Master's Remedies, Extracts and Spices to farmers. A paying business. In writing state territory wanted and send reference. National Medical Co., Sheldon, Iowa.

NOTICE

Having leased the J. H. Purcell land, from the iron bridge south to section line, and from railroad east to river and 40 acres west of the railroad, and notice is hereby given, that all persons hunting or shooting on the same will be prosecuted.

A. J. PURCELL.
37-39 P. G. HALES.

MANAGER WANTED.

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Cures Sciatic Rheumatism.

Mrs. A. E. Simpson, 509 Craig St., Knoxville, Tenn., writes, June 10th, 1899: "I have been trying the baths of Hot Springs, Ark., for sciatic rheumatism, but I get more relief from Ballard's Snow Liniment than any medicine or anything I have ever tried. Enclosed find postoffice order for $1.00. Send me a large bottle by Southern Express." Sold by F. M. Colwell.

Rich Soil of the Everglades.

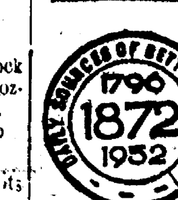
Scientists claim that the soil of the Everglades in Florida is the richest in the world, and would, if drained, produce marvelous crops of nearly anything planted. It is proposed to reclaim this immense tract, which covers nearly 4,000 square miles, by building drainage canals to take off the water, and at the same time serve as a means of transportation between plantations. Contrary to the general belief, the Everglades are healthful, the water is sweet and pure, and there is almost a total absence of fevers and epidemic diseases. The cost of preparing these lands for cultivation will be about $2.75 per acre.

Largest Vessel Afloat.

The five-master now being built for Messrs. F. Laeisz of Hamburg will, when completed, be the largest sailing ship afloat. She will be named the Preussen, her designed displacement being 12,000 tons and registered tonnage 8,000. This German-built vessel exceeds in tonnage any of the American five-masters and even exceeds the seven-masted steel schooner now under construction at the yards of the Fore River Ship and Engine Company at Quincy, Mass., which has a displacement of 10,000 tons.

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pnemonia had played havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well." Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure cure for consumption and all lung diseases. Guaranteed by F. M. Colwell. 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free. F. M. Colwell.



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Good judgment is a product of genuine earnestness.

MENTAL OCCUPATION.

At thirty-five he had money and honors but lost them. For twenty years he lived a very simple and wandering or inactive life. During the last five years he has been picking up and now has $25,000 with a good position and an income of several thousand a year. A few days ago I called upon him. He has an unusually comfortable office. He had been reading how successful men eat and he told me that they were reported to eat anything they came across, not paying any attention to their stomach, but all of them were busy at some kind of work.

His observation had been that when a man stopped work he soon went to pieces; that systematic thought and exercise were necessary for continued health.

A mechanic, who has a little shop he has run for many years, is sometimes tempted to close it because it pays him so little. My advice to him has always been that he could afford to run it for his health. Were he to stop his work he would lose his digestive power and then his energy. He cannot do the heavy work he did thirty years ago, but at sixty-seven he is in better health than he was at forty-five.

I have often thought of the story of the butcher who had made sufficient money upon which to retire. He sold his shop and soon became miserable. His wife missed him day by day and became suspicious. Upon investigation she discovered that he was working for another butcher in a nearby town.

Would you live better and longer—then push some useful work as long as you live.

THE OIL OF LIFE.

For causes subjective, objective and both, one may be lacking in the harmony of nature.

When a person discovers he has a negative manner that hinders his social life how is he to revise himself?

The magnetic or positive nature boils over with attractive agreeableness without being conscious of anything but joy or enthusiasm.

The physical intellect is unconsciously popular while the mental intellect is an entertainer at a distance and studiously conscious.

People collect around the person who is overflowing with goodwill and natural happiness.

The oil of life is an abundance of life itself. As reserve forces diminish there is a dryness of manner which produces negativeness.

It is a piling up of reserve force that produces positiveness and popularity. A lack of inherited energy hinders, but a knowledge of self and the application of useful truths compensate.

By continued study of the things that depress and the things that exalt, one is able to see the way to positiveness by accumulated strength.

BETTER HOMES BETTER HEALTH.

A little heating plant trying to warm a big space is going to squander coal, soon use up itself and always be unsatisfactory.

Ventilation is to the home or office what circulation of the blood is to the individual.

Lighting fixtures should unite beauty and utility, whether simple or elegant.

Five dollars for continued health is a better investment than fifty dollars for sickness.

Modern improvements are not only good for the body, but they improve the brain by increasing memory, accuracy and carefulness.

Good goods cost money, but poor goods cost more money and a great deal of trouble also.

Every family in the world deserves a healthy, commodious home and wisdom to keep it in ideal condition.

Good work, good homes, good health, but a neglected leak will soak your pocketbook and hinder your sleep.

The best bargain is getting something which must be done well done.

Plucky investigations and lucky discoveries.

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All Diseases of the kidneys, bladder, and urinary organs. Also catarrh, heart disease, gravel, dropsy, rheumatism, backache, female troubles.

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SIGNIFICANCE OF NUMBER SEVEN

Woven Into the History of the World in Many Peculiar Ways.

The number seven is not only considered a lucky number by the superstitious, but it was a symbolical number in the Bible, a swell as among nations of antiquity. In the Old Testament we note that the Creator took seven days, and the seventh day was a sacred day of rest. Every seventh year was sacred, and the seven times seventh year ushered in a year of jubilee. There are seven principal virtues—faith, hope, charity, prudence, temperance, chastity and fortitude—and there are also seven deadly sins—pride, covetousness, lust, anger, gluttony, envy and sloth. There were seven champions of Christendom—St. George (England), St. Andrew (Scotland), St. Patrick (Ireland), St. David (Wales), St. Denis (France), St. James (Spain) and St. Anthony (Italy). There were seven ages of man, also seven wise men of Greece. Christ spoke seven times on the cross. Rome was built on seven hills, and there are innumerable other traditions which go to prove that seven was a number to cling to. In these more modern times it is wonderful how often the number prevails. For instance, vaccination must take place every seven years, in order to escape small-pox; fashions change every seven years, and seven years is always a milestone in a person's age.

FOOD VALUE OF THE MUSHROOM

Ancient Fallacy of Alluding to It as "Vegetable Beefsteak."

Time was when it was believed that the mushroom presented the composition of animal-flesh, which led to it being called "animal beefsteak."

This conclusion, London Lancet says, was based on an analysis made many years ago, when analytical methods were crude, and when the chemistry of food was not well understood. The most important difference between the mushroom and the steak is due to the rich proportion of proteids—the so-called flesh-formers—in meat, as compared with the feeble amount in the mushroom.

This fact, as ascertained by recent analysis, hardly justifies the mushroom being regarded as a "vegetable beefsteak." It may be a blow to the vegetarian, but he would have to consume at least ten pounds of mushrooms in order to gain the equivalent of a little over one pound of prime beef. Indeed, in the light of modern inquiry there seems to be no reason for believing that mushrooms possess any greater food value than other ordinary fresh vegetable foods, and in many respects they compare unfavorably with them.

Geoder in Brown County, Indiana.

An industry that is growing in Brown county, Ind., is the gathering and pulverizing of geoder, or "nigger heads," which is found in abundance in Jackson township, and used for building material. Most of the supply comes from along Bear creek, eight or ten miles northwest of there. The "nigger heads," before they are subjected to the pulverizing process, are usually rough on the surface and are filled with salica of various tints. The rocks, either in the rough or after they are altered in shape, make good building material, which is used extensively in the construction of fancy dwelling houses in various parts of the country. There is an imposing home in Morgantown that is built almost entirely of the material.

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THE REASONS:

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CREATED WEALTH

Something from nothing—a garden from a desert. Such is the history of irrigated sections. Take land that sells for fifty cents an acre, put water on it and it sells for—what? There are quarters of land in irrigated sections of Colorado that cannot be had for $20,000 and which earn a remunerative interest on that valuation.

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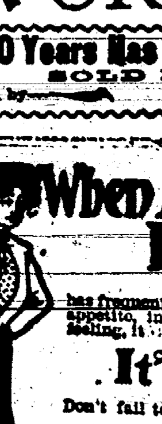

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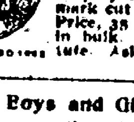

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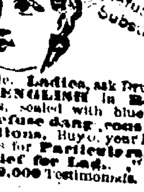

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The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headache, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

LINCOLN LETTER

March 28, 1904.

Judge W D McHugh has been reappointed a member of the Omaha fire and police board. Mr McHugh was appointed a little more than a year ago to succeed C C Wright, who had been elected city attorney. He is one of the most prominent democrats in the state, has been a faithful member of the board and has been an invaluable aid to that body because of his legal ability and his acquaintance with Omaha and the wishes of her people.

Mrs Edith R Chamberlain, wife of the "Tecumseh bank wrecker," has appealed to the supreme court in an effort to save a small amount of property which her husband's creditors believe should be turned over to them. The home property is involved, also the proceeds of the sale of some chattels which Mr Chamberlain admits were sold by her, but only in order to support her children. She says in her brief that she has corresponded with her husband since his flight, but declares that she does not know where he is at present.

Chief Deputy Game Warden Geo F Carter issued a license to himself one day last week and went out to Phelps county to enjoy the first outing he has had since assuming the duties of his office. Simultaneous with his arrival there prairie fires sprang up all over the county. Now Carter's friends are wondering whether he played a mean joke on Phelps county or Phelps county played a mean joke on him.

Governor Mickey has commuted the sentence of three years imposed upon John Patterson of Hall county to 2 years, 4 months and 6 days, and Patterson has been released. The governor took this action because the wife of the prisoner was in feeble health and destitute circumstances and Patterson, who has been a model prisoner and one of the best workers in the penitentiary, promised solemnly to care for his family and keep out of trouble. He was sent up for a small robbery. The judge who sentenced him and the attorney who prosecuted joined in a plea for his release.

Though for some unaccountable reason Gov Mickey has been advertised as a stern and unyielding executive, the fact is that he has issued about thirty pardons, paroles and commutations in less than two years. However, these official favors have not been distributed right and left, but each application has been given careful consideration and few if any papers have been issued before the governor had acquainted himself with every incident connected with the crime, and held one or more interviews with the applicant. That his judgment has not been faulty is proved by the fact that but one of the successful applicants has been returned to the prison, and as he broke parole and ran away to marry a charming widow it must be admitted that his conduct was not altogether inexcusable.

Secretary Royse of the state banking board has ordered the Reserve Investment company of America to cease business in Nebraska, because its plans do not meet with the approval of the banking department.

Insurance Deputy Pierce of the auditor's office has refused to renew the permit of the National Masonic Association because in his judgment the expense account has grown enormously within the last year, while there has been no proportionate increase in membership roll or gross income.

Gov Mickey visited Osceola Saturday.

Saturday the state normal school board met and accepted the plans drawn by Architect Berlinghoff of Beatrice, for the Kearney normal school.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth of LaGrange, Ga., suffered for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg; but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in five days. For ulcers, wounds, piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by F. M. Colwell, druggist.

W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

In an article by Mrs Mary H Hunt in the Union Signal of March 17th is emphasized a fact we have tried to impress upon the teachers in our public schools, namely that the adopted text books on Physiology such as Overtons, begin the most primary lessons with microscopic anatomy, that of the cells, a topic altogether beyond the comprehension of any pupil in the earliest stages of school life, and especially so for the children of unlettered races, so numerous among the emigrants to our shores of late years. Statistics show that in 1903 two-thirds of all the steerage emigrants came from Italy, Austria, Hungary and Russia. This fact is also true, that only a minority of the children remain in our public schools beyond the lower grades. Hence if the schools are to teach the majority of the future citizens of this republic, abstinence from the drinks whose nature it is to destroy capacity for self government, all that they can comprehend about it must be taught them in the lower grades. The selection of books too difficult for these grades is one method of perverting the successful study of this subject in those classes where a majority of our future voters are now being trained—a method that we must prevent if we would save those millions who are coming to us from becoming victims of the saloon, and therefore so many millstones hanged about our necks to drag us down to the fate of alcoholized nations.

The Lewis Avenue Congregational church lately elected George E Dewey who has been for 15 years a member of the Wine firm of H T Dewey & Sons, to membership in their church against the vigorous protest of a number of the members. But the pastor, Rev Robert J Kent insisted on admitting him to full membership whereupon assistant pastor Rev Edward M Martin, four deacons and Deaconess Moore withdrew from the church. Assistant Pastor Martin says, "While Mr Dewey is an estimable man in every way, he is engaged in a business that is damning men's souls. I am informed that Mr Dewey not only makes wine, but sells it, both at wholesale and retail, and I contend, that such a man is not fit for membership in the church so long as he continues in that business."

A great prohibition amusement enterprise called "Dreamland," and costing a million and a half dollars has been started at Coney Island, N Y. A thousand men are working night and day to complete the various buildings before the season opens. Last week the pay roll was more than $25,000.

It had been the custom to pay on Saturday but so large a proportion of the men would get drunk and not show up till Tuesday that the pay day was changed to Monday.

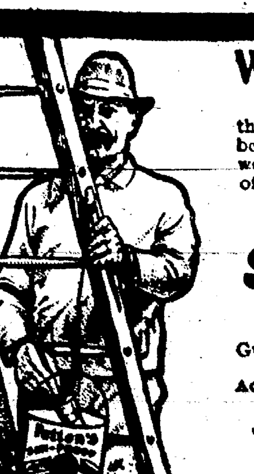
Three hundred men starck, but were promptly paid off, discharged and their places immediately filled.

Huber, a brewer, owned a piece of idle ground by the side of the amusement enterprise, which the cold-water man wished to lease, but Huber refused. Later the prohibitionists offered to include in the lease a clause that no other beer than Huber's should be sold. Huber at once signed the lease. The prohibitionist is not selling even Huber's beer and Coney Islanders are having a lot of fun at his expense.

How I wish that the truth—that alcohol is not a food, nor a sustainer of the living energies, and that all habit producing drugs and drinks subvert the integrity of the human nervous system—could be engraved upon the hearts and lives of every man, woman and child in our land.—Cordelia A. Green, M. D.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

Well Named Paint



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Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pnemonia had played havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him, but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, and our darling was saved. He's now sound, and well." Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure cure for coughs, colds and all lung diseases. Guaranteed by Colwell. 50c, and $1.00. Trial bottles free. F. M. Colwell.

St. Paul, Minn., March 26—A special to the Dispatch from Dubuque, Ia., says: After spending seven years in the cloister, Sister Annette of Burlington, Ia., has made application to Archbishop Keene for dispensation freeing her from her vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, in order that she may wed one of her music pupils, Harold Stevenson. Sister Annette is a member of the sisters of charity, and at the Mother House in Dubuque the story that she desires to forsake her religious life was confirmed.

So Sweet and Pleasing in Taste!

Mrs. C. Peterson, 625 Lake St., Topeka, Kan., speaking of Ballard's Horehound Syrup, says: "It has never failed to give entire satisfaction, and of all cough remedies, it is my favorite, and I must confess to my many friends that it will do, and has done, what is claimed for it—to speedily cure a cough or a cold; and it is so sweet and so pleasing in taste." 25c, 50c and $1.00 bottle at F. M. Colwell's.

James Manning, formerly master mechanic of the Union Pacific shops at Omaha has been appointed superintendent of transportation for the Delaware & Hudson River railway. His salary will be $10,000 a year.

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During March and April the Burlington will sell one way to the Pacific Coast at very low rates.

Here are some of them:

$25 to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

$25 to Portland, Tacoma and Seattle.

$22.50 to Spokane.

$20 to Salt Lake City, Butte and Helena.

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If you will tell me where you are going I shall be glad to give you full information about rates and train service and send you advertising matter descriptive of these wonderful sections. J. Francis, G. P. A., Omaha, Neb.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, April 5, 1904, at the town hall, in the village of Table Rock, Neb., an election will be held for three members of the Board of Village trustees, to serve for the term of two years, which election will be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and continue open until 7 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day.

C. C. COVERT,
Village Clerk.

Dated this 8th day of March, 1904.

Tuesday morning an attempt was made to wreck No. 14 the Burlington east bound passenger, one mile west of town. The oil was taken out of all the switch lights and poured over bridge 40, then the structure was set on fire, and it was not discovered until the morning passenger came in. On their arrival at Wymore, the train crew reported the case, and the blaze was at once extinguished, and no great damage was done. The Beatrice blood hounds were brought down at noon but so many had been over the ground it was impossible for them to get the trail of the party.—Wymore Wymorean.

Jim Murphy of Table Rock, has turned a baggage car into an up-to-date lunch counter. It is stationed in the lower yards at St. Joseph and will be a great accommodation to the railroad men at that place.—Wymorean.

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Stockmen Invited to Participate in Dodge City Meeting

CALL HAS THE RIGHT RING

Purpose of the Meeting is to Provide Ways and Means for Betterment of Prices on All Kinds of Stock

A call has been issued for a convention of live stockmen, to be held at Dodge City, Kan., March 31. The call is addressed to southwestern stockmen but copies have been sent to all parts of the west and from the number of letters received by H. B. Bell, the secretary, the convention will be one of the largest held in southern Kansas in many years.

Many important questions will be discussed at this meeting relative to the live stock business. Among other things the call states:

The purposes of this meeting are for the discussion of and to help provide ways and means for the betterment of present prices, not only of cattle, but for all live stock.

The undesirable conditions which have existed at the different great live stock markets of this country for the past year are no longer in comparison or proportion with the rates paid by the consumer, and while the country in general is enjoying prosperity, good prices for the most products and labor employed, there is no just reason why cattle should sell on foot at the present low prices.

The consumption of food products in this country made from the steer has materially increased, but the producer of live cattle has received no benefit therefrom.

Supply and demand are no longer taken into account in fixing the prices of cattle on foot.

The cause is lack of competition in buying, brought about by a combination of the packers.

To change this system is the question which is of all importance to the cattle producers of today, and at this meeting on March 31, this will be the great question presented.

The Independent Packing company recently organized believes it has found a remedy. It is legitimate and healthy competition. At this meeting representatives of this company will be present and fully explain how it as a company hopes to correct this evil of low prices and will try to instruct us how to better our conditions in the business in which we are engaged.

We hope in this letter to impress on your minds the one fact more than any other, that the oppression under which the stock men and stock growers are now laboring will never be changed until we ourselves taken an active part in bringing about the desired result.

The promoters of the Independent Packing company, which was organized last winter have promised to attend this meeting and have issued a statement in connection with the call for the convention, a portion of which is as follows:

"The undesirable conditions which have existed at the various live stock markets for some time have caused every grower and feeder of cattle to give this question serious thought. Supply and demand is not taken into account in fixing the price of cattle on the hoof. We believe it is the rule of cause and effect. We believe we know the cause. It is a lack of competition in the buying, brought about by a combination of the packers of the United States. Now what to do to effect a change to relieve conditions from our view point is the question.

"If a sufficient number of men, who are engaged in the live stock business, will interest themselves in completing this organization, the promoters are certain of good results. The stockmen are a widely scattered body of men, and it is difficult to reach them, and fully explain in detail the plans of this new company.

"At this meeting representatives of the Independent Packing company will be present, and explain in detail all they expect to accomplish for the purpose of bettering conditions, now complained of. Also some of the benefits to the cattle industry generally."

Want Ministerial Limit Repealed

The Newark, N. J., conference of the Methodist Episcopal church has adopted a memorial to the general conference to be held at Los Angeles in May favoring the repeal of the church law enacted four years ago when the time limit for pastoral appointments was removed.

Kansas Postmasters Appointed

The following Kansas postmasters appointed:

Brainerd, Butler county, Oliver P. Brumback, vice C. E. Brumback, resigned; Devon, Bourbon county, Elmer Butler, vice John J. Stewart, resigned; Dan, Wilson county, Charles S. Adell, vice Charles W. Browning, resigned; Strawberry, Washington county, Chas. Wurts, vice Mathias Wurts, resigned; Yale, Crawford county, Mrs. Ella G. Orden, vice Sylvester H. Dewitt, resigned.

BRITT THE BEST MAN

James Britt Gets Decision Over Young Corbett at San Francisco

James Britt, of California, was given the decision at San Francisco over William Rothwell, better known as "Young Corbett," of Colorado, in a twenty-round contest at Woodward's pavilion.

Up to the seventeenth round Corbett's advantage was apparent, but in that round Britt rallied and rained right and left blows on various portions of Corbett's anatomy, forcing the champion to clinch to save himself. The styles of the two boxers were entirely distinctive. Britt fought for the body most of the time, while Corbett devoted his attack for the head, face and jaw. Britt weighed just 129 pounds, but Corbett's weight was not made public, though it is understood he was at least a pound and a half below the agreed weight, 130 pounds. Both men fought hard in every round.

It was without doubt the greatest fight fought in California. Britt's ability to take punishment and his endurance were simply marvelous. At no time during the twenty rounds did Britt break ground. He always brought the fight to Corbett, who was breaking ground and clinching most of the time. Britt was heavily punished, yet was at all times willing to take more and finally outgamed the champion.

Britt was better at the outfighting; Corbett superior in the infighting. Britt had the best footwork and the greatest speed. Corbett showed himself the cleverer fighter at times and the heavier hitter.

After the fight, Referee Eddie Graney said:

"I simply gave the decision to the men who had the best of the fight."

MANY RURAL ROUTES

Partial List of Rural Routes to be Established in Nebraska

The postoffice department has ordered the establishment of the following rural free delivery routes in Nebraska, April 15:

Arborville, York county—Route No. 1; length of route 15.6 miles; number of houses on route, 65.

Cedar Rapids, Boone county—Route No. 2; length of route, 27 3-4 miles; number of houses on route, 107.

The following appointments have been made in the rural carrier service of Nebraska:

Bradish, route No. 1: John Gunnerson, carrier; Peat Gunnerson, substitute.

Humphrey, route No. 3: Matthias Gilsdorf, carrier; Joseph Gilsdorf, substitute.

North Loup, route No. 1: Clem N. Meyers, carrier; Charles Meyers, substitute.

Crete, route No. 4; John W. Grewell, carrier; Neil Grewell, substitute.

Overton, route No. 1: Miles E. Boardman, carrier; E. O. Boardman, substitute; route No. 2; John A. Schleep, carrier; William H. Stuart, substitute.

Carroll, route No. 1; Joseph A. Jones, carrier; William Jenkins, substitute.

The following postmasters have been appointed for Nebraska:

Harlan, Cherry county; Walter C. Lyon, vice Homer S. Myers, resigned.

Weston, Saunders county: John Walla, vice J. C. Stevens, resigned.

Students Judge Live Stock

The students of the agricultural colleges at Manhattan, Kan., will hold a stock judging contest. A large amount of money will be spent in prizes. The contests are given for the purpose of creating a deeper interest in the work of stockjudging among the students and to give them a training which will materially aid them to win high honors in future intercollegiate stock judging contests. The Agricultural association of the college, assisted by the animal husbandry department, will conduct the contest.

The contest will be between the students of the several classes including the classes in the regular four years' agricultural course, the first and second year's farmers' short course, dairy short course and special students.

Minstrel Band Trollied

A trolley car at Keokuk, Ia., ran through a minstrel parade, fatally injuring James Barandi, hurting five other persons and destroying nearly all the musical instruments and costumes of the band.

Asking for a Raise

The representatives of telegraphers employed by the Baltimore & Ohio railroad formally presented a demand for increased pay and a reduction in duty hours to Vice President Potter of that company.

Three Feet of Coal at Emporia

A three-foot vein of coal was struck at a depth of 700 feet in the city park, near the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe tracks at Emporia, Kan. Great enthusiasm prevails, as in addition to the coal strike, a seven-foot bed of building sand was discovered only fourteen feet from the surface. This well is being sunk by private parties. The city has voted $20,000, more than $15,000 of which has been untouched, in sinking a shaft for the coal. Work will begin at once.

IN DEAD EARNEST

Stockmen of West Will Establish Independent Packing

KANSAS CITY IS THE PLACE

Already $100,000 Has Been Subscribed and Option for Lease on Dold Plant Secured for Ten Years

The Denver, Colo., News says: The stockmen of the west, backed by the powerful national live stock association, mean to carry out their project of establishing an independent packing plant to fight the so-called beef trust is evidenced by the option that has been taken on the packing plant of Jacob Dold, of Kansas City. This option is now in the hands of Vice President L. F. Wilson and Treasurer F. W. Flato of the organization. All the papers incident thereto are also in the possession of these officers, who are carefully making an examination of them with a view of formal acceptance at an early date by the organization, according to Secretary Charles F. Martin of the association, just returned from the east. The option carries with it a lease for ten years on the property.

The Dold packing house has been one of the strongest competitors of the trust. Its capacity is sufficient to kill 2,000 head of cattle, 4,000 hogs and as many sheep daily. According to Mr. Martin, the capacity is great enough to answer the business of the stockmen who are pushing the project to a successful end.

F. W. Flato, treasurer of the association, says:

"It has not yet been decided whether the deal for the lease of the Dold plant shall be closed. That will depend upon how liberally the stockmen of the country take up the popular subscription of stock now being offered in all parts of the stockraising country. Already $100,000 has been subscribed. Not until $500,000 has been subscribed, however, will the deal for the Dold plant be consummated. A meting of stockmen of the southwest is to be held at Dodge City, Kan., March 31, when an endeavor to raise a part of the desired amount will be made.

Hinshaw Renominated at York

The delegates to the Fourth District congressional convention met in York. E. D. Good of Saunders was chosen chairman and E. J. Hall of Butler secretary.

Edmund H. Hinshaw was nominated for congress by acclamation.

On the first ballot for two delegates to the national convention H. M. Childs of York and F. I. Foss of Saline were named. O. P. Baker of Fillmore and William Cook of Thayer were elected alternates by acclamation.

Defaulter Waugh Captured

Edgar Waugh is in captivity. Detective Malone has him in custody at Thebes, Ill. Preparations are being made to get out requisition papers for his return.

Waugh is charged with embezzling money from the office of the county treasury during his clerkship under Treasurer McLaughlin of Lancaster county. Daily discoveries of loss running into hundreds of dollars are being made by Special Examiner Gilchrist, who is investigating the books.

When the charges were first made several months ago Waugh fled.

Kearney Railroad Bridge Burned

The Burlington railroad bridge across the Platte river southeast of Kearney, Neb., was partially destroyed by fire. When the freight train which arrived in Kearney about noon went across the bridge the crew noticed a fire burning on the island. When the train went south again about 2 o'clock the bridge was in flames, and about thirty feet of it had been consumed. The train men succeeded in extinguishing the fire, it being necessary to get down into the river and throw water up on to the blazing structure. Carriages were sent to Newark, the first station south of Kearney, to bring in the passengers and mail from the evening train to the city.

Military Law in Colorado

Martial law is in operation in two Colorado counties, San Miguel and Las Animas. Reports from both districts are to the effect that conditions at present are peaceful. At Telluride, San Miguel county, press censorship is exercised and no news is sent out except such as approved by the military authorities.

Ten Years in Penitentiary

Mace Winn, who was convicted of the murder of Dan Cashin in South Omaha, has been given a sentence of ten years by Judge Day. Mace was a soldier in the Philippines and has in his possession an honorable discharge from the army. For this reason Judge Day gave considerable weight to the evidence, but stated that it had been shown that the killing was deliberate. The sentence was made to begin with November 29, 1903.

MEDICS WILL HAVE EXAM

Two Opportunities Given Medical Students to Qualify This Year

Ambitious physicians will be afforded two opportunities to take examination for certificates to practice medicine in Nebraska this year. The state board of medical examiners has decided to hold one examination on April 21 and 22, and another on June 1 and 2.

This will be the last year in which two examinations will be held, and it was only after much discussion that two examinations were decided upon. In the future but one examination will be held each year. The principal objection, as urged by a member of the board, is that two examinations are unjust in not affording all applicants equal opportunity to pass, it being agreed that it is almost impossible to prepare two sets of questions of equal severity.

The first examination this year will come immediately after the examination held by the Lincoln medical college and the second one will closely follow the examinations held at Creighton and Omaha medical colleges. A number of "new doctors" will be turned out by these three colleges this year.

The board after perusing the reports submitted by physicians over the state find that there is very little contagious disease in Nebraska now. Very few cases of smallpox exist and the percentage of other dangerous ailments is remarkably low.

DETAILS OF EXAMINATIONS

Aspirants for Cecil Rhodes Scholarship Will be Thorough

The date for the examinations for the Cecil Rhodes scholarship has been set for April 23. E. H. Clark, registrar at the state university has received word to this effect, and also has received a number of pamphlets of instruction for those who propose to enter the test.

The examination for Nebraska applicants will be held in Lincoln, and at the same time other tests will be held in states throughout the country.

The candidates will be required to write six papers, allowing two hours for each. They must have done two years' work in some university which has authority to confer degrees, must be unmarried, citizens of the United States and between the ages of 19 and 21 years. Besides passing the required examination they should have a fondness for and success in manly outdoor sports, and must possess manhood, truth, courage and devotion to duty. This quality in the candidates shall be determined by a vote of their fellow students.

The selection practically is confined to students in the classical course by the entrance requirement of the English universities. It is understood by agreement in most states that one man will be chosen from the university and one from the smaller colleges.

$2,000 Fire at Franklin

F. W. Barber's large alfalfa barn and cattle shed at Franklin, Neb., was burned with about two hundred tons of hay. The loss is estimated at about $2,000. A terrific wind was blowing, and in about twenty minutes from the time the fire was discovered the building fell in. Flying embers set fire in many places, some over half a mile distant. Numerous sheds and stables caught fire and were saved only by the heroic efforts of the citizens. A small barn and cornerib belonging to C. H. Davis was burned.

Stockmen Feeling Good

Charles A. Mallory, manager of the Chicago live stock firm of Greer, Mills & Co., Omaha, who is in that city on business, says the decision of the interstate commerce commission reducing Chicago terminal charges from $2 to $1 per car, will be of immense benefit to Nebraska and other stock men. Every car shipped from the state since 1894 will be subject to a rebate of $1 on proof of claim. The Cattle Raisers' association, of which Mr. Mallory is the head, has expended $50,000 in its effort to secure the ruling and its members are enthusiastic over the decision.

Bridge Finally Breaks

A fifty-foot combination bridge across Wilson creek, about three miles south of Dunbar, Neb., went down with a big herd of cattle belonging to John Mead. One was instantly killed and a number of others badly crippled. The bridge had for some time been in an unsafe condition, but up to the time of its collapse it had been in use for all kinds of teaming.

Wagon Shop Burned

One building was burned at Loup City, Neb., in which the fire started. This was a blacksmith and wagon shop belonging to Chris Houck. The building was about 40x24 feet, single story and only sheeted up. It being very dry it burned like tinder. The shop was situated just across the street from a feed barn and it was only by dint of hard work and the fact that only a slight breeze was blowing that this building was saved.

PRAIRIE FIRE LOSS

Phelps County Burned Over by a Terrible Prairie Fire

HUNDREDS FOUGHT FLAMES

Houses, Barns, Grain and Hay Stacks are Consumed—Strong Winds Made It Impossible to Put Fire Out

The B. & M. train set out three fires near Atlanta, Neb., and one or more of them burned clear through to the Platte river, a distance of about twenty miles. A number of farmers were burned out. Some saved their homes, but lost everything else, while others lost all their buildings and stock.

As high as ten or fifteen families are burned out, but it is impossible to give a complete list of those burned out at this time.

An old man, Mr. Olson by name, who was sick in bed was burned to death and a woman and boy are reported missing. The burned territory is from two to three miles wide west of Loomis and it is supposed to have spread out as it went further north.

The wind, the dust and the heat formed a combination that made it impossible to fight the fire. A large amount of stock is reported lost in the devastated district.

The heaviest losses as reported are:

John Holhemus, who lost house, stock and all outbuildings.

H. Masters, who lost all except his house.

Mr. Peerson, who lost house, stock and everything.

S. Stelhlaig, a tenant on F. H. Porter's place, all buildings burned.

All the buildings on Deisher's and Kronquest's place.

The large farm house on the farm of Israel Larson, eleven miles north of Holdrege, was also burned, having caught from a defective flue. His son, D. Larson, lived in it and was sick in bed at the time and narrowly escaped being burned to death.

The Burlington road sent a special train to Loomis, seven miles northwest, to prevent the fire ravaging the town. A strip three miles wide and ten miles long has been burned over, and a large number of farm houses, barns and other buildings, and a great amount of live stock has been destroyed. Charles Peterson and Wallace Johns lost their residences and several farmers were entirely burned out.

A south wind carried the flames across the country at a terrific speed. The farmers and citizens from the towns along the burned and threatened strips fought the fire and the railroad company had a large gang of section men assisting them. The loss thus far has been very heavy, but cannot be estimated.

Want a New Court House

A mass meeting of the taxpayers of Pawnee county was held at Pawnee City to discuss ways and means of securing a new court house, the old building have become inadequate to the demands of the business of the county. Addresses were made by several prominent citizens, pro and con, and the commissioners were instructed to formulate a definite plan and submit it to the people at a future meeting. Much interest is taken in this question, on both sides, but it is evident to all that the county must soon make more room for valuable papers and records, now stored indiscriminately, with scarcely any protection from fire or decay.

Dan Patch for State Fair

Dan Patch, the king on the track for light harness pacing, will be seen on the Nebraska state fair grounds track next fall. R. J. Flick, superintendent of speed for the state fair board, has announced that he has secured Patch for August 30.

Dan Patch is unquestionably the fastest animal that ever paced the turf under the watch. Patch has a record far better than Cresceus and local lovers of horseflesh say confidently that he will make another record for the Nebraska track next fall.

In Defiance of Constitution

Governor Warfield, of Maryland, has approved the two so-called "Jim Crow" bills relating to railroad and steamboat travel in the state, and the act will go into effect. The railway bill requires companies to provide separate coaches for colored passengers except on express trains and trains with Pullman coaches attached. It excludes from its operations employes of railroads, nurses, and officers in charge of prisoners. The provisions do not include electric or street cars.

Strike at Norfolk Asylum

A diminutive strike held the boards at the site of the Norfolk Nebraska hospital for the insane. Sixty men went out to the grounds to go to work at the bricks. They were to tear down the old, wheel them away, and clean them and pile them up again. They did not like the wage and returned to the city. Three men only remained. The amount paid was 75 cents per thousand bricks.

A GREAT EXHIBIT

Last Car of World's Fair Exhibits are Shipped from Omaha

The last car of the exhibits for the Nebraska commission to the Louisiana Purchase exposition was shipped from Omaha to St. Louis for installment with the Nebraska display at the exposition. This will consist largely of fine specimens of corn, sheaf grain and grass products. The entire force of assistants in the employ of the commission will leave for St. Louis and James Walsh, superintendent of the Nebraska agricultural exhibit, leaves for the same destination to remain indefinitely.

Work will then begin in fixing the Nebraska display and will be in charge of expert men, so that the exhibit will be as artistic as skilled ingenuity can make it. No efforts will be spared to make the Nebraska display one of the finest in the Agricultural palace. Secretary Shedd is already in St. Louis and has been for some weeks, looking after matters. The Nebraska booth is about ready for the finishing touches and only awaits the arrival of the present shipment to make it complete.

USELESS AS CANCER CURE

English Cancer Hospital Pronounces Radium Light a Failure

The radium treatment for cancer has been entirely abandoned at the Cancer hospital, cables the New York Herald's London correspondent. It was never viewed with much hope and a few days ago the last unsuccessful experiment with it took place.

Sixteen cases have been under treatment, the longest period of a single application having been three hours and the longest total time of application having been about twenty-five hours, and the only favorable result has been an occasional cessation of pain. On the other hand, several patients have complained of an increase of pain.

Big Dividends for Co-Op's

At a meeting in Kansas City the farmers' co-operative shipping association declared a dividend of 8 per cent cash on all stock ptid up prior to December 1, 1903, and a 4 per cent dividend cash on all stick paid up prior to Dedate. This association claims to have $85,000 paid up capital and undivided profits on hand amounting to a sum sufficient to make a 50 per cent dividend. This is explained by the fact that the company has been doing business since its inception on a rising market. The profits are to be refunded to the shippers in proportion to the amount of business furnished.

Grain Rates Raised One Cent

The Union Pacific and Burlington roads have announced a joint rate on grain from Nebraska points to St. Louis and East St. Louis, raising the rate one cent. The same roads in connection with the Northwestern, Milwaukee, and Great Western railroads, also announce new rates from Nebraska points to intermediate stations between the Missouri river and Chicago, raising the tariff to those points. The Chicago-Missouri river lines are given a free hand in adjusting the Chicago grain tariffs east of the river. This practically clears up the grain rate war which has existed for several months.

Fourteen Alarms by Firebug

With the burning of the Krug malt house at Eleventh and Jones streets, Omaha, the fire and police departments have become much worried over the origin of so many fires in that district. No less than fourteen alarms of fire have been turned in from the same box near the malt house in ten days, each time calling all the down town departments to that section. The origin of not one of the fires has been discovered and the police have doubled the number of patrolmen in the district to discover, if possible the incendiary who is setting the blazes. None of the alarms have resulted thus far, in a serious conflagration.

Filipinos Will Not Work

William M. Swarthout, editor of the Manila Times, president of the Merchants' publishing company, and of the Far Eastern Press club, of Manila, P. I., has gone to Washington, to lay the grievances of the white residents before congress. He says the great question now is the scarcity of labor, the Filipinos declining to work at any price. Mr. MacCulloch, head of the printing and publishing firm in the islands, is also on his way to San Francisco, to consult with regard to the supply of labor.

Monthly Inspector's Report

The report of the chief oil inspector, Edward Church, for the month of February has been filed with the governor. The report shows that the department netted to the state during the month $1,037.86. The gross receipts were $1,979.40, the expenses, $941.54, and the amount turned into the state treasury, $1,037.86.

There are some people who wouldn't want to go to heaven unless assured that it was perfectly fireproof.

Miss Agnes Miller, of Chicago, speaks to young women about dangers of the Menstrual Period—how to avoid pain and suffering and remove the cause by using

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"To Young Women:—I suffered for six years with dysmenorrhea (painful periods), so much so that I dreaded every month, as I knew it meant three or four days of intense pain. The doctor said this was due to an inflamed condition of the uterine appendages caused by repeated and neglected colds.

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The monthly sickness reflects the condition of a woman's health. Anything unusual at that time should have prompt and proper attention. Fifty thousand letters from women prove that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound regulates menstruation and makes those periods painless.

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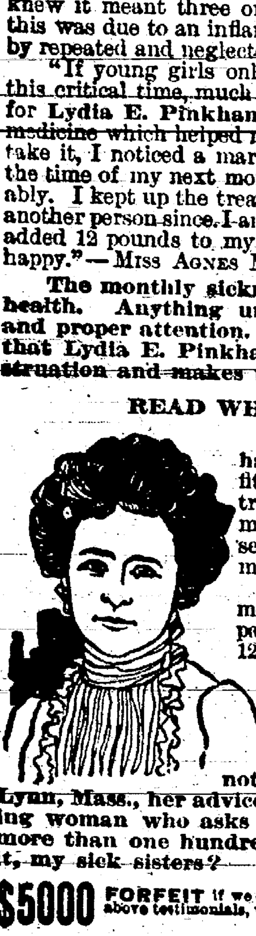

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CURES catarrh of the stomach.

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The United Mutual Hail Insurance association is the oldest, is the strongest, is the best; has paid $159,000.00 more for losses than the combined payments of all other companies. Paid $53,596.10 in 1903. Has paid $200,911.80 for losses since its organization. Wants good representatives in every precinct. Address Home Office, No. 116 So. 10th St., Lincoln, Neb.

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1,000 fine, solid Cabbages,
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JEROME AS A JOKER.

Humorist Has Some Amusement in Hardware Shop.

W. W. Jacobs, the writer of humorous stories about sailors, described, in a recent letter to a friend in New York, a practical joke that had been played by his neighbor, Jerome K Jerome.

Mr. Jacobs said that Jerome once wanted a file. He entered a hardware shop and nodded politely to the youth behind the counter.

"Have you got," he said, "the last edition of Tennyson's poems?"

"No, sir," said the clerk. "This is a hardware shop."

"Hey?"

"This is a hardware shop."

"Oh," said Mr. Jerome, "I don't care about the binding. Cloth will do as well as anything else."

"But we don't sell books here," the clerk shouted. "This is a hardware shop."

"Oh, wrap it up in anything."

The clerk, with an oath, came all the way round the counter and put his lips to Mr. Jerome's ear.

"Hardware shop. No books here. Hardware," he shrieked.

"Thank you. I'll wait," said the other.

This was too much for the clerk. He disappeared in an inner room and in a moment returned with the proprietor.

The proprietor approached Mr. Jerome sternly.

"Well, what do you want, anyway?" he said.

"A small file," was the quiet answer.

Speak to Your Equals.

It is not in America alone that the notion of equality prevails. The London Figaro reports the following instance:

As a magnificent steamer, the property of the Peninsular & Oriental Company, was steaming into Southampton harbor, a grimy coal-lighter floated immediately in front of it. An officer on board the steamer, seeing this, shouted:

"Clear out of the way with that barge!"

The lighterman, a native of the Emerald Isle, shouted in reply, "Are ye the captain of that vessel?"

"No," answered the officer.

"Then spake to yer equals," said the lighterman. "I'm the captain o' this."

Progress in Fifteen Years.

Fifteen years ago there were perhaps 100 electric cars in the whole world. To-day they are in all parts of the globe. Even Seoul, the capital of Korea, has an electric railway, built by an American.

Fifteen years ago a 200-horse power generator was thought to be a monster, but to-day a 10,000 horse power generator is not big enough to attract any unusual attention.

Fifteen years ago electricity was thought to be almost as much of a fad as it was a business. It employed few men. To-day, in one plant alone, there are 12,000 people employed, and three out of every four are skilled workmen.

No Questions Asked.

Old Brother Cooley is a colored philosopher, but he is superstitious in the extreme. He tells this story:

"I once wuz in a house what wuz haunted—but I didn't know it. Dar wuz a bright fire burnin' in de room I wuz in, w'en all er a sudden de do' opened, en a man with his throat cut shuck his head at me! Now, I knowed right well it wuz a ha'nt, en de only thing ter do wuz ter ax him 'In de name er de Lawd, what does you want?'"

"And did you ask him?"

"No, suh—Bless God, I wuz too feared dat he'd tell me!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Queen Victoria's Baby Days.

The toys and playthings of Queen Victoria, which in their intrinsic value do not compare with the priceless jubilee presents, will appeal to the sentiment of all who see them. They are at the replica of the Orangery at Kensington Palace the birthplace of the Queen.

When a little child she spent many happy hours in the quaint old building, designed more than 200 years ago for the famous Queen Anne.

Some of the dolls bear the marks of the affection lavished upon them by the little Princess. The arm off one, the leg off another and the paint rubbed from their cheeks.

This Congressman Blushed.

Representative Hedge of Iowa, yesterday seated himself in one of the doorkeeper's chairs at an entrance to the house, where visitors are always coming with inquiries for members.

"Will you take a card in for me?" asked a timid inquirer.

"Cards cost ten cents each," answered Mr. Hedge, quite abashed, but, to the amazement of everybody around the timid inquirer began to dig in his jeans, and produced a dime, which he placed in the Iowan's hand.

That was more of a joke than Mr. Hedge could stand. Giving back the coin, he fled in confusion.—Washington Post.

Has Letter of Thomas Jefferson.

An autograph letter from Thomas Jefferson, written 100 years ago to the Indians of the Louisiana purchase, has recently been unearthed from the archives of the Sac and Fox Indians in Oklahoma. The letter will be a feature of the Oklahoma historic exhibit at the St. Louis fair.

Secret of Writing.

The secret of the art of writing is to have somewhat to say, and to say just that and no other.—Richard Grant White.

NO APPETITE—EMACIATED—NERVOUS.

Many Women During the Spring Months Suffer From Extreme Lassitude, Loss of Appetite and Nervousness—What They Need Is

Pe-ru-na, the Great Tonic

Miss Bertha M. Rush, 5435 Kincarde street, Pittsburg, Pa., Superintendent Junior Society of Methodist Protestant Church and leading Soprano of the choir, writes: "Words cannot describe my thankfulness to you for Peruna. I was a sufferer from systemic catarrh for years and was in a very much run down condition. I was extremely nervous and had the most foolish fears over nothing. I was thin and emaciated.

"My physician advised me to leave this climate, but as it was not convenient to do so at this time, I took the advice of a friend to use a bottle of Peruna. I took it faithfully and when the first bottle was gone I felt so much better that I bought six more and took them faithfully, after which I looked like a new woman.

"I gained in flesh, my appetite returned and all my old symptoms had disappeared. I am more than thankful to Peruna."—Miss Bertha M. Rush.

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I AM TIRED.

Everybody is Tired — Spring Weather Does It—Every One Should Be Cautious.

Depression of the nervous system at the approach of spring is the cause.

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That tired feeling which is the natural result of the depressing effect of warm weather immediately after the invigorating cold of winter, quietly disappears when Peruna is taken. Thousands are daily testifying to its priceless benefit.

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Tired, Nervous Women.

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Have you thought about it—that the war ended in Macon, Ga., in April, 1865, nearly thirty-nine years ago. And who was an "Old Mammy" then? She was not one of those fresh young negro women of 20 or 30 years. No, indeed. She was an unctuous sable and soulful old negress, with the Madras 'kerchief around her neck and the spotless apron pendent from the waist, who ruled the roost of the white brood of the family. She was brevet mistress of the menage—bosses of the bath-room and the bed chamber—keeper-in-chief of the keys and the kids! If any one of her kind is alive today she must be nearly 80 years of age—and how few of that kind do you meet in your daily walks!

Salzer's Earliest Cane.

Another new thing. Can be cut six times during a season and sprouts again with lightning rapidity. Next to Salzer's Teosinte it will make more green fodder than anything else; cheap as dirt and grows everywhere.

Of Salzer's Renovator Grass Mixture, just the thing for dying out pastures and meadows, Mr. E. Rappold, East Park, Ga., writes, "I sowed Salzer's Grass Mixture on soil so poor two men could not raise a fuss on it,' and in forty-one days after sowing I had the grandest stand of grass in the county. Salzer's Grass Mixtures sprout quickly and produce enormously." 100,000 barrels choice Seed Potatoes.

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JUST SEND 10c IN STAMPS

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It makes a man feel awful sheepish when the lights go out to grab somebody and find it's his own wife.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. Samuel, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

Don't sit down and wait for something to turn up; turn up your sleeves and get busy.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

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Stationers are about the only men who are able to keep diaries.

For Sprains and Strains use Mexican Mustang Liniment

FOR Burns and Scalds

FOR Cuts and Bruises

When it comes to modesty, the tights worn at a theater seem to have a shade more of it than the union suits worn in the advertisements in the newspapers.

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will have Defiance Starch, not alone because they get one-third more for the same money, but also because of superior quality.

Whatever sin you commit, don't be guilty of having anything of plush in sight.

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Use Red Cross Ball Blue and keep them white as snow. All grocers. 5c. a package.

In America the woman owns the entire house and the man owns a few nails in the hall closet.

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A weak artist can draw a larger object than a strong horse.

Van Vleck Gland Remedies cure more chronic and nervous diseases than all other treatments combined. Nearly 200 patients in Geneva, 70 in Minden, 20 in Fairmount. New cases taken daily all over Nebraska. If you are sick, write us to-day. We want your case. Blue Book sent on request. Van Vleck Gland Remedy Co., Kansas City, Mo.

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W. N. U.--Lincoln--No. 14-1904

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The Table Rock Argus.
F. H. Tayler, Publisher.
Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

Vote your sentiments next Tuesday.

Tulleride, Col., is again under martial law because of labor trouble.

License and anti-license is the slogan for next Tuesday. Which side are you on?

Spell binders in Missouri will hesitate this year to declare that "all men should be open to conviction."—Washington Post.

Mr. Bryan has declared against the nomination by his party of Judge Parker of New York, by asking: "Why nominate an interrogation point?"

E H Hinghaw was unanimously renominated for congress by the republican convention of the Fourth district held at York on Wednesday of last week.

Michigan, Ohio and Indiana are suffering from floods, the damage already done amounting to millions of dollars—in Michigan alone it is placed at five millions.

Superintendent Pearce, of the Omaha schools, has been elected to the Milwaukee schools, and will be succeeded at Omaha by Superintendent Davidson of Topeka.

A. G. Wolfenbarger, the noted prohibition lawyer of Lincoln, is a possible nominee of his party for president. It will be a frigid day, indeed, when Lincoln has no presidential timber.

"Old Bogy," a telegraph operator who was known throughout the entire country as a typical tramp, died at a sanitarium in Chicago, on Tuesday. He had worked in nearly every telegraph office of importance in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

The fore part of last week Mr Robertson withdrew from the gubernatorial race, and the latter part of the week Mr Harrison stepped out of the way. This leaves Mr Mickey with a clear road to renomination. The custom of giving a worthy officer two terms was too hard a proposition for Mr Robertson and Mr Harrison to knock out.

Senator Burton, of Kansas, whose trial in St. Louis has occupied the center of the stage in public interest during the past ten days, has been found guilty. The charge was that he illegally accepted payment from the Rialto Grain and Security company of St. Louis for the use of his influence with the postal department in behalf of the company. He may be fined $10,000, imprisoned two years in the penitentiary and barred from holding public office. Verdict has been suspended pending a hearing for a new trial.

Next Tuesday is municipal election day. There are three members of the board of village trustees to be elected. The issue is license or no license, clearly drawn. The anti-license candidates are: C I Norris, J D Longwell, A E Heywood. The opponents are: J M Lane, Hayes Smith, C H Mitchell. This issue generally brings out a full vote, and will again this year. Every qualified voter should make it a point to record his sentiments between 9 and 7 o'clock next Tuesday. To be a voter at a municipal election an elector must have been a resident of the state six months and of the municipality ninety days.

The annual meeting of the Table Rock Cemetery Association was held at 3 p. m., Monday at the office of the secretary, M H Marble. There were present of the members of the board: J D Longwell, pres; Fannie C Norris, treas; M H Marble, sec'y; Mesdames M S Richardson, Allie Fisher, and Miss Margaret Sutton all of the board excepting Mrs Ida Chambers. The terms of J D Longwell, M H Marble, Allie Fisher and Margaret Sutton having expired, they were elected to succeed themselves. The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:

J D Longwell, president
Fannie C Norris, treasurer
M H Marble, secretary

The lady members of this board were made a committee of general supervision.

C A Gooni was named as sexton.

Thereupon the meeting adjourned.

M. H. Marble, Sec'y.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Miss Mary Ogle has been quite sick for a week past.

Mary Hainegar returned to her home at Falls City Monday, after a couple of weeks' visit at this place.

James Ogle visited his brother and family at Dawson a couple of days last week.

Miss Edith Allen is very sick this week.

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

Farmers are very busy now putting in oats.

Elma and Hattie Bennington spent Sunday with their grandparents in Table Rock.

Mr and Mrs Snoke attended the golden wedding reception of Mr and Mrs Benj Ball on Tuesday.

On Sunday, Mr and Mrs G E Bedea entertained Mr Will Geigar and Miss May West of Clay precinct, and Miss Lucy Babbitt of Pawnee.

Bally Warner loaded his press-drill on the wagon and went down near Humboldt to help his brother Ray put in his oats this week.

Archer King visited his brother Charles near Pawnee on Sunday. Charles is just recovering from a serious illness occasioned by the measles and grip.

Five pupils are now attending school in Table Rock from this neighborhood: Cleo and Glen Lehman, Ralph and Hattie Bennington and K Dow.

As Well as He Could Expect.

D. John M. Girdner met Senator Dietrich of Nebraska at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and as they had not met in some time their greeting was unusually cordial.

"Well, senator, how's the world been using you, anyway?" asked the doctor after their first meeting.

"Oh, I don't know," said the senator with reflective deliberation. "The men whom I appointed to office when I was governor still call me governor, and the men for whom I have secured places or done favors since I have been senator call me senator. The rest refer to me as 'that damn ingrate.' I suppose I am doing as well as a politician has a right to expect."—New York Times.

Ruling Passion.

Tommy was a fairly good scholar in most subjects, but arithmetic was obviously his weak point. Time after time, when sums were set for homework, Tommy brought his in with the amount of the answers always very much in excess of what they ought to be. At last his master resolved to question him on the subject.

"How is it that your sums are always wrong, and you always get the totals too large, Tommy?"

"Dunno, teacher."

"Whom do you get to help you?"

"My father works them out for me."

"Oh, and what is he by trade?"

"A waiter, sir."

"Oh, that explains it. Go to your place."

He Was in Need of Pity.

A pious lady of Portsmouth had a husband who was a seaman.

He was about to start on a protracted voyage, and as his wife was anxious as to her husband's welfare, she sent the following notice to the village preacher:

"Mr. Blank, who is going to sea, his wife desires the prayers of the congregation."

As the old lady was quite illiterate, the minister read the following to the congregation from the slip handed him:

"Mr. Blank, who is going to see his wife, desires the prayers of the congregation."—London Tit-Bits.

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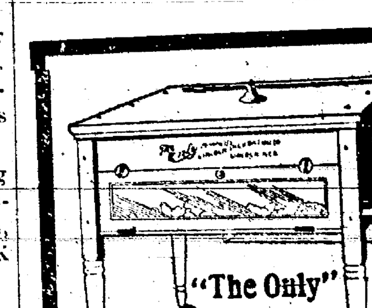
TABLE ROCK. C. R. SMITH.



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There's only one BEST FENCE! It's the AMERICAN! We refer to the farmers who use it. We sell it.

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YOU KNOW IT'S RIGHT.

MARKET LETTER.

JOSEPH A. LICKART,
Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo., March 28, 1904.

All the markets had moderate runs of cattle last week, and the supply here was 7200 head less than previous week: the light run could not help but benefit prices. Top beef steers brought $5 but had there been anything choice it would have brought $5.25; only 10 cars were good enough to bring $5. It was the lighter cattle (1050 to 1350 pounds) which sold at $4 to $4.50 which advanced the most. A large number of good to choice heifers and cows were included in receipts which sold at $3.65 to $4.40 for the heifers and $3.40 to $4.10 for the cows, averaging 10 to 15 cents above previous week. Stockers and feeders did not advance as much as was expected during the week although they gained some. Buyers were timid on account of the failure of beef steers to make expected gains. However with the slight improvement in prices of beef steers toward the latter part of the week, inquiry for stockers and feeders picked up and prices were 10 to 15c higher, ranging from $3 to $4.25 with occasional sales up to $4.50 Beef steer prices are practically the same as a year ago but stockers and feeders are selling 40 to 50c under. Supply of cattle today is 7000 head; beef steers steady to 10c lower: cows, heifers and butcher stuff steady; stockers and feeders strong. Market opened slow, but practically everything was weighed up at noon.

Hog prices did not change much last week except that light and medium weights gained 15c while heavyweights remained about steady. This narrowed the range of prices of bulk of sales about one-half. Market closed Saturday at the strongest point and opened today steady to strong with Saturday's close. Quality however is lacking today and top is $5.25; bulk of sales $5.10 to $5.20.

Sheep and lamb prices gained some last week and good markets were the rule. Scarcity of aged sheep still continues and they sell better than yearlings and lambs. Ewes and wethers are now bringing the highest price of the winter. Supply today is liberal at 7000 head; market active at a shade higher prices although nothing strictly choice is included in today's receipts. Best lambs bring $5.75; medium to common grades $4.50 to $5.35; yearlings $5.00; ewes $4.50; wethers $4.85.

Ayer's

Your doctor will tell you that thin, pale, weak, nervous children become strong and well by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Small doses, for a few days.

Sarsaparilla

The change is very prompt and very marked. Ask your doctor why it is. He has our formula and will explain.

"When 12 years old, for many months no one thought I could live because of thin blood. But, in a few weeks Ayer's Sarsaparilla completely restored me to health."
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for The Children

Biliousness, constipation prevent recovery. Cure these with Ayer's Pills.

A Physician Writes.

"I am desirous of knowing if the profession can obtain Herbine in bulk for prescribing purposes? It has been of great use to me in treating cases of dyspepsia brought on by excesses or overwork. I have never known it to fail in restoring the organs affected, to their healthful activity." 50c bottle at Colwell's.

Trees! I grow them and know 'em: You get them and set 'em.

Evergreens, 13 kinds, 1 to 8 feet.	
Pines, Cedars, etc	10c to
Apples, 27 varieties	.05c to 15c
Peach, 16 "	.05c to 15c
Cherry, 3 "	.20c to 40c
Pear, 10 "	.20c to 40c
Plum, 12 "	.15c to 50c
Currant and gooseberry	.05c to 10c
Blackberry, 12 kinds	05c
Raspberry, 5 "	05c
Grapes, many kinds	.05c to 10c
Rhubarb and horseradish	05c
Asparagus, per 100	75c
Strawberries, 20 varieties " "	50c

Best varieties of Roses, Spiraeas, Deutzias, Weigelias, Honeysuckles, Wisterias, Hydrangeas, Paeonias, etc, and a good stock of house plants and bedders, at low prices.

37 40 J. E. Atkinson,
Phone 153, Pawnee City, Neb.

In the County Court of Pawnee County, Nebraska.
In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, Deceased.

Notice of Hearing on Confirmation of Report of Commissioners on Assignment of Homestead and Dower.

All persons interested in said estate, take notice, that, on filing the report of the commissioners heretofore appointed to assign to Clavinda Crisler, the widow of said A. S. Crisler, deceased, a homestead and dower out of the lands of which the said A. S. Crisler died seized, showing the assignment as such homestead and dower of the south seventy rods of the the southeast quarter of section twenty-three, in township three north, of range eleven east of the sixth principal meridian, in Pawnee county, Nebraska, 70 acres—It is ordered that all persons interested in said matter be and appear before the County Court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 21st day of April, 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any there be, why said report and assignment should not be confirmed.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said County Court, this 30th day of March, 1904.
FRANK A. BARTON,
[Seal] County Judge.

Cotton King Sully did not lose his head during the excitement. Nor is he likely to become a public charge right away. Before the tumble he purchased an annuity of $10,000 a year, gave his wife a $200,000 home and salted $200,000 in her name.

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as to quality, yield per acre and per cent. of shelled corn to the bushel. My 1903 crop is sound and will grow. I am prepared to fill all orders promptly.—Every bushel hand-picked and guaranteed true to type. Will fill orders crated or shelled. Shelled corn will be tipped and butted. Address, mentioning this paper,

F W CHASE,
Pawnee City, Neb,
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Justice of the Peace and Notary Public,
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TABLE ROCK, NEBRASKA

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice that on granting letters of administration to D. K. Miller for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the administrator be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in July and October, 1904; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 17th day of March, 1904.
FRANK A. BARTON,
[Seal] County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of Kasiah Tibbets deceased.

All persons interested in said estate take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of Oscar D. Tibbets and David K. Miller, the executors of the estate of Kasiah Tibbets, deceased, praying that their administration account this day filed be allowed; that the residue of said estate be distributed as provided by law; and that they be discharged from their trust as such executors, it is ordered that all persons interested in said matter be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 14th day of April, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 17th day of March 1904.
FRANK A. BARTON,
[Seal] County Judge.

After today you can go fishing.

Take your laundry to W. C. Fellers

Our store is overflowing with new goods. W. C. Fellers.

J. E. Carpenter is visiting in Auburn this week.

Sheriff and Mrs Martin were guests of friends here Monday.

Go to Geo. Buerstetta & Co., for your Easter hat. 38-tf

Edith Allen, daughter of Mrs Fred Ault, is quite sick.

For Sale.—Plymouth Rock eggs. Enquire of J. R. Sutton. 37-tf

Judge E A Tucker was here on professional business on Friday afternoon.

C H Brock and family, who were very ill with pneumonia, are much improved.

G. W. Pepoon & Co., will deliver wood to any part of town for $1.75 per rick. 37-tf

Consult your own interests by buying wall paper and paints at Wilson's drug store. 39-tf

Mrs Harold Smith went to Humboldt Tuesday for a visit with her parents, Mr and Mrs Snethen.

When in Pawnee City buy Reliable Dry Goods of F. J. Muneke Pay less and dress better.

Mrs Richard Heer-Law, of Falls City, is a guest this week of her sister-in-law, Mrs George Wheeler.

Pasture—Having rented the State Bank land, section 29, I am now prepared to pasture cattle. 38-tf
A. A. Widdifield.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. W. C. Fellers.

Lawrence Griffing returned home Tuesday night from a two weeks' run with his brother, Winford, from Edgmont to Billings.

Miss Mae Wilcox, who is teaching school northeast of town, has been unable to be at her post this week on account of sickness.

Mrs Claire Scism's birthday was celebrated by a few friends at her home on Tuesday evening, the participants having a very pleasant time.

Paul Pangburn, who is firing an engine in the B & M shops at Lincoln, is home this week suffering from the grip His layoff calls for four days and longer if necessary.

STEERS WANTED—Three hundred head to pasture in section 15, 3, 10, Pawnee county. Address H. C. Van Horne, Pawnee City, Neb., or George Wolf, Mayberry, Neb.

The people of Table Rock and vicinity are invited to call and get shoes while I am selling them at cost. I want to close them out, and while they last they will be sold at wholesale prices. 39-41-3w John Tomek.

NOTICE my prices in another column. If you can get as good stock somewhere else for less money, better do it; if not, I feel entitled to your patronage. May I have it?
Respectfully, J. E. Atkinson.

Max Marble entertained the members of the High School classes and Prof Davies and Miss Athens with a few other friends, at his home on Saturday evening. The occasion was very pleasant, and will be remembered with pleasure by all participants.

Having purchased the art gallery from Chas. Linn, I will be in Table Rock every Monday prepared to do all kinds of Photo work. We will give an extra picture to the first customer every Monday. Call and see us. Jno. F. Wilson, Artist, Pawnee City, Neb. 38-tf

An effort is being made by the stockholders of the Interstate Telephone company to repair the line between here and Table Rock. The linemen were here Saturday, but the badly damaged condition of the line will require some little time for thorough repairs.—Steinauer Star.

A Pawnee City man who is quite prominent in church circles, went home from a neighboring city the other evening with a shoe box under his arm. In alighting from the train he stumbled and dropped the box. Strange as it may seem the "shoes" were smashed and the box gave out a pungent, red liquid which had a strong Kentucky smell. The fellow says he is sure somebody switched boxes on him.—Tecumseh Tribune.

Vote on Tuesday.

Jim Ford, of Violet, is in town today.

Homer Bennett went to St Joe on Tuesday afternoon.

W. C. Fellers is agent for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try him once.

C. H. Barnard has bought the two lots west of the Methodist parsonage from C. J. Wood.

Our line of calicos is full and complete. Call and see it and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

L E Taylor, of Wymore, claim agent of the Burlington, was in town on Tuesday.

Charley Miller, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Miller, is seriously ill with pneumonia.

We carry a line of Easter hats that will please you. Call and get one. 38-tf Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

Mrs Minnie Calvin, who has been in Cherry county for some months, returned home Saturday night.

Unquestionably our line of laces and embroideries is the finest ever shown in Table Rock. W. C. Fellers.

Don't forget Wilson, the artist of Pawnee, will be in Table Rock each Monday at Linn's old stand. 38-tf

We wouldn't care to be called down town in the middle of the night, only to be tossed into Colwell's hog-dipping tank?

Mrs C H Norris went to Lincoln Friday where she remained over Sabbath a guest of her daughter, Miss Gertrude.

Mrs George Lane was called to Lincoln Sunday by the illness of her daughter, Mrs Al Parker, who is suffering from erysipelas.

The case of Willie Mapes, who had been arrested charged with stealing money from the cash register of the depot lunch counter, was settled out of court and the lad was discharged.

C Bice arrived from South Dakota Tuesday to arrange for a removal of his family to that state where he is travelling for the J S Britain Dry Goods Co, of St Joe, Mo.—Pawnee Chief.

Prof Davies and Misses Athens, Boggs, Hansen and Miller, leave today for Beatrice to attend a teachers' association which meets in that city this week. School will close today for the week.

Eleven persons were taken into membership in the M E church last Sabbath morning; eight were received by letter, two on probation and one from probation into full connection.

We desire to express our sincere thanks to Mrs. C. H. Norris, Mrs. L. A. Holmes and the others who did so much to make the celebration of our golden wedding such a pleasant success. Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Ball.

Mrs. Helen Roberts is still dangerously ill at the home of her parents, J. L. Fisher and wife, in this city. Mr. Roberts, who is hunting a new location in the wheat country of Canada, was telegraphed for, but could not be reached.

Without exception our line of wash goods—Batiste, Valle Cord, Dimities, Orenadine, Persian Lawns, Mauselines, Madras, etc.—is the largest, prettiest and most complete ever carried by a Table Rock store, and we invite you to inspect it.
W. C. Fellers.

John Kuhlman, from near Brock, was here this week, looking for his wife and daughter, but did not find them. An older daughter makes her home with C. S. Cook, and he tried to induce her to go back with him, but did not succeed. There was some talk of arrests, but nothing of this kind developed.

The county commissioners were here Monday and went out to view the new iron bridge across the Nemaha, which was accepted. Mr Harris stayed all night with A A Widdifield, and on Tuesday morning was met at the depot here by Mr Hurd, Mr. Laird, the other commissioners, and J B Raper, county attorney, and went to Auburn to inspect the court house and jail at that place.

Leap year is having its effect in Wymore. A tall young man who works down town in a popular cigar store called on his girl a few evenings ago, and she complimented him on his new suit of clothes, styling it his wedding suit. "But this is a business suit," he said. "Well," replied the young lady firmly, "I mean business." Martin Hansen may have another contract soon.—Wymore Wy-moorean.

Paints at Wilson's.

Elva Fulton has been quite sick during the past week.

Go to Geo. Buerstetta & Co., for your Easter hat. 38-tf

The county commissioners will meet on next Tuesday.

W C Whitney, the contractor of Humboldt, was in town Monday.

A big dance will be on tomorrow night—April 1st—at the opera house.

Mrs Wilson and Ina spent Friday night at Pawnee City with Miss Anna.

Charlie Martin is spending the week with his parents in Pawnee City.

Miss Ethel Bullis, of Humboldt, was a guest of friends here over Sunday.

Uncle John Morley is over from Auburn for a few days, looking after business matters.

Richard Allen left Sunday night for St. Joe to take charge of Jim Murphy's new lunch counter.

We carry a line of Easter hats that will please you. Call and get one. 38-tf Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

High grade photo work at moderate prices. Open each Monday. Wilson's Art Studio. 39-tf

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rob Massey yesterday morning. Mother and child are doing nicely.

The Wilson drug store claims it will save you money on wall paper and paints and invites you to put it to the test.

Mr and Mrs Bert Williams are guests of Mr and Mrs Allen Barnes, having recently come from northeast Ohio where Mr Williams has been employed.

On Monday the Smith restaurant changed hands, C H Mitchell having purchased it from Lee Smith. It is being remodeled, papered, and Mr Mitchell expects to largely increase the stock.

All New York is scratching itself because of an epidemic of the acarus scabies, a parasite so small as to be almost invisible, yet potent enough to almost drive its victims frantic.

Charley McCourtney's black Percheron stallion, Mutfield Green, will make the season of 1904 at Horton's barn in Table Rock. He is a splendid individual with good action and style, and weighs 1600 pounds.

Wall paper and paints form an important feature in the household considerations at this season of the year. The Wilson drug store is supplied with a large stock of the very best and at prices hard to duplicate.

Without exception our line of wash goods—Batiste, Voile Cord, Dimities, Orenadine, Persian Lawns, Mauselines, Madras, etc.—is the largest, prettiest and most complete ever carried by a Table Rock store, and we invite you to inspect it.
W. C. Fellers.

The seventeenth annual convention of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society of the Nebraska City district of the M. E. church, is to be held in Humboldt, April 7 and 8. Table Rock auxiliary is entitled to five delegates.

The golden wedding of Mr and Mrs Benjamin Ball was celebrated on Tuesday by a reception to them at the home of Mr and Mrs C H Norris, from 2 to 5 o'clock. The original ceremony occurred at Jackson, Pa., fifty years ago, when Benjamin Ball and Miss Eliza E Knowlton were united in marriage by Rev James Hill, a Baptist minister. In the early spring of 1857, they came to Nebraska and located near Table Rock, where they resided until they retired from active work and moved to town to spend their declining years. They endured the privations of pioneer life with courage and determination, and have earned the confidence and esteem of all with whom they come in contact by their upright, consistent living. They have for many years been devoted members to the M E church, which they dearly love. A large number of old-time friends and many citizens of town and vicinity paid their respects to them on Tuesday afternoon, and a purse of $27 in gold was given them. Refreshments were served, and all who called were pleasantly entertained, while Uncle and Aunty Ball will remember with pleasure the celebration of their golden wedding.

Wall paper at Wilson's.

Read our map proposition.

Every voter should cast a ballot Tuesday.

Our store is overflowing with new goods. W. C. Fellers.

Homer Bennett's two children are sick with measles this week.

George Layman, who was down with a severe attack of pneumonia, is better.

Unquestionably our line of laces and embroideries is the finest ever shown in Table Rock. W. C. Fellers.

Joy, daughter of Mr and Mrs Tom Talbot, is quite sick with scarlet fever.

Our line of calicos is full and complete. Call and see them and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

C J Wood has purchased the Bruce Woods property, now occupied by E P Bracken, the consideration being $1350.

Mrs. Pauline Wright-Taylor, of Wymore, enroute to Lincoln, was a guest of friends here Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Vinnie Fox, of Washington, Kas., is a guest of her sister, Mrs. J. Wood, and her brother, A. E. Heywood.

Grant Freeman has been very sick with pneumonia during the past week but is reported better this morning.

Do not delay, but have a nice picture made while you have the opportunity. Wilson's Art Studio. Open every Monday. 39-tf

Next Sunday evening the Christian Sabbath school will give an interesting Easter entertainment in the church to which everybody is most cordially invited.

Miss Lydia Bell, of Pawnee, gave a Shakespearean reading at the home of M H Marble yesterday afternoon, a number of ladies being present. Miss Bell expects to organize a class here.

Next week the Argus will present its readers with a descriptive illustrated article on the great northwestern country, written by Rev G M Gates, pastor of Emanuel M E church of Lincoln. It will amply repay reading.

We cordially invite the ladies of Table Rock and vicinity to call and see our fine line of millinery goods: the stock includes all the latest designs in pattern and street hats, and is the largest and best ever shown in Table Rock. Hats retrimmed.
38-tf Geo. Buerstetta & Co.

R H Wessel received his commission as U S Court Commissioner one day this week in place of Geo Ahern, resigned. The commissioner's office will hereafter be in the northwest corner of the Gosnell hotel building in the rooms occupied by F H Babcock, the loan man.—Frederick, (O T) Enterprise.

J E Hill wants the dividend earning qualities of the Burlington developed and in order to do this economies are being introduced all along the line. The shop force at Wymore has been cut down; train men let out, and the order has gone forth to retrench wherever possible. At this point the order was for the lay off of car repairers and five are now looking for other work, leaving J H Stewart and two men to do the work.

EASTER SONG SERVICE

To be given at the Presbyterian church April 2, at 8 P. M.

Organ Voluntary
Invocation
Chorus—O Give Thanks—M. Watson
Scripture Lesson
Solo—The New Kingdom—Tours ... Nelle Phillips
Hymn
Solo—Anchored—M. Watson .... R. T. Miller
Prayer
Solo—Just For Today—J. Abbot .... Ruby Allen
Hymn
Male Quartette—To Thee We Sing—White .... J. B. Phillips, A. M. Longwell, J. E. Goodrich, Dr. C. C. Covert
Sermon
Solo—Sing Me The Heavenly Story—Hartwell-Jones ..... Mabel Miller
Solo—There's One To Guard and Save—Hartwell-Jones ..... Dr. C. C. Covert
Offeratory
Chorus—Lead Kindly Light—Dudley Buck

REMOVED!

The Turkish Cream Candy KITCHEN

has been removed to the room in the Opera House Block, formerly occupied by J. F. Ford & Son, and has been fitted up with a view of meeting the demand for a first-class confectionary and lunch room: a large stock of

Fine Candies, Cigars and Tobaccos, Bakery Goods,
ALL KINDS OF SOFT DRINKS
Lunches at all Hours,
Oysters Served in All Styles.

We invite your patronage and shall endeavor to accord curteous treatment to everybody, and try to make it the most popular restaurant in southeast Nebraska.

Our Home-Made Candy Can't Be Beat H. E. ROBERTSON

Notice.

WE have just added a complete line of Undertaking to our business. This stock is new and clean and will be sold just as cheap as good goods and good work can be done for. Thanking you for favors in the past, we would respectfully ask you to remember us in the future when you need anything in this line.
Very Respectfully yours,

A. K. TILLOTSON.
J. T.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the Table Rock Cemetery Association, for the election of trustees and officers of said association, and the transaction of such other business as may come before it, will be held at the office of the secretary on Monday, March 28, 1904, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. A full attendance is desired. Dated March 21, 1904. M. H. Marble, sec'y Table Rock Cemetery Association.

Children's Coughs and Colds.

Mrs. Joe McGrath, 327 E. 1st St., Hutchinson, Kan., writes: "I have given Ballard's Horehound Syrup to my children for coughs and colds for the past four years, and find it the best medicine I ever used." Unlike many cough syrups, it contains no opium, but will soothe and heal any disease of the throat or lungs quicker than any other remedy. 25c, 50c and $1.00 at Colwall's.

Gather the roses of health for your cheeks,
While the parks are shining with dew.
Get out in the morning early and bright
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night. F. M. Colwell.

Money to loan; real estate; favorable terms. 37-tf C. W. Chambers.

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Table Rock, Nebr.

Screened Lump, Mine Run, Nut, Fancy Steam.

Handle the entire out-put. The best soft coal in the market,
"THE WHITE ASH COAL."
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Get Your
WALL PAPER
Paints and Oils,
at the
Wilson Drug Store,
where you will find a large stock of the very best grades at the lowest prices.

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W. H. WILSON.

OPINION OF THE EDITOR OF THE "NEBRASKA FARMER."

He Expresses His Approval of American Emigration to Canada.

During the winter months the head of the family consults with the other members as to the prospects for the future, and doubtless one of the most interesting topics discussed is that of moving to some district where it is possible to more easily secure what is necessary for a comfortable existence, where it is no easy matter to become possessed of sufficient farm land to assure a competence for the future. This, not only interests the head of the family, but every individual member of it.

Having before me the knowledge where he can secure a home with the expenditure of but little money, it is well for him to obtain all information possible regarding the productiveness of the land in the country that he may select. For several years past a large number of Americans have removed to Western Canada, and as nearly as it can be ascertained almost all of these have expressed themselves satisfied with the conditions that exist there. During the past summer a number of the editors of farm papers throughout the United States made a personal visit on a tour of inspection and the reports of these gentlemen prove interesting reading. Mr. H. E. Heath, editor of the "Nebraska Farmer," a paper enjoying a wide circulation as well as the confidence of its subscribers, after giving some of the extent of this wonderful country says:

"Western Canada is the last unoccupied and unimproved good agricultural land in America available to-day."

He then discusses its possibilities for raising live stock and the advantages it possesses for dairying, farming and wheat growing, and says:

"What has been said about the country as to the ability of the soil, the yield of wonderful crops of wheat is quite justified."

To quote further from Mr. Heath, he says, referring to climate:

"These people (skeptical ones) do not know or realize that altitude more than latitude makes climates; that large bodies of water, both fresh and salt, that never freeze over, exert a wonderful influence on climate. Another influence on climate, more potent than those named above, which applies more to the Alberta district, is the warm Chinook breeze from the Pacific ocean, which is 600 or 700 miles nearer than Colorado or Wyoming, besides the Rocky Mountain range is not nearly so high nor half so far from the ocean as it is down in the States.

"In further considering the climate of the Canadian prairies, we should not lose sight of the fact of the influence of the rains; the total average rainfall for the season is but 12.32 inches for the territories, and 17.34 inches in Manitoba, and that the amounts falling between April 1st and October 1st are respectively 9.39 inches and 12.87 inches or about three-fourths of the entire rainfall. From the middle of June to the middle of July there are over two hours more daylight in every twenty-four hours than there is in Nebraska. The main reason why Western Canada wheat grows to such perfection is the effect of solar light, or longer period of sunshine in each day. This is what makes seeds or grain more perfect, grown in this country than elsewhere. This extraordinary rapid growth or vegetation under the influence of this long continued sunshine exceeds anything known in lower latitudes.

"We do not wish it understood that wheat alone is the main product of this country; it leads in that, yet it is destined to become famous for its cattle, horses and sheep and for its dairy products. We saw more and larger bands of cattle and sheep grazing in Assiniboia and Alberta than we ever saw on the western plains of the United States. One band of cattle numbering 5,000 head were grazing on the rich grass, and sheep without number."

The government of the Dominion of Canada is still using the same energetic efforts which have been used for the past 5 or 6 years to settle up these western prairies, and on application to any Agent of the Canadian Government the settler will be able to secure a certificate entitling him to a low rate which will give him the opportunity of visiting any portion of Canada's grain producing domain.

The only ammunition the devil needs to supply his soldiers with is inquisitiveness.

Teosinte and Billion Dollar Grass.

The two greatest fodder plants on earth, one good for 16 tons hay and the other 80 tons green fodder per acre. Grows everywhere, so does Victoria Rape, yielding 60,000 lbs. sheep and swine food per acre.

JUST SEND 100 IN STAMPS TO THE

John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive in return their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

Storekeepers report that the extra quantity, together with the superior quality of Defiance Starch makes it next to impossible to sell any other brand.

THE NORTHWESTERN LINE.
Russia-Japan Atlas.

A Russo-Japanese war atlas has been issued by the Chicago & Northwestern railroad. Three fine colored maps, each 14x20, bound in convenient form for reference. The eastern situation shown in detail, with tables showing relative military and naval strength and financial resources of Russia and Japan.

Copy mailed to any address on receipt of ten (10) cents in postage at City Offices, 1401-1403 Farnam Street, Omaha, Neb.

HAPPY WOMEN.

Wouldn't any woman be happy, After years of backache suffering, Days of misery, nights of unrest, The distress of urinary troubles, She finds relief and cure?

No reason why any reader Should suffer in the face of evidence like this:

Mrs. Almira A. Jackson, of East Front St., Traverse City, Mich., says: "For twenty years I never knew what it was to have good health. Every physician consulted said I had liver trouble, but their medicines did me no good. Just before I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I was almost paralyzed. I could hardly stand on my feet because of the numbness and lack of circulation. Had a knife been thrust into my kidneys the pain could not have been more intense. My sleep was disturbed by visions of distorted figures, the kidney secretions were annoyingly irregular and I was tortured with thirst and always bloated. I used seven boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills. The bloating subsided until I weighed one hundred pounds less, could sleep like a child and was relieved of the pain and the irregularity of the kidney action. My circulation is good and I feel better in every way."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Jackson will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Men's eternal punishment for the eating of the forbidden fruit was having to pay for the clothes women wear because of it.

$100 Reward, $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A crusade against consumption is being carried on with greater impetus than ever the world over. Fresh air is the chief feature of the treatment of the disease. In London, where it is a long way to the fresh air of the mountains, some of the hospitals have established "consumption houses" where they manufacture pure air for the special treatment of consumption. The rooms for the patients are made of glass and old, six feet six inches long, four feet wide, and six feet high, and stand nine inches from the floor on blocks. Here the patient spends two-thirds of his time breathing the dry pure, rarefied air pumped in from the outside. The air is first filtered through layers of cotton to remove the particles of dust and soot and it is then dried by being passed through perforated trays charged with chloride of calcium, an Andriolis tube which is called into action every five minutes by an automatic clock.

"I have never failed to answer to the call of duty," said Senator Sorghum.

"But you have not always been willing to sacrifice yourself."

"No. But I have sacrificed enough friends to more than make up the deficit."

A Wonderful Discovery.

Broadland, S. D., March 28.—Quite a sensation has been created here by the publication of the story of G. W. Gray who, after a special treatment for three months was prostrate and helpless and given up to die with Bright's Disease. Bright's Disease has always been considered incurable, but evidently from the story told by Mr. Gray, there is a remedy which will cure it even in the most advanced stages. This is what he says:

"I was helpless as a little babe. My wife and I searched everything and read everything we could find about Bright's Disease, hoping that I would be able to find a remedy. After many failures my wife insisted that I should try Dodd's Kidney Pills. I praise God for the day when I decided to do so for this remedy met every phase of my case and in a short time I was able to get out of bed and after a few weeks' treatment I was a strong, well man. Dodd's Kidney Pills saved my life."

A remedy that will cure Bright's Disease will cure any lesser Kidney Disease. Dodd's Kidney Pills are certainly the most wonderful discovery which modern medical research has given to the world.

Hundreds of dealers say the extra quantity and superior quality of Defiance Starch is fast taking place of all other brands. Others say they can not sell any other starch.

Unless you have reception rooms and give balls you have no place in your house for a white and gold sofa. Your friends in their dark dresses are out of place on it, your husband is ridiculous and you don't dare let the children touch it.

The trouble with the average woman's request for pin money is that she generally has her eye on a diamond pin.

When a girl is wearing her very best clothes it is a sign she will call candy bonbons.

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TABLE ROCK, NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

Six postal inspectors will tour Nebraska to pass upon the applications for the establishment of about a hundred new rural routes in different parts of the state.

A clerk in a Fremont drug store received a call from a young woman whose eyes bespoke great weeping and told him she wanted a love powder to charm back her recreant swain. He confessed that he had none in stock, but took the order and promised to send for some of the desired article.

The United Mutual Hail Insurance association is the oldest, is the strongest, is the best; has paid $159,000.00 more for losses than the combined payments of all other companies. Paid $53,596.10 in 1903. Has paid $200,911.80 for losses since its organization. Wants good representatives in every precinct. Address Home Office, ... 116 So. 10th St., Lincoln, Neb.

Berean C. Fox, treasurer of the city of Lincoln, has received a check from the comptroller of the currency for $153.08. This sum is the dividend of .71 of 1 per cent on the deposit of the city, amounting to $21,560.39. The check was drawn in favor of E. B. Stephenson, treasurer, and across the face was an endorsement making the instrument payable to the city of Lincoln.

Supervisor W. H. Mead, of Dodge county, who has just announced that he will be a candidate for renomination, has a remarkable record. He has held that office continuously, with one brief interim due to a resignation, for seventeen years. It is not probable that any other man in Nebraska can show so prolonged a service on the county board. He has been a most efficient officer.

The managers of the Nebraska teachers' reading circle held their annual meeting at the office of Superintendent Fowler for the purpose of selecting a list of books for the association for the ensuing year. The board is composed of A. R. Staller, Beatrice, president; A. O. Thomas, Kearney, vice-president; W. C. Smith, Table Rock, secretary; C. A. Fulmer, Pawnee City, treasurer; W. K. Fowler, Lincoln, manager.

There was a queer case at York. A fellow that looked like a tourist was loafing around town. He would beg for food and sleep in stairways. Sheriff Brott watched him and found $2,320 in the man's clothes. As a lot of money had been stolen in the southeast part of the state, the money was held. No one appeared and the man remained on the streets as though he was not afraid of any one. The money was returned to him and he left town.

Lancaster county may sue the state, but not joined with county officers. A suit was brought in which the county, the commissioners and the treasurer were joined to recover money from the state which was paid over by mistake when S. W. Burnham was treasurer and lost in the failure of the Capital National bank. Judge Holmes has sustained the demurrer of the state on the ground that the law allows only the county to sue.

The farmers in the region about Tekamah have undertaken almost as big a job as the Panama canal. They propose to dig a ditch costing $120,000.

Negotiations have been closed for the construction of a large addition to St. Francis academy at Columbus this summer, at an estimated cost of $4,000. The addition will be attached at the east end of the main building and extend south to the length of the west wing. It will be used for assembly rooms and class rooms.

State Treasurer Mortensen will endeavor to retire $200,000 of state warrants at once, reducing the state's outstanding indebtedness this amount. A call has been issued for $75,000 of general fund warrants, numbers 97535 to 98271, inclusive, effective March 29, and if the flow of revenue into the treasury continues at the present rate, the call will be increased $25,000. Receipts are heavy at present, owing to the remittance of county collections for February and the early part of March.

The Wesleyan male quartet, well known in Nebraska and especially in Lincoln, whence the quartet hails, gave the last concert of the season at one of the prominent Methodist churches in Washington, D. C., before an immense audience. The quartet is composed of George J. Ireland, first tenor, whose home is in Crete, Neb.; Frank W. Farmer, second tenor, Exeter; Ira W. Kenagy, baritone, Crete, and D. C. Reynolds, basso, Lincoln. The quartet was assisted this season by Miss Juanita Boynton.

From the divorce court to the marriage altar in two hours is pretty quick work and just about six months sooner than the laws of Nebraska contemplate, but Cupid does quick work in Columbus sometimes. A divorce was granted by Judge Reeder to Mrs. Mary Avery, and hardly had the ink dried on the decree when Charles Bornman, from Albion, appeared upon the scene, and two hours later the erstwhile Mrs. Avery left the presence of Justice O'Brien a married woman and the wife of Mr. Bornman.

The death of Ashley Parks, one of the pioneer residents of Dodge county, occurred at his home on East Tenth street, Fremont, after an illness of three years with blood poisoning.

Ex-Governor John M. Thayer is one of the eight surviving men who, as senators of the United States, tried President Johnson in the impeachment proceedings brought against him in 1868.

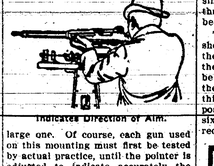
The franchise value of a corporation is to be ascertained by deducting the value of its tangible property from its capital stock or actual market value. In answer to numerous queries from the county assessors of the state Secretary Bennett has announced how franchise values shall be determined and county assessors will be expected to follow the ruling.

Science and Invention

Subtarget for Marksmen.

Between the national guardsmen, regular army, marines and sportsmen, there is a great deal of target practice going on all over the country at all seasons of the year and frequently accidents causing the death or injury of some one are reported through the public press. Probably the majority of these accidents happen to the markers, whose duty it is to come in front of the target at intervals and mark out the spots made by the bullets of the gunners around the bullseye. Through a misunderstood signal or blunder it sometimes happens that the marker makes his appearance while the target is still in use, receiving a bullet in the body the bullet meant for the target.

There has recently been designed an apparatus which makes it unnecessary for any one to place himself in jeopardy in this manner, the invention being shown in the picture. The gun is clamped in a movable frame, and yet without losing it rigidity in any one position. This mounting has practically the same effect as would be obtainable with a ball and socket joint and the latter might be utilized for the purpose were it not for the object sought to be attained by this invention—namely, the actuating of an auxiliary pointer, paralleling the rifle barrel at all times. As the latter is aimed by the marksman he moves with it the pointer beneath, which indicates on the little stationary target just where the bullet will strike the



Indicates Direction of Aim.

large one. Of course, each gun used on this mounting must first be tested by actual practice, until the pointer is adjusted to indicate accurately the work of the firearm. Then when the gunner pulls the trigger the bullet flies to the main target and the little arrow beneath the gun springs forward and punctures the paper target. After the round is finished the gunner has but to detach this subtarget and he has a complete record of his shots, without waiting until the scorer has summoned them up with the aid of his telescope or field glass. As the use of the main target is simply something to give the marksman something to aim his gun at and all the scoring is done on the subtarget, it matters little if the bullet marks remain on the main target indefinitely.

The inventor is Henry B. Cummings of Malden, Mass.

Fountain Blacking Brush.

There are some men who need no inducement but the shade of personal appearance to keep their clothes brushed and their shoes polished, and even should they feel that they are unable to afford to patronize a bootblacking establishment every time their shoes require cleaning, they present themselves with a brush and box of polish and do the work themselves. To others this task is an unpleasant one that more often goes undone, and if they cannot afford to pay for a shine they must have some very convenient method of applying the polish if they are to be induced to keep their shoes looking decent. So it goes that the man who is careful of his appearance deserves to have a convenient outfit, and the man who is careless must have one, and between the two the invention of the brush shown in the picture should not fare poorly.

This arrangement is designed to serve as a storage reservoir for the liquid polish now in common use, and to provide a convenient method of applying it to the leather, ready for the polishing brush. It will be noticed that the bristles in the center are slightly in advance of those forming the surrounding portion of the dauber, being mounted on a sliding rod, which extends into the reservoir. In the upper portion of the latter there is an adjusting screw, which limits the movement of the rod even to the point of preventing it altogether. To start the flow of the liquid it is only necessary to turn the screw once or twice and press the dauber on the shoe, when the central portion of the bristles will retreat into the rod and open the valve leading into the reservoir.

Edward R. King of East Oakland, Cal., is the inventor.

A Hive Cover.

Sub.—Would a beehive cover made by covering an inch board with galvanized iron attract heat in summer, make the hive too warm? 2. Would packing be necessary? If so, what material would you use?

1. I have used galvanized iron painted white over wood for covers for several years and I find them quite satisfactory. I would advise painting the hives some light color unless they were to be fully shaded during the hot season. 2. I do not consider packing necessary. If I tried any protection from the heat I would make the covers with a dead air space of three-fourths of an inch between the metal and the wood. This would be quite as effective as any packing and would leave the cover much lighter to handle besides being cheaper.

It is no use singing "sunshine" if your life is all moonshine.

PLAN FOR CONCRETE HOUSE.

Directions for Building and Amount of Material Needed.

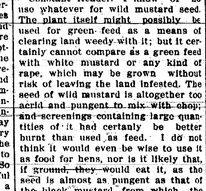
I wish to build a concrete house next summer and require some advice. I wish to build it 32 feet wide and 34 feet on the side, the walls extend 19 feet above the stone collar. The cellar will occupy the whole space beneath the house and have 7 feet walls. I would like you to publish a good plan for the upper story, having at least six bedrooms, each having a clothes closet. What thickness should the outside, also the partition walls be? What quantity of gravel and Portland cement would be needed?

The accompanying plan of the upper story provides six bedrooms and a

Ground Floor Plan of Concrete House, 34 By 34 Feet.

closet for each. The front of the lower story has a window in the bedroom and a large window in the dining room. The door in the center of the front of the house may be either single or double. The upper story has three windows in front, one for each bedroom.

The cement walls of the lower story should be ten inches thick, and of the upper story eight inches thick; the partition walls in the cellar should be ten inches thick, and the wall from the center wall to the front, six inches thick. The concrete should be composed of one part Portland cement and six parts of gravel. The house would require sixty barrels of Portland cement, fifty-six yards of clean gravel and fourteen yards of small stones for fillers.



Upper Floor Plan of Concrete House.

Wild Mustard Seed.

Constant Reader.—I know of no use whatever for wild mustard seed. The plant itself might possibly be used for green feed as a means of clearing land weedy with it; but it certainly cannot compare as a green feed with white mustard or any kind of rape, which may be grown without risk of leaving the land infested. The seed of wild mustard is altogether too acrid and pungent to mix with chop, and screenings containing large quantities of it should be fed only when burnt than used as feed. I do not think it would even be wise to use it as food for hens, nor is it likely that, if grossly fed, they would eat it, as the seed is almost as pungent as that of the black mustard, from which the table mustard used as a condiment is prepared. Wild mustard has many names, such as charlock, cadulock, herrick, rough mustard. As this seed contains a good deal of oil, it might possibly be used for fuel in the gasoline, when large quantities are noticed in the screenings at threshing time.

Making Wires Do Double Duty.

The system of simultaneous telegraphing and telephoning on the same wires by the apparatus invented by Signori Turchi and Brunn which has been in operation for several months on a section of line from Bologna, has proved a thoroughly practical success and the Italian government contemplates the installation of the system on other sections. The two inventors are now in Rome negotiating with the minister of posts and telegraphs the details for a working agreement, which will probably ultimately cover the whole country.

Damping Tricks of Magic.

The United States bureau of ethnology recently has completed an investigation into the magic of the Indians and has been baffled by feats performed by what is known as white magic as well as those of the Oriental fakirs. Missionaries and other reliable authorities have told of plots of grass and century plants made to spring up from the bare ground in a few moments, and other equally mystifying acts of sorcery.

Two o' Them.

Towne—I met that fellow De Bates to-day.

Browne—Yes, so he just told me.

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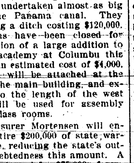

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CHAPTER XXV.—Continued.

The sun came on valiantly stripped bare, knowing what was to be. Still louder rose the requiem of the wind. The sky smiled on. There was no token to strike with alarm these human beings, their faculties dulled by a thousand years of differentiation.

To the north there appeared a long, black cloud, hanging low as the trail of some far-off locomotive, new upon the land. All at once the cloud sprang up, unfurling tattered battle flags, and hurrying to meet the sun upon the zenith battle ground.

Once the wind pelted the slant snow through the interstices of the grasses upon the furry back of the cowering coyote. Now they found a new sport in driving the icy powder through the cracks of the loose boards of sharp, upon the stripped back of the mother budding her sobbing children against the empty, impotent stove, perhaps wrapping her young in the worn and whitened robe of the buffalo taken years ago. For it was only the buffalo, though now departed, which held the frontier for America in this unprepared season, the Christmas of the Great Cold. The robes saved many of the children, and now and then a mother also.

The men who had no fuel did as their natures bid, some dying at the ice-bound stove and others in the open on their way for fuel. Mishap passed by but few of the remoter homes found unprepared with fuel and Christmas day, deceitfully fair, dawned on many homes that were to be fatherless, motherless, or robbed of a first-born. True it was that from this, the hardiest and most self-reliant population ever known on earth, there rose the heartbroken cry for comfort and for help, the frontier for the first time begging aid to hold the skirmish line.

Sam Poston came into the office where Franklin sat on Christmas eve, listening to the clinking rattle of the hard snow on the pane. Sam was white from head to foot. His face was anxious, his habitual uncertainty and diffidence were gone.

"Cap," said he, with no prelude, "the whole country below'll be froze out. The blizzard's awful."

"I know it," said Franklin. "We must get out with help soon as we can. How far down do you think the danger line begins?"

"Well, up to three or four miles out it's thicker settled, an' most o' the folks could git into town. As far out as thirty mile to the south, they might git a little timber yet, over on the Smoky. The worst strip is fifteen to twenty-five mile below."

Franklin felt a tightening at his heart. "About fifteen to twenty-five miles?" he said. Sam nodded. Both were silent.

"Look here, Cap," said the driver presently, "you've allus told me not to say nuthin' 'bout the folks down to the Halfway house, an' I hain't said a thing. I low you got jarred down there some. I know how that is. All the same, I reckon maybe you sorter have a leanin' that way still. You may be worried some—"

Franklin groaned as he sank into a chair, his face between his hands. "Then he sprang up. "We must go!" he cried.

"I know it," said Sam simply.

"Get ready!" exclaimed Franklin, reaching for his coat.

"What do you mean, Cap—now?"

"Yes, to-night—at once."

"You d——d fool!" said Sam.

"You coward!" cried Franklin.

"What! Are you afraid to go out when people are freezing—when—"

Sam rose to his feet, his slow features working. "That ain't right, Cap," said he. "I know I'm scared to do some things, but I—I don't believe I'm no coward. I ain't afraid to go down there, but I won't go to-night, ner let you go, fer it's the same as death to start now. We couldn't maybe make it in the daytime, but I'm willin' to try it then. Don't you call no coward to me. It ain't right."

Franklin again cast himself into his chair, his hand and arm smiting on the table. "I beg your pardon, Sam," said he presently. "I know you're not a coward. We'll start together in the morning. But it's killing me to wait. Good God! they may be freezing now, while we're here, warm and safe!"

"That's so," said Sam sententiously. We can't help it. We all got to go some day."

His words drove Franklin again to his feet, and he walked up and down, his face gone pinched and old.

At dawn the wind lulled. The clouds swept by and the sun shone for an hour over a vast landscape buried under white. Sam was ready to start, having worked half the night making runners for a sled at which his wild team snorted in the terror of unacquaintedness. The sled box was piled full of robes and coal and food and liquor—all things that seemed needful and which could hurriedly be secured.

With perfect horsemanship Sam drove his team rapidly on to the south, five miles, ten miles, fifteen, the horses now warming up, but still restless and nervous, even on the way so familiar to them from their frequent journeyings. The steam of their breath enveloped the travelers in a wide, white cloud. The sled runners crushed into and over the packed drifts, or along the sandy grime where the wind had swept the earth bare of snow. In the end on the way they would see the Halfway House. They would know whether or not there was smoke.

But in less than two hours on that morning of deceit the sun was lost again. The winds piped up, the cold continued, and again there came the blinding snow, wrapping all things in its dancing, driving mist.

"The wind's just on my right cheek," said Sam, putting up a mitten. "But where's it gone?"

"You're frozen, man!" cried Franklin. "Pull up, and let me rub your face."

"No, no, we can't stop," said Sam, catching up some snow and rubbing his white cheeks as he drove. "Keep the wind on your right cheek—we're over the Sand Run now, I think, and on the long ridge, back of the White Woman. It can't be over two miles more. Git along, boys. Whoa! What's the matter there?"

The horses had stopped plunging at something which they could not pass. "Good God!" cried Franklin, "whose fence is that? Are we at Buford's?"

"No," said Sam, "this must be at old man Hancock's. He fenced across the old road, and made a new one jog around his d——d broom-corn field. It's only a couple o' miles now to Buford's."

"Shall I tear down the fence?" asked Franklin.

"No, it's no use; it'd only let us in his field, an' maybe we couldn't hit the trail on the fur side. We got to follow the fence a way. May God eternastingly damn any man that'll fence up the free range! Whoa, Jack! Whoa, Bill! Git out o' here! Git up!"

They tried to parallel the fence, but the horses edged away from the wind continually, so that it was difficult to keep eye upon the infrequent posts of the meagre, straggling fence that this man had put upon the "public lands."

"Hold on, Sam!" cried Franklin. "Let me out."

"That's right, Cap," said Sam. "Git out an' go on ahead a way, then holler to me, so's I kin come up to you. When we git around the corner we'll be all right."

But when they got around the corner they were not all right. At such times the mind of man is thrown off its balance, so that it does strange and irregular things. Both these men had agreed a moment ago that the wind should be on the right; now they disagreed, one thinking that Hancock's house was to the left, the other to the right, their ideas as to the direction of the Buford ranch being equally at variance. The horses decided it, breaking once again down wind, and striking a low-headed, sullen trot, as though they would outmarch the storm. And so the two argued, and so they rode, until at last there was a lurch and a crash, and they found themselves in rough going, the sled half overturned, with no fence, no house, no landmark of any sort visible, and the storm drifting thicker than before. They sprang out and righted the sled, but the horses doggedly pulled on, plunging down and down; and they followed, clinging to reins and sled as best they might.

"We've lost the trail, but we done the best we could," said Sam doggedly, going to the heads of the horses, which looked questioningly back at him, their heads drooping, their breath freezing upon their coats in spicules of white.

"Wait!" cried Franklin. "I know this hole! I've been here before. The team's come here for shelter—"

"Oh, it's the White Woman Breaks—why, sure!" cried Sam in return.

"Yes, that's where it is. We're less than half a mile from the house. Wait, now, and let me think. I've got to figure this out a while."

"It's off there," said Sam, pointing across the coulee; "but we can't get there."

"Yes, we can, old man; yes, we can!" insisted Franklin. "I'll tell you. Let me think. Good God! why can't I think? Yes—see here, you go down the east side of this gully to the mouth of the coulee, and then we turn to the left—no, it's to the right—and you bear up along the side of the draw till you get to the ridge, and then the house is right in front of you. Listen now! The wind's northwest, and the house is west of the head of the coulee; so the mouth is east of us, and that brings the wind on the left cheek at the mouth of the coulee, and it comes more and more on the right cheek as we turn up the ridge; and I'll put on the front half of the right cheek when we face the house. I'm sure that's right—wait, I'll mark it out here in the snow. God! how cold it is! Let me get right. Come on; come! We must try it, anyway."

"We may hit the house, Cap," said Sam calmly, "but if we miss it we'll go God knows where! Anyhow, I'm with you, an' if we don't turn up, we can't help it, an' we done our best."

"Come," cried Franklin once more. "Let's get to the mouth of the coulee. I know this place perfectly."

And so, advancing and calling, and waiting while Sam fought the stubborn horses with lash and rein out of the sight which they covered, Franklin led out of the flat coulee, into the wider draw, and edged up and up to the right, agonizedly repeating to himself, over and over again, the instructions he had laid down, and which the dizzy whirl of the snow mingled ever confusedly in his mind. At last they had the full, cold wind in their faces as they reached the level of the prairies, and cast loose for what they thought was west, fearfully, tremblingly, the voyage a quarter of a mile, the danger infinitely great; for beyond lay only the cruel plains and the bitter storm —this double norther of a woeful Christmastide.

Once again Providence aided them, by agency of brute instinct. One of the horses threw up its head and neighed, and then both pressed forward eagerly. The low moan of penned cattle came down the wind. They crashed into a fence of lath. They passed its end—a broken, rattling end, that trailed and swept back and forth in the wind.

"It's the chicken corral," cried Sam, "an' it's down! They've been burnin'—"

"Go on! Go on—hurry!" shouted Franklin, bending down his head so that the gale might not quite rob him of his breath, and Sam urged on the now willing horses.

They came to the sod barn, and here they left the team that had saved them, not pausing to take them from the harness. They crept to the low and white-banked wall in which showed two windows, glazed with frost. They could see the chimney plainly, but it carried no smell of smoke. The stairway leading down to the door of the dugout was missing, the excavation which held it was drifted full of snow, and the snow bore no track of human foot. All was white and silent. It might have been a vault far in the frozen northern sea.

(To be continued.)

ADMIRAL TOGO'S CADET DAYS.

Reminiscences of the Foremost Japanese Admiral.

A retired English naval officer, who, when a lad, was on board the training ship Worcester at the same time as the present Japanese admiral Togo, tells the following reminiscences:

Togo was constantly the victim of all manner of fun from the young Britishers on board, who called him "One-go-two-go-three-go." Disliked at first, perhaps because he was unlike his mates, he grew in popularity on account of his remarkably alert mind and agile body, until at length he became a general favorite with officers and boys.

He found all chaff with a certain amount of bravado, unless it touched on his resemblance to the Chinese. To one fellow sailor who dubbed him a Chinaman he said with emphasis: "You wait; when I am 'the' admiral I hang you on the yardarm."

One day that Togo had his leave stopped for some small offence. "Liberty boys to go ashore" was piped, and the boys went up to him and said, "Are you to go?" "No," he replied. Immediately the youngsters got round him and pinched him for telling lies, shouting at the same time, "You are Togo!"

His Christian name being rather difficult to pronounce, Togo was told by one of the boys to shoot his godfather and godmother on his return home. "We do not shoot gods in Japan," was his reply.

Traveling Together.

"Where's that dude hunter?"

"Oh, he left me to go after a bear."

"When's he coming back?"

"Whenever the bear does."

Couldn't Find It.

"Why don't you appeal to his conscience?"

"I'd have to locate it first, and I have no microscope."

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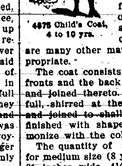

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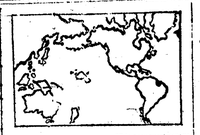

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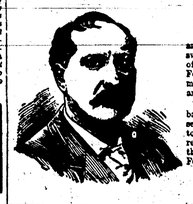

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How to manage self is an ever important subject, but how to use one's strength, when it is like the last flickering match in the camp forest, is the subject next to preparation for eternity.

The encouraging and educating of a young person with continued poor health is a department in personal science. How to think in time to save strength is mental preventive medicine. How to grow a substantial enthusiasm that will not be displaced by any common emotion or temptation, is a study in self-control.

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TABLE ROCK ARGUS.

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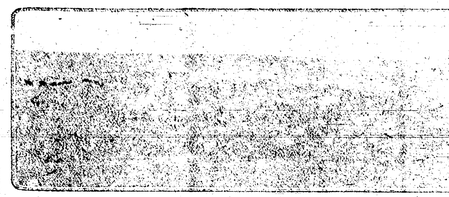
A Country of Health and Wealth

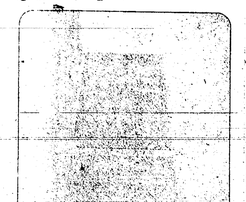
A Glimpse at the Northwest

By Geo. M. Gates, Lincoln, Pastor Emanuel M. E. church.

Rev. Geo. M. Gates, pastor of Emanuel M. E. church, Lincoln, well known as a traveler and lecturer, furnishes the Argus with the following descriptive article of the Northwest country, which will be read with great interest by our readers:

Are you tired and worn to your nerves? Is your life one long and ceaseless labor? Do you stop and look at a Burlington Flyer and contemplate selling a horse and buggy and take a scout to the Northwest.





Gambling Harvest.

A few hours' ride and the Nebraska prairies, bones and cities are behind us and now, stimulating and fascinating scenes dawn upon us. We are in South Dakota, our train climbs the hills and we plunge into pine forests, up the canons, round sharp curves, past rocky heights to the country of gold, for here in Lead City and vicinity we find thousands of men mining the yellow ore, and stamping mills sundering away night and day, more than $125,000,000 have been taken from these hills since gold was first discovered and still the riches are yields to man's industry.

Hot Springs, the great health resort of the Northwest, is a charming city, where thousands of tourists and every season. Deadwood, Lead City, Custer and Rapid are all attractive and enterprising cities, with fine homes, excellent people, schools and churches. But now you will wish to spend more time here later, just now we will hasten on to more sweeping valleys and loftier mountains.

With all the comfort, ease and luxury of a living palace, the Portland-through-train rolls across the broad acres of Wyoming. Charming little cities greet us here and there as we pass through the valleys, carpeted with green. Irrigation is a great success, and alfalfa, wheat, oats and corn abounds. Beautiful homes and splendid farms are seen by the way. Sheridan is a charming city of beautiful homes, located in a valley to the east of Big Horn mountains. One can keep cool here all the year round as snow is always in sight.

Crow Agency is an interesting place, for near here is where our brave Custer with his noble 300 fell. As we look upon the white monuments that mark the spots where the soldiers fell we that dedicated day, our hearts are stirred with emotions. Again we see fierce red men, 3,000 in number, as they sweep down with yells of vengeance upon the little faithful, but fearless band. Hand to hand the fearful fight goes on, until the boy in blue is sweet in death.

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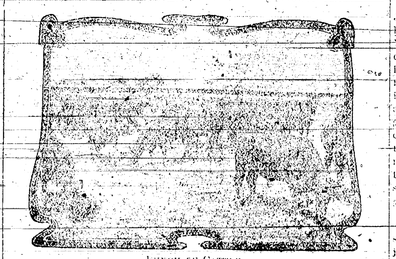
Crow's Monopoly.

At Toluca we change cars for Crow, located about 130 miles southwest in the Big Horn basin. Here within the shadow of the great Rocky range is a little city which springs up like magic. Full of life, energy and push it already gives promise of a great city. Located in a valley covering 600,000 acres of the finest lands, perhaps, in the world. It only awaits the laborer's hand and the irrigation ditch when every acre will be worth $100 in gold. Only already has many fine stores, planing mills, factories, brick yards, churches and schools.

From this point large supplies are distributed throughout the adjoining territory. The splendid and profitable industries of stock raising and wool growing are successfully carried on in the basin. All kinds of farming is a success here. Wheat, oats, corn, rye, timothy, alfalfa, potatoes and garden truck grow in great abundance. Thousands of cattle and sheep are now seen grazing in this valley.



Lunch of Cattle.

A stage drive of only 35 miles from Cody and the Yellowstone National Park is at hand. In time to come this will be one of the popular routes to our nation's pleasure grounds, where some of the grandest sights that ever man laid eyes on, are found.

A great and wonderful country is this far Northwest, with its magnificent and charming scenery, lofty mountains, fertile valleys and life-giving climate.

Mr. Cody or Buffalo Bill who is just now prominently before the public in his divorce case, has large interests in this section, and he does not spare his accumulated wealth in advancing all the interests of the country.

The Big Horn Basin, in which so many of our people are interested, is located in the northwest corner of Wyoming, surrounded on the west, north and east by lofty mountains, thus giving to that section a remarkable climate.

Beauty and Strength

Are desirable. You are strong and vigorous when your blood is pure. Many—nay, most—women fail to properly digest their food and so become pale, sallow, thin and weak, while the brightness, freshness and beauty of the skin and complexion depart. Remedy this unpleasant evil by eating nourishing food and taking a small dose of Herbine after each meal to digest what you have eaten. Sold at Colwell's.

Save the Loved Ones!

Mrs Mary A Vilet, Newcastle, Ohio, writes: I believe Ballard's Horehound Syrup is superior to any other cough medicine and will do all that is claimed for it, and it is so pleasant to take. My little girl wants to take it when she has no need for it. Ballard's Horehound syrup is the great cure for all pulmonary ailments. 25c, 50c $1 at Colwell's.

Special Daily News Offer.

The Omaha Daily News will be mailed six days in the week from now until January 1, 1905 for $1.00; money to accompany the order. This will carry you through the presidential campaign and possibly all of the Japanese-Russian War.

The Daily News receives the complete Scripps-McRae Cable and Telegraph reports; the full Newspaper Enterprise Association service; and has four special correspondents at the seat of war, thus enabling it to give you accurate news promptly. Remember it is an independent paper, giving all the news without fear or favor. This offer is good only during April. Send order to News Office or direct to Omaha Daily News, Omaha, Neb.

Robbed The Grave

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy the first bottle made it decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only 50c, guaranteed at Colwell's drug store.

A scholarship in Jewell City was assigned to prepare an essay on the subject of "ducks," and this is what he wrote: "The duck is a low, heavy-set bird, composed mostly of meat and feathers. He is a mighty poor singer, having a hoarse voice, caused by getting so many frogs in his neck. He likes the water and carries a toy balloon in his stomach to keep from sinking. The duck has only two legs, and they are set so far back on his running gears he notice that she come put to near missing his body. Some ducks when they get big have corns on their tails and are called drakes. Drakes don't have to set on their eggs, but just loaf, go swimming and eat. If I was to be a duck, I'd rather be a drake every time."—Western Pubrisher.

A Thoughtful Man

M M Austin of Winchester, Ind., knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c at Colwell's Drug Store.

COLONIST RATES

During March and April the Burlington will sell one way to the Pacific Coast at very low rates.

Here are some of them:

$25 to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

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$22.50 to Spokane.

$20 to Salt Lake City, Butte and Helena.

$15 to Big Horn Basin, Wyoming.

Proportionately low rates to hundreds of other points.

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If you will tell me where you are going I shall be glad to give you full information about rates and train service and send you advertising matter descriptive of those wonderful sections. J. Francis, G. P. A., Omaha, Neb.

Walks Without Crutches

I was much afflicted with sciatica, writes Ed C Nud, Unionville, Sedgwick county, Kan., going about on crutches and suffering a deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment which relieved me. I used three 50c bottles. It is the greatest liniment I ever used, have recommended it to a number of persons, all express themselves as being benefitted by it. I now walk without crutches, able to perform a great deal of light labor on the farm. 25c, 50c and $1 at Colwell's.

If your uncle has an aunt who has a nephew whose wife has a cousin that is married to an old friend of your wife's sister, whose grandfather used to live in the same town with an old schoolmate of yours, whose son-in-law is now in St. Louis, you should at once renew the acquaintance with a view of saving hotel bills while attending the World's Fair. This scheme can be worked successfully in many instances.—X

Herbine Cures

Fever and ague. Appease will instantly stop a cold, a Cincinnatian always cures. Mrs. Wm M Stroud, Midlothian, Texas, May 31, 1903, writes: We have used Herbine in our family for eight years and found it to be the best medicine we have ever used for la grippe, bilious fever and malaria. 50c at Colwells.

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TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

There are more boys smoking cigarettes in Fremont at present than ever before.

Omaha is having a lively campaign for civic improvement, and it wouldn't hurt every other city and town in the same to duplicate it.

D. B. Morgan, a prominent merchant of David City, has failed, closing his doors and turning the stock of goods over to his creditors.

A squad of surveyors passed through Edgar, engaged, as they claimed, in surveying a route for the Winnepeg, Yankton & Gulf railroad.

The Beatrice Driving association is preparing for a big race meeting on May 26. There will also be a two-days' meeting July 4 and 5.

Miss Hartell, of Omaha, won second prize for the best design of evening gown submitted at the national dressmakers' convention in New York.

Two hundred thousand young brook and rainbow trout are to be "planted" in the streams of the northwestern part of the state by the state fish commission.

Norfolk is to have a new national bank. It is to be called the Nebraska National, capital $50,000, and George D. Butterfield is at the head of the movement.

The citizens of Broken Bow are raising a fund for the purpose of sinking a 3,000-foot well with the idea of finding petroleum, coal or some other mineral.

Elmer Jackson, a boilermaker at the Havelock shops, suffered the loss of two toes and a part of a foot by the accidental discharge of a shotgun while duck hunting.

John Diggs, who broke into a store at Elmwood a short time ago and stole some articles of merchandise, has been found guilty of daylight robbery by a jury in district court.

It is dangerous for anybody to deface or tamper with Uncle Sam's rural free delivery boxes. Several persons in Nebraska have lately been gathered in by the federal authorities for such offenses and it is likely to go hard with them.

Governor Mickey has issued an Arbor day proclamation, setting aside April 22 as a holiday to be observed by all schools and public offices as a day on which to plant trees and shrubs. A special program also is suggested for the schools.

The statistical secretary of the Nebraska Sunday School association, which meets in Grand Island in June, is making vigorous and determined efforts to raise $500 for state work from that presbytery and feels very confident of success.

J. H. Davenport of Grand Island has announced that he will start a factory in Lincoln within thirty days. The Capitol Boiler and Sheet Metal works is to be the name of the new company. Davenport will invest $5,000 in the business to start.

The standing army of the state has been increased by two companies by the recognition by Adjutant General Culver of the semi-military cadet battalions of the Northwestern Business college of Beatrice and the Hastings Business college of Hastings.

The Beatrice Commercial club, in connection with the merchants of the city, is arranging for a trade carnival and street fair for the first week in May. It will be a season of festivity, and the merchants propose to make bargains upon every day of the fair.

Cattle feeders at Ruskin are experiencing difficulty to get corn, although there is plenty of it in crib. While the market price is only 31 cents, feeders cannot get enough even when they offer 35 cents, as the farmers are in position to hold their corn, and believe that the price will be still higher.

As the scavenger law is now held to be constitutional, there is a general overhauling of tax receipts all over the state.

James Kyles, a farmer residing near Greenwood, died recently. Connected with his death were some peculiar circumstances. He had killed a hog and was carrying the carcass on his shoulder to the house when in some manner it slipped forward with sufficient force to break one of his ribs, and the slivered piece pierced one of his lungs. The unfortunate man suffered intensely for two days, during which time a surgical operation was performed, but he lived only a few hours after the operation. The deceased was 57 years of age.

Back taxes which accumulated a great many years ago have been paid by the Union Pacific railroad in a check for $1,170.04 which has been sent to the treasurer of Lancaster county. The assessments were made before the land was sold to the road, but were not discovered for want of careful examination of the records. The land is in blocks 253, 262, 249, 273 and 274 and vicinity. The years run from 1874 to 1887 and in each year the interest is over twice the amount of the taxes.

Charles Hacker of Fremont owns a farm in the district below Council Bluffs, Ia., where oil has been discovered in paying quantities. His friends are calling him the "Rockefeller of Nebraska."

It cost the proprietor of a Nebraska City hotel $25 for failure to put up the legal placard explaining that the butter used at his hostelry never had any acquaintance with a cow.

Alex Stewart of Lincoln received a bronze medal commending the gallantry of General Winfield Scott in the Mexican war. It was struck off according to a resolution of congress, passed March, 1848, and is supposed to be one of the finest in the United States. On the reverse side of the medal are pictures of all the battles in which General Scott participated during the war.

A BATTLE ON LAND

Russians are Defeated in First Engagement at Chung Ju

SHOWS JAPANESE BRAVERY

Three Russians are Killed and Sixteen Wounded—Russia Clearly Outgeneraled and Acknowledges It

The emperor of Russia has received a dispatch from General Kuropatkin giving a lengthy report from General Mishtchenko, which says that an important engagement took place near the town of Chong Ju, in which the Russians were defeated, retiring in perfect order. Following is the detailed report:

"For three consecutive days our small outposts attempted to draw the Japanese cavalry into action, but their patrols, after contact was established, retired beyong Chong Ju (about fifty miles northwest of Ping Yang).

"Having learned that four squadrons of the enemy were posted five versts beyond Chong Ju, six companies marched toward Kasan and reached Chong Ju. As soon as our scouts approached the town the enemy opened fire from behind the wall. Two squadrons promptly dismounted and occupied the heights six hundred yards distant. An engagement ensued.

"In the town a company of infantry and a squadron of cavalry were lying in ambush. Our men were reinforced by three companies and attacked the Japanese with a cross-fire.

"Notwithstanding this, and our commanding position, the Japanese gallantly held their ground and it was only after a fierce fight of half an hour's duration that the Japanese ceased fire and sought refuge in the houses. The Japanese hoisted the Red Cross flag at two points.

"Soon afterwards three squadrons of the enemy were seen advancing along the Kasan road at full gallop toward the town, which two of the squadrons succeeded in entering, while the third fell back in disorder under repeated volleys from our troops. A number of men and horses were seen to fall.

"For an hour afterwards our companies continued to fire on the Japanese in the town, preventing them from leaving the streets and houses.

"An hour and a half after the beginning of the engagement four companies were seen on the Kasan road, hastening to attack. I gave the order to mount, and the entire force, with a covering squadron, advanced in perfect order and formed in line behind the hill. The wounded were placed in front and the retirement was carried out with the deliberation of a parade.

"The Japanese squadron which was thrown into disorder was evidently unable to ocupy the hill which we had just vacated, and their infantry arrived too late.

"The detachment protecting our rear guard arrived quietly at Kasan, where we halted for two hours in order to give attention to our wounded.

"It is supposed that the Japanese had heavy losses in men and horses. On our side, unfortunately, three officers were severely wounded—Stepanoff and Androoke in the chest, and Vaselevicth in the stomach. Schilnikoff was less seriously wounded in the arm, but did not leave the field. Three Cossacks were killed and twelve were wounded, including five seriously."

WOMAN GETS $75,000

That Amount Must be Paid in Breach of Promise Case

A sheriff's jury in New York took testimony upon which to determine how much of $75,000 demanded by Eleanor L. Anderson from James N. Abeel he can afford to and ought to pay her for engaging to marry her under the name of J. Ogden Goelet.

Miss Anderson sued him for $75,000 for breach of promise of marriage. The young man failed to answer the complaint, and a default was taken upon which Presiding Justice Van Brunt of the appellate division of the supreme court, granted an order to Sheriff Erlanger to empanel a jury and assess damages.

Testimony was given to show that Abeel has a contingent interest in a large estate left by his grand father and a prospective interest in the estate left by his grandfather and a prospective interest in the estate of his father, who is wealthy. The jury assessed the defendant for the full amount claimed.

Will Entertain Their Friends

At a business meeting of the Nebraska republican association of Washington, D. C., it was decided to hold a combined social and business meeting of the association April 11, when new officers will be elected and a reception will be tendered to Nebraskans in the city. It is expected that the Nebraska congressmen will be present, and make addresses at the coming meeting.

GREENBACKS ARE TAXABLE

Attorney General Prout Gives a Decision on the Point

The man with the roll of greenbacks must pay taxes on them in Nebraska this year and those who contemplated changing their worldly possessions for United States legal tender notes in hope of fooling the assessor will have to devise some other system of escaping the tax collector. Attorney General Prout has submitted an opinion, at the request of the state board of equalization, in regard to greenbacks, and the opinion says emphatically that greenbacks are taxable. The opinion is as follows:

"Greenbacks are United States treasury notes. They are the obligations of the government and circulate as other money. They are convertible into gold coin and therefore constitute a high order of property. The new revenue law shows beyond question that it was the intention of the legislators to require the taxation of this species of property. Section 4 declares that 'the word "money" includes all kinds of coin, all kinds of paper issued by or under authority of the United States, whether in possession or deposited in bank or elsewhere.' Section 12 provides that all property in this state not expressly exempt therefrom shall be subject to taxation. Section 28 provides that every person of full age and sound mind, being a resident of this state, shall list all his moneys 'for taxation.' Nothing in the statutes or constitution of this state intimates that greenbacks are exempt. On the contrary it is shown that the new revenue law makes such property the subject of taxation. Greenbacks are therefore assessable unless an act of congress excepts them from the burden of state taxation. Under a federal statute in existence prior to 1894 greenbacks were nontaxable, but during that year the law was changed."

SAVED FROM THE GALLOWS

Truthful Evidence of a Little Chicago Girl Clears Five Men

A child's testimony reversed saved five men from the gallows in Chicago. The result was a striking parallel to the case in which a fortnight ago Peter Van Vlissingen practically demonstrated that under police pressure a boy named Wiltrax had given false testimony leading to the conviction of the boy's father for murded. The instance of youthful unreliability under oath was in the case of William McCarthy and four Polish young men on trial for murder, the witness being a little girl, Appolonia Starosta, who first gave straight-forward, eye-witness testimony apparently establishing beyond a doubt the guilt of the men and then repudiated her sworn evidence. In explanation of the remarkable change of front, the child declared that she had been instructed how to testify by the widow of the murdered man. Charges against the prisoners were withdrawn on the spot by the state's attorney, the five men immediately walking out of the dock free by order of the court.

Coal at Jewel City

Just before leaving Jewell, Kan., an expert coal man from Colorado said, in regard to the Jewell, Kan., coal field: "I have used Pennsylvania coal and Colorado coal, and when this coal dries out a little it is just as good steam coal as any I have ever used. It surprised me the way the stuff makes steam. There are ten men working in the mine now, and another gang is working on the big new shaft. The supply is enexhaustible, and there is going to be big money in it. By next September you will see this company taking out one hundred tons of coal every day in the week. My judgment is that the mine is going to be a big thing and is going to make a lot of fellows rich."

Reduction in Appropriations

The principal items of reduction in the sundry civil bill compared with the current law consist of $7,995,550 for public buildings, $12,335,950 for river and harbor improvements, $3,000,000 for military posts at Manila, $250,000 for the department of agriculture building, $750,000 for the officer building for the house of representatives, $250,000 for the national museum building, $220,000 for revenue cutter steamers, $200,000 for the Denver mint and a like amount for Garfield hospital, Washington.

The appropriation for furnishing and care of the White house was reduced from $60,000 to $35,000. The bill appropriates the unexpended balance of the $500,000 appropriated at the last congress for the prosecution of the trusts. Something over $25,000 has been expended of this appropriation.

Iowa Horses for Russia

One hundred head of draft horses were sold to an agent of the Russian government at Oskaloosa, Iowa. One mare brought $250.

Distinguished Confederate Dead

General William H. Payne, counsel for the Southern railway, a distinguished confederate officer and commander of the famous Black Horse cavalry at the first battle of Bull Run, died at Washington, aged 73 years.

AGRICULTURE

Prevent Potato Rosette.

Potato rosette is a disease that seems to be spreading rapidly and many reports are received as to the damage done by it. The tops are attacked, but the tops are the parts of the plants that elaborate the food to make the tubers. Of course if the tops are injured in the growing season, the tubers themselves will also be injured. It is therefore necessary to take precautions to save the crop from this deteriorating influence. It seems that the disease is carried over from year to year on the surface of the tubers. The seed can be treated, however, very effectively. One pint of formalin in 30 gallons of water will prove a strong enough fungicide to destroy entirely the spores referred to. The seed potatoes should be put into this solution and left there for two hours. The potatoes should then be taken out and dried and cut for seed. The expense of this treatment is small, and should not be neglected. Formalin may be obtained at any drug store. It is sold under the name of formaldehyde, which consists of 30 per cent pure formalin and 70 per cent water. That combination is the basis for the solution above. No allowance should be made for the water already combined with the formalin at time of purchase, else the solution will be made too strong.

Sterilized Chambers for Grain.

Mr. Wm. Goodwin, F. R. G. S., who was for years a leading South American grain exporter and inspector, advocates the shipment of Argentine corn in chambers sterilized with carbonic acid gas. In an article contributed to a London paper he said:

"Some 25 years ago Pasteur demonstrated that fermentation does not result from the generation of gases but from the action of living microbic organisms; and it is now known to bacteriologists that some 95 per cent of the germs which cause fermentation in grain require oxygen as well as a certain amount of heat and moisture for their development * * * Chemists say that inexpensive compositions of a perfectly harmless nature in their after effects on human food, can be used to sterilize an air chamber—that is either to consume or drive out the oxygen contained in atmospheric air—and that their application to the holds of a steamer or to suitable warehouse silos, would only need reasonable precautions. * * * The logical sequence of Pasteur's discovery should be a radical change in the method of storing grain and nearly all other food products; and it would appear that air in storage chambers either on sea or land, can be more economically sterilized with carbonic acid gas than by any refrigerating process."

Know Your Clover Seed.

It does not do to sow clover seed with no regard for its condition as to germinability or freedom from other seeds of an undesirable nature. Investigations have frequently been made as to the purity of clover seed and alfalfa seed, and it has been shown that more than half a hundred kinds of weeds seeds are to be met with in seeds of those plants. In alfalfa dodder seed is quite frequently found, and the dodder will sometimes kill out the alfalfa before the latter gets started. A study of clover seed will prove very interesting to the farmer as well as valuable. It can be done by means of bulletins obtainable from the Department of Agriculture at Washington and from some of the stations. The Ohio station particularly has done much work along this line. The government bulletins give fine illustrations of the seeds of clovers, alfalfas and the seeds that are usually found mixed with them.

Old Milk and Cream.

As summer is coming and with it the conditions that make it difficult to keep milk for several days, the farmers' wife should use greater precautions to keep the milk and cream pure when butter is to be made from them. One of the great reasons why farm made butter is not generally as good as that made in the creameries is that farm cream is kept too long before being churned. A butter maker of experience says that the churning should be done every day if the best butter is to be obtained, but that every other day will give fairly good butter. However, we know that it is the common practice on some of our farms to churn once a week both in summer and winter. Much of the cream is too sour, especially in summer, when the days are hot and the facilities for keeping it are not of the best. Even with ideal coolers and with ice it would not be an easy matter to keep cream a week and have it in a good condition for the making of butter. The man with only two or three cows has a particularly hard time of it to make butter that is good.

Sometimes cream that is very old is put into the churn to save it, with the result that the flavor of the whole churning is spoiled. It would have paid far better to have given the too sour cream to the pigs or to have used it in some other way. Our buttermakers have found out by long experience that it is very possible to have too much acidity in the cream out of which butter is to be made.

POULTRY

Care of Sitting Hens.

There are numerous farms on which some fowls are raised, but not enough to justify the owner in purchasing and using an incubator. On such farms the old hen must still be used for the purposes of incubation. It will be found that the amount of care that is given the sitting hens will determine to a considerable extent the outcome of the hatching operations. All poultry raisers must acknowledge that the sitting hens require a good deal of attention, and often more than is given them. In a state of nature the hen at this period takes care of herself. Let us not imagine, however, that she always does it successfully. In that state she laid more eggs than she could cover and naturally many of them spoiled. The wild things of the wood and the air preyed upon her nest and it was often despoiled. When born her chicks often fell into the clutches of rapacious animals and birds. Let us not suppose that the hen in her wild state led a life of uninterrupted prosperity. If left to her own inclinations the hen would to-day prove a very unprofitable investment to her owner. To make her profitable man has had to surround her with safeguards that would preserve her extra eggs and her extra progeny for himself. The wild things still try to make her and her product their plunder and frequently succeed.

The first care for the sitting hen, then, is to see that she is undisturbed in her task of hovering the eggs for three weeks. It is needless to say that she should not be left to make her nest in the fence corners or the bushes, as is sometimes done. Her nest must be provided for her, and if it is an exposed place she must be shut in each night. On our farms a good many people follow the practice of turning down a barrel and setting the fowl in that. The barrel is left in the door yard or any other place that comes handy. This is all right, if the owner prefers it that way, but in such a case the barrel should have a cover to it that will permit the entrance of air but not of animals of prey, such as skunks, coons and minks.

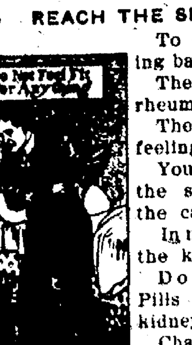
Where brooding places are provided in the poultry houses the greatest danger is from mites, which frequently kill the hens on their nests. One farmer told the writer his experience in this matter. He said he had a flock of about fifty fowls and had provided a good house for them. His nests were specially arranged for sitting, so that the laying birds could be kept from the ones that were sitting. The nests opened on both sides, but at sitting time the openings into the roosting part of the house were closed. He set two fine birds on some choice eggs and waited results. In a few days he noticed that both birds were becoming pale around the combs and wattles and it was a puzzle to him to find the cause. They were apparently sick, and he went on doctoring, but this did no good. One morning he found one of the sitters dead on the nest and the other nearly so. He examined the dead bird and found not a louse on her or anything that would give a hint of the cause of her death. She seemed bloodless. He took the other hen off and gave her her freedom and she at once began to recover. He found a well hen and put her on one sitting of eggs, and she began to get sick. Then he took the bird off and began to tear the nest to pieces. That solved the mystery. The bottom of the nest was a writhing mass of red mites. Every night they had climbed onto the doomed birds and sucked so much of their blood that they had killed one and nearly killed another. Up to that time this poultryman did not know that he had a mite in his poultry house. This proves most conclusively that it never pays to set a hen and then forget her.—Farmers' Review.

A Flock of Pekin Ducks.

We have the Pekin ducks, and this year we have the most magnificent full-bred birds we ever saw, some of them weighing 10 to 12 pounds each. In raising them we have used various methods, and we are satisfied that the plans we now use are the best for this section. We have constructed a large artificial lake, which is fed by springs. Each duck yard is 50x150 leading out into this lake. In this way our birds get the advantage of actual living. Our houses are 10 by 20 feet, low sheds with raised floors of earth. These floors we keep covered with straw. We put 20 ducks and four drakes in each yard and house, and in the laying season we keep our birds up till about 10 o'clock in the day. In this way we have no trouble in regard to finding the eggs. It is not absolutely necessary to have water for ducks. Yet we find they look much cleaner for having water, and we really think it gives us the best results. The duck is a great money-making bird. It is easy enough to succeed with ducks if common sense is used in their care and management. G. W. Brown, Ouachita Co., Ark.

Poultry yards devoid of vegetation have been common in the past, but more attention is now being paid to this matter. Our more progressive farmers are now growing green food in the parks for the use of the poultry when they are shut up in summer.

REACH THE SPOT.



To cure an aching back, The pains of rheumatism, The tired out feelings, You must reach the spot—get at the cause. In most cases 'tis the kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills are for the kidneys.

Chas. Bierbach, stone contractor, living at 2623 Chestnut St., Erie, Pa., says: "For two years I had kidney trouble and there was such a severe pain through my loins and limbs that I could not stoop or straighten up without great pain, had difficulty in getting about and was unable to rest at night, arising in the morning tired and worn out. The kidney secretions were irregular and deposited a heavy sediment. Doctors treated me for rheumatism, but failed to help me. I lost all confidence in medicine and began to feel as if life were not worth living. Doan's Kidney Pills, however, relieved me so quickly and so thoroughly that I gladly made a statement to that effect for publication. This was in 1898, and during the six years which have elapsed I have never known Doan's Kidney Pills to fail. They cured my wife of a severe case of backache in the same thorough manner."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Bierbach will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

"Well, sir," said the author, enthusiastically, "my book is selling like hot cakes."

"Hot cakes, eh?" remarked the critic. "I can understand that. I heard a fellow say today that your book gave him mental dyspepsia."

Fond Youth—What's the use of waiting Fanny? Why can't we be married right away?

Prudent Maiden—It would never do, Harold. Think what a horrid thing it would be to have to celebrate our wedding anniversaries always in March!

Ask Your Dealer For Allen's Foot-Ease. A powder. It rests the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Sore, Hot, Callous, Aching, Sweating Feet and Ingrowing Nails. Allen's Foot-Ease makes new or tight shoes easy. At all Druggists and Shoe stores, 25 cents. Accept no substitute. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The ground floor is where investors land after they have gone up to the top story of high finance and fallen down the elevator shaft.

Some men have a keen sense of humor, judging by the pointless stories they tell.

Defiance Starch is put up 16 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for the same money.

It makes a man feel very virtuous to go home late expecting a scolding and find his wife has had to go to her sick mother's for the night.

Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. Price to dealers $36.00 per M. They cost some more than other brands, but no more than a good 5c cigar should cost. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

A poor girl's idea of a mercenary wretch is a young man who marries a rich widow.

To Cure a Cold in One day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

You can generally size up a woman better from the wrinkles in her face than from any lines in her palms.

Defiance Starch is guaranteed biggest and best or money refunded. 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now.

Some men are so invariably optimistic they will try to teach women how to play cards.

Fruit acids will not stain goods dyed with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES.

With the possible exception of boarding house hash, it is said that a goat will eat anything.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Endsley, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

A woman calls herself merely plump until she has to quit going to places that don't have elevators.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Too many young men look upon an education as a sort of loophole through which to escape work.

Try me just once and I am sure to come again. Defiance Starch.

The chronic borrower generally aims to keep in touch with his friends.

Some people who get into swell society feel puffed up.

Before we can sympathize with others we must have suffered ourselves.

Do not be slaves to your children. They will have their happiness later.

A woman isn't necessarily a thief because she hooks a dress.

In these hustling days genius takes a back seat to the press agent.

What a jolly old world this would be if all men practiced what they preach!

One dollar isn't much money, but it's a lot for some men to win on the races.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XXV—Continued.

Franklin burst open the door, and they both went in, half pausing. There was that which might well give them pause. The table was gone, the chairs were gone. The interior was nearly denuded, so that the abode lay like an abandoned house, drifted half full of dry, fine powdered snow. And even this snow upon the floors had no tracks upon its surface. There was no sign of life.

Awed, appalled, the two men stood, white and huge, in the middle of the abandoned room, listening for that which they scarce expected to hear. Yet from one of the side rooms they caught a moan, a call, a supplication. Then from a door came a tall and white-faced figure with staring eyes, which held out its arms to the taller of the snow-shrouded forms and said: "Uncle, is it you? Have you come back? We were so afraid!" From the room behind this figure came a voice sobbing, shouting, blessing the name of the Lord. So they knew that two were saved, and one was missing. They pushed into the remaining room. "Auntie went away," said the tall and white-faced figure, shuddering and shivering. "She went away into her room. We could not find the fence any more. Uncle, is it you? Come!" So they came to the bedside and saw Mrs. Buford lying covered with all her own clothing and much of that of Mary Ellen and Aunt Lucy, but with no robe; for the buffalo robes had all gone with the wagon, as was right, though unavailing. Under this covering, heaped up, though insufficient, lay Mrs. Buford, her face white and still and marble-cold. They found her with the picture of her husband clasped upon her breast.

"She went away!" sobbed Mary Ellen, leaning her head upon Franklin's shoulder and still under the hallucination of the fright and strain and suffering. She seemed scarce to understand that which lay before them, but continued to wander, babbling, shivering, as her arms lay on Franklin's shoulder. "We could not keep her warm," she said. "It has been very, very cold!"

Came a tall, white-faced figure.

CHAPTER XXVI.

The Artfulness of Sam.

For a brief time there might have been found support for that ideally inaccurate statement of our Constitution which holds that all men are born free and equal, entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. With our might we belie this clause, though in the time of Ellisville it might have had some footing. That day has long since passed.

The stamping of the social die had begun its work. Indeed, after a time there came to be in the great dining-room of the Stone Hotel little groups bounded by unseen but impassable lines.

Sam, the owner of the livery barn, had one table in the corner, where he invariably sat. His mode of entering the dining-room varied not with the passing of the years. Appearing at the door, he cast a frightened look at the occupants who had preceded him, and in whose faces he could imagine nothing but critical censure of his own person. Becoming aware of his hat, he made a dive and hung it up. Then he trod timidly through the door, with a certain side-draught in his step, yet withal an acceleration of speed which presently brought him almost at a run to his corner of refuge, where he dropped, red and with a gulp. When Nora stood at his chair, and repeated to him frostily the menu of the day, all the world went round to Sam, and he gained no idea of what was offered him. With much effort at nonchalance, he would again wipe his face, take up his fork for twiddling, and say always the same thing.

"Oh, I ain't very hungry; jes' bring me a little pie an' beef an' coffee." And Nora, scornfully ignoring all this, then departed and brought him many things, setting them in array about his plate, and enabling him to eat as really he wished. Whether Sam knew that Nora would do this is a question which must remain unanswered, but it is certain that he never changed the form of his own "order."

Sam was a citizen. He had grown up with the town. He was, so to speak, one of the charter members of Ellisville, and thereby entitled to consideration. There was no reason why Sam might not look any man in the face, or any woman. But this latter Sam had never done. His admiration for Nora bade fair to remain a secret known of all but the one most interested. Daily Sam sat at the table and listened to Nora's icy tones. Daily he arose with the stern resolve that before the sun had set he would have told this woman of that which so oppressed him; yet each day, after he had dined, he stole furtively away to the hat rack and slouched across the street to his barn, gazing down at his feet with abasement on his soul. "I ain't afeard o' any hoss that ever stood up," said he to himself, "but I can't say a word to that Nory girl, no matter how I try!"

Accident sometimes accomplishes that which design fails to compass. One day Sam was detained with a customer much later than his usual dinner hour. Indeed, Sam had not been to dinner at the hotel for many days, a fact which the district physician at the railway might have explained. "Of course," said Sam, "I done the drivin', an' maybe that was why I got froze some more than Cap Franklin did, when we went down south that day." Frozen he had been, so that two of his fingers were now gone at the second joint, a part of his right ear was trimmed of unnecessary tissue, and his right cheek remained red and scarred with the blister of the cold endured on that drive over the desolated land. It was a crippled and still more timid Sam who, unwittingly very late, halted that day at the door of the dining-room and gazed within. He dodged to his table and sat down without a look at any of his neighbors. To him it seemed that Nora regarded him with yet more visible scornfulness.

One by one the guests at the table rose and left the room, and one by one the waiter girls followed them. The dining hour was nearly over. Sam, absorbed in his own misery and his own hunger, awoke with a start to find the great hall apparently quite deserted.

It is the curious faculty of some men (whereby scientists refer us to the ape) that they are able at will to work back and forth the scalp upon the skull. Yet others and perhaps fewer men retain the ability to work either or both ears, moving them back and forth voluntarily. It was Sam's solitary accomplishment that he could thus move his ears. Only by this was he set apart and superior to other beings.

As Sam sat alone at the table, his spoon-rattling loud upon his plate in evidence of his mental disturbance, he absent-mindedly began to work back and forth his ears, perhaps solicitous to learn if his accomplishment had been impaired by the mishap which had caused him other loss. As he did this, he was intensely startled to hear behind him a burst of laughter, albeit laughter quickly smothered. He turned to see Nora, his idol, his adored, standing back of him, where she had slipped in with professional quiet and stood with professional etiquette, waiting for his departure, so that she might hale forth the dishes he had used. At this apparition, at this awful sight—for never in the history of man had Nora, the head waitress, been known to smile—the heart of Sam stopped forthwith in his bosom.

"I-I-I b-b-beg your—I-I d-didn't know you was there," he stammered in abject perturbation.

Nora sniffed. "I should think you might of knowed it," said she.

"I d-d-don't b-b-blame you fer laughin', M-M-Miss M-M-M-Markley," said Sam miserably.

"What at?" demanded Nora fiercely.

"At m-m-my air. I know it's funny, cut off, that way. But I c-c-can't help it. It's gone."

"I didn't," exclaimed Nora hotly, her face flushing. "Your ears is all right. I was laughin' at seein' you move 'em. I beg your pardon. I didn't know anybody could, that way, you know. I'm—I'm sorry."

A great light broke over Sam. A vast dam crashed free. His soul rushed forth in one mad wave.

"M-M-Miss M-M-Markley — Miss — Nory!" he exclaimed, whirling about and facing her, "d-d-d-do y-y-you l-l-like to s-s-see me work my airs?"

"Yes, it's funny," admitted Nora, on the point of another outbreak in spite of herself.

Sam saw his advantage. He squared himself about, and, looking solemnly and earnestly in Nora's face, he pulled his right and then his left ear forward until the members stood nearly at right angles to his head.

After all, the ludicrous is but the unexpected. Many laugh who see an old woman fall upon the slippery pavement. This new spectacle was the absolutely undreamed-of to Nora, who was no scientist. Her laughter was irrepressible.

Sam followed up his advantage royally. "I can work 'em both to onct!" he exclaimed triumphantly. And did so. "There! Look a-here!" He waggled his ears ecstatically. The reserve of Nora oozed, waned, vanished.

Even the sternest fiber must at length succumb under prolonged Herculean endeavor. No man may long continuously wag his ears, even alternately; therefore Sam perforce paused in time. Yet by that time—in what manner it occurred no one may know—Nora was seated on the chair next to him at the table. They were alone. Silence fell. Nora's hand moved nervously among the spoons. Upon it dropped the mutilated one of Sam.

"Nory," said he, "I'd—I'd work 'em all my life—fer you!" And to Nora, who turned away her head now, not for the purpose of hiding a smile, this seemed always a perfectly fit and proper declaration of this man's regard.

"I know I'm no good," murmured Sam. "I'm a awful coward. I-I-I've l-l-loved you ever sence the fust time that I seen you, but I was such a coward, I—I couldn't—couldn't——"

"You're not!" cried Nora imperiously.

"Oh, yes, I am," said Sam.

"Look at them," said Nora, almost touching his crippled fingers. "Don't I know?"

"Oh, that," said Sam, hiding the hand under the droop of the tablecloth. "Why, that? I got froze some, a-drivin'."

"Yes, and," said Nora accusingly, "how did you get froze? A-drivin' 'way down there, in the storm, after folks. No one else'd go."

"Why, yes, Cap Franklin, he went," said Sam. "That wasn't nothin'. Why, o'course we'd go."

"No one else wouldn't, though."

Sam wondered. "I was always too much a coward to say a word to you," he began. And then an awful doubt sat on his soul.

"Nory," he resumed solemnly, "did ever any feller say anything to you about my—I-I-I—well, my lovin' you?"

"I should say not!" said Nora. "I'd a' slapped his face, mighty quick! What business——"

"Not never a single one?" said Sam, his face brightening.

"No, ndeed. Why, I'd like to know? Did you ever ask anyone to!"

"I should say not!" said Sam, with the only lie he ever told, and one most admirable. "I should say not!" he repeated with emphasis, and in tones which carried conviction even to himself.

"You'd better not!" said Nora. "I wouldn't of had you if they had!"

Sam started. "What's that, Nory?" he said. "Say that ag'in! Did you say you wouldn't of had me—you wouldn't of?" His hand found hers again.

"Yes," faltered Nora, seeing herself entrapped by her own speech.

"Then, Nory," said Sam firmly, casting a big arm about her waist, "if you wouldn't of had me then I reckon now you do." And neither from this subtlety nor from the sturdy arm did Nora seek evasion, though she tugged faintly at the fingers which held fast her waist.

"I don't care," she murmured vaguely. "There ain't no coward would of done it!" Whereat Sam, seeing himself a hero, wisely accepted fate and ceased to argue. The big arm tightened manfully, and into his blue eyes came the look of triumph.

"Nory," whispered he loyally, "I'll never work my airs ag'in for any woman in the world but you!"

(To be continued.)

Carnegie Dialect.

Though Andrew Carnegie's English is singularly elegant and pure, he has at his command a weird Scotch dialect.

Mr. Carnegie is a student of Scotch words and idioms. He likes to point out the oddities and freaks of his native tongue. Recently, at a dinner party in New York, he said to a young woman:

"So you think you can understand Scots, eh? Well, then, what do we mean in Scotland when we say a person is just fifish?"

"I don't know. What do we mean?" the young woman asked.

"We mean he is a bit of a weed barum-scarum," said Mr. Carnegie.

"A weed harum-scarum? What is that?"

"It is the same as wowf."

"But what is wowf?"

"Wowf is nook or sal. That is to say, a bit by the east. Havers, lassie, ha'e ye no Scots at all?"

Then Mr. Carnegie laughed and explained that a weed harum-scarum, and fifish, and wow, and nook, and sal, and by the east all signified the one thing, "crazy."—Minneapolis Tribune.

Economy Extraordinary.

W. W. Young, who had listened to some remarks on economy, told of a boy who carried the sentiment to excess. "I saw the lad in front of a grocery store in a little town," said he. "He had a big green pepper in his hand and the tears were rolling down his cheek. The green pepper showed the imprints of his teeth. I asked him what was the matter and he said, 'It burns.'

"'Why are you eating it, then?' I asked, and he blubbered out, 'Well, I thought it was an apple when I bought it. I guess it ain't any apple, but I paid two cents for it an' I have to eat it, anyway.'"—New York Times.

YOUR CORNER

Spring Hat Trimming.

Leather strapping is a popular trimming for spring hats. The simplest of sailors have no other decoration than a band of leather and a buckle, while the more pretentious affairs are strapped around the crowns, brims are caught up or down, wings and quills are held in place, and even bows are made secure, all with the aid of dainty straps of leather and brass buckles. The same form of decoration may be seen on the newest spring suits. Cuffs collars and belt of bright colored leather make an elegant as well as simple trimming, and a very beautiful effect may be obtained by having the leather stamped with a conventional pattern in gold and using gold buttons.

Child's Double-Breasted Coat.

The double-breasted closing circular capes and box-plaited back are characteristic features of this nobby little coat, which may be used for either boys or girls. It is a style that is particularly becoming and one that will not go out in one season. The coat is

shaped by shoulder and under-arm seams and one of the capes may be omitted if desired. The strapping down the front gives a pretty finish, and may be covered by braid like that on capes, if one chooses. These little military coats are among the newest designs and are deservedly popular. The coat is particularly full and has a style about it that can not be had in the every-day modes. Red lady's cloth or corduroy with white or black stitchings and gun-metal buttons would make an attractive design. Other desirable selections which will find favor are yelvet, melton, kersey cloth or peau de soie, if a heavy coat is not desired.

The Kitchen

Don't allow grease to burn on the outside of your frying pan.

Kettles may be thoroughly cleaned by boiling potato peelings in them, says the Chicago News.

Never put a table linen that has fruit stains into the hot soapsuds. It sets the stain.

Don't throw or drain vegetables in the sink. It will necessitate your calling the plumber, as pieces will get into the pipes.

To have a custard pie of an even, nice brown when baked, sprinkle a little sugar over the top just before putting into the oven.

When cooking green vegetables a small particle of soda added to the boiling water just before putting in the vegetables will keep them in fresh color.

New Style for Trimming.

One material laid on another by way of trimming is a marked feature of the fashion of the day. Cloth bands of applique designs of cloth on velvet gowns, or the precise reverse, velvet cut out in points or patterns laid upon cloth, or silk used for edging cloth, or bands of cloth, looking a little out of place in themselves, but indubitably up to date, on silk skirts—here is a fancy of the moment which is likely to maintain its popularity. Such decoration is seen on the capes or collars or pelerines of the bodies, as well as in the shape of bands round or down the skirts. In the last mentioned situation, too, scallops of the material of the gown, bound round with the trimming fabric, as, for instance, cloth edged with silk, are adopted. Ribbon makes good strappings or bands, and can be had in such variety that there is no difficulty in meeting the requirements in the way of color or relief of the dress material. Bands of embroidery are often applied to smarten a blue serge dress.

Tempting Outlook for Spring.

Ribbon embroidery is much used as a trimming for the fancy separate waist. Some dainty design often decorates the front of the blouse or outlines the deep yoke. Shirred ribbon if formed in artistic designs and pretty effects, are obtained by having the ribbon the same color as the blouse, only a tint lighter or darker. Silk voile, Swiss embroidered mull, ombre chiffon, lace and printed Brussels net, as well as the new soft taffeta with a messaline finish, are the materials most used for the blouses which are now being worn. A little later on the lingerie blouse will outrival all others. It will be a mass of fine lace and hand embroidery, and for its foundation the finest India lawn, organdie and batiste will be used. Very many of the blouses button up the back and are made with a deep yoke and cuffs.

PRETTY THINGS TO WEAR

Tassels hang from every point.

Gold and silver appear in laces for spring.

Braiding of all kinds is used extravagantly.

Stockings positively must match the gown, says fashion.

The newest raincoats are very smartly made of men's suitings.

Strawberries appear on a few frocks and they are generally hand-made.

Russian embroidery is here for a long stay, possibly the entire summer.

The trimming on the full skirt is nearly always put on in running-about lines.

Hand-painted lace is going to be worn by those who can afford perishable things.

A new trimming is a braid which is made of punched velvet with satin ribbon run through the openings.

Earrings Worn Again.

The wearing of earrings is a custom that should be adopted with caution and the form of the earrings left very much to the individual taste of the wearer. They have never quite gone out of fashion, and they certainly have not quite come in. A tall woman can wear longer styles than a short one, and perhaps the increased height of the English women will give an impetus to the wearing of longer earrings.

Americans have a great predilection for them. Parisians are fitful in their appreciation. At present it is pearls and diamonds that are most worn, and some women are wearing odd ones, a white pearl in one ear and a pink one in the other, or a white and a black one. Pear-shaped pearls are well suited to earrings. Studs of colored stones, quite minute, are a favorite style of fashionable earrings.

INFORMAL TALKS

Wood alcohol rubbed on a polished table stained or marred by a hot dish will restore the finish if followed by a polishing with linseed oil. The odor of wood alcohol is not pleasing, but it is cheaper than medicinal alcohol.

As starch is very apt to rot clothes they should be washed, rough dried without starch and pressed out smoothly when they are laid away for the winter.

To remove panes of glass lay soft soap over the putty which holds them and after a few hours the putty, however hard, will become soft and easy to scrape away.

The Spring Fashions.

In the spring fashions it is interesting to see the two varying types of skirts which will be worn. There is the trotteur skirt, one inch from the

Violet crepe de chine, with lace dyed to match. Bow and girdle of deeper violet velvet. Hat of violet spangles, with purple tips.

ground and shorter, which is the acknowledged fashionable skirt for general every-day knock-about wear. And then there is the soft, full, trailing skirt for dress occasions, with its introduction of plaits and shirrs and gathers. With the short skirt it is imperative that the foot has an up-to-date appearance, and every girl who wears the walking skirt knows this and is acting accordingly. That's why shoes are interesting her more than ever before. The new Oxford tie is made without a tongue this spring. It is of kid or patent leather, with a sensible, prettily shaped Cuban heel, and ribbons are used instead of shoe lacings. Some of these ties have but four big eyelets—two on either side of the shoe—and the ribbon used is wide and ties in a big bow.—Woman's Home Companion.

Gown of Mixed Colors.

Gown of rough mixed stuff—red, green and blue. The skirt is trimmed on either side of the plain tablier with

stitched tabs of white cloth. The bodice is draped and crossed at the bottom, forming all the girdle there is.

The guimpe is of guipure, and over this is a deep cape like shoulder collar, opening widely in front and finished around the neck with a band of the white cloth, forming straps in front. The sleeves, very full at the bottom, are drawn into wristbands of the white cloth.

Decorating Skirts.

Skirts are no longer decorated with patches of trimming in the way of applications of lace or of passementerie, or with streamers of any sort. The correct style is to place all the decoration around the hem. Two stitched folds of taffeta silk the exact shade of the gown sewed on half an inch apart make a pretty finish on even the thinnest fabrics. For heavier cloths an unstitched band of velvet seven or eight inches wide headed by tucks of the cloth is a new French idea for the bottom of skirts.

Styles that Demand Taste.

Some beautiful effects have been arrived at with shot taffetas, decorated with floral patterns in silk and chenille. Such trimmings, however, are apt to look old fashioned unless they be very cleverly manipulated. Still they play a part in the fashions of today and to-morrow and therefore have to be considered.

Chocolate Wafers.

One cup brown sugar, one cup granulated sugar, one cup butter, one egg, one cup grated chocolate, one teaspoonful vanilla; sifted flour to make stiff. Roll thin. One may use two-thirds cup good cocoa and a pinch of soda instead of chocolate, but don't use soda or baking powder with the chocolate.

Royal blue peau de [illegible] cuffs of emerald [illegible] and white [illegible] hat, wi[illegible]

The Table Rock Argus.
F. A. Taylor, Publisher.
Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

The voters did it with their little ballot—those who failed to vote.

The license ticket at Falls City was elected by majorities ranging around 200.

The result of the election means wet for two years at least—barring accidents.

Humboldt and Tecumseh went dry They can come to Table Rock to wet their whistles.

The president recommended Judge Baxter of Omaha for district attorney and the nomination has been confirmed by the senate.

The report of the Deitrich investigating committee is being prepared by Senator Platte and may not be rendered until next week.

Dr. Fletcher Wharton has resigned as pastor of St. Paul M. E. church of Lincoln, and has accepted a call to the pastorate of a Seattle church.

Only about 75 per cent of our voting citizens exercised their privilege on Tuesday and the other 25 per cent will put in their time during the next two years kicking themselves and the work of the village board.

The county commissioners have invited the committee they named to act with them in the matter of the new court house and jail to meet with them next Saturday for the purpose of deciding upon the kind of a proposition they will submit.

The seventy-fourth annual conference of the Mormon church closed yesterday. A manifesto against polygamy was issued, threatening excommunication for any church official who performs a plural marriage ceremony. It will not affect poligamists like President Smith, who has five wives whom he married before 1890 when the law against plural marriages first went into effect, and with whom he continues to live.

Claude Craig and Charles Dockhorn while hunting near Beatrice, Monday morning, shot and killed a large golden eagle. This species of the eagle is very rare and is said to be the first of its kind ever killed in that section. The bird was turned over to James Cody who will mount it. He is authority on birds and says it was about seventy-five years old. It weighed 20 pounds and measured 8 ft. from tip to tip.—Wymore Wymorean.

H. C. Lindsay is now being vigorously pushed by his friends for clerk of the supreme court. Mr. Lindsay deserves recognition. He has led the party to success; has allowed his private business to look after itself to a large extent, while he devoted his time to party interest, without remuneration; that he did it willingly does not relieve the party obligation. Back of party fealty is ability to to make a good clerk, and a popularity second to no man in Nebraska.

The scarcity of side walk brick will delay the building for several weeks, of a number of sidewalks about town that had been planned for the early spring, so the people will have to put up with a few dilapidated walks for a while. They can be endured a little longer, if it is certain that they will be replaced with brick ones a little later on.—Sterling Sun.

Our big brick plants are both running day and night now, brother, and you had better get your order registered in one of them right away.

From the United States senate to prison cell will be the retrogression of Senator Burton of Kansas, if the sentence of the court is carried out. He was sentenced to six months in the Iron county jail, and to pay a fine of $2,500. It debars him from holding any government office. It is an object lesson which shows how far a man's selfishness and greed will sometimes lead him. Mr. Burton occupied a proud position, one far above the dreams of the average man; it carried with it opportunities for accomplishing great work which would make his name revered for generations; all this was bartered for money—notole millions of which could not purchase the glory which was his possibility—and the end is prison bars and infamy.

These pupils have perfect records in attendance and punctuality for March:

1st Primary

Carl Bicknell, Harry Hanna, Minnie Kerns, Marguerite Linn, Willie Mead, Lowrain McCrea, Meres Munsinger.

2nd Primary

Leata Bailey, Ruth McCoy, Eva Munsinger, Lester Nichols, Charlie Lloyd Andrew, Clarence Bicknell, Cecelia Brothers, Charlie Dvorak, Greta Nichols.

Intermediat

Raymond Andrew, Lizzie Barrett, Lucy Broyles, Lee Kerns, Leslie Munsinger, Imo Mead, Stella McCoy, Lillie Buckles, Theo Brothers, Callie Barrett, Viola Horton, Ruth Parrish, Ina Ward.

1st Grammar

Anna Dvorak, Guy Kerns, Frank Dvorak, Anna Bell McNutt, Kora Tenk.

2nd Grammar

Lillian Causey, Veda McCrea, Pearl Groom, Gladys Mead, Jennie Porter, Hattie Pennington, Grace Horton, Winnie Broyles.

High School

Mabel Edwards, Mary Dvorak, Mabel Goodale, Edgar Norris, Frank Kerns, Nellie Irwin, Charles Martin, Hattie Schurr, Harmon Chambers, John Tomek, Roy Kerns, Ina Wilson, Nellie Phillips, Fannie Phillips, Emma Buerstetta, Aylwin Seism, Belle Goodale, Carl Beck.

A train load of Filipinos passed through Wymore last Thursday on their way to St Louis, where they will occupy a Filipino village during the World's Fair. These semi-civilized natives gave the railroad officials considerable worry by the manner in which they divested themselves of clothing. They persisted in throwing their clothing out the car windows and many of them wore blankets which were hurriedly furnished by the railroad. All wore earrings of metal and bone and many were tattooed. One tribe of the collection were reputed head hunters. The sudden change in the weather had developed symptoms of pneumonia in a large majority, and many will be placed in hospitals on their arrival at St Louis.—Wymore Wymorean.

MONEY!! MONEY!!

Do you wish to get a loan or pay an old mortgage on your land? Can arrange for you to pay annual interest the first of any month you may name. Optional Payments. Private Funds. Some good lands to sell. Write.
Henry C. Smith, Falls City, Neb. 40-42

We understand the Humboldt band begins its summer open-air concerts this Saturday evening. What about our band?

Ayer's

When the nerves are weak everything goes wrong. You are tired all the time, easily discouraged, nervous, and irritable. Your cheeks are

Sarsaparilla

pale and your blood is thin. Your doctor says you are threatened with a nervous breakdown. He orders this grand old family medicine.

"For more than 50 years I have used Ayer's Sarsaparilla in my family. It is a grand tonic at all times, and a wonderful medicine for impure blood."—D. C. Holt, West Haven, Conn.

J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

for Weak Nerves

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA

[illegible]

Frank A. Barton, County Judge.

Make A Clean Sweep

There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the salves you ever heard of Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures burns, sores, bruises, cuts, boils, ulcers, skin eruptions and piles. It's only 25c and guaranteed to give satisfaction. [illegible]

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Cherry, 3 "	20c to 40c
Pear, 10 "	20c to 40c
Plum, 12 "	15c to 50c
Currant and gooseberry	05c to 10c
Blackberry, 12 kinds	05c
Raspberry, 5 "	05c
Grapes, many kinds	05c to 10c
Rhubarb and horseradish	05c
Asparagus, per 100	75c
Strawberries, 20 varieties " "	50c

Best varieties of Roses, Spiraeas, Deutzias, Weigelias, Honeysuckles, Wisterias, Hydrangeas, Lamias, etc. and a good stock of house plants and bedders, at low prices.
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A hair cut, a shampoo, at the popular barber shop of

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Good rigs always to be had on reasonable terms. Bus and baggage wagon to and from depot. Courteous treatment accorded all patrons and satisfaction guaranteed.

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White Ohio, Early Ohio, Banners, and other varieties of Potatoes, Home Grown and Red River Grown Potatoes.

White Elephant, a Lincorn—Shenandoah Yellow—a hundred day corn—Iowa Silvermine, Early Ohio—a ninety day corn—Early White Cap Dent and many other varieties of corn. Those wanting corn in ear can have some crated.

A. C. ALLINSON.

In the County Court of Pawnee County, Nebraska.
In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, Deceased.
Notice of Hearing on Confirmation of Report of Commissioners on Assignment of Homestead and Dower
All persons interested in said estate, take notice, that, on filing the report of the commissioners heretofore appointed to assign to Clarinda Crisler, the widow of said A. S. Crisler, deceased, a homestead and dower out of the lands of which the said A. S. Crisler died seized, ... as such homestead and dower ... seventy rods of the ... section twenty-three, ... north, of range eleven, east of the sixth principal meridian, in Pawnee county, Nebraska, 70 acres. It is ordered ... persons interested in said matter ... before the County Court ... at Pawnee City, Nebraska ... of April 1904 ... and show cause ... report and assignment should not be ... [illegible]
Witness my hand and the seal of said County court, this ... 1904.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

THE PIONEER

BARBER SHOP,

FRANK LEUTHAUSER,
PROPRIETOR.

[illegible]

EXAMINE OUR STOCK OF GENERAL MERCHANDISE which is the largest in Pawnee county. Get a new Suit of Clothes that will Fit you, for as little money as you would pay for a misfit. A fine line of Shoes for men, women and children. We invite you to call and see our big stock.

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Dent Seed Corn.

I furnished the state of Nebraska for exhibition at the St. Louis Exposition, 100 bushels of White Dent corn, ten times more than any other grower did. ... I have been carefully selecting and improving White Dent seed eight years ... [illegible]

F. W. CHASE.

M H Marble.

Justice of the Peace and Notary Public,

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TABLE ROCK, NEBRASKA

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of ... S. Crisler, deceased.
The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested, will take notice that on ... letters of administration to D. K. Miller for the estate of said deceased. It is ordered that the administrator be allowed ... one year in which to settle said estate; that claims against the estate of said ... be presented and adjusted before ... the first Thursdays in July and ... and that claims not filed ... the last named date will be forever barred ... settlement of the estate of said deceased.
Witness my hand and the seal of said court this ... day of March, 1904.
FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the matter of the estate of Kasiar ... deceased.
... [illegible] ... appear before the county court ... at Pawnee City, Nebraska ... 14th day of April, 1904, at ten o'clock ... and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.
Witness my hand and the seal of said court this ... day of March, 1904.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

Paints at Wilson's.

John Tibbets is very sick.

Take your laundry to W. C. Fellers.

Mrs. Will Ward's little son is quite sick with pneumonia.

Miss Coffin, of Wymore, was a guest of friends here last week.

For Sale—Plymouth Rock eggs. Inquire of J. R. Sutton. 37-tf

Our store is overflowing with new goods. W. C. Fellers.

Consult your own interests by buying wall paper and paints at Wilson's drug store. 39-tf

Mr and Mrs Warren Runnion, of Tecumseh, have been guests of their son, Fred, this week.

When in Pawnee City buy Reliable Dry Goods of F. J. McNeese Pay less and dress better.

Mrs Alice Wheeler and children of Wymore, are guests of her parents W P Pattison and wife.

The little grandchild of Peter Stevens and wife, is quite sick with pneumonia, at their home.

Remember Tillotson when in need of anything in the undertaking line; our stock is complete and new. 40

Unquestionably our line of laces and embroideries is the finest ever shown in Table Rock. W. C. Fellers.

L D Snyder bought a quarter-section of land in Washington county, Kas., near the town of Merrill, for which he paid $4,800.

Pasture—Having rented the State Bank land section 29, I am now prepared to pasture cattle. 38-tf
A. A. Wildfield.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

George Pepoon went to Beatrice Tuesday, and Mrs Pepoon and the boy are visiting her parents in Pawnee City during his absence.

Notice the Change.

Wilson, the photographer, will be in Table Rock each Thursday instead of Monday. 40-tf

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. W. C. Fellers.

Warren Runnion has sold the corner brick building now occupied by the Horton livery stable and the Hanna feed store, to C W Chambers.

Please call and see us when in need of undertaking goods. Let us make you prices; if we can't please you in price and goods we don't want your business. 40 A. K. Tillotson.

In an examination in optics at the Peoria college last week, Ralph Cotton stood at head of the class of 39—reaching a grade of 98. Table Rock boys stand at the head of nearly everything they undertake.

Without exception our line of wash goods—Batiste, Vaile Cord, Dimities, Orenadine, Persian Lawns, Mauselines, Madras, etc.—is the largest, prettiest and most complete ever carried by a Table Rock store, and we invite you to inspect it.
W. C. Fellers.

John F Wilson, the photographer, last week purchased a studio at Table Rock and will hereafter run the gallery at that place in connection with his business here. Mr Wilson, as an artistic photographer, ranks second to none in the state and Table Rock people are to be congratulated upon his having invested in a gallery in their little city.—Pawnee Chief.

A case in which W C Fellers was plaintiff, and W A McCaslin and wife and Mrs Layman were defendents, was before Squire Marble, Monday, and was settled by agreement. J B Raper appeared for Mrs Layman, and Attorney Smith of Humboldt for Mr Fellers. The suit was brought to recover on a note for which Mrs Layman was surety.

The election Tuesday passed off quietly. A smaller vote than usual when a fight is on, was polled, only 155 voters expressing their views on the issue through the medium of the ballot box. The result was the defeat of the entire anti-license ticket, by a close vote. C H Mutchell was the high man with 81 votes; J M Lane had 78, W H Smith 75, J D Longwell 74, C I Norris 73, W E Heywood 73 votes. Several applicants for saloon license have already appeared, and the board ... the privilege of doing ... [illegible] ... comes.

W J Martin is visiting relatives here.

Hayes Smith is bedfast from pneumonia.

Joe Norris, of Falls City, visited friends here Saturday.

Jay Barnard was home from Lincoln for a few days this week.

For Sale Cheap—A good organ. 40-43 Mrs. E. L. Mitchell.

W. C. Fellers is agent for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try him once.

Ollie Perry left for Syracuse Tuesday night for a visit with his sister.

G. W. Pepoon & Co., will deliver wood to any part of town for $1.75 per rick. 37-tf

The Wilson drug store claims it will save you money on wall paper and paints and invites you to put it to the test.

Misses Matilda and Emma Werner and Mary Novacek, visited Humboldt Monday to see a show which did not materialize.

Get the children ready for their photos now. Wilson, the artist, will be here again Thursday, April 14, and every Thursday thereafter. 40

George, from Pueblo, and Jesse and Dolph Fisher, from Furnas county, are here to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Helen Roberts.

To Patrons: Your pictures will be returned and enlarged copies submitted for your approval about April 15
Wickliff Parker, Solicitor. 40

We are not here to meet anybody else's prices on undertaking goods; we simply want to furnish good goods at living prices. A. K. Tillotson.

Mrs Chuman, notice of whose arrest in Omaha appears in another column, and who was released on her own recognizance, was a guest of C S Cook the fore part of the week.

You should remember that April 12 is the great Jersey cattle sale at Tecumseh, Neb. Also Jersey and Berkshire hogs. Butter, not beef, is king in Nebraska. Send to Apperson & Lamb for a catalogue.

George Gressman arrived here Saturday from his home near Washington, Kas., and has been here this week, looking after the erection of a monument over the grave of his son, Henry.

Wall paper and paints form an important feature in the household considerations at this season of the year. The Wilson drug store is supplied with a large stock of the very best and at prices hard to duplicate.

Mr. John Kastecka and Miss Anna Warner were united in marriage by County Judge Barton today in Pawnee City. The Argus extends its heartiest congratulations to the young couple, wishing them a long and happy life together.

Mrs. Lydia Andrew, Mrs. Ida Norris, Mrs. K. S. Jennings, Mrs. L. A. Holmes and Mrs. W. M. Morrow attended the meeting of the W. H. M. society at Humboldt yesterday and today. In the selection of officers Mrs. Andrew was elected secretary and Mrs. Morrow district organizer.

Mrs. Wm. Nimechek died at her home on the Fritz farm, this morning after an illness of about ten days. She was taken ill with measles which complicated with inflammation of the brain and caused her death. They have lived on the Fritz place but a short time, having recently traded a farm in Kansas for the place. The deceased was about 28 years of age, and leaves a husband and three children to mourn her death.

Mrs Helen Roberts died at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs J L Fisher, in this city, on last Friday afternoon. The deceased was 35 years of age, and was united in marriage to Thomas Roberts about fourteen years ago. For several years past they have made their home in Auburn, where Mr Roberts was engaged in the grocery business. A short time ago he sold out his business and with a car load of goods, went to Alberta, Canada, to locate a new home, leaving Mrs Roberts and the children here, until such time as he should get located. He had written to Mrs Roberts to come, and she expected to start the next day after she was taken ill, but she rapidly grew worse, and the husband was telegraphed for, but as he was a new man in a new country, forty-five miles from the railroad, and roads in a bad condition, the messenger did not reach him until last Sunday; he started ... [illegible] ... and is expected ... [illegible]

Mrs E L Porter is quite sick this week.

Our store is overflowing with new goods. W. C. Fellers.

W R Myers was over from Steinauer on Tuesday.

Money to loan: real estate: favorable terms. 37-tf C. W. Chambers.

No. 96 drew the set of dishes at the ... butcher shop this morning.

Mrs A J Marble is at Tecumseh today attending an execution session of the state W. S. A.

Our line of calicoes is full and complete. Call and see them and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

T W Conklin and Mrs Mary Bennett were united in marriage at Gaylord, Kans., on Saturday, March 26. Friends here extend congratulations.

At its meeting last night the school board decided that it would select teachers at its next regular meeting, which will be held on May 2nd.

Miss Vesta Freeman, a Table Rock young lady, who took a course at the Lincoln Business college, now has a position with the Tidball & Marsh Lumber Co., of Lincoln.

Mrs J D Longwell received the sad intelligence this morning, that her sister, Mrs. Betzer, died on Friday at her home in Fostoria, Ohio, after an extended illness.

Now is the time to take a spring tonic to purify the blood, cleanse the liver and kidneys of all impurities. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do the business. 35c. Tea or tablets. F M Colwell.

The members of the Woman's Suffrage Association are requested to meet at the home of Mrs Anna Kovanda, at 2:30 o'clock on April 14th; business of importance will be transacted.

Elk Creek went wet by a draw. A full board was elected, each side won two, and for the fifth place there was a tie and in the draw the wet man won, making the board stand three to two.

Without exception our line of wash goods—Batiste, Voile Cord, Dimities, Orenadine, Persian Lawns, Mauselines, Madras, etc.—is the largest, prettiest and most complete ever carried by a Table Rock store, and we invite you to inspect it.
W. C. Fellers.

Saturday morning Clark Luthultz, a young man who works for Frank Duder northwest of town, accidentally shot himself with a .22 rifle, the bullet entering the thigh. Dr McCrea was sent for and the injury dressed, but could not get the bullet, which afterwards passed out through the bladder, having taken an upward course. The young man is doing very well, but it will be some time before he fully recovers.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cavault died at her home northwest of this city Friday afternoon after an illness of several weeks. The deceased was a little over 76 years of age, and leaves a husband and two children to mourn the loss of a devoted wife and mother. She came to Pawnee county with her family twenty-two years ago. The funeral services were held at the home on Sunday morning at ten o'clock, conducted by Rev. W. H. Morrow, in the presence of relatives, friends and neighbors and the remains were buried in the Elk Creek cemetery. To the aged husband and children the Argus expresses the sympathy of their friends.

"Yes, I stole my little girl, and I'll do it again." was the declaration made to the detectives by Mrs Nettie Chuman, who has been arrested upon a charge of kidnapping. She and her husband are separated, and according to her statement he has been in an insane asylum. Their little girl, 10 years old, was adopted by Mr Ireland who lives near Auburn. About a month ago the child went to the home of her grandmother, Mrs Katherine Chuman, who lives five miles from Auburn. There it was that Nettie Chuman, the mother of the little girl, spent a night four weeks ago. In the middle of the night she escaped from the house, walking six miles, accompanied by the girl. Where the child now is the police do not know. Mrs Chuman says the child has been put in a place for safe keeping and she does not mean to tell where. She was arrested Friday morning upon a warrant sworn out by the grandmother of the little girl. Mrs Chuman has been employed at the Merriam hotel, Twenty-fifth St. and Dodge.—Omaha World-Herald.

Wall paper at Wilson's.

Read our map proposition.

Miss Nellie Fellers is sick with pneumonia.

Uncle Bill Fellers has been looking after business matters here this week.

For Sale—A good, family horse; will work single or double. Inquire of C. H. Carmichael. 40

Our line of calicoes is full and complete. Call and see it and be convinced. W. C. Fellers.

Band boys. All be out to practice next Tuesday night at the Opera House. Business will talk over the open-air concert question.

Wilson's Art Studio is open every Thursday instead of Monday. We make the latest and elite styles as well as the ordinary. 40-tf

Hon. C. H. Norris of Table Rock, one of the pioneer residents of the county, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.—Pawnee Republican.

Amos Crisler will preach in the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend the services.

Frank Kovanda sent a box of native Oregon flowers to his father this week, which show that where Frank is spring is several weeks ahead of what it is here.

I know a jolly old maiden lady,
A lady of high degree,
Who never goes to bed—without
A drink of Rocky Mountain Tea.
Sensible woman. F M Colwell.

The little ten-days'-old baby of Mr and Mrs Joe Swanda, died on Sunday evening and was buried on Monday. The funeral services were conducted by Rev Murphy, pastor of the Presbyterian church.

The people of Table Rock and vicinity are invited to call and get shoes while I am selling them at cost. I want to close them out and while they last they will be sold at wholesale prices. 39-41-3w John Tomek.

Miss Maggie McBride, niece of Grandpa Butler, visited him and the family of H. A. Lawrence over Sunday. Miss McBride is now engaged as nurse in an Omaha hospital.—Elk Creek Herald.

Just after noon on Monday the chimney in Mrs. John Morton's house was discovered to be fire. An alarm was turned in and the fire company was soon at the scene, and the fire extinguished without doing much damage.

When will our band begin its popular open air concerts? The Humboldt band has already commenced, and we should not be behind them. Last summer these concerts were very attractive, drawing large crowds each night, and our citizens desire to see them inaugurated early this season.

John Patrick, a young man aged about 23 years, living with his parents one mile south of this city, committed suicide Monday morning by purposely swallowing a quantity of carbolic acid. Mr. Patrick purchased four ounces of the liquid Sunday afternoon at one of the drug stores, saying he wished it for use as a wash on a wounded horse. The druggist filled the order and properly labeled it "poison." The young man went to church that evening, and after returning, home retired for the night. Monday morning he arose and drank over three-fourths of the contents of the vial. Immediately he came down stairs from his sleeping apartment and informed his mother what he had done. The father was called to the house from the barn and told of the deed. By this time the young man was in great agony. Mr. Patrick immediately procured a horse and hurried to town for medical aid, and when physicians reached the home the young man had become unconscious and soon died. The affair was a very unfortunate one and cast a gloom over the community especially among the dead boy's former friends and associates. It was determined by the authorities not necessary to hold an inquest. Various reports, however, are in circulation as to the cause that led the young man to the rash act. These will not be published by the Press until future information is obtained by searching inquiry and reportorial investigation. During this immediate affliction, this paper forbears comment on current rumors. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the family home and the remains subsequently buried in the city cemetery.—Pawnee Press.

REMOVED!

The Turkish Cream Candy KITCHEN

has been removed to the room in the Opera House Block, formerly occupied by J. F. Ford & Son, and has been fitted up with a view of meeting the demand for a first-class confectionary and lunch room: a large stock of

Fine Candies, Cigars and Tobaccos, Bakery Goods,

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Lunches at all Hours,

Oysters Served in All Styles.

We invite your patronage and shall endeavor to accord curteous treatment to everybody, and try to make it the most popular restaurant in southeast Nebraska.

Our Home-Made Candy Can't Be Beat H. E. ROBERTSON

Jim Ford of Violet, was visiting friends here Tuesday.

Hon C H Norris and M H Marble were Pawnee City visitors Monday.

R W Davidson and wife, and Miss Elva Rulon, from Peru, were called here by the death of Mrs. Roberts.

Unquestionably our line of laces and embroideries is the finest ever shown in Table Rock. W. C. Fellers.

Remember the finest hearse in S. E. Nebraska is used by Tillotson, and the price is not as high as formerly.

We have one of the finest church trucks ever brought to Pawnee county, for use in our business.
40 A. K. Tillotson.

NOTICE my prices in another column. If you can get as good stock somewhere else for less money, better do it; if not, I feel entitled to your patronage. May I have it?
Respectfully, J. E. Atkinson.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

Now is the time to clean house—clean your system first, drive out the microbes of winter with Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. It will keep you well all winter. 35c. Tea or tablets. F M Colwell.

Our doctors say there has been more pneumonia in town and vicinity this spring than they ever knew before in the same length of time. Some of the patients have been very sick, but there have been no fatalities directly from it.

Resolutions on the death of Mrs. Helen Roberts, adopted by John N. Gere Woman's Relief Corps No. 120, April 2, 1904. Whereas.

The Angel of Death has entered the home of our sister Fisher and called away a loved and loving daughter, therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the members of John N. Gere Woman's Relief Corps No. 120, Table Rock, Nebr., deeply sympathize with her and her husband in the loss they have sustained, and we bid them bow in submission to the will of the Father, who has taken her away.

Resolved, that in her death the husband has lost a devoted wife, and the children a loving mother. We extend to them also our deepest sympathy in their sad affliction, and commend them to the Heavenly Father, "who doeth all things well."

Resolved, that these resolutions be printed in the Argus spread on the records of our lodge and a copy sent to the bereaved friends.

Committee on Resolutions: Lizzie C. Fellers, Fannie C. Norris, Allie Fisher

STEERS WANTED—Three hundred head to pasture in section 15, 3, 10, Pawnee county. Address H. C. Van Horne, Pawnee City, Neb., or George Wolf, Mayberry, Neb.

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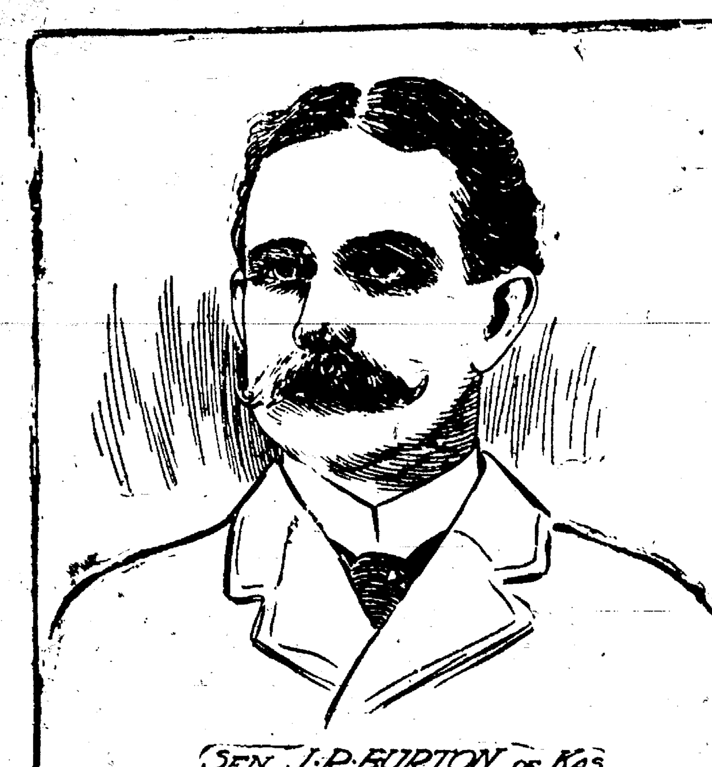
W. H. WILSON.

JURY PLACES STAIN ON UNITED STATES SENATOR BURTON



SEN. J. R. BURTON, OF KAS.

United States Senator Joseph Ralph Burton of Kansas, who was found guilty of using his official position to protect a fraudulent concern in its use of the mails, has been prominent in the Sunflower state for years as a politician and campaign orator. He was born in Indiana, and after receiving a college education began to practice law in 1876. Then he moved to Kansas and did his first campaigning for Garfield two years later. In 1894 and 1896 he was an unsuccessful senatorial candidate, but was elected in 1901 to succeed Lucien Baker in the upper house.

A $75,000 PRESENT

Washburn College Gets this Sum from A. L. Stitch

HONOR SON AND DAUGHTER

Both of Whom Were Washburn Graduates—Fine Arts Building to be Erected With Money

Washburn college at Topeka Kan., has the promise of another new building. The report is that a $75,000 fine arts school will be given to the college by A. C. Stich, the wealthy gas, oil and brick man at Independence, Kan., as a memorial to his daughter, Adelaide Stich, and his son Carl, both of whom attended Washburn, and have since died.

The news is kept quiet for the present, because it seems to be the program to complete the Carnegie library before announcing the new gift.

Mr. Stich is one of the trustees of the college, and has been much interested in its welfare even before he sent his daughter and son there to attend school. Miss Adelaide Stich was a young woman of surpassing beauty, to which was added wonderful musical ability and great depth of character. She graduated from the musical department, after which she studied music in New York and abroad. Carl Stich was a young man of rugged physique, a member of the football team and very popular with his classmates. The death of both his son and daughter was a terrible affliction and one in which Washburn college and all its students and alumni shared.

WICHITA MASONIC HOME

New Officers Chosen and Plans for Coming Year Made

Members of the Masonic home board held their first meeting at Wichita, since the grand lodge met in Topeka. In the reorganization Grand Master Thomas Fitch of Wichita was made president of the board. S. R. Peters of Newton was chosen vice president, Mrs. Emma W. Port second vice president, Alexander Sharp of Learned secretary, and Judge John C. Postlethwaite of Jewell City treasurer. New members of the board are: S. R. Peters of Newton, Thomas Bond of Salina, E. E. Bleckley of Wichita, and E. W. Welling of Ellsworth. They succeed D. B. Fulton of Topeka, G. W. Clark of Oklahoma City, A. G. Loomis of Winfield and R. G. Torrington of Wichita.

Under a new scheme proposed and adopted at the meeting the state will be divided into thirty-two districts. Grand Master Fitch will appoint thirty-two deputies, each of whom will have charge of all the lodges in his respective district. It will be his duty to visit every lodge in his district at least once during the Masonic year and make reports of their conditions.

Patents for Kansans

The following western patents were issued to Kansans:

Rue Aton, Independence, window shade adjuster; William Copeland, Strong City, wash bench; Joseph L. Crisler, Perth, coupling; N. Hall and L. D. Mohler, McPherson, clothes drainer; David H. Linthicum, Pittsburg, continuous baling press; William A. Okane, Leavenworth, combination bag holder or rack, and printing device; Frank B. Parker, Robinson, oil can.

SMALL-POX AT AN END

Loup City Scare Simmered Down to Exactly Three Cases.

The smallpox scare at Loup City is subsiding. There have been only three cases so far, the first one being Miss Vena Johansen; the second, which was very light, Miss Belle Mulick, and the third, which was quarantined, M. C. Mulick. He was quarantined at the home of his daughter, Mrs. May Patton, having been sick there. There have been no more known exposures since the first case and the quarantine regulations are being regularly enforced, schools, churches and public gatherings of all kinds having been stopped. There are a number of exposures from the first case, but the time for them to take it is rapidly drawing to a close and no very extended run of the disease is expected.

KILLED A RANCHMAN

James Connelly of Scotts Bluffs Held for Death of H. H. Miller.

James Connelly, of Scotts Bluff, Neb., was taken into custody by Sheriff Campbell and Constable Guernsey for the murder of H. H. Miller, of Alliance. The affair occurred on the Connelly ranch in Sioux county, about twenty miles from Scotts Bluff. The sheriff of Sioux county wired to the sheriff to take Connelly into custody. The affair arose out of a dispute between the two men as to the possession of a steer. They had had some difficulty over the matter before when Miller appeared at the Connelly place he was ordered off by the latter and then shot when he made a movement in Connelly's direction. After the shooting the latter mounted a horse and went to Scotts Bluff and wired the Sioux county sheriff that he was there.

STREET SIGNS MUST GO

Omaha's Mayor Proposes to Entirely Clear Sidewalks of Signs.

Mayor Moores of Omaha has decided to make war on the curbstone signs and advertising contrivances of all descriptions. He declares all must go and will issue orders to the chief of police to have all offending business men notified that they must remove the obstructions at once. The order will apply to the downtown district and a reasonable time will be given for the work. Electrical and ornamental signs, extending over the sidewalk, will not be disturbed for the present, but the poles, boxes, showcases and other objects on the outer edge of the sidewalk will be under the ban.

Sutton Holds Jollification

There is as much rejoicing at Sutton on the first turning on of the electric lights as there was when the second railroad came. The band played under one of the arc lights and a large crowd turned out to enjoy for the first time a well lighted city.

Will Save Kansas $100,000

Warden Jewett, of the Leavenworth penitentiary, says: "The news item going the rounds that the price of binding twine has been fixed for this year is a mistake. The price has not been fixed for this season. It may be at the April meeting of the board of directors, but I am not sure that it will be."

Warden Jewett also adds that the penitentiary binding twine plant will mean a saving of $100,000 to Kansas farmers this year.

THE LAST SEA FIGHT

Details of the Attempt to Bottle Up Port Arthur Harbor.

HARBOR MOUTH NARROWED

The Japanese Failed Because of Lack of Old Hulks at Hand—Other Attempts to be Made.

A correspondent of the London Times at sea, in a wireless telegram via Wei Hai Wei, describing the last attempt of the Japanese to bottle up Port Arthur, says:

"The moon disappeared at midnight and the sea was like glass when the desperate enterprise was begun. When within two miles of the goal the frenzied motions of a searchlight showed that suspicions had been awakened, and suddenly a solitary gun announced that the Japanese had been discovered. The Russians sprang to the guns of the batteries, and in three minutes the Japanese craft were enclosed in a semicircle of gun flashes. The sea was churned to a turmoil by falling shells, but there was no hesitation. The torpedo boats opened out and the transports, with men standing at the lifeboat stations, steered directly into the inferno. There was then only a mile to traverse, and the safety fuses were ready.

"It was just at 3:30 in the morning when the Chiyo Maru led with a searchlight trained upon her and she a target for a hundred guns—towards the east side of the entrance. The fuses were set and the crew pushed off just in time. It was a moment of suspense. The charge exploded, sinking her one hundred yards from a point off the east side of the entrance.

"The Fukui Maru next passed on the port side of the Chiyu Maru and dropped anchor. Just as the officers and crew pushed clear there was a dull explosion. She had been struck and sunk in the exact place which the Japanese desired by a torpedo from within the harbor.

So close were the defending destroyers that the Yeneyama Maru was fouled by a Russian destroyer and her crew was scorched by the flames of the discharge from a Russian six pounder.

"It was a horrible melee, but the Japanese kept their presence of mind throughout and their steadiness was shown by the fact that before she had been fouled by the destroyer the Yeneyama Maru passed to starboard of the Chiyu Maru and then between her and the Fukui Maru and reached the center of the channel, where she was hit by a torpedo, which sank her on the west side of the channel, her bow pointing toward the shore. Not a man of the transports' crews was drowned.

"The enterprise failed completely to block the channel because there were only four transports. It is probable, however, that the channel has been rendered impracticable for the large battleships, and it is certain that the Japanese will not rest until the channel has been closed.

"The maneuver was covered by a torpedo division, which running in close, endeavored to draw the fire of the land batteries from the main enterprise. This division remained in action until all the crews were rescued and just before daybreak was engaging a Russian destroyer, which remained at the entrance line firing torpedoes during the night. The scream of escaping steam proclaimed that the Russian boat had been damaged in her vitals.

"At daybreak the flotilla drew off under cover of the fleet, which was waiting ten miles outside."

Beatrice Travelers Organize

A local organization of the Travelers' Protective association to be known as post H has been organized at Beatrice by Messrs. R. F. Hodgin, John Kelley, Charles L. Hopper and A. L. Conway of Omaha. The officers elected are as follows: R. H. Yale, president; F. D. Kees, vice president; H. A. Miller, secretary treasurer; Board of Directors: E. S. Stevens, C. B. Dempster, Samuel Moore, J. A. Kees, J. T. Sullivan, J. W. Burgess. C. S. Curry was chosen for post surgeon. The new organization starts out with a membership of sixteen.

Claim for Indian Depredations

Representative Kinkaid, of Nebraska, has introduced a bill to pay Thomas Madden of Chadron, Neb., the sum of $9,400 for damages sustained on account of depredations perpetrated by the Ogalalla Sioux Indians in the year 1870 in the state of Colorado.

The entire fire department was called to the handsome residence of S. N. Wolbach, of Grand Island, Tuesday morning at About 6 o'clock. The fire originated in a pantry in the back of the house and had made its way to the upper floors before it was discovered. The fire was confined in the house and the dense smoke made it very hard for the fire men to work, but after an hour they had it under control. The damage to the residence will be quite heavy as a great quantity of water was used.

DECISION AGAINST LETTER

New Haven Judge Rules Adversely to Mr. Bryan's Contention.

A decision rejecting as evidence the "sealed letter," by which William J. Bryan was to get $50,000 from the estate of the late Philo S. Bennett, was given by Judge Gager in the superior court of New Haven, Conn., when the hearing on Mr. Bryan's appeal from the decision of the probate court declining to admit the "sealed letter" to probate was resumed. Judge Gager saying that the letter was dispositive in character and therefore came within the statute governing wills, which demands that every paper that is codicil or testamentary must be attested by three witnesses. He holds that the admission of the sealed letter would override that statute.

WORK OF A MUSKRAT

Destroys One of the Best Milldams in the State at Neligh.

The tiny teeth of a little muskrat caused havoc in the Elkhorn river at Neligh. Where one of the finest and best finished dams in the state has held the rushing waters back for months there is now an enormous gap in the concreate and the entire line, three-quarters of the way across the river. The dam was built of concrete material last sumer by the owner, S. F. Gilman, of Davenport, Iowa, and it was considered a model to all millers along the Elkhorn. The rats dug a little hole in the concrete, the water helped the digging, and of a sudden the dam was gone.

SMART BURGLAR'S TRICK

He is Sentenced to the Penitentiary Under a Prominent Name.

Arrested on the charge of having burglars' tools in his possession, at St. Louis, Edward Alexander, of Taylorville, Ill., concealed his own name and assumed the name of John Shumway, a member of the Illinois world's fair commission, former state senator, and a leading citizen of Taylorville. In the criminal court Alexander, under the name of "John C. Shumway," was sentenced to serve two years in the penitentiary. The real Mr. Shumway began to receive letters of condolence and sympathy and suggestions as to how to secure a pardon, and finally he went to St. Louis and identified the prisoner as Alexander, former citizen of Taylorville, and requested that Alexander be sentenced under his rightful name. But the change was not made in the court records and Alexander, under the name of "John C. Shumway" will be taken to the penitentiary at Jefferson City.

Declamatory Contest at Columbus

The Columbus auditorium was crowded to the doors to hear the declamatory contest. The first prize in the oratorical class was awarded to Miss Pauline Alias, of Columbus. Her subject was "John Brown." The second prize in this class was given to Warren Thompson of West Point, subject, "The Unknown Speaker." Catherine Rowley of South Omaha took first prize in the dramatic class, and "The Larue Stakes" was rendered. Leola Odell of Fullerton took second place in that class with a rendering of "As the Moon Rose." But one prize was awarded in the humorous class, and that was taken by Edith Wright of Schuyler by a comedy selection named, "A Telephone Romance."

Twin City Brick Used

The state board of public lands and buildings will require Twin City brick to be used in the construction of the Norfolk asylum in accordance with the contract entered into with the Capital City Brick & Pipe company, contractors, who are erecting the building. The protest of Omaha brick men asking that the specifications be changed to allow Nebraska brick to be used can not now be legally heeded or granted. The contractors were willing to make the change in brick, but refused to make any reduction in the contract price. The board also has decided that the old west wing of the main asylum building shall not be torn down, but shall be refitted and used for the violent ward.

Murderer Caught in Lincoln

Just because James Lobbins of Lincoln stuttered when he was addressed by Detective Bentley he will have to face a murder trial at Oskaloosa, Ia.

Lobbins is a negro who has been employed in the Wilson shining parlors and has been in Lincoln for some time. The authorities of Mahaska county, Iowa, have offered $500 reward for him.

Judge Baxter Succeed Summers

The long-drawn-out fight over the appointment of a United States district attorney for Nebraska, has been amicably settled. It was announced at the White house that President Roosevelt would appoint Judge Irving F. Baxter, of Omaha, to succeed W. S. Summers.

Judge Baxter was a compromise candidate. Both Nebraska senators agreed upon his appointment. The controversy between the senators which arose over this matter, is now at an end.

LAY IT ON CLERKS

Postoffice Investigation Takes Blame from Bristow

CLERKS WERE THOROUGH

Evidence Introduced Does Not Exonerate Many Accused of Criminal Charges Named by Bristow

The statements made to the McCall investigating committee by Chief Inspector Cochran of the postoffice department have been made public. Mr. Cochran confirms the testimony of Mr. Waters before the committee that the original list of clerk hire cases was prepared by Mr. Waters in November, after the original Bristow report was written and before it was printed. Mr. Cochran had ordered Waters to prepare this list on an order from Mr. Bristow for the postoffice substantiating a statement Mr. Bristow had made in his report that "there were a hundred such cases involving congressmen" other than the few he had referred to in his report.

Mr. Cochran confirmed Mr. Bristow's testimony that he (Bristow) had not seen the list of clerk hire and lease cases that was prepared for the house committee on postoffices and post-roads, and said he had received an order from Mr. Bristow to prepare this data, and had detailed Inspectors Johnson and Niece on the work. Johnson handled the lease cases and Niece the clerk hire cases.

As Mr. Waters of the salary and allowance division had also been detailed to get a list of the clerk hire cases, it was found that a duplication of work was being done in this respect and Mr. Niece's work was suspended.

Mr. Bristow was taken ill when this work was begun in January and Mr. Cochran said he had taken the first half dozen cases regarding leases to Mr. Bristow at his home and Mr. Bristow had pronounced the form all right. Mr. Bristow did not see the finished report, so far as he knew, of either the lease or clerk hire cases.

Terrible Accident at Beatrice

A most distressing accident occurred upon the farm of Milton Zimerman, one mile north of Beatrice, in which two horses were killed, and his son who was driving, narrowly escaped. The boy, a lad of 15 years, was driving four horses hitched to a disc pulverizer, when a threshing machine passed, frightening the team, and they started to run away. Seeing that he was unable to manage them, the boy threw himself off behind the knives, and thus escaped injury, but not so the horses. The two outside horses were cut to pieces and killed. One horse had his hind leg cut off all but a thread of skin.

Tax Insurance Securities

Securities of fraternal insurance companies on deposit with the auditor are to be taxed under the new revenue law the same as any other securities if the opinion of Attorney General Prout is followed by the state board of equalization. Under the law fraternal companies can not be taxed on their gross receipts, but the attorney general finds no section in the law which exempts their securities. He also is of the opinion that the securities are not exempt on the pleading that the property is used exclusively for charitable purposes.

Big Fire at Pender

John A. House's general merchandise store at Pender, suffered a serious fire. The fire originated from a gasoline stove and spread rapidly among the stacks of cotton batting quilts and dry goods, doing damage to the extent of about $15,000 to the stock and at least $3,000 to the building. The loss on the building, which is owned by J. B. Warrington, is covered by insurance. Mr. House carried a $25,000 stock of goods, but carried only $9,000 insurance. The volunteer fire department responded to the alarm at once and after an hour's hard work had the flames extinguished. This is the worst fire Pender ever had and but for an efficient fire department and a good system of water works the best portion of the town would have been destroyed.

New Manager of Union Pacific

The appointment of President A. H. Mohler, of the Oregon Railway and Navigation company, to succeed W. H. Bancroft as general manager of the Union Pacific railroad, has been announcer in the offices of the Union Pacific. Mr. Mohler will make his headquarters in Omaha.

$25,000 for Flood Sufferers

At a special meeting of the Indianapolis, Ind., city council, $25,000 was appropriated to make immediate repairs of flood damage to the city and an ordinance was introduced to sell $200,000 bonds to make further repairs.

Mrs. Elmira Wright died from exposeure during the flood. She died at the home of her rescuer, Roy Stratton, aged 18, who is credited with saving fifty people from the high waters whose homes were flooded.

NEW PENSION ORDER COST

Appropriation Will Have to be Increased $5,400,000 Annually

The secretary of the interior sent to the senate a communication in response to Senator Overman's resolution directing the secretary to furnish the senate a copy of the order issued by the department enlarging the pension act of June 27, 1890, and amendments as to the disabilities of applicants for pensions and to report by what amount the order will increase pensions annually.

In regard to the increase of pension appropriations needed to carry the order into effect, the secretary gives the estimate of the acting commissioner of pensions, made public with the order of March 15, 1904.

This estimate is that the order will result in an increased expenditure annually of about $5,400,000.

Secretary Hitchcock gives a lengthy review of the administration of pension laws. "For the purpose of showing that the order referred to is clearly within executive authority and in conformity with existing law and methods which have heretofore prevailed in its administration."

BLACK RIVER FLOOD

Great Damage Sustained by Farmers Near Piedmont, Mo.

Black river, at Piedmont, Mo., has risen until it reached twenty-two feet, which is five feet higher than any previous record. The country is inundated for miles, farm houses have been floated from their foundations, thousands of feet of lumber have been destroyed by the large areas of forests devastated, and except by wire, Piedmont is completely isolated. It is reported that Rodney Malloy and his wife, and James Mangan, his hired man, living four miles from Piedmont, have been drowned. The Malloy home has been washed away.

A wave six feet high struck a freight train near Leeper, threw the train and engine from the track, and almost drowned the crew before they could swim to safety.

The village of Mill Spring is flooded. Many of the inhabitants are living on house tops and others succeeded in escaping to the hills.

Work on Railroad Taxes

The state board of equalization is preparing itself for its annual wrestling match with the subject of railroad assessment as provided for under the new revenue law. The members of the board are reading up on the subject of railroad taxation and the secretary is thoroughly familiarizing himself with all the minute details of the new scheme of assessment.

The valuation is expected to be considerably increased under the new law as is the case with all property subject to taxation. The law requires that on or before April 15, 1904, and annually thereafter, the company or corporation owning, operating or controlling any railroad or railroad service in the state shall return to the state board of equalization a sworn statement or schedule of the property of the company.

Sue for $100,000

The Modern Woodmen of America have filed a suit in the United States court at Sioux City, Ia., to recover judgment for $100,000 against the estate of the late E. H. McCutcheon, a former Holstein, Ia., banker, and twenty-one sureties upon an indemnity bond of $200,000. The judgment is demanded for moneys which were on deposit in the private bank of E. H. McCutcheon & Co., at Holstein, at the time of the death of E. H. McCutcheon, president of the banking company, in January, 1904. The Modern Woodmen claim to have been unable to secure the return of their $100,000, which was on deposit, and the bondsmen are asked to stand good for the alleged loss.

Found Dead Near Humphrey

An unknown young man was found murdered near Humphrey, Neb. He was well dressed, 22 years old, had $7.35 in his pockets and a card bearing the name of William O'Brien. This is not thought to be his name. He was shot through the left temple with a 32-calibre revolver between 6 o'clock in the evening and the next morning. No motive is known and there is no clue. He ate breakfast at a farm house six weeks ago and had not been seen since. His body was thrown into an empty building on the Graham farm.

A Stafford county man broke two ribs and dislocated four more trying to adjust a stove pipe on Sunday. That beats the twenty-third Psalm as a text.

Lottery Scheme Exposed

The Montana Mining and Investment company of Butte, Montana, is conducting a lottery scheme, contrary to the law of the United States, in the opinion of the former chief justice, Judge Sullivan, of the supreme court, who has filed his report as referee in the mandamus proceedings of the company against the Pacific Express company, in which it was sought to compel the express company to carry packages for the investment company.

Miss Hapgood tells how she escaped an awful operation by using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Ovaritis or inflammation of the ovaries or fallopian tubes which adjoin the ovaries may result from sudden stopping of the monthly flow, from inflammation of the womb, and many other causes. The slightest indication of trouble with the ovaries, indicated by dull throbbing pain in the side, accompanied by heat and shooting pains, should claim your instant attention. It will not cure itself, and a hospital operation, with all its terrors, may easily result from neglect.

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The Defiance Starch Co. will give 25 ladies a round trip ticket to the St. Louis Exposition, to five ladies in each of the following states: Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, who will send in the largest number of trade-marks cut from a ten-cent, 16-ounce package of Defiance cold water laundry starch. This means from your own home, anywhere in the above named states. These trade-marks must be mailed to and received by the Defiance Starch Co., Omaha, Nebr., before September 1st, 1904. October and November will be the best months to visit the Exposition. Remember that Defiance is the only starch put up 16 oz. (a full pound) to the package. You get one-third more starch for the same money than of any other kind, and Defiance never sticks to the iron. The tickets to the Exposition will be sent by registered mail September 5th. Starch for sale by all dealers.

Insanity in the human subject is supposed by some to have no analogue in the lower animals. Yet many cases, according to Dr. Snellson, will lead to the permanent loss of self-control. Cattle driven from the country through a crowded town will often work themselves into a frenzy. Horses have gone mad on the battlefield. At Balaclava an Arabian horse turned on its attendant, threw him down, and kneeling on him, attacked him like an infuriated dog. An instance is related of a docile horse suddenly going mad on a hot day. Everything that came in its way it seized in its teeth and shook as a terrier does a rat. A scientist of authority even goes so far as to prove by what appears to be incontestable evidence that cats, dogs and monkeys have been observed to have delusions very similar to those of insane people.—London Globe.

A lily white hand with a diamond on the third finger is not unnaturally a possession which the average woman would be glad to have, but such hands are not the ones which feed, dress and spank the American boys who are making the nation great. The womanly hand which is thus shaping the destiny of the republic is not white or soft, and no gem sparkles upon it. Browned, and sometimes calloused, it commands a reverence from all for the patriotic way in which it does its work.

In the Spring.

Lowndes, Mo., April 4th.—Mrs. H. C. Harty of this place, says:

"For years I was in very bad health. Every spring I would get so low that I was unable to do my own work. I seemed to be worse in the spring than any other time of the year. I was very weak and miserable and had much pain in my back and head. I saw Dodd's Kidney Pills advertised last spring and began treatment of them and they have certainly done me more good than anything I have ever used.

"I was all right last spring and felt better than I have for over ten years. I am fifty years of age and am stronger to-day than I have been for many years and I give Dodd's Kidney Pills credit for the wonderful improvement."

The statement of Mrs. Harty is only one of a great many where Dodd's Kidney Pills have proven themselves to be the very best spring medicine. They are unsurpassed as a tonic and are the only medicine used in thousands of families.

You never hear any one complain about "Defiance Starch." There is none to equal it in quality and quantity, 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now and save your money.

Am I in favor of expansion? Everything that grows expands. See how the State Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of South Omaha has grown.

Jan. 1, 1896 we had......$	50,215.00
" " 1897 we had......	438,850.00
" " 1898 we had......	2,696,165.00
" " 1899 we had......	4,224,375.00
" " 1900 we had......	7,528,973.00
" " 1901 we had......	10,480,483.00
" " 1902 we had......	13,541,367.00
" " 1903 we had......	16,413,869.00
" " 1904 we had......	18,416,388.32

Don't you think you would like to belong to a live Company like this?

Write the Secretary, B. R. Stouffer, South Omaha, Nebr.

Political Manager—I can't consent to open bribery in this campaign. We've got to pay some outward attention, at least, to the ethics.

Teosinte and Billion Dollar Grass.

The two greatest fodder plants on earth, one good for 14 tons hay and the other 80 tons green fodder per acre. Grows everywhere, so does Victoria Rape, yielding 60,000 lbs. sheep and swine food per acre.

JUST SEND 10c IN STAMPS TO THE John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive in return their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. Defiance Starch is for sale everywhere and there is positively nothing to equal it in quantity or quality.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children

Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Stubb—Why does the chauffeur of that terrible racing machine look so downhearted?

Penn—Someone told him there are stars that travel at the rate of a thousand miles a minute.

Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE

Won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10 cents and equals 20 cents worth of any other bluing. If your grocer does not keep it send 10c for sample to The Laundry Blue Co., 14 Michigan Street, Chicago.

Ward Heeler—That's a crowd I never heard of, but I'm willin' to bet a hundred dollars they can't swing a dozen votes in the whole dog-gonned country.

Rev. Thomas E. Sherman in his lecture before the Knights of Columbus at the Chicago auditorium, expressed the opinion that polygamy was no worse than repeated marriages by aid of repeated divorces. In saying this Father Sherman told the exact truth. The man who maltreats and divorces a succession of wives is infinitely worse than the man who marries the same number all at once and cares for them and their children as long as they live. Both are criminal and detestable, but let us "tote fair."

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The wise man shapes himself according to circumstances, as water takes the shape of the vessel into which it is poured.

For $1.65 Money Order.

The John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., mail postpaid 15 trees, consisting of Apricots, Apples, Crabs, Cherries, Plums, Peaches and Pears, just the thing for a city or country garden, including the great Bismark Apple, all hardy Wisconsin stock, are sent you free upon receipt of $1.65.

AND FOR 16c AND THIS NOTICE.

you get sufficient seed of Celery, Carrot, Cabbage, Onion, Lettuce, Radish and Flower Seeds to furnish bushels of choice flowers and lots of vegetables for a big family, together with our great plant and seed catalog. (W. N. U.)

Somehow a man's neighbors never realize what a good man he was until they hear the minister tell about it at his funeral.

Try One Package.

If "Defiance Starch" does not please you, return it to your dealer. If it does you get one-third more for the same money. It will give you satisfaction and will not stick to the iron.

Methods of farm management are coming more and more to depend upon the ability to secure needed and reliable help. Many a farmer is face to face with the problem of selling half his land, reserving such as he can manage himself, or getting into an entirely stock raising business. Choice as between raising the dual purpose Shorthorn or the Doddy is largely dependent upon getting necessary help.

"I want you to understand," said the indignant young broker, "that I am no ignoramus. I went through college, sir, and have my sheepskin to show for it."

"So!" said the senior of the firm. "Well, I didn't go through college, but I have taken several sheepskins to show since then, fleece and all."

"The taste for classical music is something that comes with time and cultivation."

"That's right," answered Mr. Cumrox, "I've noticed some of these grand operas don't sound near as bad as they did at first."

"Why don't you go to work and earn money, as I did at your age?"

"My dear father," said the complacent youth, "if I were to go ahead and work, what would be the use of your having done so?"

It sometimes happens that two women pose as bosom friends because they are afraid of each other.

Tommy Tucker—I didn't know we had to have any proofs, ma'am. I thought everybody admitted it.

A woman's idea of a stingy man is one who lets her pay car fare after she insists upon doing it.

When a stingy man suddenly gets charitable it's a sure sign of either a wedding or a funeral.

The physician doesn't always preach but he has to have a practice.

Some men climb to success over the ruins of other men's failures.

EMPTY NOW.

How One Woman Quit Medicine.

"While a coffee user my stomach troubled me for years," says a lady of Columbus, O., "and I had to take medicine all the time. I had what I thought was the best stomach medicine I could get, had to keep getting it filled all the time at 40 cents a bottle. I did not know what the cause of my trouble was but just dragged along from day to day, suffering and taking medicine all the time.

"About six months ago I quit tea and coffee and began drinking Postum and I have not had my prescription filled since, which is a great surprise to me for it proves that coffee was the cause of all my trouble although I never suspected it.

"When my friends ask me how I feel since I have been taking Postum I say, 'To tell the truth I don't feel at all only that I get hungry and eat everything I want and lots of it and it never hurts me and I am happy and well and contented all the time.'

"I could not get my family to drink Postum for a while until I mixed it in a little coffee and kept on reducing the amount of coffee until I got it all Postum. Now they all like it and they never belch it up like coffee.

"We all know that Postum is a sunshine maker. I find it helps one greatly for we do not have to think of aches and pains all the time and can use our minds for other things." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

The one who has to bother with coffee aches and pains is badly handicapped in the race for fame and fortune. Postum is a wonderful rebuilder. There's a reason.

Look in each package for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

WITH A BULL MOOSE

THE WOODLAND MONARCH IN HIS OWN DOMAIN.

Disquieting at First, the Interview Resulted in Some Perfect Photographs of His Royal Highness—Comparative Smallness of His Eye.

Down the trail he came as leisurely and unconcerned as if he were indeed lord of the woodland realm. He acted for all the world as if he knew that we were trespassers on his domain and that we were at his mercy, pensioners on his tolerant good nature, as it were. Immediately he entered the clearing he saw us behind the tree and stalked directly toward us, apparently much interested in a bright red jersey which I wore. Knowing the effect of a red rag on the king of the home pasture I could not avoid disquieting fears as to its possible effect on this woodland monarch, especially as he evinced such marked interest. At thirty feet he paused and I heard Jackson's shutter click. "Only film on her," he muttered.

Crumpled Horn took a few steps nearer and surveyed us. The eye of a moose is very small in proportion to the size of his head. A small eye invariably conveys an impression of wickedness. It is uncertain, sardonic; it suggests treachery. Friends looking at the accompanying portrait, taken at only eight feet, have tried to convince me that the eye is mild and ox-like. We tried to think so then but the effect was a failure. We saw the eye, not the photograph, and its size was against it.

After a brief survey of us, Crumpled Horn walked over to where I had abandoned the pack and sniffed at it. Then, turning his back on us, he strode to the water's edge. Courage had returned by this time and we seized this opportunity to slip down to the pack, get out the other cameras and another roll of films. Presently the moose returned for another inspection. We boldly stood our ground while he came near enough to sniff contemptuously at some bread held out on my hand. Afterward he obliged us with every pose we could desire, so that I don't think we claim too much in saying that we have one of the finest sets of photographs of a moose, at home in his native wilderness, ever taken. Sun, surroundings and every condition were seemingly perfect.—From "Photographing a Moose at Home," in National Magazine for March.

Little Emerson's Quandary.

"Father, what is a sparrow?" asked little Emerson Beans, looking up for an instant from a volume of Thoreau.

"Why, a sparrow," responded he, "is one of those little birds that you see—"

Little Emerson listened with a puzzled expression.

The old gentleman tried another tack:

"It is what is known as 'passer domesticus'—"

Little Emerson began to understand.

"Of the family 'Fringillidae.'"

"Oh, of course; I recognize the term now; how stupid of me. There is only one possible objection to Thoreau," he continued, "and that is he uses such nursery terms, it is sometimes hard to comprehend them."

And the youth returned to his book, leaving his father in dire perplexity as to the terms in which he was to announce to him that it was time to go to bed.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Where Finnegan Made a Mistake.

Murphy has a friend who has been as regular as clockwork for years in his daily visits to Murphy's "sample room." The friend's name is Finnegan. Finnegan says he has known Murphy ever since he has been in business. In all that time, says Finnegan, Murphy has never treated him to a drink.

"He almost did it once, though," said Finnegan the other day.

"It happened this way: I went into Murphy's saloon for my usual eye-opener and found Murphy all smiles and joviality. 'Finnegan,' says he, 'this is me birthday. I am 55 the day. Purty spry fer an ould man, eh?' 'You don't look it,' says I. 'I would not take you to be a day over 45.'

"'All on account uv good habits,' says he. 'I feel foine on me birthday. Whot'l we hov this mornin'—rain or shnow?'

"And I thought he was going to treat."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Sweetest of All.

I've sung of the girls that play at golf,
Of the girls who fish and shoot;
I've sung of the maid who's not afraid
To pose in her bathing suit.
I've sung of the girl who weds a duke
And lives in a palace hall,
And the footlight maids, with their lights and shades—
I've sung of them, one and all.

But now I will sing in a soft refrain
Of the girl you would like to know—
The girl who can cook without paper or book,
The girl ho can darn and sew;
Of the girl who never went far from home,
Who is void of all social schemes;
Who is homely and neat, old-fashioned and sweet—
The girl whom you see in your dreams.
—Cassell's Saturday Journal.

Pope Likes His Cigar.

Pope Pius is a moderate smoker. Italian priests, even of the humbler ranks, do not consider it clerical decorum to smoke in public; and Cardinal Sarto has always observed this rule, but in private he enjoys a good cigar. Like Pius IX., the new Pope is musically inclined. Pius IX. was a proficient player on the piano and organ and sang the mass in a rich barytone voice. Pius X. has similar accomplishments.

A VENERABLE PASTOR CURED BY PE-RU-NA.

Pe-ru-na is a Catarrhal Tonic Especially Adapted to the Declining Powers of Old Age.

In old age the mucous membranes become thickened and partly lose their function.

This leads to partial loss of hearing, smell and taste, as well as digestive disturbances.

Peruna corrects all this by its specific operation on all the mucous membranes of the body.

One bottle will convince anyone. Once used and Peruna becomes a life-long stand-by with old and young.

Rev. J. N. Parker.

Strong and vigorous at the Age of Eighty-eight.

Rev. J. N. Parker, Utica, N. Y., writes: "In June, 1901, I lost my sense of hearing entirely. My hearing had been somewhat impaired for several years, but not so much affected but that I could hold converse with my friends; but in June, 1901, my sense of hearing left me so that I could hear no sound whatever. I was also troubled with rheumatic pains in my limbs. I commenced taking Peruna and now my hearing is restored as good as it was prior to June, 1901. My rheumatic pains are all gone. I cannot speak too highly of Peruna, and now when 88 years old can say it has invigorated my whole system. I cannot but think, dear Doctor, that you must feel very thankful to the all-loving Father that you have been permitted to live, and by your skill be such a blessing as you have been to suffering humanity."—Rev. J. N. Parker.

A Bishop's Letter.

T. H. Lomax, D. D., Bishop 2d Dist. A. M. E., of Charlotte, N. C., writes: "I recommend your Peruna to all who want a strengthening tonic and a very effective remedy for all catarrhal complaints."—T. H. Lomax.

If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

The spring is the best time to treat catarrh. Nature renews herself every spring. The system is rejuvenated by spring weather. This renders medicines more effective. A short course of Peruna, assisted by the balmy air of spring, will cure old, stubborn cases of catarrh that have resisted treatment for years. Everybody should have a copy of Dr. Hartman's latest book on catarrh. Address The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.

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Trustworthy lady or gentleman to manage business in this County and adjoining territory for well and favorably known house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Experience not essential. Address T. J. COOPER, Manager, Como Block, CHICAGO, ILL.

OLD AGE PENSIONS. Under a recent order of the Commissioner of Pensions all veterans serving 90 days or more during the Civil War, and honorably discharged, and over 62 years of age are entitled to pension. Write to Butts & Phillips, 1425 N. Y. Ave., Washington, D. C. References: Washington Board of Trade. Traders National Bank.

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE PAID for DUCK and GEESE FEATHERS. **PAYNE & LEEK, Lincoln, Nebraska**

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Good Crops, delightful climate, splendid school system, perfect social conditions, exceptional railway advantages, and wealth and affluence acquired easily.

The population of Western Canada increased 128,000 by immigration during the past year, over 50,000 being Americans.

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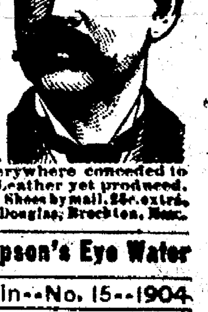

W. L. Douglas shoes have by their excellent style, easy-fitting, and superior wearing qualities, achieved the largest sale of any shoes in the world.

They are just as good as those that cost you $4 to $5—the only difference is the price. *Sold Everywhere.*

Look for name and price on bottom.

Douglas uses Corona Coltskin, which is everywhere conceded to be the finest Patent Leather yet produced. *Fast Color Eyelets used.* Shoes by mail, 25c. extra. Write for Catalog. W. L. Douglas, Brockton, Mass.

If afflicted with sore eyes, use **Thompson's Eye Water**

PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.

W. N. U.--Lincoln--No. 15--1904.

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FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Besserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

For Sale:—A number of thoroughbred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Address Manager, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

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How Long Will This Condition Continue?

None may say surely, but it won't be for long, and the sooner you invest the cheaper will you be able to do so, for the advance is just as sure as has been the advance in the price of similar land in other sections. For further information write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha.

A Great Sensation

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind, when W H Brown of that place who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr King's New Discovery for consumption. He writes: I endured insufferable agonies from asthma but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure. Similar cures of consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis and grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and $1. Guaranteed by Colwell, Druggist. Trial bottles free.

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects; such as sour stomach, sick headache, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto, "For God and Home and Every Land."

The Union met Friday, April 1st with Mrs Lulu Conkling. Our president sent her regrets that she was not able to be with us. Our treasurer reported something over thirty five dollars expended in temperance work the last six months and suggested that we take pains to save all our church and Sunday school papers and put them in the hands of those who do not have plenty of good reading. Mrs Linn reported over 800 pages distributed by her since Jan 1st. The year books were distributed and our attention called to the fact that there were more good things in them than we dreamed of; for one thing a course of study outlined for the year, including a study of the origin and aims of the W C T U; civil government of the state of Nebraska and a Bible study. At our next meeting we will endeavor to learn When, Why, Where? the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized, and Mrs Walter Smith will give a reading from Miss Willard's book throwing light on the subject. We will meet in two weeks, April 15th with Mrs Bates, corner west of M E church, and all who are interested in temperance work are cordially invited to meet with us.

We must obey God with such means as we have, not despising the humblest weapons, not hunting signs of quick success, never doubting God will get himself the victory. We must be true. That is all.—Bishop Fitzgerald.

Are you a member of the Home department or of the Main School in our Sunday school work? Don't forget, they won't live without help and interest on the part of someone, and you can't have spiritual, eternal life, without feeding on the bread of life, God's word, any more than the physical body can live without material food. Lift a little yourself. Don't depend on others to do all the work. Be willing to divide your small loaf with those who may be hungering near you and you will be surprised to see how it may prove a feast for all. Have you found good and help in studying the lessons, say so and encourage others, hand in your reports and do better next quarter if possible. "Be faithful until death and thou shalt have a crown of life."

Special correspondence to the New Voice from St Louis, Mo, says: Plans are being discussed for opening state Prohibition headquarters here, where prohibitionists may be entertained during the Fair. They hope to have a large tent where prohibition meetings may be held every night during the Fair.

Dover, March 19.—The temperance anniversary of the Wilmington conference of the M E church held today was an epoch maker. The church, though large, would not accommodate the crowds and half an hour before the meeting opened hundreds were turned away. Bishop Fitzgerald said he had run into no such prohibition enthusiasm in any conference heretofore. Among other things he said: I have made up my mind to vote the prohibition ticket(then after a pause) as I have done at every election since the [illegible] ... put the [illegible] resolution into its platform. It is a slow way. I do not know how to hasten the victory, but I can control my own vote and the word of God and of the church I cast it every time against the liquor traffic.

Mayor Harrison who conducted the protest, in the hearing on the [illegible] bill, read from a pamphlet said to have been written by Dr Crafts, the following sentence: "I can reach a thousand people for a dollar by using franked envelopes." As evidence of violation of law he threw on the table half a dozen packages with the assertion that they contained the proof. The packages bore the franks of Col Hepburn and Representative Clayton of Alabama. [illegible] excitedly demanded to know how Harrison came into possession of the packages, while Dinwiddie protested against the accusation that he had violated the law. Harrison replied he had received the packages from business friends of his to whom they had been sent, as I received a letter [illegible] ... letter, however, [illegible] the secretary of the Anti-saloon League. [illegible] ... [illegible] its way.

THE REASONS:

The North Platte Valley, extending from Bridgeport, Neb., to Guernsey, Wyo., and the Big Horn Basin, Wyoming, have been but recently made available for settlement by the extension of the Burlington Railroad into those sections. The irrigating Company must have settlers along their ditches and they offer substantial inducements in the shape of low prices, water rights and land.

CREATED WEALTH

Something from nothing—a garden from a desert. Such is the history of irrigated sections. Take land that sells for fifty cents an acre; put water on it and it sells for—what? There are quarters of land in irrigated sections of Colorado that cannot be had for $20,000 and, which earn a remunerative interest on that valuation.

And yet you can purchase irrigated land where the soil is perfect beyond belief, where the water supply is plentiful and inexhaustible, where climatic conditions are healthful and invigorating, where feed is abundant and cheap, for from $15 an acre up.

[illegible] ... will meet [illegible] Pawnee City, April 16, at 3 p. m.

A GOOD THING.

German syrup is the special prescription of Dr A. Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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Also Purifies the Blood.

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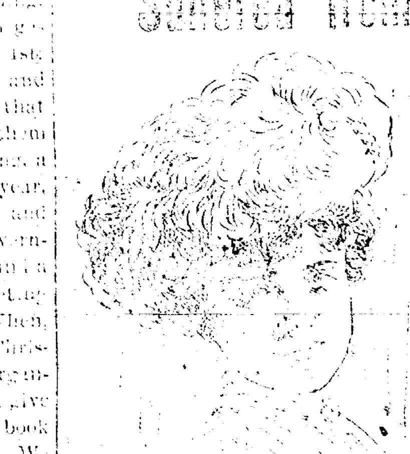

St. Paul, Minn., June 9, 1903.

Dr. M. M. Fenner, Fredonia, N. Y.

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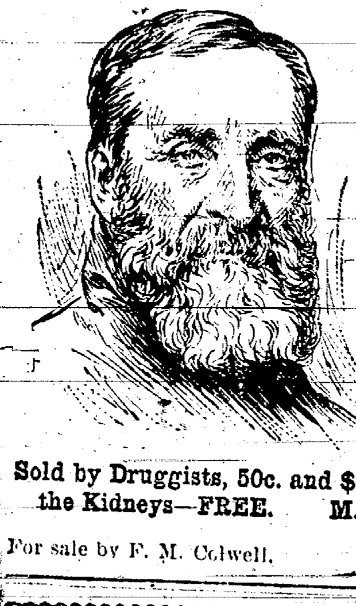

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W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto "For God and Home and Every Land."

The Union meets with Mrs Walter Smith this week. It's about time for housecleaning. That's a job the men dread and insist on putting off as long as possible, yet everyone knows it's necessary in order to have healthy, happy homes. Most men are not as careful to keep things clean and orderly as might be, and some women are very easily discouraged and soon fall into lazy, slovenly ways. Then alas for the home! and alas for our municipal and national government! They don't want the women poking round, ain't ready for housecleaning yet! If the women had been housekeeping in the town hall I think there would have been some scraping and cleaning of—feet shall we say? surely the men and boys who spend their time and wages in the saloon are not the ones that bring happiness and good cheer to their homes, and it's the thrifty, patient, women and sober, industrious, taxpayers that have to keep the homes and foot the bills after all. Strange how anyone can imagine that money or gratification of appetite can in any way atone for the misery and wretchedness that follows in the wake of a single saloon. Sow a license ballot and you will reap drunken boys, fallen girls, and wrecked and ruined homes and children.

Vermont, by the vote of her own sons, became a license instead of a prohibition state. No better testimony could be presented to prove that what we fail to sow of temperance truth through this study by all pupils in all schools, that we also fail to reap in prohibition sentiment. Law is embodied sentiment. Prohibition is sentiment against alcohol which must first be drilled into the convictions and habits of the people before it manifests itself at the ballot box.

Reports at the annual meeting of the Los Angeles, Cal., W C T U, one of the fifteen unions of that city disclosed a paid up membership of 700, with another hundred names on the roll for immediate collection.—Union Signal.

Adairsville, Kentucky, voted no license, and raised a fund of $3,000 to prosecute any person who attempts to run a "blind tiger" there. Prohibition will be very apt to prohibit there.

A ten months' crusade of the temperance forces of Freeland, Pa., led by Rev O G Lanford, caused fifty-nine saloon keepers to agree to close their bars on Sunday.

The following from our state papers, by S E Kiser, seems very appropriate now:

Straws that Indicate Public Opinion.

A majority of the bills passed by the Colorado legislature at its last session were either introduced by women or directly in their interest, and the feminine influence on legislation was declared to be distinctly elevating and healthful.

In distant New Zealand, Premier Sedden was one of the bitterest opponents of Woman Suffrage before its introduction into that colony; now he warmly commends the system, having been thoroughly converted by its practical workings

Robert Webster Janes writing for the Housekeeper, says New Zealand never was so prosperous as now, and the interest of her women is manifest by their active participation in public affairs.

In New South Wales 300,000 men and 285,000 women qualified to vote at the last legislative election. In nearly one-third of the electorates the women outnumber the men and will absolutely control the election of legislators in those districts. In many of these districts men of good judgment will be elected by women constituents.

How Are You Helping?

The world is a dreary old place, you say,
Where few may start gladly and smile through the day;
Where fairness is rare and where justice is rarer;
The world is a place of oppression and tears;
Where the blight of men's selfishness ever appears;
Where to live is to struggle through wearisome years.
But what are you doing to make the world fairer?

The world is a frightful old place, you sigh,
Where men go to battle not reasoning why,
Where the spirit of law is shut out by the letter;
The world is a place where the wicked stand high,
Where the righteous are crushed, where the innocent die,
Because of men's greed and the rights they deny,
But what are you doing to make the world better?

The world is a sorry old place. Oh, yes!
There's so little of joy and so much of distress,
Yet the cares we are bearing might all be made lighter,
If the ones whom the fates have not splendidly blest
Would cease to go trying to worry the rest;
If we cheered the oppressed who hope on for the best—
And what are you doing to make the world brighter?

Robbed The Grave

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia as follows: I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only 50c, guaranteed at Colwell's drug store.

Aside from the generous display of charming summer garments, which the Standard Patterns supply in the May Designer, and in which Graduation and Commencement costumes are given prominence, there is a special article on Summer Array for the Wee ones, in which small girls and boys are pictured in garb at once practical and becoming; and another on Frills and Furbelows, suggesting arrangement of the airy ruffles which now decorate feminine sleeves and jackets. Summery too is the reading matter supplied in this number, for the two short stories are entitled Crab Apple Blossoms, and The Cherry-Tree Inn; Kate V Saint Maur discourses on Poultry and Pet Stock Farming for Women. The play for amateur production is Helping Cupid, written by Lucia B Cook, and the fancywork consists of Bands, Stocks and Collars, by C L Kellogg, and Pillow Lace, by Amy Moeran. Saving the Dimples, by George L M Brown, will appeal to every mother of chubby little folks. All the regular departments of the magazine are filled with timely, interesting and practical topics.

Some Facts About

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See them soon With as large a stock as we have, and with the many advantages we afford you, we are anxious to have you come in and see our line. There is a great advantage for the buyer in making selections while there is everything to choose from, and the prices are now as low as they can be. However, whether you are going to do any papering this spring or not we will esteem it a pleasure to show you our stock.

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The Daily News receives the complete Scripps-McRae Cable and Telegraph reports; the full Newspaper Enterprise Association service; and has four special correspondents at the seat of war, thus enabling it to give you accurate news promptly. Remember it is an independent paper, giving all the news without fear or favor. This offer is good only during April. Send order to this office or direct to Omaha Daily News, Omaha, Neb.

Walks Without Crutches

I was much afflicted with sciatica, writes Ed C Nud, Iowaville, Sedgwick county, Kan, going about on crutches and suffering a deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment which relieved me. I used three 50c bottles. It is the greatest liniment I ever used; have recommended it to a number of persons, all express themselves as being benefitted by it. I now walk without crutches, able to perform a great deal of light labor on the farm. 25c, 50c and $1 at Colwell's.

Baffles the Berlin Police.

A newspaper vendor in Berlin has just hit upon a novel way of baffling the police. He has fitted up a tricycle as a newspaper booth, and when told to "move on" he simply pedals off to a new beat and opens a new business.

The Mosquito's Bite.

The bite of the mosquito would scarcely be noticed were it not for the fact that the insect injects into the wound an acrid juice, which causes the itching and painful sensation.

Indian Musical Instrument.

The Indian tamboura has the body of light reddish-yellow wood, wire strings, three being of steel and one of brass. It is used to accompany the voice in singing.

Length of Ohio River.

The Ohio river is 975 miles long. From the source of its longest tributary to the junction of the Mississippi the total length is nearly 1,500 miles.

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Are desirable. You are strong and vigorous when your blood is pure. Many—nay, most—women fail to properly digest their food and so become pale, sallow, thin and weak, while the brightness, freshness and beauty of the skin and complexion depart. Remedy this unpleasant evil by eating nourishing food and taking a small dose of Herbine after each meal to digest what you have eaten. 50c at Colwell's.

The Gentle Albanian Way.

After hanging eight Turkish officers captured by his men, an Albanian brigand named Pelatric has had the bodies cut to pieces and sent to the nearest Turkish garrison, with a letter stating that this was the Albanian method of dealing with tyrants.

A Matter of Taste.

"These fashions," said the Billville matron, "is mighty hard to foller!" "Why, what's the trouble now?" "Jane's got a new muslin an' a flowered caliker, an' to save me I don't know which one she orter wear to the hangin'!"—Atlanta Constitution.

A Thoughtful Man

M M Austin of Winchester, Ind, knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c at Colwell's Drug Store.

THE ARGUS

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TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes.

The work of completing the endowment fund of $50,000 for the Hastings college is proceeding and it is thought the full amount will be raised within a few weeks.

The Farmers' State Bank of Pickerell has been incorporated and the articles approved by the state banking board. The new bank has a capital stock of 5,000.

The Missouri Pacific Railroad company will soon commence building an addition to the depot at Auburn. The waiting rooms and offices are to be enlarged and remodeled.

The Taxpayers' Protection company of Omaha has been formed by the leading real estate dealers of Omaha. The company is organized for the purpose of buying lands at tax sales under the scavenger law.

The campus of the Wesleyan university is to be parked and further beautified. At a meeting of the executive committee of the board of trustees it was decided to appropriate funds for the improvements.

A Columbus man paid twelve dollars for a pair of hunting boots, four dollars for a dog, and fifteen dollars for camp supplies for a week's shooting trip. And then he got mad because his wife paid nine dollars for an Easter hat.

Woodward & Burgess, managers of the Boyd theater, Omaha, have signed a five-year lease of the Grand opera house in Sioux City, and will add the City house to their string of theaters. They will take possession of the Grand August 1.

A Platte county farm, that of Nick Fehringer, near Tarnow, has been sold at $81 an acre. He bought the same quarter section four years ago for $34 an acre. It is said that his selling price is the highest yet accepted for farm land in Platte county.

The Lincoln custom house has received word from the government at Washington, D. C., that all munitions of war have been declared contraband by Russia and Japan and that such goods billed to pass through or into those countries are liable to seizure by the governments of the two nations who are at war.

There was more building in Omaha for the first quarter of 1904 than for any corresponding period of any year since the Trans-Mississippi exposition. In 1899, during the first three months, there was $128,748 of building permits issued; in 1900, $297,955; in 1901, $327,785; in 1902, $188,231; in 1903, $197,412, and in 1904, $337,475.

The United Mutual Hail Insurance association is the oldest, is the strongest, is the best; has paid $159,000.00 more for losses than the combined payments of all other companies. Paid $53,596.10 in 1903. Has paid $200,911.80 for losses since its organization. Wants good representatives in every precinct. Address Home Office, No. 116 So. 10th St., Lincoln, Neb.

A specimen of the rare golden eagle was killed near Beatrice by Claud Craig and Charles Dockhorn. The bird weighed about twenty pounds and measures eight feet from the tip of one wing to the other and James Cady, who is authority on birds, says that the fowl is about seventy-five years of age and is large enough to carry off a small animal or a child.

State Chemist Walker of the pure food commission has condemned sixty-five barrels of vinegar at Norfolk, Wayne, Emerson, Pender, Bancroft, Oakland and Tekamah, according to a report received from him by Commissioner Thompson. The vinegar was being sold under a false label and is known as rye malt vinegar. This is the largest lot of vinegar condemned by the department for some time, the food commissioner succeeding for a time last fall in keeping all adulterated brands out of the state.

The Farmers' Business association of Furnas county has incorporated with a capital stock of $10,000 and a paid up capital of $2,500. The incorporators include many of the leading farmers of Furnas county and the concern will handle grain and live stock and is empowered to deal in farm products and provisions. The principal place of business will be at Morseville, Neb.

Patrick Murray of Columbus, has brought suit in the district court against the Union Pacific Railroad Co., asking judgment in the sum of $4,000, which amount of damage he says he sustained last October by reason of a fire which destroyed all the hay on his land. He also sues William Fox and Daniel Hines, conductor and engineer of the train which he says started the fire. Murray in one of the wealthiest farmers in Platte county.

Messrs. Fowler, Schneider, Nye and Fried of the Nye-Schneider-Fowler Grain and Elevator company have purchased 600 acres of land north of Fremont, which formerly comprised a part of the Patrick ranch. The piece adjoins the 400 acres known as Idlewild, and which has ben used as a pleasure resort. Combining the two tracts, the new owners will have 1,000 acres together, and they propose to establish the largest ranch in the county.

Three agents for a Chicago concern, arrested at Fremont for soliciting without a license, were released. They gave security for the fines and costs assessed against them, which they promised to pay at a later date. The state agent for the company refused to pay the young men's fines.

In the libel suit against W. N. Huse, publisher of the Norfolk News, Judge Boyd directed the jury to bring in a verdict for the defendant, ending the trial in a few minutes. Tom Sheibley of Ponca sought to recover $6,500. The case arose in the congressional campaign that elected McCarthy.

PEOPLE'S VICTORY

Big Majority in Chicago Vote for Municipal Ownership

WILL MANAGE STREET CARS

School Board to be Elected Instead of Appointed by Executive—Political Revolution

In the municipal election in Chicago the republicans elected eighteen aldermen, the democrats sixteen, and one independent republican, who repudiated the "machine" in the Sixth ward, was chosen a member of the council. The last council was composed of thirty-six republicans, thirty-two democrats, one independent democrat, and one socialist. The next council will be formed of thirty-six republicans, thirty-one democrats, two independents, one of whom is a democrat and the other a republican, and one socialist.

The chief interest in the election centered in the vote on proposed municipal ownership of street railways. In this connection what is known as the "Mueller law," passed by the last state legislature, was submitted to the people. The law authorizes cities in Illinois to construct, own, operate, and lease street railways, and to provide the means therefor. On this proposition the vote stood 152,434 for the proposition and 30,104 against; on the proposition that the city should at once take over the street railways into its control the vote stood 120,744 for and 50,893 against. For the temporary licensing of street railways until such time as the city is prepared to take them over the vote was 120,181 for, and 48,056 against.

On the question of whether or not the members of the board of education should be elected by direct vote of the people instead of by executive appointment, and confirmation by the city council, as is the present usage, the vote was 115,553 for and 58,432 against.

STATE SCHOOL FUNDS

Funds in State Treasury $434,566.03, an Increase of $54,331.85

There is a total of $434,566.03 on hand in the various state funds in the treasury, according to the report of Treasurer Mortensen. This is an increase of $54,331.85 over the amount on hand the first of March, which was $380,234.18. The receipts for the month were $410,459.30 and the expenditures $356,127.45. The permanent school fund has decreased $4,318.89 and the agricultural college endowment fund has increase from nothing to $1,358.20. The permanent funds have decreased $2,960.69 during the month. The balances in the several funds are as follows:

	Balances March 31
General	$ 8,628.93
Permanent school	80,176.21
Temporary school	250,087.37
Agricultural college endowment	1,358.20
Temporary university	18,435.52
Hospital for insane	1,738.85
State library	3,452.85
University cash	21,240.74
Normal library	176.45
Normal interest	1,704.29
Inheritance tax	4,189.35
Penitentiary special labor	2,346.15
Penitentiary land	3,585.00
Agricultural and mechanic arts	6,562.57
U. S. experiment station	963.73
Total	$434,566.03

Little Helen Burkett Recovering

Little Helen Burkett, the youngest daughter of Representative and Mrs. Burkett, who sustained a broken collar bone by reason of an accident several months ago at her home in Washington, is steadily improving and no serious results from the injury are now anticipated. Little Miss Helen had the misfortune to fall down a flight of stairs during the holidays. Her collar bone was set at once following the accident, but it seems that a mistake was made by the surgeon. In consequence about two weeks ago it was found necessary to reset the bone and Mr. and Mrs. Burkett were apprehensive lest serious results might follow.

Mother's Disappointment

Noting press dispatches that told of the murder of William O'Brien at Humphrey, Mrs. E. A. O'Brien of Minneapolis, arrived at Norfolk, Neb., expecting to find her son. The dead man was a stranger to her. She is undone by the strain of three sleepness nights. The body of the unidentified man was taken to Lincoln.

Will All Join Union

Vice President Lewis of the United Mine Workers has returned to Indianapolis from West Virginia, where he had been attending the district joint conference at Charleston. He said that complete recognition had been accorded the miners in the Kanawka, Gauley, Elk and Guyandotte river districts and all their branches and that all of the men there employed, about 10,000 in number, both in the mines and on the outside work, would become members of the union.

NEBRASKA'S FINANCES

Showing Balances on Hand and Deposited in Approved Banks

State Treasurer Mortensen's complete monthly bank balance statement shows he had on deposit with approved state depositories $28,782.01. The total amount of funds for which he was accountable at that time was $436,566. The work of looking after state funds in depositories is increased by the jealousy that exists between some banks in towns. If the state treasurerer has a little more money in one bank than in another in the same town, he hears from it. If he leaves more money in the large towns than in the small towns he is certain to be reminded of it. Twice each year he is compelled to withdraw nearly all the funds on deposit to make the semi-annual payment of the temporary school funds to the various school districts of the state. Taking the banks generally, however, there is less rivalry for state funds than ever before. Some banks can not use the money to an advantage and all of them are able to do without it. During the times when money was scarce the number of applicants for state funds was much larger than at present. The fact that the state treasurer is apt to be compelled to call for his funds on short notice makes it impossible for many banks to use it profitably.

The following is the bank balance statement for March 31:

Lincoln—	
Farmers & Merchants bank	$ 10,421.52
Bank of Commerce	14,646.39
City National	25,922.26
Columbia National	29,502.65
First National	30,980.30
Omaha—	
Commercial National	30,731.75
First National	30,631.26
Merchants' National	30,023.25
Union National	30,530.86
U. S. National	30,046.65
Alliance—First National	3,302.38
Battle Creek—Valley	4,159.40
Bazile Mills—Bank of	1,500.00
Broken Bow—State Bank	4,431.95
Custer National	5,066.70
Curtis—State Bank of	3,080.91
Dannebrog—State Bank	1,523.90
Grand Island—Comm'l State	4,076.44
Grand Island Banking Co.	4,486.90
Harvard—Union State	4,115.38
Hastings—First National	4,450.51
German National	5,056.04
Holdrege—First National	2,960.32
Loomis—First National	3,000.00
McCook—Citizens'	3,198.89
Newport—State Bank	2,000.00
Norfolk—National	4,157.82
O'Neill—First National	4,079.95
Ord—First National	6,689.00
Orleans—Bank of Orleans	3,000.00
Pierce—Pierce County	4,000.00
South Omaha—Packers' Nat.	7,501.99
South Omaha National	7,501.99
St. Paul—Citizens' National	4,463.00
Sterling—First State	1,004.40
Stromsburg — Farmers & Merchants	4,105.67
Syracuse—Bank of Syracuse	3,045.00
Valentine—Valentine State	4,120.90
Wahoo—Saunders National	4,146.09
Wayne—First National	4,118.79
West Point—National	7,000.00
Wolbach—Wolbach State	1,500.00
York—City National	3,082.80
First National	4,105.22
Total	$428,872.01

Who Got the Prizes

The meeting of the teachers' association closed with the district high school declamatory contest at Aurora. A large and enthusiastic audience greeted the speakers from the twelve towns represented. Prizes were awarded as follows:

Oratorical section—First prize, John E. Nelson of York, subject, "The New South."

Dramatic section—First prize, Miss Edith Allen of Geneva, subject, "Joe and Megeby"; second prize, Miss Julia Ellsworth of Grand Island, subject, "Swan and Gazelle."

Humorous section—First prize, Miss Edith Simmons of Seward, subject, "The Bear Story Alexis Made up Himself;" second, Iri Tolen of Ord, subject, "The Railway Magnate;" third, Miss Mae Hull, of Edgar, subject, "Naughty Zell."

Democrats Win in Montana

In Butte the anti-trust and labor parties combined and elected five aldermen, the socialists elected one and the democrats two.

In Anaconda the election of four democrats and two republicans for aldermen and the utter defeat of the socialists was the result of the election. The socialists through the state made a hard fight, but were in nearly every instance defeated.

At Helena the democrats elected mayor, police magistrate and one alderman. The republicans elected the city treasurer and seven aldermen.

A. Hadley and wife of Garden City celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the residence of Mrs. J. V. Carter, Mr. Hadley's sister. Many friends were present from a distance. One hundred dollars in gold was left as a token of respect.

Fooled by a Woman

Henry Jones, who, according to a suit he has filed in the district court at Omaha, for a divorce is 87 years old, and has been married three times. According to his story his last marital adventure was an unhappy one, his wife having left him, taking with her all of their furniture and what remained of a $500 bank account. He says he is homeless and penniless and asks the court for absolute separation.

PREPARE FOR WAR

Russia and Japan are Mobilizing Troops for Decisive Battle

RUSSIA DESIRES SECRECY

First Land Engagement of Importance Will Occur at Yalu River—Coolies Taking in War Supplies

A St. Petersburg dispatch says: "As the time approaches for the opening of land operations on a large scale, the Russian authorities are exercising greater vigilance to prevent the news of their plans for the movement to and the disposition of troops in the theater of war from going abroad, where it might be of service to the enemy. For ten days not a scrap of real information, except such as is contained in official dispatches, has been given out or has come from the front. There practically exists an embargo upon news dispatches, those coming through being colorless and devoid of importance."

The Associated press correspondent en route to the front, writing from Harbin, describes the scene there as he observes it:

"From all sides soldiers were pouring into Harbin. The uncompleted railroad station there had been transformed into a barracks, and almost every house in the town was occupied by soldiers. Pristan, a short distance away, which until recently had been a small village on the bank of the Sungar river, had become a city with temporary buildings which were being used by the troops, and with stores, a hotel and restaurant.

"The snow-filled streets of the two cities at the time the correspondent wrote, were thronged with picturesque Cossacks, bearded Siberians, sharpshooters and galloping orderlies, all imbued with the fever to get to the front. Merchants and restaurant keepers, the correspondent adds were accused of extortion, but money was cheap.

"Spring was coming on, though violent snowstorms continued to rage."

FIRST BLOW AT COAL TRUST

Supreme Court Sustains W. R. Hearst Against the Railroads

The case of the interstate commerce commission versus Baird, commonly known as the anthracite coal case, was decided by the supreme court of the United States in favor of the commission, the decision of the United States circuit court for the southern district of New York being reversed. This is the case instituted before the commission by W. R. Hearst, of New York, who alleged discrimination by the railroad companies which reached the anturacite coal mines in Pennsylvania. During the hearing some of the witnesses refused to produce certain contracts bearing upon the business of the railroad companies and the coal mines, which action was upheld by the circuit court of New York. The United States supreme court held that the contracts should have been supplied. The decision was handed down by Justice Day.

WEST WANTS IRRIGATION

Western People Will be Pleased to Learn It from Railroads

Under rapid questioning by the opponents of the repeal of the desert land laws in the house committee on irrigation, George H. Maxwell detailed the information that the Great Northern, the Northern Pacific, the Southern Pacific, the Santa Fe, the Union Pacific, Other contributions to this fund bring and the Burlington roads each contributed $6,000 a year and the Rock Island $3,000 a year towards a fund to be used by the National Irrigation association and disbursed by Mr. Maxwell in the interest of that organization, the amount up to $50,000 a year. This money has been collected during the past five years and is still being paid. It was used to secure the passage of the national irrigation act, in a campaign of education.

Got in Front of Shotgun

John Johansen, aged 20, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Johansen, living near Osceola, Neb., was accidentally shot and killed. He and his brother had gone out to sow oats, and had placed their guns in the wagon. After they reached the field he attempted to take one of the guns out, and in some manner it wis discharged. The load entered his mouth and the whole top of his head was blown off.

$18,000 Fire at Mitchell

The $18,000 stock of the Blackburn Merchandise Co., of Mitchell, Neb., was entirely consumed by fire, along with the whole building in which it was located. The insurance is $12,000. The building is a total loss of about $2,400, with no insurance. But few things were saved, among them an automobile, used on a stage route up the valley, and a few vehicles which were in the back of the building, and which were easily taken out before the fire reached them.

NEBRASKA STOCKMEN MEET

Foundation Laid in Otoe County for State Organization

The representative stockmen of Otoe county met at Nebraska City and perfected an organization to be known as the Otoe Count Stockmen's association. C. J. Mullis was chosen president; H. S. Baker, treasurer, and George Easley secretary. It is proposed to appoint a committee and canvass all the counties of the state for the purpose of having similar organizations formed, for the furtherance of the interests of the feeders and the securing of better transportation facilities for all cattle shippers. A state association will be the ultimate outcome of the county organizations, and the meeting at Nebraska City is considered important by the cattlement because it is the first united effort that has been made by them tending to the upbuilding of their common interests. Similar associations now exist in Iowa and Kansas and it is hoped that before long the entire cattle belt may be merged into one general association. One important object to be attained is the gathering of data so that the number of cattle to be shipped at any given time may be known among cattlemen generally, which would be of great advantage to large feeders.

TEACHERS AT McCOOK

Southwest Teachers' Association One of the Best Held

Sessions of the Southwest Nebraska District Teachers' association at McCook drew an attendance of over 200 teachers from over the district. The sessions were crowded full with addresses, papers and discussions of interest. Miss Caldwell of Lincoln, High School Inspector Crabtree, State Superintendent McBrien, State Superintendent Stetson of Maine and a number of lesser lights appeared on the program. Inspector Crabtree spoke on "The Value of Fads." Deputy McBrien's address was on "Twentieth Century Farm Life." "The Single Teacher of 40" was Superintendent Fowler's topic. Superintendent Stetson addressed the meeting at length, besides which were a number of excellent papers, discussions, etc., by teachers, county superintendents, superintendents of city schools and others. Superintendent Stetson delighted and instructed a large and enthusiastic audience in the Congregational church. The meeting was highly gratifying in every respect, drawing many educators from all over southwestern Nebraska.

Cities Can Make Gas Rates

The supreme court of the United States has affirmed the decision of the lower court in the case of the People's Gas company, of Chicago. The case is that of the People's Gas company versus the City of Chicago. The decision is in favor of the city.

The case involved the validity of the ordinance of Chicago fixing a rate of 75 cents per thousand feet of gas. The case was dismissed by the United States circuit court for the northern district of Illinois, and that decision was affirmed by this opinion. The effect is to sustain the validity of the ordinance.

The Rhodes Examination

The Nebraska Oxford responsions examinations for the 1904 Rhodes Scholarship appointment for Nebraska will be held at the University of Nebraska on Wednesday and Thursday, April 13 and 14 inst., in University hall, room 107, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. on the 13th. Candidates reporting at the registrar's office will receive all necessary instructions.

The examination papers contain the full text of all the classical passages used; candidates will therefore require no text books. They will also need to bring no stationery.

E. BENJ. ANDREWS,
Chairman Committee on Selection of Rhodes Scholars State of Nebraska.
W. W. COOK, University of Nebraska,
H. W. COX, Wesleyan University,
L. P. BUSH, Cotner University.
Examination Committtee.

Wants Kearney Superintendency

Candidates for the position of superintendent of the Kearney normal school have entered the contest, Professor Clark M. Young, of the South Dakota university, located at Vermillion, has made application for the position. Professor Young has expressed his willingness to serve and has forwarded his credentials to President Rogers. Professor Young and Superintendent Fowler are the only candidates for the position who have made their candidacies known to the board, although Professor J. W. Crabtree, the state inspector of high schools, is alleged to be a candidate.

Van Wyck Residence Burned

The country home of the late Senator Charles H. Van Wyck, eight miles northwest of Nebraska City, was burned to the ground with its contents. The home was one of the finest in that part of the state and was built at a cost of nearly $16,000, and there was only $2,200 insurance thereon. The property belongs to the only daughter of the late senator and who resides now in New York city. The loss on the contents was $2,000, on which there was no insurance.

BIRD LIFE IN HAWAII.

Many Species Will Disappear or Be Driven to Inaccessible Heights.

From some of the open pastures rises the song of the skylark, which was imported from New Zealand; skylarks increase in number, but not very quickly.

The voice of the Chinese turtle dove—the mourning dove, it is called—is heard in the land quite near to the valley homes; also the upward whirr of the Mongolian and the Japanese pheasant.

Grouse and quail—the California valley quail—were there until lately, but the latter have now betaken themselves to heights of 6,000 to 7,000 feet, whither the marauding mongoose can not follow them.

I asked a young niece of my own who lately left Honolulu what birds visited their grounds three miles up the valley road, and she tells me:

"Java sparrows, rice birds, and those squawking mynahs. The last eat up all our young figs and grapes, unless we throw the tennis nets over them."

That watching of birds which is essential to a knowledge of their life history has, indeed, been impossible to most visitors to Hawaii.

And now that annexation is giving an impetus to the development of the country's resources, the inevitable destruction of its forests, even if the birds themselves do not perish with the trees that sheltered and fed them, is driving them up to still more inaccessible heights and wooded depths between the sharp volcanic peaks, which will baffle the hardiest climber—Blackwood's Magazine.

LITTLE THINGS THAT COUNT.

Great Results Sometimes Spring from Small Beginnings.

"The longer I live," observed the cashier of a bank down town, "the more I realize the importance of little things. Here is a case in point," he continued, referring to a letter he just had received. "A few weeks ago I had two callers in my office, one an excitable, elderly man, a big depositor, and the other the president of a manufacturing concern and the writer of this letter. This manufacturer left, and soon afterward the excitable man discovered that some one had taken his hat. He stormed about the place until one of the clerks suggested that perhaps the manufacturer had taken it by mistake. The excitable man demanded his address and started out to hunt him down and give him a piece of his mind.

"The other day I read a letter from the manufacturing concern and was astonished to see among the names of its officers that of my excitable caller as vice president. My curiosity was aroused and I made some inquiries. Now I learn that the excitable man was so pleasantly received when he called for his hat that his anger cooled at once. Then he got to talking about the manufacturer's business and the money he was making. A few days later he invested heavily in the concern and was elected its vice president. And all because of that little mistake about a hat."—New York Press.

Example of It Himself.

The delegate with the scarred face rose to speak.

"Mr. Chairman," he said, "I'm for the resolutions, all right, only I want 'em made a good deal stronger. We're here to denounce grafters and grafting of all kinds, and we want to make it so plain that no man who has ever profited by graft will dare to show his face—"

"Where would the speaker himself be, Mr. Chairman," yelled another delegate, "if his friends hadn't come forward when he got his face scalded and furnished the skin from their arms to give him a new face? He's got graft written all over his—"

Here the meeting broke up in a row.—Chicago Tribune.

Photographer Too Literal.

Senator Thomas C. Platt has often admitted to his friends that he does not consider himself a handsome man. He says he once had some pictures taken while on a visit to Owego, N. Y., the place of his birth. When the photographing operation was completed he told the photographer, as people had done from time immemorial, that he hoped the camera would stand the shock. Anxious to reassure his distinguished patron and somewhat flustrated with the importance of the occasion, the photographer hastily replied:

"Oh, that's all right, Mr. Platt, I've taken worse faces than yours with that camera."—New York Times.

The Greater Love.

The bee that sips her sweets from flowers fair,
Flying on careless wing now here, now there,
With azure skies above, green sward below,
And soft south-wind to bear her to and fro,
Might seem the soul of self-devoted ease,
Her life a draught of nectar without lees.
Not so! Her prime is full of strenuous deed
That shames our own in generous meed
Of work for others' good. Long summer days
She builds her golden house, with guerdons stays
Her Queen, uprears her young, and stores her food—
Then sudden shuns her wealth, her home, her brood,
And seeks new haven on an unknown sea,
Leaving her life-work to posterity.
—Henry Hoyt Moore.

Fireproof Passenger Coaches.

Taking warning by the terrible accident in the Paris underground road, the interborough company of New York is building for use on the new subway a large number of steel cars intended to be absolutely fireproof, constructed entirely of metal, transite board and asbestos.

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XXVII.

The Hill of Dreams.

Franklin found himself swept along with a tide of affairs other than his own choosing. His grasp on the possibilities of the earliest days of this new civilization had been so full and shrewd that he needed now but to let others build the house whose foundation he had laid.

Yet ever a chill struck his soul as he thought of the lost battle at the Halfway House. There was now grass grown upon the dusty trail that once led up to the low-eaved house. The green and gray of Nature were shrouding busily the two lonely graves of those who had fought the frontier and been vanquished in that night of terror, when the old West claimed its own. The Halfway House of old was but a memory. And Mary Ellen, the stately visitant of his sleeping or his waking dreams, no longer might be seen in person at the Halfway House. Recreant, defeated, but still refusing aid, she had gone back to her land of flowers. It was Franklin's one comfort that she had never known into whose hands had passed—at a price far beyond their actual worth—the lands of the Halfway House, which had so rapidly built up for her a competency, which had cleared her of poverty, only to reenforce her in her pride.

Under all the fantastic grimness, all the mysticism, all the discredited and riotous vagaries of his insubordinate soul, Franklin possessed a saving common sense; yet it was mere freakishness which led him to accept a vagrant impulse as the controlling motive at the crucial moment of his life.

To a very few men Edward Franklin has admitted that he once dreamed of a hill topped by a little fire, foot of the hill. There were no longer banners of dust where the wild game swept by, nor did the eye catch any line of distant horsemen. It was another day. Yet, as did the candidate of old, he left his horse at the foot of the hill and went up quite alone.

It was afternoon as he sat down. The silence and solitude folded him about, and the sun sank so fitly slow that he hardly knew, and the solemn night swept softly on. Then he built a little fire. * * In the night, after many hours, he arose and lifted up his hands. * * At the foot of the hill the pony stopped cropping grass, tossed his head, and looked up intently at the summit.

It was morning. The sun rose calm and strong. The solitary figure upon the hill sat motionless, looking out. There might have passed before him a perspective of the past, the Plains peopled with their former life; the oncoming of the white men from below; the remnant of the passing Latin race, typified in the unguided giant who, savage with savage, fought near by, one brutal force meeting another and both passing before one higher and yet more strong. To this watcher it seemed that he looked out from the halfway point of the nation, from the halfway house of a nation's irresistible development.

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Franklin had taken with him a small canteen of water, but bethinking himself that as of old the young man beseeching his dream neither ate nor drank until he had his desire, he poured out the water at his side as he sat in the dark. The place was covered with small objects, bits of strewn shells and beads and torn "medicine bundles"—pieces of things once held dear in earlier minds. He felt his hand fall by accident upon some small object which had been

On the Hill of Dreams.

whose smoke dipped and waved and caught him in its fold. In brief, he got into saddle and journeyed to the Hill of Dreams.

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The Hill of Dreams dominated the wide and level landscape over which it had looked out through hundreds of slow, unnoted years. From it once rose the signal smokes of the red men, and here it was that many a sentinel had stood in times long before a white face was ever seen upon the Plains.

Here on the Hill of Dreams, whence the eye might sweep to the fringed and hills on the south, east to the ver many miles away, and north and west almost to the swell of the cold steppes that lead up to the Rocky range, the red men had sometimes come to lay their leaders when their day of hunting and of war was over. Thus the place came to have extraordinary and mysterious qualities ascribed to it, on which account, in times gone by, men who were restless, troubled, disturbed, dissatisfied, came thither to fast and pray.

Hither they bore the great dead. It was upon the Hill of Dreams that his people buried White Calf, the last great leader of the Plains tribes, who fell in the combat with the not less savage giant who came with the white men to hunt in the country near the Hill of Dreams. Since that time the power of the Plains tribes had waned, ... they had scattered and passed ...y. The swarming white men—...goths, Vandals—had found out ... spot for centuries held mysteri... dear to the first peoples of that ...ry. They tore open the graves, ...ered the childlike emblems, pick... pieces the little packages of ... and claws, ...ing at the "medi... ...e" which in its time had meant so ... to the man who had left it

...ward the Hill of Dreams Fra...k... journeyed, because it had b...n ...en. As he traveled over the ...ng ... he scarcely noted the fields, the ...s, the flocks and herds now c...ng... along the path of the iron rails. ...rossed the trails of the departed ... and of the vanishing cattle, ...is mind looked only forward, and ...w these records of the past but ... There, on the Hill of Dreams, ...ew, there was answer for him, ...e sufficiently besought; that an... not yet learned in all the vary... days. It seemed sure to him that ...ould have a sign.

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...anklin looked out over a deserted ...

wetted by the wasted water. Later, in the crude light of the tiny flame which he had kindled, this lump of earth assumed, to his exalted fancy, the grim features of an Indian chieftain, wide-jawed, betufted, with low brow, great mouth, and lock of life's price hanging down the neck. All the fearlessness, the mournfulness, the mysticism of the Indian face was there. Franklin always said that he had worked at this unconsciously, kneading the lump between his fingers, and giving it no thought other than that it felt cooling to his hand and restful to his mind. Yet here, born ultimately of the travail of a higher mind, was a man from another time, in whose gaze sat the prescience of a coming day. The past and the future thus were bridged, as may be done only by Art, the enduring, the uncalendared, the imperishable.

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Edward Franklin, a light-hearted man, rode homeward happily. The past lay correlated, and for the future there were no longer any wonderings. His dream, devoutly sought, had given peace.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

At the Gateway.

In a certain old Southern city there stands, as there has stood for many generations, and will no doubt endure for many more, a lofty mansion whose architecture dates back to a distant day. Wide and spacious, with lofty stories, with deep wings and many narrow windows, it rests far back among the ancient oaks, a stately memorial of a day when gentlemen demanded privacy and could afford it. From the iron pillars of the great gateway the white front of the house may barely be seen through avenues made by the trunks of the primeval grove. The tall white columns, reaching from gallery floor to roof without pause for the second lofty floor, give dignity to this old-time abode, which comports well with the untrimmed patriarchal oaks. Under these trees there lies, even to-day, a deep bluegrass turf which never, from the time of Boone till now, has known the touch of ploughshare or the tool of any cultivation.

It was the boast of this old family that it could afford to own a portion of the earth and own it as it came from the hand of Nature. Uncaught by the whirl of things, undisturbed essentially even by the tide of the civil war, this branch of an old Southern family had lived on in station unaffected, though with fortune perhaps impaired as had been those of many Southern families, including all the Beauchamp line.

To this strong haven of refuge had come Mary Ellen Beauchamp from the far-off Western plains, after the death of her other relatives in that venture so ill-starred. The white-haired old widow who now represented the head of the Clayton family—her kin somewhat removed, but none the less her "cousins," after the comprehensive Southern fashion—had taken Mary Ellen to her bosom, upbraiding her for ever dreaming of going into the barbarian West, and listening but little to the plea of the girl that poverty had driven her to the company of those who, like herself, were poor. Now, such had been the turn of the wheel, the girl was nearly as rich in money as her older relative, and able to asume what little of social position there remained in her ambition.

Mary Ellen was now well past twenty-seven, a tall, matured, and somewhat sad-faced woman, upon her brow written something of the sorrows and uncertainties of the homeless woman, as well as the record of a growing self-reliance. If Mary Ellen were happy or not none might say, yet surely she was dutiful and kind; and gradually, with something of the leadership she had learned in her recent life, she slipped into practical domestic command of this quiet but punctilious menage. By reason of an equal executive fitness Aunt Lucy rose in the kitchen also to full command. The Widow Clayton found her cousin Mary Ellen a stay and comfort, useful and practical to a degree unknown in the education of the Southern young lady of the time.

Of her life in the West Mary Ellen spoke but little, though never with harshness, and at times almost with wistfulness. Her history had seemed too full of change to be reality. For the future she made no plans. It seemed to her to be her fate ever to be an alien, a looker-on. The roses drooped across her lattice, and the blue grass stood cool and soft and deep beyond her window, and the kind air carried the croon of the wooing mocking bird; yet there persisted in her brain the picture of a wide, gray land, with the sound of an urgent wind singing in the short, tufted grasses, and the breath of a summons ever on the air. Out there upon the Plains it had been ever morning. Here life seemed ever sinking toward its eventide.

This old family and the family house were accepted unquestioningly by the quiet Southern community now, as they had ever been, as a part of the aristocracy of the land, and as appurtenances thereto. The way of life had little change. The same grooms led out the horses from the stables, the same slow figures cut the grass upon the lawn. Yet no longer were the doors thrown open upon a sea of light and color. The horses were groomed and broken, but they brought no great carriage of state sweeping up the drive between the lion-headed pillars of the gateway. When Mrs. Clayton feebly sought to propose brighter ways of life for the young woman, the latter told her gently that for her, too, life was planned and done, the struggle over, and that she only asked that she might rest, and not take up again any questions for readjustment.

"You will change after a while, honey," said her protectress; but Mary Ellen only smiled. It was enough to rest here in this haven, safe from the surging seas of doubt and hope and fear, of love and self-distrust. Let it be settled. Let it be ended. For her no cavalier should ever come riding up the graveled way, nor should lights ever set dancing again the shadows in the great dining hall over the heads of guests assembled in her honor. It was done—finished. And Mary Ellen was not yet twenty-eight.

(To be continued.)

JAPS GIVEN TO ATHLETICS.

From Early Infancy They are Trained to Develop Their Muscles.

Considering their size the Japanese are undoubtedly the strongest people in the world. Time and again these little brown men have demonstrated their ability to endure fatigues that would break down the most sinewy Europeans. In any Japanese town one cannot walk far without being confronted by athletics in one form or another. In the streets you can rarely escape the painted and gaudily dressed tots who turn baby handsprings, execute somersaults and do other infantile stunts in a wheedling effort to secure the "hairy foreigner's" wealth. A Japanese matsuri were not the fair it purports without the bespangled tight-rope performance, the bamboo ladder climbing youngsters, the wrestlers, tumblers, spearsmen or fencers.

So deeply rooted is the native love for the strenuous life that the national sports of other lands have been tried in Japan. The mikado, with many of the imperial family, attends the annual spring races in Yokohama, but nothing in the line of imported sports so appeals to the Japanese as cycling and baseball. Cycling clubs are scattered all over the empire, thousands of American bicycles spin across the island and the foreigners experience difficulty in keeping even a few of the records and trophies out of native hands.

The Tokio baseball team is an efficient organization and it frequently drubs the teams from other ports and cities. At the Yokohama cricket grounds excellent and sharply contested games may be witnessed occasionally between the Tokio native team and the Yokohama foreign organization.

Your Corner

Pretty Waist That May Be Made in Two Combinations—Simple and Convenient Overalls for Youth—Some Beautiful Products of the Art of the Enameler.

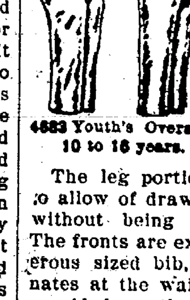
Art Enamels.

Beautiful products of the enameler's art play so important a part in our surroundings of to-day that we wonder how we ever did without them. Some of the buttons on the velvet coatees, with their paste gems introduced into the midst of the enamel, are veritable works of art, and the small jeweled charms, as also the bonbonnieres, all enameled in vivid colors, are quite a revelation. Some of these represent automobiles and are filled with chocolates, or, if intended to hang on a chain, sometimes with scent.

This kind of jewelry lends itself so well to the velours supline, which can be draped like satin. In Paris velvet carries all before it, simply made in the perfection of style, which necessitates not only a good dressmaker, but handsome ornaments.

Youth's Overalls.

Overalls are essential to the neatness of the youth who is engaged in any manual pursuit, whether for pleasure or profit, just as aprons are essential to that of the girls who employ themselves about the house or in such occupations as painting, pyrography and the like. Those illustrated are quite simple and easily made and are suited to denim, linen crash and all the materials used for garments of the sort.



4683 Youth's Overalls, 10 to 16 years.

The leg portions are large enough to allow of drawing over the trousers without being uncomfortably loose. The fronts are extended to form a generous sized bib, but the back terminates at the waist line. Openings are provided at the sides which button into place and pockets are inserted in the front portions, while a patch pocket is stitched onto the right side of the back. Straps are sewed to the upper edge of the back which pass over the shoulders and are attached to the fronts by means of buttons and metal fastenings, and above the bib are supplied with buckles by means of which the length can be regulated; but these can be cut of the exact length and attached with buttons and buttonholes when preferred.

To cut these overalls for a youth of 14 years of age $2\frac{3}{4}$ yards of material 27 inches wide or $2\frac{1}{2}$ yards 32 inches wide will be required.

The pattern 4683 is cut in sizes for youths of 10, 12, 14 and 16 years of age.

THE WELL DRESSED WOMAN

Wide-shaped girdles are the proper waist finish.

Insertions of colored lace trim some of the sheer white blouses.

Tucks of all sorts of circular and crescent-shape design are used.

Hand work is more in evidence than ever in the fashionable wardrobe.

Stiff little hedges of foliage and flowers encircle a few of the hat crowns.

Surplice waists are to be much worn by the woman with a pretty throat.

Those printed bobbinets in big flowered designs are wonderfully attractive.

A sheaf of flowers lying on the arm is said to be the most convenient form for the bridal bouquet.

There is a tendency at present to relegate the trimming of skirts toward the middle when it is applied horizontally.

Flower Parasols.

A bewitching fad of the coming season will be the floral parasols. The foundation of these dainty creations will be chiffons, mousselines, liberties and other gauzy materials. These plain foundations, however, will be trimmed and in some instances entirely covered with artificial flowers.

A daisy parasol, for instance, will be made of green liberty silk, and will have a bow knot design of white daisies on it, with a border of the same. The parasol point will also have a mass of the daisies tied with green gauze ribbon to match the parasol proper.

An orchid parasol will have a violet chiffon foundation, and it will be simply massed with these exquisite velvety blossoms, from the wooden tip to the slender ivory handle.

Violets, pansies, carnations and all the floral favorites will figure prominently in this new fad, but, of course, such a parasol can only be carried on very dressy occasions.

The Peacock Girdle.

In spite of the superstition in reference to peacock feathers, they are to be seen on various dress accessories. One of the most exclusive girdles shown, for instance, has sixteen peacock feather tips, each one mounted and framed in a glass case and joined together with long gold links. These glass cases, which are about the size of a dollar, have a narrow frame of gold about them. The firdle is finished in front with a gold chain fringe, the ends of which have emerald, blue and gilt stones dangling from them.

This offers a suggestion to the girl who wishes to mount her favorite flower and wear it for a girdle. Real or artificial pansies mounted in this manner would make a stunning girdle.

Informal TALKS

When sprinkling clothes use hot water. It damps clothes more evenly than cold.

Keep nickel silver bright by rubbing it with a woolen cloth dipped in spirits of ammonia.

Ermine and other white furs are easily cleaned by rubbing with a flannel cloth dipped in dry flour. It is well to first dry the flour in the oven, taking care not to brown it, and to use it while still hot.

In ironing handkerchiefs it is useful to remember that the middle should be ironed first. To iron the edges first causes the middle to swell out like a balloon and makes it difficult to iron satisfactorily. Test the iron carefully before using it. A piece of rag should be at hand for this purpose.

Misses' Blouse or Shirt Waist.

Shirt waists and shirt waist gowns grow more popular with each incoming season and are shown in almost limitless variety of material. This pretty and stylish waist is adapted both to the gown and to wear with the odd skirt and to the entire range of seasonable fabrics. The model, however, is made of pale blue mercerized chambray, and is worn with belt and tie of blue ribbon.

4685 Misses' Blouse or Shirt Waist, 12 to 16 years.

The plain back with the tucked fronts are much liked, and the sleeves are the favorite ones that are snug above and full below the elbows.

The waist consists of fronts and back, the former being tucked at the shoulders and finished with a regulation box plait. The sleeves are cut in one piece each and are gathered into straight cuffs.

The quantity of material required for the medium size is $3\frac{1}{4}$ yards 21 or 27 inches wide, or $1\frac{5}{8}$ yards 44 inches wide.

The pattern 4685 is cut in sizes for misses of 12, 14 and 16 years of age.

Necklets of Velvet.

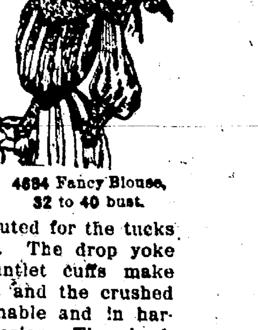
In toilet accessories there are many pretty notions, such as necklets of narrow velvet bands, in the new shades of yellow, green and blue. They are studded with steel, and the ends are held together at the neck by a steel motif. Waistbands or belts may be arranged in the same way.

Dainty Centerpieces.

For those clever with the brush the latest table centers should appeal to some purpose, for now that spring is here the loveliest and most appropriate to the season are made of finest clearest muslin, hand painted, with trails of blossom in faint tints. In favor, too, are billowy centers of chiffon, also hand painted, and these, in softest green, with posies of violets or sprays of lily-of-the-valley arranged upon them, look simply lovely. Silver bowls filled with spring flowers never look better than in a soft setting, such as chiffon or muslin, or some of the silver-shot gossamers now sold for the purpose of table decoration.

Fancy Blouse.

Box plaits combined with tucks or shirrings are among the novelties that are genuinely attractive as well as new. This pretty waist admits of either combination and is eminently graceful and smart. The model is made of pale blue messaline satin, with yoke and cuffs of cream lace, and is tucked between the plaits, but all of the soft and pliable materials of the season are appropriate and shirrings can be substituted for the tucks whenever preferred. The drop yoke and the deep gauntlet cuffs make noteworthy features and the crushed belt is both fashionable and in harmony with the design. The back blouses slightly over the belt but can be drawn down snugly when preferred.



4684 Fancy Blouse, 32 to 40 bust.

The waist consists of the lining, the front and backs which are arranged over it. The yoke is separate and is arranged over the waist after the sleeves are sewed in, the closing being made invisibly at the back edge of the yoke and beneath the box plait. The sleeves are the favorite ones of the season and form soft full puffs above the cuffs but are tucked to fit the upper arms sungly.

The quantity of matrial required for the medium size is 4 yards 21 inches wide, 3 yards 27 inches wide or 2 yards 44 inches wide with ½ yard of silk for belt and $1\frac{3}{8}$ yards of all over lace.

The pattern 4684 is cut in sizes for a 32, 34, 36, 38 and 40 inch bust measure.

A Hint to the Clever Needlewoman.

The new fishnet, Arabe-tinted curtains, show mercerized applique ornamentation, which gives a stained-glass effect to the curtains when the light gleams through them. They furnish a suggestion to the clever needlewoman. Why should she not decorate fishnet with applique work of her own designing and obtain much more artistic results and at one-quarter the cost.

Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out all blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

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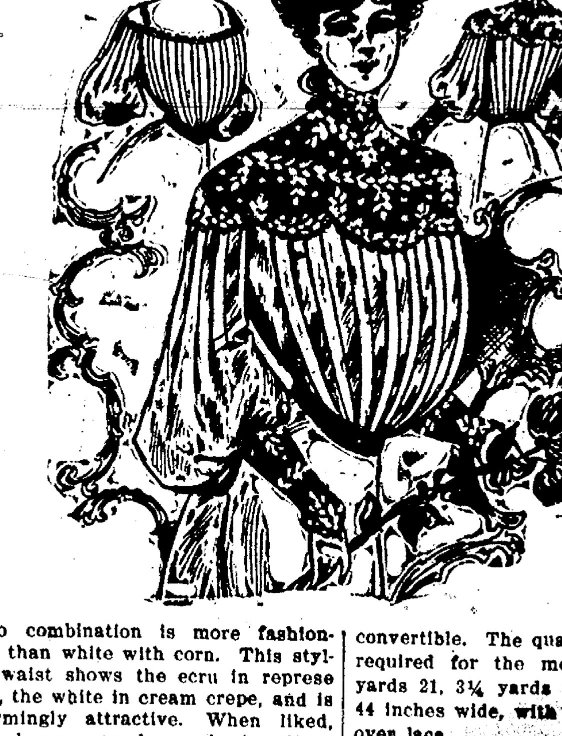

No combination is more fashionable than white with corn. This stylish waist shows the ecru in reprose lace, the white in cream crepe, and is charmingly attractive. When liked, the sleeves can be made in elbow length and the yoke quite separate, so making the waist with both high and low neck and rendering it easily convertible. The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4 yards 21, $3\frac{1}{4}$ yards 27, or $2\frac{1}{4}$ yards 44 inches wide, with $1\frac{5}{8}$ yards of all-over lace.

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The Table Rock Argus.

F. R. Taylor, Publisher.
Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

District court, with Judge Babcock on the bench, is in session at Pawnee City this week.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

The county commissioners met on April 5th, examined and approved the fee books of the county judge, treasurer and clerk of district court, approved bonds of several road overseers, allowed a lot of claims and adjourned until April 9th, when an adjournment was taken to April 15th no other business being transacted.

The senatorial convention for the First district will convene at Pawnee City at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Richardson county has instructed for Judge Tucker of Humboldt, and as Richardson county has the naming of the candidate, he will undoubtedly be nominated.

Easter Sunday was a sad day to the women of Baker Point, N. Y., all because of the drunkenness of a coach driver. The ladies had ordered their Easter bonnets from a local dealer who had ordered them from an adjoining town; the hats were made and shipped via the stage coach; the driver got drunk, went to sleep, and his lighted cigar fell into the box of millinery, set it on fire, and the bonnets were consumed, while the driver saved his life by falling from the stage and rolling in the mud.

THE REVENUE LAW

The intention of the framers of the law was not to place the "burden" of taxation on any class of citizens, but to equitably distribute the burden of taxation to all and every class and kind of property. This intention was carried out as carefully as human foresight rendered possible and if in actual operation the law is found to oppress unduly any class or section of industry, that class or section may feel assured that proper remedies will be granted at the first opportunity and the law made equitable in theory. There is one item that should not be lost sight of when criticizing the new revenue law and that is that the state of Nebraska has for years worked under and become accustomed to the rottenest and most iniquitous revenue law that ever graced the statute book of any state, that the law as it stood in itself offered both opportunity and a premium to every taxpayer for wholesale, competitive, fraud, lying and perjury in matters of taxation, that the new law is meritorious in the underlying principles of attempting to remove the objectionable features of the former statute and substitute a system that will be equitable to all men and all branches of enterprise and industry. It is too much to expect that the law will be found without errors or without faults and all citizens may be assured that the faults and errors, once definitely pointed out will be speedily remedied.—Nebraska City Tribune.

MARKET LETTER.

JOSEPH A. RICKART,
Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo, April 11, 1904.—The feature of last week's cattle trade was the large proportion of good quality beef steers. The market fortunately was good, and steady gains were made all week, as packers seemed anxious for supplies, and there was a good eastern demand. Top price was $5.25, with several sales above 5c. Light weight dressed beef steers sold better than other kinds, mostly at $4.25 to $4.75, and were considered 20 to 30c higher than the previous week. The good beef cattle market helped the feeder trade. Heavy feeders sold a little higher. Some big strings of fancy feeders went out at $4.25 to $4.50, but the majority of useful cattle in this line sold at $3.50 to $3.90. Best light stockers sold about steady; common kinds were draggy. Cows and heifers continued to sell well and made a slight gain during the week, but were much more plentiful than they had been recently. Export bulls were dull, but butcher weights sold strong; veal calves firm. Supply today is light at 6000 head; market on beef steers is 5 to 10c lower on account of very unfavorable reports from Chicago. Light weight steers, however, are steady; likewise butcher ... heifers are also more quiet than usually on Monday, and prices are unchanged.

Hogs have been declining gradually for several weeks, and made a further loss of 15c last week. The packers seemed inclined to buy the cheaper grades last week, all kinds selling within a very close range of prices. Market today is a little better, and price is 5c higher than Saturday, although the top is only $5.15 and bulk of sales $5 to $5.10. A number of hog salesmen predict $4.50 hogs by June 1st. The good shipping demand here holds up prices on light hogs.

Mutton prices gained 20 to 30c last week. Market is strong to 10c higher today, and light weight Mexican lambs sold at $6, the top price of the season. Wethers sold up to $5.30; ewes at $5.

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Blackberry, 12 kinds	05c
Raspberry, 5 "	05c
Grapes, many kinds	05c to 10c
Rhubarb and horseradish	05c
Asparagus	per 100 75c
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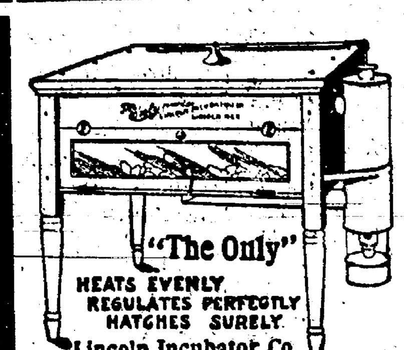

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A new line of Douglas shoes at W. C. Fellers.'

Mrs. Geo. F. Cotton has been quite sick this week from grip.

Mrs Jessie W. Phillips was a Lincoln visitor over Sunday.

Wilson's Art Studio is open each Thursday in Table Rock. 41

For Sale.—Plymouth Rock eggs. Inquire of J. R. SUTTON. 37-tf

Frames fitted; eyes tested free, at Carpenter's, the jeweler. 41-2

See the International Correspondence School's man at Colwell's drug store.

The children of Mr and Mrs Homer Bennett are sick with whooping cough.

Consult your own interests by buying wall paper and paints at Wilson's drug store. 39-tf

Mrs J A Jones of Clear Creek was quite sick the first of the week, but is much better at present.

For photos that will live after we are dead, go to Wilson's Studio. Each Thursday in Table Rock. 41

Remember Tillotson when in need of anything in the undertaking line; our stock is complete and new. 40

Good all wool carpets in the bolt—right on our floor—no waiting.
W. C. Fellers.

Mrs Jennings received word from Altoona, Kans., last week, that a 9-pound baby girl came to the home of Mr and Mrs Whit Ballou.

Mr and Mrs Bert Reason, of Alliance, are the proud parents of a baby girl born last week. Mrs Reason is a daughter of Mr and Mrs S J Jobe, of this city.

A musical program will be given at the home of Mrs. P. W. Fulmer on the evening of the 23rd, under the auspices of the W. S. A. Program will be given next week.

Wall paper and paints form an important feature in the household considerations at this season of the year. The Wilson drug store is supplied with a large stock of the very best and at prices hard to duplicate.

A MAY-POLE dance will be given in the Opera House, on Monday evening, May 2d, to which the public is invited. Music will be furnished by the local orchestra, assisted by a Wymore pianist. Refreshments will be served at C. H. Mitchell's restaurant.

A young man who gave his name as John Doe, but whose true name developed to be George Shasteen, took on too much fire water and raised a disturbance at the depot Sunday night. He was arrested, and at his trial Monday morning, was fined $5 and costs amounting in all to $7.30. He was remanded to jail where he remained until Tuesday evening, when the fine was paid and the young man given his liberty.

J. J. Anderson, representing the International Correspendence Schools of Scranton, Pa., has a window display at Colwell's drug store. Don't fail to see the window and ask for circular matter descriptive of the schools and their work. During this concentration work special prices will be made on all of the courses of study taught by the school. Remember the place, Fred M. Colwell's drug store. See the advertisement on another page.

Frank Horalek, living south of town, died on Sunday morning and was buried on Tuesday in the Bohemian cemetery. He was fifty-four years of age, and leaves a widow and one son to mourn his death. He was a well known musician, and had been a member of the Humboldt band for many years, and that organization attended the funeral services. He was instructor in the first band ever organized in Table Rock, of which Dr. Woody Allen, Dr. Byrne and the Harrison boys were members.

The funeral of Mrs. Helen Roberts was held on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, the services being held in the Christian, conducted by Rev. Ell of Joplin, Mo., who is holding evangelistic services at Pawnee City, and a large concourse of friends being present. The husband, Thomas Roberts, who was in Alberta, Canada, where he was fitting up a new home, and was expecting his wife and two children to join him, was reached by telegraph, after considerable delay, and informed of his wife's serious illness, and he arrived in time for the funeral, but he did not know of her death until he reached Auburn on Thursday.

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Louis Schurr has been sick this week with grip.

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The beautiful Percheron stallion, Besigue, owned by G W Gilbert, will make the season of 1904 at Beck's livery barn. He is a splendid individual, weighing 2000 pounds. Price $12 to insure colt.

Now is the time to take a spring tonic to purify the blood, cleanse the liver and kidneys of all impurities. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do the business. 35c. Tea or tablets. F M Colwell.

T W Conklin, of Houston township, and Mrs Mary Bennett, of Table Rock, were united in marriage on Saturday evening, March 26, 1904, Justice John W Campbell officiating. Mr Conklin is a prosperous farmer living on a fine farm south of town. The Sentinel joins with their friends in wishing them continued happiness. —Gaylurd (Kan.) Sentinel.

To introduce our life-size portraits, and get the good people of Table Rock acquainted with our best work, we are going to make you a LIFE SIZE picture—$2.50 grade—for only $1.00, with each dozen of our $3.00 photos, for a short time, so call now and save money. Kindly remember our regular guarantee goes with each of these large pictures. Studio open every Thursday at Table Rock.
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Died, at her home in Los Angeles, California, at midnight Tuesday, April 5, 1904, Mrs Ellen Linn, aged 65 years. She had been in poor health for several years, and her death was not unexpected. She was the eldest sister of Mrs M H Marble of this place, lived in and near Table Rock from 1865 to 1876, and will be remembered by many of the old settlers; she leaves two daughters; her husband, Will Linn, was a brother of S T Linn of this city, and the family moved to California 28 years ago; he died several years after. She was buried at Ventura, California, April 7, by the side of her husband.

Burlington passenger train No. 90 enroute from Concordia to this city, was wrecked Monday between Cuba and Hayward, Kans. The engine did not leave the track, but the coaches were turned completely over and dragged on their sides about thirty rods before the engine could be brought to a stop. Immediately after word of the wreck was received here, a special was taken to the scene to give whatever assistance was necessary. One man was badly cut about the head by being forced through a car window, but aside from this, all the passengers escaped with only a few scratches and a severe shaking up. The track was torn up for some distance and it took some time to repair it. Spreading of the rails is supposed to have caused the wreck. The train was running at full speed and it seems a miracle that none were killed or seriously injured. —Wymore Wymorean.

Auburn, Neb., April 5.—(Special to Lincoln News.)—One of the most peculiar cases that has come to the attention of the local courts is now on tapis. About a year ago Carl Schultz, a wealthy citizen of Johnson, was married to a woman who lived in Benton precinct. He entered into an ante-nuptial contract with her by which he agreed to pay her $125 a year. When the end of the year was up Wednesday she reminded him of the agreement, and he told her that the contract only provided for the payment of the annuity after his death. The contract was deposited in the vault of the bank at Johnson, and to convince her of the truth of his statement it is alleged he took her to the bank and showed her the instrument. It is also alleged that as soon as the woman got hold of it she endeavored to destroy the paper and in the struggle that ensued she got the better of her aged spouse, and thrusting the contract up her sleeve, she made away with it. Mr Schultz came to this city and got out a writ of replevin for the noncubative contract, but the sheriff was unable to make return, his finding being that the contract had been destroyed. The case has been dismissed.

F. O. Pierce, of Peru, was a guest of friends here during the week.

G. W. Pepoon & Co., will deliver wood to any part of town for $1.75 per rick. 37-tf

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The band boys have changed time and place for their weekly practice, meeting on Tuesday nights in the Woodman hall. The membership has been increased to more than thirty pieces, and they are all working hard to get in shape for the summer concerts. They will be glad to have their friends come out on practice nights, and give them encouragement. All they ask is that good order be maintained. Smoking in the band room or ante-room is strictly forbidden. These meetings are always open to the public, and LADIES and GENTLEMEN are especially invited.

Resolutions of condolence and respect adopted by Crescent Camp No. 643, R. N. of A., Table Rock, Neb.

Whereas, The angel of death has entered our camp for the first time, and taken from our midst our beloved neighbor, Mrs. Sue A. Wright, who was a charter member and also our first oracle; Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Crescent camp, No. 643, do most sincerely extend to the bereaved husband and daughters our heartfelt sympathy in this time of sorrow, and commend them to the Heavenly Father for comfort; And be it further

Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days: a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, and to the local and official paper for publication, also a copy be spread on on the records of our camp in memory of our departed neighbor.

MRS. ALICE E. BECK,
MRS. JESSIE W. PHILLIPS,
MRS. LULU M. CONKLIN,
Committee.

Resolutions passed by Olivette Chapter No. 83, Table Rock, Neb.

Whereas, Our Supreme Grand Patron has sounded His gavel and summoned to the Grand Chapter above, Sister Sue A. Wright, formerly of Olivette Chapter, No. 83, and

Whereas, In the death of Sister Wright, our order has lost one whose daily life was a shining example of those virtues taught by the five heroines of our order, and whose removal is a striking illustration of the adage, "Death Loves a Shining Mark," therefore, be it

Resolved, That this chapter tenders its most sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved husband and daughters, in this their sore hour of trial and sorrow, and we gently point them to the tender love of that Jesus whom Martha loved, who alone can minister consolation to the wounded hearts of the loved ones left behind;

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family, also to the local paper for publication, and a copy spread upon the records of our chapter.

JESSIE W. PHILLIPS,
LYDIA K. ANDREW,
Committee.

According to a decree of the supreme court rendered yesterday, the bequest of David Remick to the United Presbyterian church of Pawnee City was intended for the original or First United Presbyterian church, to which the property will go, and no part thereof to the second church of that denomination. Remick was a wealthy man who lived at one time in Pawnee county, afterwards coming to Lincoln, and finally taking up his residence in California. In his will he named the United Presbyterian church of Pawnee City as the beneficiary of a bequest. This was in the form of Greeley county land and was claimed by the original church of that denomination. But another church, known as the Second United Presbyterian, came in to ask for a division of the proceeds, claiming that the terms of the will covered both churches of the denomination, and desiring half of the money, under the plea that both together constituted an ecclesiastical entity. Evidence was introduced in the trial to show that David Remick had always entertained a high regard for Rev Mr McCready, pastor of the First United Presbyterian church, whom he had known for a long time. It was also shown that the Second church was established by a few dissatisfied members in opposition to it, a withdrawal that Remick disapproved. Remick, it appeared, had bequeathed property to three other churches of the town, each of which was definitely named in the will, his first wife having belonged to one, his second to another and a favorite nephew to the third. The original Presbyterian church has always been known as "the United Presbyterian church," according to the testimony. From which the court decides that Remick intended the property should go to the First United Presbyterian church only.—Lincoln News.

Wall paper at Wilson's.

Read our map proposition.

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The people of Table Rock and vicinity are invited to call and get shoes while I am selling them at cost. I want to close them out, and while they last they will be sold at wholesale prices. 39-41-3w John Tomek.

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

George L Fisher of Pueblo, Colo., visited Mr and Mrs James Stockman, the first of the week.

Mr and Mrs D W King spent Tuesday with their children near Pawnee.

John Kostecka and his bride moved to their new home this week on the Jim Herletchka eighty.

The funeral of Mrs Anna Nimechek was largely attended on Sunday, and the body was interred here in the Bohemian cemetery.

W D Myers lost a cow which mired in the mud of the creek on his farm.

John Allen was interviewing some of our people in the interests of the De Lavall Separator Co., one day recently.

Letters From Rev. and Mrs. Van Fleet, Albonito, Porto Rico.

Albonito, Porto Rico, March 7, 1904.
Mrs Will Conklin, Table Rock, Neb.,

My dear Lou: Yours was appreciated so much the more because unexpected. We found it here when we got back from conference. It is still like spring time, cool enough for comfort. We have a shower nearly every day which keeps everything fresh and lovely. My roses are in full bloom, nasturtions, balsams, carnations, white and yellow marguerites both, verbenas and sweet peas and geraniums coming on. My ferns and tropical trees look very fine; Van has a banana tree, some corn and a few tomatoes coming up. We took a walk yesterday and found a large field of Lima beans, sweet corn and sweet potatoes growing; the chief product is tobacco. The creeks of clear running water and springs in each pasture almost tempt us to go into the cattle business, but they tell us that these peons might poison or cut the feet of our cattle so they would bleed to death, as they often ruin herds in that way, if they have a falling out with the man who owns the cattle. If a colony of people lived here they could soon make a fortune, as the ground would produce so many crops in a season. We are glad to be in such good health, and our work is going right ahead in spite of opposition. We have a new Mason & Hamlin organ, very sweet-toned, and last night a lot of white folks came in and helped us sing. Every chair, almost, of the seven dozens, was taken in the room. We have started a good Sunday school.

* * Yours, etc, Eva M. Van Fleet.

Dear Ones:—I wish to emphasize what Mrs V has said. * * Here we have much more rain than in San Juan. We are on the top of the mountains—the clouds strike it and fall down upon us. Only about fifteen miles from us to the west it is now as dry as powder, that seems so strange, and in many other places it is very dry. If we had a settlement of good Americans, and if we did not have these Porto Ricans, this could be made a veritable Eden. Let us hear from you again. Ever yours with love, P. Van Fleet.

P. S. But the gospel will some of these days so change this people that it will be a pleasure to be associated with them. We see the fruits of our labor when they tell us how much they enjoy our services. About fifty have came into the church during the last month. They sing our songs at their homes, and we hear some of them whistle our tunes in the streets. We hope to have a new church here on top of the mountain. Pray for us that we may succeed.

Yours, P. V. F.

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Leroy, little son of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Jobe, has been very sick for several weeks from typhoid fever, and is not much better today.

We have one of the finest church trucks ever brought to Pawnee county, for use in our business.
40 A. K. Tillotson.

NOTICE—my prices in another column. If you can get as good stock somewhere else for less money, better do it; if not, I feel entitled to your patronage. May I have it?
Respectfully, J. E. Atkinson.

The Turkish Candy Kitchen, in the opera house block, is prepared to furnish lunches at all hours. It has the finest line of candies, cigars, tobaccos, in the city. Visit it! Mr. Robertson will treat you right.

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In the County Court of Pawnee County, Nebraska.
In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, Deceased.

Notice of Hearing on Confirmation of Report of Commissioners on Assignment of Homestead and Dower.

All persons interested in said estate, take notice, that on filing the report of the commissioners heretofore appointed to assign to Clarinda Crisler, the widow of said A. S. Crisler, deceased, a homestead and dower out of the lands of which the said A. S. Crisler died seised, showing the assignment as such homestead and dower of the south seventy rods of the the southeast quarter of section twenty-three, in township three north, of range eleven east of the sixth principal meridian, in Pawnee county, Nebraska, 70 acres—it is ordered that all persons interested in said matter be and appear before the County Court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 21st day of April, 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any there be, why said report and assignment, should not be confirmed.

Witness my hand and the seal of the said County Court, this 30th day of March, 1904.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of Michael M. Stover, deceased

All persons interested in said estate take notice that on reading and filing the petition of C. H. Norris, the administrator of the estate of Michael M. Stover, deceased, praying that his administration account this day filed be allowed; that the residue of said estate be distributed as provided by law; and that he be discharged from his trust as such administrator, it is ordered that all persons interested in said matter be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 28th day of April, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 6th day of April, 1904.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of A. S. Crisler, deceased.

The creditors of said deceased and all other persons interested take notice that on granting letters of administration to D. R. Miller for the estate of said deceased, it is ordered that the administrator be allowed the term of one year in which to settle said estate: that claims against the estate of said deceased be examined and adjusted before this court on the first Thursdays in July and October, 1904; and that all claims not filed on or before the last named date will be forever barred from consideration in the settlement of the estate of said deceased.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 17th day of March, 1904.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

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DISCUSS BOYCOTT

Southwest Cattlemen's Association Hold Meeting

THREE HUNDRED PRESENT

A Rousing Address on "The Pioneer Cattlemen Then and Now," by Hon. L. A. Allen

The Cattlemen's association of the southwest held its first meeting in Gluck's opera house at Dodge City, Kan. The meeting was called to order by C. M. Beeson, president. Two immense horns, measuring eight feet, tip to tip, were hung on one side of the stage, while the other was hung with a fine oil painting representing a steer, and painted by Mrs. C. M. Beeson. Several pictures representing the early days of Dodge City were shown. A banner carried by the Cowboy band at the first state fair at Topeka, was displayed. Some of those present were: L. A. Allen, of Kansas City; H. A. Heath, of the Kansas City Stock yards company; G. W. Kelly, of the Kansas Farmer, and representatives of the Independent Packing company.

There were nearly 300 visiting cattlemen and some of the cowboys of Dodge City were in attendance.

One of the features of the gathering was the informal discussions outside of the convention regarding the Fowler boycott by the Kansas City commission men. An impression seemed to prevail among many of the stockmen that the commission men wanted to drive an independent yard out of existence and that the cattlemen needed as many different yards as they could get.

L. A. Allen delivered an address on "The Pioneer Cattlemen Then and Now." In closing, he said:

"When the great herds of cattle were being shipped from Dodge, many thousands of cars each year, we loaded trains of 20 to 30 cars here in Dodge in the forenoon, and the next morning at 7 o'clock they were in Kansas City ready for market. But how is it now since they have made the tonnage idea paramount? With their overrated engines and long trains they make only from six to seven miles an hour; when you load your cattle, God only knows when you will get to market. The railroads were built to secure the cattle trade, they wanted it then. They have been acting lately like they did not want these shipments. Can they afford to do these things and kill the goose that lays the golden egg?

"Live stock shippers ask nothing impossible from the roads; they want to be treated right and want their stock handled as perishable property, and in accordance with humane laws. There will be no damage claims and no ill-feeling if their shipments are handled as they should be, and as they were prior to the introduction of the tonnage idea two years ago.

"At present cattle are selling lower than they have sold for several years. This has a tendency to discourage some from further effort in cattle raising. I have seen cattle sell much lower, but within a short time the prices advanced and caused every one to be glad he had held on. Therefore, it is not the time to quit now, but stay in the business and increase your holdings in order to have plenty to sell when the advance comes.

"The enterprising and industrious cattle raisers who now have hold of the cattle business surrounding Dodge City will make it a great shipping point again; these people are here to stay and succeed. They are the customers of the Kansas City market, and we hope to mingle with them and continue our friendly relations as we have done in the past."

Rockefeller and Union Pacific

The Harriman interests have entered into an alliance of a most important nature. It is known definitely in New York that John D. Rockefeller, jr., has purchased 100,000 shares of Union Pacific during the last month. Other heavy purchases have also been traced to the Standard Oil interests. The Harriman interests have also largely increased their holdings of Union Pacific. While the buying of these two interests has been urgent, it has not been competitive. The stock has been absorbed in such a way as to give the impression in conservative banking circles that the Standard Oil interests and the Harriman interests have entered into an alliance of some character.

Predict Another Flood

Central Kansas, especially along the valley of the Smoky Hill, where the big floods originated last spring, is full of prophets who are predicting another flood this spring along the rivers in that section, and consequently along the Kaw. These prophets all say that the lack of precipitation during the past winter presages heavy rains in the spring. Some of them go so far as to predict that the flood will be as much as four feet higher than last year.

DECISION FOR SHOVEL MAN

In Nebraska Railroads Must Not Discriminate Against Shovel House

C. W. McComb, a "shovel" grain dealer at Wilsonville, Neb., has secured an order from the supreme court that will serve as a guide for railroads and grain dealers when disputes arise under the Ramsey law as to discrimination in the matter of supplying empty cars. Mr. McComb charged that the Burlington railroad discriminated against him in favor of two elevator men who own elevators in Wilsonville. The action was brought under the Ramsey act, which prohibits discrimination against shippers of any class. As the necessity of an order from the court does not now exist, the court withholds the writ of mandamus and requires the railroad company to pay the costs. The costs are thrown upon the road by the court because it discriminated against plaintiff. McComb alleged that he was not getting his just proportion of cars. He asked for two to every three furnished to elevator men. He said he had been given but two to twenty-three furnished to dealers during the period complained of. The road alleged that it had given him five cars to fifteen given to others. The evidence did not bear out either party. The court finds that previous to the car famine the plaintiff was getting one-fourth of the cars brought to the town, and as all the grain men got all they wanted, this is adjudged to be the proper proportion. This ruling will give the plaintiff three and three-fourths more cars than he did get during the famine period.

ELEVATOR ASSESSMENTS

State Board of Equalization Must Leave this Duty to County Assessors

Grain elevators owned by the railroad companies and situated on the right-of-way of the companies can not be assessed by the state board of equalization, but must be assessed by the local assessor of the community in which they are located and listed as property taxable in the county.

The supreme court makes the ruling in the case of Adams county against the K. C. & O. railroad, and declares that "An elevator is a storehouse within the meaning of section 39, article 1, chapter 77 of the compiled statutes." The court further says: "Elevators situated on the right-of-way of a railroad are subject to assessment by the local authorities, and not by the state board, and that they may be necessary for the successful operation of the road is immaterial." The decision is important in affecting not only the old revenue law, but also the new one, and such elevators will be required to be so assessed this year.

FREE FOR HORSEMEN

Applications Should be Sent to O. E. Mickey of Osceola

It is requested that all horsemen who expect to make an exhibit at St. Louis, and wish to take advantage of free transportation from Lincoln to St. Louis and return, furnished by the commission, that they file their applications for such provisions with O. E. Mickey, secretary, at Osceola, Neb., Mickey, secretary, at Osceola, Neb., entry.

The commission and Live Stock association will endeavor to provide a committee to examine and pass upon the availability of these entries as soon as possible.

It will probably be necessary for persons making entries to provide entertainment for the committee at the different places they go to inspect the horses. This will be almost necessary as no provision for this item has been made.

Applications will receive careful and prompt attention, and passed upon by competent judges.

Kansas Wheat Good

Reports sent in to the Kansas state board of agriculture from the county agricultural societies with the close of March indicate that wheat as a rule is in good condition and spring farm work is opening well. Some corn has been planted in the southern part of the state. At the time the reports were made there had been no great amount of moisture in the western part of the state, and some localities report that it is impossible to tell just yet how the wheat is coming on. Some of the reports to the state board are very pessimistic.

Kansas Pioneer Dies

Isaac G. Baker, director of the Continental Bank of St. Louis, died at his home, aged 84. Mr. Baker was one of the pioneers to establish fur trading posts in Iowa, Kansas and Montana.

Fire at Sterling

Fire started from the explosion of a gasoline stove in Devitt & Kuhlman's restaurant at Sterling, Neb., destroying four business buildings, entail a loss of between $10,000 and $15,000, about half of which is covered by insurance.

The South Park Land company of Omaha has incorporated with a capital stock of $50,000 and a paid-up capital of $15,000.

WE ARE GROWING

Population Increased Over Three Million in Four Years

LINCOLN HAS 44,243 PEOPLE

New York City Credited With First Place and Chicago Second, With Philadelphia Third—Other News

The census bureau has issued a bulletin which gives the estimated population of the United States for 1903, exclusive of Alaska and the insular possessions of the United States, at 79,900,389. This is an increase of 3,905,814 since the census of 1900. The population is estimated for 438 cities having 10,000 or more inhabitants in 1900.

According to these estimates, New York is now a city of 3,716,139 inhabitants; Chicago has 1,873,880; Philadelphia, 1,367,716; St. Louis has just passed and Boston has almost reached the 600,000 mark; Baltimore has 531,313.

An official statement accompanying the bulletin says, among other things: "The country as a whole, and most of the states and cities are growing with a steadily decreasing per cent of increase. As this condition has obtained in the United States for the last twenty years, it is likely to hold good in the immediate future."

There are no cities credited with 25,000 population in Mississippi, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Wyoming, Vermont and North Carolina. Estimates of the population in 1903 of cities given 25,000 and upwards in the following states are:

Illinois—Aurora, 25,485; Chicago, 1,873,880; East St. Louis, 34,007; Joliet, 30,769; Peoria, 82,094; Quincy, 37,689; Rockford, 33,361; Springfield, 36,211.

Indiana—Evansville, 61,412; Fort Wayne, 48,031; Indianapolis, 191,033; South Bend, 40,327; Terre Haute, 38,611.

Iowa—Cedar Rapids, 27,948; Council Bluffs, 29,171; Davenport, 37,768; Des Moines, 65,754; Dubuque, 38,094; Sioux City, 31,701.

Kansas—Kansas City, 56,343; Topeka, 35,388.

Minnesota—Duluth, 57,397; Minneapolis, 214,112; St. Paul, 172,038.

Missouri—Joplin, 30,347; Kansas City, 173,064; St. Joseph, 110,479; St. Louis, 612,279.

Nebraska—Lincoln, 44,243; Omaha, 113,361; South Omaha, 31,383.

Wisconsin—La Crosse, 30,053; Milwaukee, 312,736; Oshkosh, 29,919; Racine, 31,529; Superior, 36,824.

New Nebraska R. F. D. R's

The following rural free delivery routes have been established in Nebraska:

Neligh, Antelope county, route Nos. 1 and 2; length of routes, thirty and twenty-nine miles, respectively; aggregate number of houses on routes, 200. Service on these routes will commence May 2.

Creighton, Knox county, routes Nos. 2 and 3; length of routes, twenty-five and twenty-six miles, respectively; aggregate number of houses on routes, 200.

The following appointments have been made in the rural carrier service of Nebraska:

Seward—Route No. 4, Samuel H. Beaver, carrier; George A. Beaver, substitute.

Interstate G. A. R. Meeting

The annual meeting of the interstate association of the G. A. R. was held at the auditorium at Beatrice. Delegates were present from the following counties which comprise the district: Gage, Jefferson, Johnson, Pawnee, Richardson and Nemaha, Nebraska, and Nemaha and Marshall counties, Kansas. The council of administration was instructed to select the place for holding the next reunion and the following officers were elected: Commander, Alex Graham of Beatrice; senior vice commander, A. D. Stark of Pawnee City; junior vice commander, James Clark of Fairbury; medical director, Dr. F. L. Lewis of Beatrice; chaplain, S. W. Brees of Beatrice, and quartermaster, H. A. LaSelle of Beatrice.

Summer Jackson, confessed slayer of James Johnson, was arrested at the home of Sam Callahan, brother of Ed Callahan, the sheriff, at Jackson, Ky. Spicer has been in hiding since the murder. Johnson was a nephew of J. B. Marcum, who was assassinated last May.

Milford Hospital Contract

The contract for a hospital building at the soldiers' home at Milford was awarded by the board of public lands and buildings to H. T. Ward of Tecumseh, whose bid was $18,690. This includes the cost of plumbing, heating and wiring. The brick to be used lies at the discretion of the board, three kinds mentioned in the specifications being Omaha, Table Rock and Lincoln brick. A selection will be made later. The board has an appropriation of $20,000 at its disposal.

CREATE FOREST RESERVE

Measure Adopted for Forest Reservation on Public Domain

Senator Hansbrough's bill relating to the creation of forest reservations on the public domain as amended by the committee on public lands, was favorably reported by the senate. The committee adopted an amendment providing that all selections of land made in lieu of land hereafter relinquished to the United States within any forest reservation shall be limited to land of the same character and quality both as to soil and timber as the land relinquished.

Senator Heyburn offered an amendment requiring that selections be made in the state and territory in which the land relinquished is situated. This amendment was rejected, and an exemption was made of the state of Idaho, so that no selections shall be made in that state except for land relinquished in the state. It was provided, further, that the amendment shall not effect the agreement entered into by the secretary of the interior in regard to the San Francisco mountain reservation. The section of the bill relating to railroad land grants was amended so that it provides that no forest reservation shall hereafter be created covering any lieu land or any lands within the place or indemnity limits of any railroad land grant or any platted village, town or city. The secretary of the interior is authorized to retain lands within such reserve which are chiefly valuable for agriculture and permit these to be disposed of to actual settlers under the homestead laws in tracts not exceeding 160 acres in area.

Violated State Law

Richard Grosch, a German expreacher, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by one of the local physicians of West Point, Neb., charging him with practicing medicine without being licensed thereto by the state board. Grosch is the proprietor of the Beemer "Sanitarium," a faith cure establishment located in the little town of Beemer, and has had a large patronage from his compatriots in that vicinity, some of whom have paid him large sums of money for his work. He was taken before County Judge Dewald and after an exhaustive hearing was bound over to the district court.

Goes to Washington

United States Senator J. R. Burton, of Kansas, who was sentenced in the United States district court, departed from St. Louis on an early train for Washington, D. C., accompanied by his wife. He expressed the intention of going to his home in Kansas. The record in the case is in the custody of James Gray, clerk of the United States district court, who was given sixty days' time in which to file a copy of it with the United States district court of appeals. The case is made returnable at the sitting of the court in St. Louis next November.

Graded Salary for Carriers

The senate committee amendment bearing on the salaries of carriers and regulating their service for private individuals has been accepted.

Senator Dolliver predicted that unless great caution was exercised much scandal would result from the rural free delivery service; hence, the guarded amendment of the committee on postoffice for the regulation of order taking and package delivery.

Senator Lodge supported the committee amendment fixing a uniform salary of $750 with limited opportunity for making money by doing a parcel service.

Three Show Indians Killed

Three persons were killed and three others fatally hurt in a rear-end collision of two passenger trains on the Chicago & Northwestern between Melrose Park and Maywood, Ill. All of the victims were Indians from Rushville, Neb.

The trains which collided were the Oregon express and the fast mail on the Chicago & Northwestern railway. The express train was run into by the mail train. Both trains were eastbound.

Bomb Thrown at Spain's King

An official telegram from Barcelona, Spain, states that as King Alfonso was leaving the exposition a "petard" exploded, injuring two peasants. One arrest was made.

King Alfonso arrived at Barcelona for a fortnight's visit to Catalonia. He was accompanied by Premier Maura and War Minister Linares and a numerous suite. The visit of the king to Barcelonia which is the hotbed of republicanism, caused the greatest disquiet in Spanish official quarters.

Burned Thirty Miles Wide

A prairie fire started in the eastern part of McPherson county and, driven by a hard wind, it swept the country thirty miles wide, nearly to the North Platte river. No casualties have been reported except that William Ross and his son Myrtle were severely burned and were taken to Gandy. Ross lost some horses and considerable property.

IS TIME FOR ACTION

Dangerous Adulterations Used in Foods and Drugs

SOME ARE RANKEST POISON

Makers of Adulterated Foods and Drugs Maintain a Big Lobby to Defeat Pure Food Legislation

A Washington dispatch says: After waiting with patience for many days, Mr. Heyburn found opportunity to speak to the senate on pure food. Technically the speech was in support of a resolution calling on the secretary of agriculture to send to the senate the results of the investigations made by his department into adulterated foods, but in reality it was in support of the pure food bill. Mr. Heyburn contended that a large portion of foods, drugs and liquors were adulterated and that many drugs were poisonous.

He advocated the McCumber bill in place of the Hepburn bill. He said that the measure was being opposed from various interested sources.

First—The drug manufacturers, who are in Washington in force, antagonize the bill because it is made to cover new as well as old drugs. The physicians of the country want the legislation, he said, because under existing conditions they cannot have their prescriptions filled as they wish. Out of fourteen samples of drugs advertised thirteen were found to be rank frauds.

There was, Mr. Heyburn also said, very determined opposition on the part of the newspapers which advertise the nostrums, and he had been approached by men representing influential journals, asking him to strike out the provision relating to patent medicine. One of these men had told him that the passage of the bill in its present form would injure his business to the extent of $40,000 a year.

Mr. Heyburn said that more than half the foods are injuriously adulterated, and more than half of the remaining half misbranded. The whisky men oppose the bill, he said, because it compels them to tell the character of their liquor. Mr. Heyburn also referred to the practice of keeping meats in cold storage, saying that they are often held for years, while after three months they are absolutely deleterious.

THE ELECTION IN LINCOLN

Municipal Control of Public Service Utilities Carried the Day

The city election in Lincoln, which was fought out in a way astonishing to old politicians, shows that municipal problems are being given careful attention by the voters. In the First, Second, and Third wards men who stood square footed in favor of the proposition of lowering gas rates were victorious. Thomas Draper was defeated by Robert Malone by a majority of 57. Councilman C. E. Wilkinson failed to re-election, being defeated by Michael Bauer, who had 66 majority. In the Third ward, H. F. Bishop was re-elected by a majority of 73 over George H. Moore. Mr. Moore came out for dollar gas late in the campaign, and his defeat was assisted by his delay to announce his position definitely.

In other wards, republican candidates for the council were elected easily. For water commissioner J. M. Diffenbaugh defeated Lintner by 1,070 majority. There was no fight on the rest of the ticket.

In every ward, the returns showed a substantial majority for both the municipal lighting and the school district bond propositions, demonstrating that the electors are alive to the questions that have been discussed generally of late.

The figures from twenty voting precincts in Lincoln show that 3,828 votes were cast at this election. A majority of this number would be 1,915. The lighting plant bonds received a vote of 2,678 for, or a majority of 764 votes. The school bonds received 2,469 votes, or an apparent majority of 555.

End of Cruel Joke

Jim Hering and Walter Hering were killed while resisting arrest by the city marshal of Athens, Texas. The Herings, who married sisters, were beating their mother-in-law and the neighbors called on the officers for assistance. In the fight, seventeen shots were fired; the marshal was rendered unconscious by a fist blow and two deputies were slightly wounded.

Bostonese Again Worked

In investment circles in Boston it is stated that the appointment of a receiver for the Majestic Mining company of Beaver county, Utah, and its petition, into bankruptcy, just announced, falls unusually heavy upon New England people. In this section a large portion of the 6,000,000 of stock par $10, was placed at from $3 to $5 a share. The company is said to owe $250,000 after having expended about $1,000,000 in opening its copper mines and building a smelter.

NEBRASKA ELECTIONS

Politics Did Not Enter Into It—"Wet or Dry" the Issue

The campaign in South Omaha has been hotly contested on party lines. Returns received indicate that the democrats have elected Thomas Hoctor mayor, with the remainder of the ticket republicans.

The election at Auburn passed off quietly. The only issue was "wet or dry" and the Wets won by 63 majority.

License carried the election at Tekamah by a majority of 22.

As usual at Plattsmouth the democrats elected their entire ticket except the police judge and two councilmen. The town goes wet.

At Beatrice the election passed off quietly. A light vote was polled. There was little or no opposition to the republican nominees.

Norfolk republicans gain two members of the city council and elected the entire city ticket as a result of their hard work at the polls.

High license won the Craig election by a majority of 12 to 5.

Tecumseh went "dry" by majorities ranging from thirty to seventy. Last year license was defeated by only nine votes.

The election at Lexington was a hotly contested one. The business men's ticket elected every man, carrying every ward over the temperance ticket.

A town board favorable to license was elected at Louisville.

After a hotly contested election at Orleans four high license councilmen were elected.

The people's license ticket carried by 45 majority at Gibbon.

The question of saloon license was the issue at Broken Bow. There were two tickets in the field, citizen's and high license. The citizens' ticket represented the anti-license element. Out of 337 votes cast license received 85 and anti-license 207.

The city election at Crete resulted in a draw between the republicans and democrats as to the number of offices secured. However, the republicans elect the mayor, while the democrats had that office last year. But the democrats hold the council, four to two. The republicans hold the school board by a similar majority.

Aurora went "dry" by a majority of about 79.

At Holdrege the election passed off quietly and was void of any excitement. The entire citizens' or license ticket was elected without exception.

The result was a decided victory for the reform element at Alliance.

At Alma the council is all in favor of license but one.

SENTENCE OF BURTON

Declined to Say Why Sentence Should Not Be Passed Upon Him

United States Senator J. R. Burton, of Kansas, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the Iron county jail and fined $2,500 for having been convicted of using his influence before the postoffice department in behalf of the Rialto Grain and Securities company of St. Louis and having received payment from that company for his services.

Senator Burton, accompanied by his leading attorney, Judge Chester H. Krum, came into the United States district court at St. Louis. A case was being tried and Judge Adams granted a recess in that case to take up the Burton case. Judge Adams summoned Burton to stand up, and then spoke of the motions that had been filed for a new trial and for arrest of judgment. The court, after briefly reviewing the motions, overruled both. The court then said to the defendant:

"Have you nothing to say as to why sentence should not be passed upon you?"

Trembling and evidently suppressing his emotions with a strong effort, Senator Burton stood leaning with both hands on a chair back, and said:

"Your honor will please allow me to respectfully decline to say anything."

Sarpy County Telephone Co.

The farmers of Sarpy county have recently organized what is known as the Mutual Telephone company, and have begun stringing wires and putting in 'phones. They have about fifty 'phones contracted for at present and have secured a franchise to enter Louisville by connecting on the Plattsmouth Telephone company's wires at Meadow. The latter company are making extensive repairs in Louisville and are also building farmer lines out in the country, and in a short time fully fifty farmers will have telephones.

Building Boom at Wahoo

The work of excavating for the new court house which will be erected at Wahoo will soon be completed and work will begin immediately on the construction. The work of the new west ward school building will start in a short time. Thomas Rochford will begin the erection of a fine two-story brick on 5th street to be used for a business building. Wahoo is having a building boom, as several new residences are now under construction.

Free to Twenty-Five Ladies.

The Defiance Starch Co. will give 25 ladies a round trip ticket to the St. Louis Exposition, to five ladies in each of the following states: Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, who will send in the largest number of trade-marks cut from a ten-cent, 16-ounce package of Defiance cold water laundry starch. This means from your own home, anywhere in the above named states. These trade-marks must be mailed to and received by the Defiance Starch Co., Omaha, Nebr., before September 1st, 1904. October and November will be the best months to visit the Exposition. Remember that Defiance is the only starch put up 16 oz. (a full pound) to the package. You get one-third more starch for the same money than of any other kind, and Defiance never sticks to the iron. The tickets to the Exposition will be sent by registered mail September 5th. Starch for sale by all dealers.

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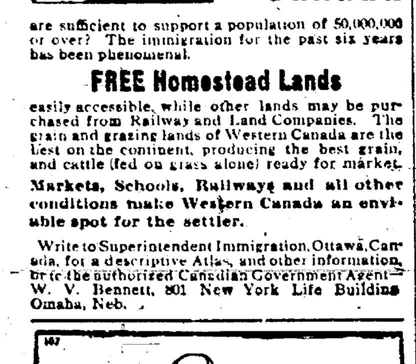

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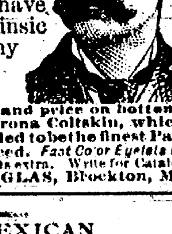

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LADIES You can get samples worth 50 cents of an instantaneous **Cure for Headache,** or Neuralgia (a remedy as harmless as sugar), by sending the addresses of 15 ladies, from 20 to 50 years. (The more names you send, the more medicine you get.) This is no fake, but a God-send to those thus afflicted. Address **DR. J. T. POTTER,** Seward, Nebraska.

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OLD AGE PENSIONS. Under a recent order of the Commissioner of Pensions all veterans serving 90 days or more during the Civil War, and honorably discharged, and over 62 years of age are entitled to pension. Write to Butts & Phillips, 1425 N. Y. Ave., Washington, D. C. References: Washington Board of Trade, Traders National Bank.

WOMEN BREAK DOWN.

Sometimes women drift into a condition of "half invalid." Continual languor, all tired out, run down, backache, nerves shattered, headache, terrible pain, no appetite, poor digestion. In nine cases out of ten it's because the kidneys fail to do their work of filtering the poisonous system waste from the blood. The kidneys are weak and need the strengthening help of Doan's Kidney Pills. Read how these pills repair a weakened physical condition when this condition is caused by sick kidneys:

Mrs. Sadie Mettles of 394 W. 4th Ave., Columbus, Ohio, says: "Prior to the year 1898 I suffered considerably from backache, pain in the head, languor and depression and weakness of the action of the kidneys. The pain was always worse in the morning, and I felt miserable. I was induced to procure a box of Doan's Kidney Pills and I began their use. They proved prompt and effective. They cured me and there has been no return of the trouble since taking them. I owe all the credit to Doan's Kidney Pills."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Mettles will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

The bachelor pays his money to go and hear lectures; the married man gets his at home for nothing.

Hand Power Hay Press $38.00.

Greatest, simplest, best invention of the age. A boy can make regular sized 14x18x48 in. bales like fun, and two boys can bale three tons per day easily.

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to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., with 5c stamps for mailing, and get their big catalog, fully describing this great Hay Press, so also hundreds of tools and thousands of varieties of Farm and Vegetable Seeds. (W. N. U.)

If you wish beautiful, clear, white clothes use Red Cross Ball Blue. Large 2 oz. package, 5 cents.

Experts who have been over the field of fire ruin in Baltimore find the great steel and tile buildings practically intact, requiring only a minimum of expenditures for repairs upon the structural parts.

Floor arches, main partitions and tile floors remain in rooms where the heat fused typewriting machines into molten masses. Ornamental marble work, wooden floor strips, glass and various fixtures have all disappeared, but the gigantic steel frameworks stand.

It is the opinion of the best experts that if these tall buildings were fitted with iron shutters and metal window frames and equipped, as many in other cities are, with water standpipes, they would not only be well-nigh invulnerable themselves, but would prove invaluable obstacles to the spread of fires.

Every day in the year, at least four hundred tons of coal are loaded into the tenders of the freight and passenger engines that are tributary to the Lincoln round house. Some times the quantity vastly surpassed this amount, as often happened during the busy season a few weeks ago when numerous extra freights were sent out. The coal used comes mostly from the Iowa mines, though a little is furnished from the Newcastle deposits. Recently the management of the coal chutes has been transferred from the storehouse to the mechanical department. This has had no effect on the coal used by the Burlington, though it is possible some changes in the kind employed will be made in the future.

ARMY TRIALS.

An Infantryman's Long Siege.

This soldier's tale of food is interesting.

During his term of service in 17th Infantry in Cuba and Philippines, an Ohio soldier boy contracted a disease of the stomach and bowels which all army doctors who treated him pronounced incurable, but which Grape-Nuts food alone cured:

"In October, 1899, when my enlistment expired, I was discharged from the army at Calulute, Philippines, and returned to the States on the first available steamer that left Manila. When I got home I was a total wreck physically and my doctor put me to bed saying he considered me the worst broken-down man of my age he ever saw and after treating me 6 months he considered my case beyond medical aid.

"During the fall and winter of 1900 and '01 I was admitted to the Barnes Hospital in Washington, D. C., for treatment for chronic inflammation of the stomach and bowels but after 5 months returned home as bad as ever.

"I continued taking medicine until February, 1902, when reading a newspaper one day I read about Grape-Nuts and was so impressed I sent out for a package right away.

"The result is quickly told for I have used Grape-Nuts continually ever since with the best results, my health is so I can do a fair day's hard work, stomach and bowels are in good condition, have gained 40 pounds in weight and I feel like a new man altogether.

"I owe my present good health to Grape-Nuts beyond all doubt for medical science was exhausted." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Had he consulted any one of several thousand physicians we know of they would have prescribed Grape-Nuts immediately.

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

THE SWORD IN JAPAN

WEAPON HELD IN GENERAL ESTEEM AND REVERENCE.

Authentic Blades of Famous Makers Still Highly Prized—How the Product of One Swordsmith Obtained a Bad Reputation.

Until the year 1603 there was no law existing in Japan with regard to the wearing of swords. Any one might carry as many as he chose. During the Tokugawa regime, however, a law was promulgated which allowed only the nobles, the fighting men or samurai, the artists or painters and the swordsmiths to carry swords. This law remained in force until 1877, when an edict was issued forbidding any one to wear swords in public. This created discontent among those whose privilege it was to carry them, whereupon the government proclaimed another edict, allowing any one to wear as many swords as he pleased. This removed the cherished distinction attached to the wearer of a sword, and no one cared to do what was permitted to all. Although wearing swords has entirely ceased for twenty years in Japan, the old esteem and reverence for the weapon and its use still exist among the gentlemen of the country, and many of the nobility have at their houses regular establishments where fencing is practiced.

In the past there were certain famous swordmakers in Japan and authentic blades of their workmanship are highly prized. One old-time swordmaker has a singular reputation. This is Muramassa, who was a pupil of the great Masamune, second in fame of all Japanese swordsmiths. He was widely known and undoubtedly made swords which were excellent weapons, but he was a man of violent temper, and his swords were thought exceedingly dangerous. It was supposed that once withdrawn from the sheath they always shed blood before being returned. They were regarded as being particularly unlucky, so far as the Tokugawa family of Japanese rulers was concerned. The father and grandfather of Iyeyasu, the first shogun of the family, were both attacked by men carrying Muramasa swords. Iyeyasu therefore issued an edict forbidding any one to carry them. It was in this way that they acquired their bad reputation.

Muramassa once challenged Masamune to a trial of their respective swords. Masamune consented, and the sword blades were placed in a running stream of water, with their edges turned against the current. All the leaves, twigs and rubbish which flowed down stream ran into Muramasa's sword and were severed, while they carefully avoided coming into contact with Masamune's blade. "Ah," said Masamune, "that demonstrates very well the difference between our swords; yours is bloodthirsty and cuts everything which comes near it, while mine avoids doing unnecessary damage."

MISTAKEN FOR A PATIENT.

Amusing Reception Accorded a Visitor to a New York Hospital.

An Italian who had been in this country only forty-eight hours went to Bellevue hospital last week to visit a patient. An obliging fellow countryman in the reception room instructed the stranger in the mysteries of the main office, and presently he was whisked upstairs in an elevator. When the elevator stopped the Italian walked into a ward and sat down.

The first nurse that spied him there took it for granted that he was a new patient. In less time than it takes to tell it he had been thoroughly scrubbed and put to bed. Then the doctor in charge of the ward came along and made an examination.

The unwilling patient seemed to be resting comfortably, but the absence of any pronounced symptoms was alarming. A second doctor was sent for. The two made a second examination and then called a third. By that time the bewildered Italian had yielded to the inevitable and was sleeping peacefully.

The third doctor prescribed an interpreter and finally a guide took the smiling visitor to the bedside of his sick friend.—New York Sun.

A Bridge of Note.

The "Auld Brig o' Ayr," which Burns made dear to all lovers of his immortal poetry by the famous dialogue between the new bridge and the old one, is falling into decay. Well it may, for the date of its foundation, cut into its wall is 1252. Six hundred and fifty years is a respectable age for a bridge. Its supports are now crumbling. An architect, who is also an archaeologist and an enthusiast for Burns, reports that it will soon collapse unless it be shored up and renewed. He is trying to induce the town council of Ayr to appropriate $3,500 for its preservation. The council is willing to act, it is said, but is delaying over a question of whether the money should come from taxation or be taken from a bequest long ago made for the purpose, the validity of which is undecided. Here is an opportunity for Andrew Carnegie.

The Ripening Years.

In spite of all that poets sing
About our childhood's happy hours
It seems to me that ev'ry spring
Brings greener fields and sweeter flowers.

The foliage upon the trees
Seems greener as it reappears;
There's something in the very breeze
That grows more sacred with the years

Somehow with each succeeding June
New lusters come into the sky;
Some subtle chord in nature's tune
Sounds sweeter as the years roll by.
—W. H. Wilson, in Four Track News

Mr. Blinks—What! Thirty years old tomorrow. You told the minister who married us only two years ago that you were eighteen.

Mrs. Blinks (wearily)—Well, I felt eighteen then.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Don't you think you would like to belong to a live Company like this?

Write the Secretary, B. R. Stouffer, South Omaha, Nebr.

Women naturally hate clubs, because they know how many bachelors they make.

The United Mutual Hail Insurance association is the oldest, is the strongest, is the best; has paid $159,000.00 more for losses than the combined payments of all other companies. Paid $53,596.10 in 1903. Has paid $900,911.80 for losses since its organization. Wants good representatives in every precinct. Address Home Office, No. 116 So. 10th St., Lincoln, Neb.

Miss Katrina Benderby of Evanston was one of the sweetest, gentlest and most amiable of girls.

When, therefore, after a courtship in which the course of true love ran with absolute smoothness, she married Peter Cartwright Green, and faithfully promised to "love, honor and obey" him, every friend she had in the world prophesied that she would indeed obey him.

Well, she did.

It is reported that former President Kruger of the Boer republic is slowly dying, mind and body, an exile at Mentone, France. The loss of his country, his wife, and his son have proved too much even for his sturdy constitution, and it is when men come to such a pass as this that they are said to be dying of broken hearts. Poor old "Oom Paul" is one of the most pathetic figures of present-day history.

"Yes, I saw Mr. Lushton on the street today, but he didn't see me," she said. "He appeared to be preoccupied."

"Huh!" remarked her husband, "perhaps he was merely 'occupied.'"

"What do you mean by that?"

"Well, 'occupied' sometimes means 'full.'"

If a girl can't have the man she wants the next best thing is for her to keep anyone else from having him.

If you want a thing done well ask the waiter to bring it rare.

None are so blind as those who won't see a raise in a poker game.

An Easy Way To Do It.

Mineral, Idaho, April 11.—Mr. D. S. Colson of this place has something to say which will be of interest to many men. Mr. Colson claims to have found a simple way to get rid of pains in the back, Sciatica or Rheumatism. He has cured himself and so claims personal experience in proof of his method.

Mr. Colson says:—

"I had awful pains in my hip. They got so bad at last that I could hardly walk. I tried several things, but got no relief till I began to use Dodd's Kidney Pills and I had taken but a few of these pills till the pain left me entirely.

"Dodd's Kidney Pills certainly did me lots of good and I consider them a great medicine."

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When it comes to the social scale a lot of people don't weigh much.

Piso's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—J. W. O'Brien, 322 Third Ave., N., Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

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FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE $2.00 trial bottle and treatise. Dr. R. H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Sometimes a man avoids a scrape by letting his whiskers grow.

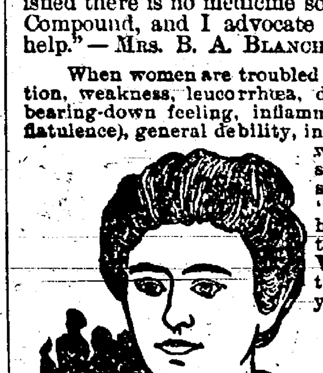
A prominent Southern lady, Mrs. Blanchard, of Nashville, Tenn., tells how she was cured of backache, dizziness, painful and irregular periods by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—Gratitude compels me to acknowledge the great merit of your Vegetable Compound. I have suffered for four years with irregular and painful menstruation, also dizziness, pains in the back and lower limbs, and fitful sleep. I dreaded the time to come which would only mean suffering to me.

"Better health is all I wanted, and cure if possible. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound brought me health and happiness in a few short months. I feel like another person now. My aches and pains have left me. Life seems new and sweet to me, and everything seems pleasant and easy.

"Six bottles brought me health, and was worth more than months under the doctor's care, which really did not benefit me at all. I am satisfied there is no medicine so good for sick women as your Vegetable Compound, and I advocate it to my lady friends in need of medical help."—Mrs. B. A. Blanchard, 422 Broad St., Nashville, Tenn.

When women are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhœa, displacement or ulceration of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, bloating (or flatulence), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. Refuse to buy any other medicine, for you need the best.



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"Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—I have been cured of severe female troubles by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I was nearly ready to give up, but seeing your advertisement I purchased one bottle of your medicine, and it did me so much good that I purchased another, and the result was so satisfactory that I bought six more bottles, and am now feeling like a new woman. I shall never be without it. I hope that my testimonial will convince women that your Vegetable Compound is the greatest medicine in the world for falling of the womb or any other female complaints."—Mrs. May Cody, 2660 Birch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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The true measure of success is eight quarts to a peck.

Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE Won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10 cents and equals 20 cents worth of any other bluing. If your grocer does not keep it send 10c for sample to The Laundry Blue Co., 14 Michigan Street, Chicago.

WANTED.—A thousand ulcerated sore legs to cure. No pay until cured. Home treatment. No detention from employment. Treatment lasts from four to eight weeks. No cure no pay. Write to-day. Van Vleck Gland Remedy Co., Kansas City, Mo.

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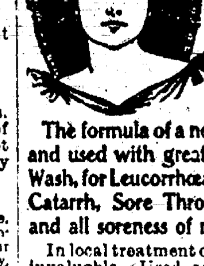

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In local treatment of female ills Paxtine is invaluable. Used as a Vaginal Wash we challenge the world to produce its equal for thoroughness. It is a revelation in cleansing and healing power; it kills all germs which cause inflammation and discharges.

All leading druggists keep Paxtine; price, 50c. a box; if yours does not, send to us for it. Don't take a substitute — there is nothing like Paxtine.

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When one wakes up aching from head to foot, and with the flesh tender to the touch, when

Soreness and Stiffness

makes every motion of the body painful, the surest and quickest way out of the trouble is to use

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PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. CONSUMPTION

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The senatorial convention will meet at Pawnee City, April 16, at 5 p. m.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J., Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

I am now prepared to do accordian pleating from 1 to 30 inches wide.
Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

BARRED Plymouth Rock eggs for sale. 25c per dozen. Mrs. P. G. Hales.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Bosserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

For Sale:—A number of thoroughbred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Splendid individuals. Call on or write to J. Murphy, Table Rock, Neb.

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Do you wish to get a loan or pay an old mortgage on your land? Can arrange for you to pay annual interest the first of any month you may name. Optional Payments. Private Funds. Some good lands to sell. Write.
Henry C. Smith, Falls City, Neb.
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Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced; position permanent. Address Manager, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

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Trustworthy lady or gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for well and favorably known house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced. Position permanent. Address Manager, 810 Como Block, Chicago, Illinois.

Save the Loved Ones!

Mrs Mary A Vilet, Newcastle, Colo, writes: I believe Ballard's Horehound Syrup is superior to any other cough medicine and will do all that is claimed for it, and it is so pleasant to take. My little girl wants to take it when she has no need for it. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the great cure for all pulmonary ailments. 25c, 50c $1 at Colwell's.

Old Fonts for New Cathedral.

Four ancient and curiously carved Byzantine holy water fonts from a church near Venice have been presented to Westminster Roman Catholic Cathedral.

New Locomotives.

The imperial government works at Kobe, Japan, are exhibiting at Osaka exposition two locomotives, neither of which is a duplicate of any hitherto made.

Typhoid Fever Statistics.

Men over forty years old are rarely attacked by typhoid fever. There was only one case in the Soudan campaign of a man over forty dying of typhoid.

Singular.

By nature's happy arrangements, cloudbursts do not usually occur at points where rivers have already overflowed.—Providence (R. I.) Journal.

Tesla Promises Achievement.

Mr. Tesla promises to shock the earth with messages that will be felt and can be received by his coherer at its remotest confines.

Chicago Savings Deposits.

Savings deposits in Chicago banks have passed the $100,000,000 mark. In the past year they have increased more than $22,000,000.

New York's Population in 1900.

The population of New York in 1900 was 3,437,202, of whom more than three-fourths were foreign-born or of foreign parentage.

Precipice Has Immense Drop.

The Myling Head precipice in Stromce, one of the Faroe islands, has a sheer drop of 2,200 feet from crest to sea.

Company Owns Many Steamers.

The Irrawaddy Flotilla company owns the record number of steamers for any one company—118 in all.

Few Wild Elephants.

There are certainly not more than 10,000 wild elephants left, against a quarter of a million in 1875.

To Retire Professors.

Yale professors will hereafter be retired from service, except in special cases, at 68 years of age.

Utilize Leather Waste.

Leather waste is no longer wasted. Manufacturers use it in a compressed form, instead of iron, to make cog-wheels.

Municipal Gas Works.

In England ninety-nine towns own their own gas works, the average net income being $1,947,125 per annum.

Satisfying London's Appetite.

London consumes a quarter of a million tons of fresh meat a year, not counting bacon and tinned meats.

Christian Travelers.

The largest camp of the Gideons, the organization of Christian commercial men, is in Chicago.

The Cut-Rate Cigar.

The cut-rate cigar has become one of the abominations of New York. A man may walk the length of a showcase looking in vain for a plain ten-cent cigar. In half the shops this traditional smoke can not be found. He can find any number of "two for 17s," "three for 11s" and "six for 31s" but that good old ten-cent cigar of his father's and his own early manhood has vanished.—New York Letter.

Mary Anderson Navarro's Pets.

One of the favorite occupations of Mary Anderson Navarro is chicken raising. She spends hours in the company of these pets, and has designed her own runs and coops. She does not sell her eggs and chickens, but gives to her friends and to the poor what she does not require for her own table. Mrs. Navarro's home is in Broadstairs, England.

Measles.

The convalescence from measles is the most important stage of the disease. Watchfulness and care may prevent serious pulmonary complications. The contemplation of the mortality bills should make us extremely careful in our management of the affection, says Prof. Osler, of John Hopkins University.

King William's Treasure Chests.

In the Irish house of lords, now the board room of the directors of the Bank of Ireland, are on view two great wooden chests, strongly bound in iron, which are believed to have contained the money with which King William III. paid his troops after the battle of Boyne.

Revision.

A dear little kindergartner, pupil, not teacher, made a distinct impression by her answer to the question, "Who was George Washington?" She said he was first in war, second in peace, and third in the hearts of all his countrymen.—Minneapolis Journal.

Creates Suspicion.

"W'en Ah sees er man hanin' sugah t' er mewl," said Charcoal Eph, as he heaved a brick at the off steed, "Ah wondahs ef maybe he don' vary de monotony w'en he am at home by lickin' his wife, Mistah Jackson."—Baltimore News.

Navigable Chinese Rivers.

An investigation of the Obi and Yenesei rivers, made under the auspices of the Russian government, has revealed the fact that these streams are navigable by ocean steamers for a distance of 1,000 miles from their mouths.

Secured Prize in Boer War.

Gen. Joubert's chair, made of ebony, bok horns and hides, and captured from his laager at Lisabon, near Lydenberg, is now treasured by Lieutenant Colonel Urmston at Glenmorven, Sound of Mull.

Automatic Public Telephones.

In the principal public squares of Stockholm, Sweden, are automatic telephone kiosks. Anyone may use the telephones by dropping into the slot a copper worth two or three of our cents.

$500 IN GOLD FREE

Great New Offer on the Number of Paid Admissions to the St. Louis World's Fair on

JULY 4, 1904.

Contest Opens March 1, 1904. Closes June 30, 1904, at Midnight

No guesses will be received after that date

Conditions of the Contest: Every purchaser of a quart can of Liquid Koal, buying from one of our regular dealers, or where we have no dealer remitting direct to the company, will be entitled to one guess on the number of people that will pass through the gates, paid admissions, of the St. Louis World's Fair, on July 4, 1904. To those who purchase a gallon can four votes will be allowed; a five-gallon can twenty five guesses. No limit to the number of guesses allowed on persons complying with these terms. Fill out the coupon given below, have your dealer sign it, and he will send them to the company at the end of each month. If there is no dealer in your town, mail them direct to the company. Contest will positively close at midnight, June 30, 1904, after which time no guesses will be received. In case of a tie, the prizes will be divided equally. During this contest, where we have no dealer, orders will be sent prepaid and cash must accompany them. Money on deposit at the Union Bank, Sheldon, Iowa, to pay these prizes.

Here is the List of Prizes.

For the nearest correct estimate or guess	$250.00
For the second nearest correct estimate or guess	100.00
For the third nearest correct estimate or guess	[illegible]
For the fourth nearest correct estimate or guess	[illegible]
For the fifth nearest correct estimate or guess	[illegible]
For the sixth nearest correct estimate or guess	[illegible]
For the next 20 nearest correct estimates or guesses	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

Special Prizes

For first nearest correct estimate or guess received in March 1904, National Stock Food and 10-gallon can Liquid Koal value	$40.00
For first nearest correct estimate or guess received in April one 10 gallon can Liquid Koal, value	40.00
For first nearest correct estimate or guess received in May One 5-gallon can Liquid Koal, value	13.75

Valuable Information

To aid in forming your estimates, we furnish the following figures:
Total paid admissions during May to the Chicago World's Fair were [illegible]
Total paid admissions during May to the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo [illegible]
What will be the total number of paid admissions to the St. Louis World's Fair, July 4? Figure it out, or guess at it, and give in your estimate as indicated above

GUESSING COUPON.

Town .... State ....
Date 1904
Adv. Dept. National Medical Co., Sheldon, Iowa:
My estimate on the number of paid admissions to the St. Louis World's Fair on July 4, 1904 is ....
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One quart can, $1. One gallon can, $3. One 5-gallon can, $13.75

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Yours, Sam Gross.

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A Great Sensation

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind, when W H Brown of that place who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr King's New Discovery for consumption. He writes: I endured insufferable agonies from asthma but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure. Similar cures of consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis and grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and $1. Guaranteed by Colwell, Druggist. Trial bottles free.

Careless Owners of Jewels.

Some valuable jewel decorations were swept up after a reception at King Edward's court a few days ago. This is usual after all great crush gatherings of royalty. Great care is taken with the valuable "finds," and owners are prompt to apply and not slow to receive their own. After the last of the brilliant company has left the salons the search is made under the eyes of an equerry, so that nothing should go wrong.

Modesty of an Amir.

The late Amir Abdur Rahman left behind him, we are told, copious diaries from which he directed his successor to extract and publish those portions which bore upon his private and domestic life, omitting all political questions. It is now to appear under the modest title of the "Encyclopedia of the World." This is not bad for an informal domestic record, even of an oriental potentate.

Senator Spooner's Philosophy.

Senator Spooner is worth about $250,000 and says he doesn't want any more. Being the ablest corporation lawyer in the northwest, he could easily make a fortune simply by working at his profession. But he says that if he piled up a fortune, his sons, who are steady, industrious and ambitious young men, might be spoiled by a desire to spend it, and so he prefers things as they are.

GOOD ADVICE.

The most miserable beings in the world are those suffering from dyspepsia and liver complaint. More than seventy-five per cent of the people in the United States are afflicted with these two diseases and their effects, such as sour stomach, sick headache, habitual costiveness, palpitation of the heart, heart-burn, water-brash, gnawing and burning pains at the pit of the stomach, yellow skin, coated skin and disagreeable taste in the mouth, coming up of food after eating, low spirits, etc. Go to your druggist and get a bottle of August Flower for 75 cents. Two doses will relieve you. Try it. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

Newfoundland Fisheries.

The legislature of Newfoundland has provided liberally for the installation of a cold storage system for the fisheries of the colony. All the fish now caught there are cured and salted for the market, found principally in the Mediterranean ports and Brazil, and it is hoped to open up new markets for the codfish, salmon and other fish and lobsters in a fresh state.

Home Rule for Iceland.

Iceland is about to obtain home rule. King Christian of Denmark has called for an extraordinary meeting of the althing next summer to consider a reform of the constitution. A plan to be submitted is the appointment of a minister for Iceland, who shall be acquainted with Icelandic and shall reside at Reikjavik instead of Copenhagen.

Of Course, the Compositor.

A droll typographical blunder is thus pointed out by a Kansas paper: "In saying last week that 'if everybody will take an interest and help supply the needed material, our new cemetery will prove a success' we were the victim of a typographical error. We wrote 'creamery,' and not 'cemetery,' and the hellish typo did the rest."

Wanted It Knocked Out.

A school teacher in Frome, England, sent this to the father of one of his pupils: "I beg to inform you that in my opinion your son is suffering from myopia and his case requires prompt attention." The next day the boy brought back this written request: "Mister, please knock it out of Jim, as I ain't got time."

How Long Will This Condition Continue?

None may say surely, but it won't be for long, and the sooner you invest the cheaper will you be able to do so, for the advance is just as sure as has been the advance in the price of similar land in other sections. For further information write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha.

Surplus Wheat Crop of 1901.

The world's wheat surplus of the crops of 1901 is put at 13 million quarters, about half as much as the United Kingdom uses yearly.

New Cleansing Material.

For linen, silk, or cotton, rubbing with boiled potatoes is the newest and most effectual cleansing method. No soap is used.

National Park for Minnesota.

Minnesota is devoting her energies to preserving a section of her magnificent lake and forest region for a national park.

A GOOD THING.

German Syrup is the special prescription of Dr A Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

THE REASONS:

The North Platte Valley, extending from Bridgeport, Neb., to Guernsey, Wyo., and the Big Horn Basin, Wyoming, have been but recently made available for settlement by the extension of the Burlington Railroad into those sections. The irrigating Company must have settlers along there ditches and they offer substantial inducements in the shape of low priced water rights and land.

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Something from nothing—a garden from a desert. Such is the history of irrigated sections. Take land that sells for fifty cents an acre, put water on it and it sells for—what? There are quarters of land in irrigated sections of Colorado that cannot be had for $20,000 and which earn a remunerative interest on that valuation.

And yet you can purchase irrigated land where the soil is perfect beyond belief, where the water supply is plentiful and inexhaustible, where climatic conditions are healthful and exhilarating, where fuel is abundant and cheap, for from $15 an acre up.

Envious Philadelphia.

By means of the new tunnels to be constructed under New York any one may take a train from Boston to any other part of the country. But this raises no excitement in Boston. Why, it asked, should anyone want to take a train from Boston?—Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post.

A Mexican Prince.

"Prince Nanzeta Pahassnee Montezuma, Tzin of Gatamo," a strikingly handsome, black-eyed young man of 23, carrying in his hand a cane ornamented with the ancient insignia of the Montezumas—the eagle upon the cactus—is a figure in the Denver hotels.

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Eight months ago I was so ill that I was compelled to lie or sit down nearly all the time. My stomach was so weak and upset that I could keep nothing on it and I vomited frequently. I could not urinate without great pain and I coughed so much that my throat and lungs were raw and sore. The doctors pronounced it Bright's disease and others said it was consumption. It mattered little to me what they called it and I had no desire to live. A sister visited me from St. Louis and asked me if I had ever tried Wine of Cardui. I told her I had not and she bought a bottle. I believe that it saved my life. I believe many women could save much suffering if they but knew of its value.
Georgia Dunbar

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No. 119—Acc'm'n daily except Sunday; Lincoln and intermediate stations 3.10 a m
No. 68, frt 9:40
No. 117, frt 9.10
No. 118 frt, arrives .... 9.10 a m
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I will sell Crackers by the box at 7c per pound; either the small square, or the large sodas. Be quick, for this offer is good for this week, and only one box for each customer.

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I have a complete assortment of Garden Seeds that are fresh and entirely new stock. I am sure I can please you in this line.

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A Map of Pawnee County for 25 cents.

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W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn Our Motto "For God and Home and Every Land."

The paragraph "the following, taken from our State paper, etc," appeared midway of the column last week, and the poem, "Are You Helping," which it should have immediately followed was at the foot of the next column. We don't intentionally steal, though we try to pass along the good we glean by the way.

The Union met with Mrs Walter Smith the 15th and as our State Superintendent of Press work, Mrs Chase was with us, all business and the program we had announced last week was postponed, for two weeks and the time given to Mrs Chase. The room was well filled. The subject was "How to Increase Interest in our work," and so inexhaustible was her fund of information and so interesting that we were loath to leave, and we can only give a few points omitting details entirely. I had met Mrs Chase in convention for years but was very much surprised as she gave a little of her experience for our encouragement, to learn that public work as a leader or speaker was new to her. The training our women get in the W. C. T. U. is worth more than money and she urged our women to be willing workers and exercise their talents as thus would they grow. Hearts must be in love with the work to succeed. We must depend largely on ourselves for success in all our meetings. Interesting meetings don't happen, they must be planned for. Whatever the subject get clippings from papers and have all take part. Always, always, wear the white ribbon. She cited two very interesting cases where the white ribbon proved a help and a bond of sympathy because one woman wore it. The white ribbon speaks when we cannot with propriety, or would not speak for ourselves. In regard to finances she said: "Don't wait for your treasurer to call on you, but be prompt in the payment of dues; hand them to her. At this point our modest treasurer surprised us with an audible amen. No one is eligible as delegate to County or State Conventions unless their dues are paid up. Have Mothers meetings in the afternoon and Fathers meetings at night. At the close of our meeting we served cocoa, crackers and wafers, while enjoying a social chat and the departing ones said "I'm so glad I came." At night Mrs Chase spoke in the Presbyterian church giving a very interesting report of the doings of our last National convention, held at Cincinnati, Ohio. The audience was not as large as we had hoped for, and the Presbyterian pastor unable to be with us on account of illness, but Rev Morrow assisted by his presence and prayer as well as otherwise. Mrs Chase has a pleasing voice and winning way, so that all listened with eager attention to the close, when the appreciation was expressed by hearty hand clapping and a generous collection. Miss Ruby Allen sang a beautiful and inspiring solo "Just For Today" which was missed by those who came late. (Moral: Be on time.) Mrs Chase had the pleasure of pinning the white ribbon on five new members that night and next morning, as we were calling on the business men, at the request of our banker, Mr Miller, sent the sixth one to decorate his wife. Illness had prevented their coming out to our meetings. I've only hinted at the good things but fear trespassing on the kindness of our editor.

Robbed The Grave

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia as follows: I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim No one should fail to try them. Only 50c, guaranteed at Colwell's drug store.

MARKET LETTER.

JOSEPH A. RICKART,
Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo, April 18, 1904. —After the lower prices at the beginning of last week, account of big runs here and elsewhere, the market revived and advanced 15 or 20c Thursday and Friday. This put prices on best beef steers as good or a little better than close of previous week, but plain steers lost 10c. A load of the very best heavy cows, weighing 1400 lbs, were picked up at an average cost of $4.15, and choice heifers brought $3.45 on Thursday. Stockers and feeders were quiet and a shade lower except best stockers, which remained steady. Export bulls were dull, but light butcher weights sold strong. Veal calves were steady at a lower range, best now bringing $5.75. Supply today is 8000 head, which is not excessive, but a run of 40000 at Chicago with 15 to 25c lower price there caused a decline of 10 or 15c on steers here. Cows and heifers, also stockers and feeders are steady. Beef steer prices are about like last Tuesday, which was the low point last week. There appears to be plenty of buying orders, and the supply today was well cleaned up by noon.

Hog prices declined steadily last week, with small fluctuations. The loss was 5 to 10c, and today there is a further decline of 10c with $5 as top price and bulk of sales at $4.75 to $4.95. Weights below 200 lbs sell at $4.85 and down. Predictions of $4.50 hogs by June 1st are frequently heard. Quality of hogs was not so good last week, more half fat light weights appeared, indicating a distaste in the country of feeding high priced corn.

Sheep and lambs gained 20 to 30c last week as a result of light runs at all markets, and excellent demand at consuming points in the east and in Europe. Supply today is light at 3000 head and market steady. Top lambs brought $6.20 today, ewes sold last week at $5.25 and wethers at $5.50. Visible supply of ewes and wethers particularly is extremely limited for the next six weeks, and prices are almost sure to remain high.

Herbine Cures

Fever and ague. A dose will usually stop a chill, a continuance always cures. Mrs Wm M Stroud, Midlothian, Texas, May 31, 1899, writes: We have used Herbine in our family for eight years and found it to be the best medicine we have ever used for la grippe, bilious fever and malaria. 50c at Colwell's.

J. W. Prowant was over from Lewiston a few hours Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Prowant has recently returned from Oklahoma and Indian Territory where he made quite a tour of inspection. He is quite well pleased with the Territory and expects to move down there and locate this fall. He considers it an excelent place to make paying investments—Burchard Times

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See them soon With as large a stock as we have, and with the many advantages we afford you, we are anxious to have you come in and see our line. There is a great advantage for the buyer in making selections while there is everything to choose from, and the prices are now as low as they can be. However, whether you are going to do any papering this spring or not we will esteem it a pleasure to show you our stock.

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TABLE ROCK - - - NEBRASKA

In Madagascar some rude children one day cried out, "Leper! leper!" at a poor woman who had lost all her fingers and toes by the horrible disease A lady missionary stood near. She put her hand on the leper's shoulder and asked her to sit beside her on the grass. The woman fell sobbing, overcome by emotion, and cried out: "A human hand has touched me! For years no one has touched me." It is the human hand, the hand stretching from a human heart, such a human hand as Jesus reached forth when He touched the leper in Galilee, that the many and lonely and discouraged heart of the world awaits, and to which it will respond. We can not do our works of Christ by proxy. Christ did not send; He came. He touched humanity with a human hand. His hand was broken by the nail of the crucifier, but that broken human hand still reaches forth to touch the hearts that bleed. And for ourselves? Jesus said "Lo I am with you and shall be in you". When we stretch forth our hands to help up to their feet the broken, the sorrowful, the solitary, the defeated, in our hands is the human hand of Christ still ministering to mankind. It is Christ's way. "A human hand hath touched me!" is still potent to heal and to lift up again.—Central Christian Advocate.

Special Daily News Offer.

The Omaha Daily News will be mailed six days in the week from now until January 1, 1905 for $1.00; money to accompany the order. This will carry you through the presidential campaign and possibly all of the Japanese-Russian War.

The Daily News receives the complete Scripps-McRae Cable and Telegraph reports; the full Newspaper Enterprise Association service; and has four special correspondants at the seat of war, thus enabling it to give you accurate news promptly. Remember it is an independent paper, giving all the news without fear or favor. This offer is good only during April. Send order to this office or direct to Omaha Daily News, Omaha, Neb.

Walks Without Crutches

I was much afflicted with sciatica, writes Ed C Nud, Iowaville, Sedgwick county, Kan, going about on crutches and suffering a deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment which relieved me. I used three 50c bottles. It is the greatest liniment I ever used; have recommended it to a number of persons, and express themselves as being benefitted by it. I now walk without crutches, able to perform a great deal of light labor on the farm. 25c, 50c and $1 at Colwell's.

COLONIST RATES

During March and April the Burlington will sell one way to the Pacific Coast at very low rates.

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$25 to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

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If you will tell me where you are going I shall be glad to give you full information about rates and train service and send you advertising matter descriptive of these wonderful sections. J. Francis, G. P. A., Omaha, Neb.

Beauty and Strength

Are desirable. You are strong and vigorous when your blood is pure. Many—nay, most—women fail to properly digest their food and so become pale, sallow, thin and weak, while the brightness, freshness and beauty of the skin and complexion depart. Remedy this unpleasant evil by eating nourishing food and taking a small dose of Herbine after each meal to digest what you have eaten. 50c at Colwell's.

J. F. Fink stole a march on his friends by quietly departing last Sunday for Knoxville, Ill., where he was united in marriage to Mrs. Lyda Gumm on Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Fink returned Tuesday evening to this place and have taken up their residence upon Mr. Finks farm east of town. The Herald joins their many friends in extending congratulations. —Elk Creek Herald.

A Thoughtful Man

M M Austin of Winchester, Ind, knew what to do in the hour of need. His wife had such an unusual case of stomach and liver trouble, physicians could not help her. He thought of and tried Dr King's New Life Pills and she got relief at once and was finally cured. Only 25c at Colwell's Drug Store.

When in Pawnee City, buy [illegible] Dry Goods of F. J. [illegible] Pay less and dress better.

BOOZE DISPENSERS

The District Attorney Says This About Express Companies

HOW IT IS DONE IN KANSAS

Wholesale Houses or Breweries Ship It to Express Companies—Their Agents Sell It to the Best Advantage

The persistent and successful attempts of the Kansas City wholesale liquor dealers to evade the prohibitory law in Kansas through the use of the United States' express companies, has caused J. S. Dean, United States district attorney, at Topeka. Kan., to apply to the department at Washington for assistant expert secret service men to capture the offenders.

At the present time each congressional district in the state has one revenue collector. About four times that number are needed to cope with this new plan of the liquor dealers to ship their wares into Kansas.

The scheme employed by the wholesalers in the Missouri town is to send packages of liquor by the express companies marked C. O. D. to people in Kansas, who never ordered the stuff. It is then up to the person to whom it was shipped to refuse the goods or buy it at the price named on the package. If the goods are refused at the express office, the agents of the Kansas City dealers, and they can be found in every town in Kansas, take possession of the liquor and sell it by the bottle. All of these sales are made without license, and it is to this phase of the business that United States Attorney Dean objects.

"Since I have made a more thorough and personal investigation in this matter, I am simply surprised at the magnitude which it has assumed," said Mr. Dean. "This wildcat selling at Kansas City is in my mind a thoroughly worked out scheme of stupendous proportions of which the general public has no idea as to its size. I am perfectly safe in saying that at the 300 or more express offices in Kansas, one would today find from 200 to 250 packages of liquor from these Kansas City houses, marked C. O. D. If the persons to whom they are sent refuse to take them, bottles, one at a time, are taken out and sold around the town, the package lying in the express office all the time. While this scheme has been worked before, it has never even commenced to be as flagrant as at the present time. It must b stopped. These people have to pay license if they want to sell liquor."

"It is for this purpose," continued Mr. Dean, "that I want aid from the department at Washington. Our force at the present time, one man to each congressional district, is inadequate to cope with this wild cat scheme which has come out of Kansas City. Four times our present strength is absolutely necessary and still more could be used."

The system of "beating" the government out of revenues by using the express companies has been going on for more than a year in the state. It probably is the most successful scheme ever tried for that purpose, and the United States officials have had a hard time to capture the offenders.

Two wholesale dealers were convicted in Kansas City a short time ago. Several retailers have been punished within the last year for handling the stuff out of the express offices, and there are three more up for trial before the United States district court.

Rural Routes and Carriers

The following rural carriers have been appointed:

Kansas—Atlanta, regular, Samuel J. Likins; substitute, Noah E. Likins. Cuba, regular, Jno. A. Davidson; substitute, Walker M. Davidson. Pittsburg, regular, Willard R. Webb; substitute, J. Henry Bredhooft. White Cloud, regular, Joseph White; substitute, Louis Taylor.

Rural routes ordered established May 16:

Kansas—Cawker City, Mitchell county, one additional; area covered, 33 square miles; population, 404. Dellvale, Norton county, one route; area covered, 54 square miles; population, 420. Harlan, Smith county, one route; area covered, 38 square miles; population, 440. Hollenberg, Washington county, one route; area covered, 25 square miles; population, 416.

A potato from Washington has been shipped to Eureka by a former resident at a cost of 38 cents. The vegetable weighed two pounds and three ounces.

Valuable Zinc Find

J. L. Abbot brought Alva Smith, of Emporia, Kan., samples of zinc which he picked up in Elmendaro township of that state. The zinc is found in nodules in a thick stratum of shale, and is nearly pure. Mr. Abbot says the stratum containing the zinc crops out in a gully on his farm and he also found it in a well which he recently dug. Mr. Smith will investigate the matter to ascertain in what quantities the zinc is deposited in the shale.

MINE WORKERS' VICTORY

Board of Conciliation Rules in Their Favor

The board of conciliation created by the anthracite coal strike commission, which has been for months considering the question of whether the several increases in wages granted the men in the Schuylkill region as the result of the strike of 1900 and 1902 shall be calculated on the gross or net earnings, made an award at Philadelphia which is virtually a victory for the mineworkers. The board decided that the advances granted in 1900 and 1902 shall be added to the gross earnings and that the percentage to which the contrack miners are entitled under the sliding scale fixed by the strike commission shall be calculated on the net earnings. The award dates from April 1st.

TOO MUCH SLANG

Supt. Fowler Says the English Language is Abused

State Superintendent W. K. Fowler of Nebraska told the 800 members of the Northwestern Iowa Teachers' association at Sioux City that the proper use of the English language is becoming a lost art. He attributes this fact to the growing use of slang.

"We must be alive to this fact and thwart the fast growing tendency to form habits which are ruining the conversational powers of our people," he said.

"Teach good English, emphasize the principles of grammar and discourage slang. Especially is the tendency to slur words becoming general. It shows lack of refinement and ill-breeding."

Annual Threshermen's Convention

April 27 and 28, 1904, is the date that the Threshers' association of Wichita, Kan., has set to entertain the threshermen of Kansas and Oklahoma.

The greatest convention of threshermen ever held is expected to meet on the above dates. A similar event took place in Wichita last year. It was in the way of an experiment, and proved to be a success.

The parade will be something wonderful. There will be a string of thresher outfits, consisting of engines and separators, extending for a mile and a half.

The entire program for the two days and nights will be much more elaborate than last year. The association is working hard and no pains will be spared to entertain their guests in a royal manner.

Kansans People Saving Money

Elmer E. Ames, one of the two national bank examiners for Kansas, is of the opinion that there was never a more prosperous time in the history of Kansas than right now. "The statement issued by Bank Commissioner Albaugh was a remarkable showing," says Mr. Ames in discussing the matter. "It showed a banking fund of $68.89 per capita. I have no way of knowing how this compares with other states, but I do know that it is little short of remarkable when it is taken into account that practically every cent of the total bank deposits of over $103,000,000 belongs to the people of Kansas, and was acquired out of the resources of that state. The national depositories in Kansas are few and this amount cuts comparatively little figure in the total."

Lawrence Summer School

Many educators and scientists will lecture in the University of Kansas summer school at Lawrence next summer. In addition to those already engaged are Prof. Nathaniel Butler and W. M. Payne of the University of Chicago, and Prof. Vernon L. Kellog of Leland Stanford, jr., university. Professor Butler, who is at the head of the department of education of the University of Chicago, will lecture on "Secondary Education." W. M. Payne, editor of the Dial, will give twelve lectures on "The Greater English Poets of the Nineteenth Century." Professor Kellog of the department of entomology of Leland Stanford university, will lecture on entomology and zoology.

In a meeting at Wichita, Kan., a plan has been set on foot to ascertain whether oil, gas, coal or salt lie under that city. The plan is to take subscriptions of $1 each for the purpose of supplying sufficient capital to sink the first well. An organization was effected, with T. H. Griffith, president; F. H. Robertson, vice president; W. R. Tucker, treasurer, and G. W. Smith, secretary.

They are going to have a public electric light system at Weeping Water.

Valuable Farm House Burned

The home of George Staats of Saunders county, five miles southwest of Fremont, was burned to the ground. The house was a new one, built two years ago at a cost of $2,000. The family awakened in time to get out uninjured, but saved few of their effects. A piano and practically all the other furniture was destroyed. About one third of the loss is covered by insurance.

JAPAN GETS CREDIT

Anchored Mines in Harbor Where Russian Vessel Sank

MANY THEORIES ABOUT IT

Russian Torpedo Destroyer Sunk With 45 Seamen, While Trying to Regain Port Arthur Harbor

It has been learned from Japanese sources at Che Foo that the attack on the Russian Port Arthur fleet was planned and put into effect in the following manner:

At daylight the Japanese torpedo boats made a demonstration before the port, and at the same time laid mines across the outer entrance to the harbor. They then retired and joined the main squadron. The squadron then advanced and as it drew near the Russian ships were seen coming out. The battleship Petropavlovsk struck one of the mines laid by the Japanese torpedo boats and was destroyed.

The Japanese minister at Washington received a dispatch from his government embodying an official report from Admiral Uriu regarding the last engagement off Port Arthur as follows:

"According to the report of the torpedo destroyer flotilla No. 3, our fleet approached Port Arthur on the 13th of April and sunk one battleship of the enemy of the Petropavlovsk type and one torpedo boat destroyer. No damage to our fleet. No report yet from Admiral Togo."

Admiral Ouktomsky telegraphed the following to St. Petersburg regarding the sinking of the Pobieda:

"I have taken command provisionally of the fleet since the disaster to the Petropavlovsk.

"During some maneuvering of the battleship squadron the Pobieda struck against a mine amidships on the starboard side. She was able to regain port by herself. No one on board of her was killed or wounded."

The Pobieda is a battleship of 12,674 tons displacement and of 14,000 horsepower. She is 401¼ feet long, has 71½ feet beam and draws 26 feet of water and is heavily armored with steel. She was completed in 1901, has a complement of 732 men and her estimated speed is 18 knots. The steel armor of the battleship varies in thickness from 4 to 9½ inches along her belt. The armament of the Pobieda consists of four 10-inch guns, eleven 6-inch guns, sixteen 3-inch guns, ten 1.8-inch guns and sixteen 1.4-inch guns. She has six torpedo tubes.

Forty-five officers and men perished on board the torpedo boat destroyer Bezstrashni, whose destruction by Japanese was announced.

Lieut. Hobson Defeated

Fuller returns from Alabama's democratic primary election confirm the nomination of B. B. Comer, as president of the Alabama railroad commission by an overwhelming majority. He has probably carried 62 out of 67 counties. His issue was made on the question of lower local freight rates similar to those in Georgia.

Early returns on delegates to the state convention are of a nature to indicate that that body will send an uninstructed delegation to the St. Louis convention.

Neeley Not Convicted

The jury in a New York court disagreed in the action brought by the United States against Charles F. W. Neeley, former director of finance of the postoffices of Cuba, in which an attempt was made to officially fix the amount of Neeley's alleged peculations between January and May, 1900. Judge Lacombe, sitting in the United States circuit court, where the suit was tried, made several efforts to get the jury to agree, but failed, and discharged them after being assured by the foreman and several of the jurymen than an agreement was practically impossible.

The Cat Came Back

Traveling a distance of 337 miles, climbing mountains and crossing several stretches of the desert, a cat came back. This feline adventurer belonged to John M. West, of Salt Lake City, Utah. Three weeks ago it stole a flounder from the kitchen. West then put the animal into a bag and concealed it under the seat in a day coach on the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake road. The cat was taken clear to Calients, Nev., before it was discovered and turned loose. Weak and emaciated, it appeared at the West home and begged for food. The "request" was granted.

Vote Bonds for Electric Road

Decatur, Neb., has voted on the bond proposition for building an electric railroad to Tekamah. Much interest was shown. Out of 295 votes cast there were only thirteen against the bonds. Riverside and Silver Creek townships will vote this month, and Tekamah will vote on May 15. The result at Decatur was most important, but the road is not a sure thing until the other townships vote. The people of Decatur celebrated with bon-fires. There is general good feeling over the result.

TREASURER TO PUT IT BACK

Important Decision Relative to Conduct of County Treasurers

Judge Kelligar of Beatrice, Neb., rendered a decision in the case of Gage county against G. W. Maurer, former treasurer. The cases grew out of a dispute between the officer and the board of supervistors, in which the treasurer kept more money for clerk hire than the law allowed him, under the recent decision. In seems that the treasurer asked for and was granted, certain allowance for hire, and that in making his settlements, he gave in vouchers which were accepted by the board for the clerks so hired. Later a new board refused to accept the vouchers, and sued the official for about $4,000, unlawfully attained. The case was brought in two suits, one covering each term. The decision of the court is the same in each case, but it is understood that one of them will be taken to the supreme court, and the order of the trial court will not be enforced upon the other, until the supreme court passes upon the matter. The court held that the commissioners exceeded their authority when they allowed the treasurer to hire more help than the fees of his office would pay for.

SNOW IN MOUNTAINS

During March Was Heavy—Abundance of Water the Result

Snowfall in the South Platte watershed district has been extremely liberal during the month of March. The precipitation has been brought up to normal and will make the chances of the western Nebraska irrigators excellent in maintaining the usual water supply. The report of the Colorado weather bureau follows:

"The precipitation during March was not only above normal in the mountain districts, but also as great as the entire fall during two of the winter months, and in many localities as great as the total for December, January and February combined. During the latter half of the month snow fell daily over a large area in the San Juan mountain districts. The storm of the 31st, which extended into April, brought unusually heavy falls in central and southern districts. At moderate elevations the snow generally melted as it fell, and much of the moisture was absorbed. The amount of snow is now greater than heretofore this winter, besides restoring the ground to normal condition, reviving springs and probably increasing the late flow somewhat by seepage.

Premier of Spain Stabbed

Premier Maura of Spain was attacked and wounded by a would-be assassin, while leaving the palace at Barcelona with the counsel general.

Senor Maura's wound is not serious. The premier had just returned from attending a requiem service celebrated for the repose of the soul of the late Queen Isabella, and was entering, not leaving the palace, when a youth 19 years old, named Joapuin Miguel Artao, approached and shouted, "Good day. Long live anarchy," struck the premier in the chest with a dagger he had concealed in a handkercheif. Artao was immediately seized and imprisoned.

The premier was able himself to send to Madrid the news of the attempt on his life.

President Gives $100

The president has contributed the sum of $100 and the secretary of the navy a like sum as the nucleus of a fund for the relief of the dependant next of kin of the enlisted men who lost their lives in the disaster on the Missouri.

The president accompanied his check for $100 with the following letter to Secretary Moody:

"My Dear Mr. Secretary: May I send through you this contribution to be used for the dependent kinsfolk of the enlisted men who have just been killed on board the Missouri? Under the conditions of modern warfare in order efficiently to prepare for war risk must be run similar in kind though not in degree to the risk run in battle, and these men have died for their country as much as if the ship had been in action against the enemy. Sincerely yours,

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

Nebraska Day at St. Louis

Loyal Nebraskans should attend the St. Louis exposition on October 18. Governor Mickey has received word that the fair management has dicided upon that date as a special one to be known as Nebraska day. There will be a special program relative to Nebraska.

Editorial Trip Outlined

The executive committee in charge of the editorial excursion to the world's fair at St. Louis has completed arrangements for the trip. The members of the Nebraska Press association and their wives will leave Lincoln, Omaha or St. Joseph, as they may be situated with relation to those points, on May 13, 14, 15 or 16, over the Burlington road. Four going days have been fixed in order that the railroad company may not be overtaxed on its regular trains, by this special crowd.

BIG RUSSIAN LOSS

Russian Battleship Petropavlovski Sunk by Mine

ADMIRAL MARKAROFF LOST

Vessel Turned Turtle and Sank, Only Thirty-Seven on Board Escaping an Awful Fate—Other News

The following official dispatch has been received at St. Petersburg from Rear Admiral Grigorovitch, the commandant at Port Arthur, addressed to the emperor.

"The Petropavlovsk struck a mine, which blew her up, and she turned turtle. Our squadron was under Golden Hill. The Japanese squadron was approaching. Vice Admiral Makaroff evidently was lost. Grand Duke Cyril was saved. He is slightly injured. Captain Jakovleff was saved, though severely injured, as were five officers and thirty-two men, all more or less injured."

According to very high authority, the latest advices received at the winter palace, St. Petersburg, are to the effect that a naval battle is progressing off Port Arthur, the result of which is yet unknown. The Japanese fleet, including torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers, totals forty. Vice Admiral Makaroff ordered his whole squadron out of the harbor to meet the attack.

According to the Associated press informant, while preparing to draw up his line of battle in the outer roadstead, the Petropavlovsk struck a mine on her starboard side amidships, and immediately began to heel. Before the crew could flood the port compartments of the vessel in order to keep her on an even keel, she turned turtle ad sank in a few minutes, carrying down almost the entire crew. Capt. A. Jakcloff, the Grand Duke Cyril and the two other officers were saved because they were standing on the upper bridge.

The frightful loss of life among the officers and men was due to the fact that they all were at their stations ready for action.

The Petropavlovsk turned turtle in a manner similar to the British battleship Victoria, which was rammed by the Campedown in 1893, and like the incident in the Chino-Japanese war, when a Chinese warship turned turtle, many of the crew remaining alive for several days hammering desperately on the upturned hull.

It is estimated that from six to seven hundred men perished when the Petropavlovsk sank.

The Petropavlovsk, which had twice previously been reported damaged in Japanese attacks on Port Arthur, was a first-class battleship of 10,960 tons displacement and 14,213 indicated horse power. She was 367½ long, had sixty-nine feet beam, and her armored belt was of about sixteen inches of steel, with ten inches of steel armor on her turrets. Her armament consisted of four twelve-inch, twelve six-inch, thirty-four smaller guns and six torpedo tubes. The complement of the Petropavlovsk when fully manned was 700 men. She was built at St. Petersburg and was completed in 1898.

Vice Admiral Makaroff's plan of campaign was lost with him.

Grand Duke Cyril is suffering only from slight contusions.

It is not known whether the catastrophe was due to a floating mine or to a Japanese torpedo. The Japanese certainly witnessed the catastrophe.

SCHOOL FUND GROWING

Report Shows Remarkable Increase in School Land Values

The temporary school funds of Nebraska will be enriched $669,395.12 a year by the increase in rentals of the state school lands under the reappraisement just completed by Land Commissioner Follmer acting under the legislative enactment appropriating $12,000 for the work. The amount of increase in valuation of the school lands amounts to $1,156,584.57, the old valuation being $623,735.34, and the new valuation $1,700,600.45, an increase of more than 100 per cent.

The figures are for the re-appraisement of land in forty-nine counties and of the $12,000 appropriated for the work, but $6,000 has been expended, leaving 50 per cent to be turned back into the state treasury. The report of the land commissioner on the re-appraisement consists of a tabulation of the acreages, the old values, the new values, the increased valuation and the increase in rentals.

Minnesota Had Jurisdiction

The United States supreme court has decided the case of the state of Minnesota vs. the Northern Securities Co. and the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railway companies, involving the validity of the merger of the two railroad companies, holding that it was without jurisdiction and reversing the opinion of the court below, Justice Harlan, who delivered the opinion, said that the circuit court should not have entertained jurisdiction in the case, the efforts being to remand the case to the state courts.

MILD WHITEWASH COAT

This is What the Report Amounts to Against Members of Congress

The report of the special committee of the house appointed to investigate the report from the postoffice department printed under the caption: "Charges Concerning Members of Congress," has been made to the house by Chairman McCall. The report is signed by all seven members of the committee. The minority members, however, append supplemental views.

The important phases of the report is a finding regarding the connection of members with the business of the postoffice department. The finding is as follows:

"After a careful consideration of all cases specified in report No. 1295 (the report of the postoffice committee on 'Charges Against Members of Congress') so far as they relate to present members of the house of representatives which the committee assume to be the limit of their jurisdiction, they have unanimously reached the conclusion that nothing has appeared in connection with said case that would justify the finding that any member of the house of representatives has profited financially in the slightest degree, or that any member was guilty of improper conduct in connection therewith, or that any member has done in connection with any of said cases anything that did not appear to be within the line of his official duty according to long established custom.

"Having reached this conclusion, the committee feel constrained to add that in their opinion it would be well to make as formal as may be, and to restrain within the narrowest possible limits, the action of members in connection with postoffices and the details of other executive matters and that the severance of members from work of that character would augment the efficiency of the house of representatives."

ACCIDENT ON THE MISSOURI

Explosion on Battleship Missouri Kills All in a Turret

By the explosion of two thousand pounds of powder in the after 12-inch turret and the handling room of the battleship Missouri, at Pensacola, Fla., Capt. William S. Cowles, commanding, and twenty-nine men were instantly killed and five injured, two probably fatally.

The Missouri was on the target range with the Texas and the Brooklyn at practice about noon, when a charge of powder in the 12-inch left hand gun ignited from gases, exploded and, dropping below, ignited four charges of powder in the handling room, causing all to explode.

Only one man of the entire turret and handling crew survives.

But for the prompt and efficient work of Captain Cowles in flooding the handling room and the magazine with water, one of the magazines would have exploded and the ship would have been destroyed.

EIGHT THOUSAND APPLIED

This Number Made Application for Department Store Positions

So great was the crowd for applicants for positions in a new department store on Sixth avenue, New York, that it became necessary to call out the police reserves to maintain order.

It was estimated that anywhere between 4,000 and 8,000 persons were in waiting at 8 o'clock, th hour named in advertisements for receiving the applications. The Sixth avenue block extending from Thirteenth to Fourteenth streets, and for several hundred feet east, and the two latter thoroughfares were literally jammed with men, women, boys and girls clamoring for a chance to get in the building and the struggle that ensued to gain entrance taxed all the resources of police ingenuity to prevent accident. At 11 o'clock, within two hours of the time announced for closing the doors to applicants, the crowd seemed fully as great as early in the day and street car traffic through Sixth avenue and Fourteenth street, was almost at a standstill.

Bust of Thomas Jefferson, Broken

A heavy gust of wind demolished the staff bust of Thomas Jefferson at the world's fair at St. Louis. The bust, five feet in height, ornamented a pedestal at the exposition, and the wind toppled it over and the fall broke it up. It is probable another will be made.

A train of thought isn't always on time.

Manila Bandit Sentenced

The sentence of death passed upon Faustino Guillerno, one of the most notorious bandits in the Philippines, who was captured by the constabulary in Rizal province last juneinml-?uix in Rizal province, Luzon, last June, has been confirmed by the supreme court.

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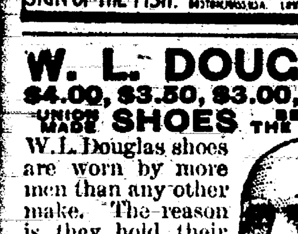

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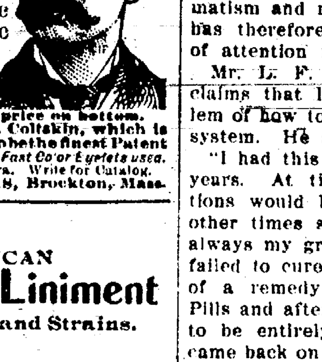

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Under a recent order of the Commissioner of Pensions all veterans serving 90 days or more during the Civil War, and honorably discharged, and over 62 years of age are entitled to pension. Write to **Butts & Phillips, 1425 N. Y. Ave., Washington, D. C.** References: Washington Board of Trade. Traders National Bank.

If afflicted with sore eyes, use **Thompson's Eye Water**

When Answering Advertisements Kindly Mention This Paper.

Free to Twenty-Five Ladies.

The Defiance Starch Co. will give 25 ladies a round trip ticket to the St. Louis Exposition, to five ladies in each of the following states: Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, who will send in the largest number of trade-marks cut from a ten-cent, 16-ounce package of Defiance cold water laundry starch. This means from your own home, anywhere in the above named states. These trade-marks must be mailed to and received by the Defiance Starch Co., Omaha, Nebr., before September 1st, 1904. October and November will be the best months to visit the Exposition. Remember that Defiance is the only starch put up 16 oz. (a full pound) to the package. You get one-third more starch for the same money than of any other kind, and Defiance never sticks to the iron. The tickets to the Exposition will be sent by registered mail September 5th. Starch for sale by all dealers.

The girl who makes sheep's eyes at you sometimes pulls the wool over your own.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY. } ss.
FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.
FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.
{ SEAL } A. W. GLEASON, NOTARY PUBLIC.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

When a woman isn't afraid to have a birthday it is because she is only a girl yet.

More Flexible and Lasting,
won't shake out or blow out; by using Defiance Starch you obtain better results than possible with any other brand and one-third more for same money.

The average woman can break a man more successfully than she can crack a joke.

Ask Your Dealer For Allen's Foot-Ease.
A powder. It rests the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Sore, Hot, Callous, Aching, Sweating Feet and Ingrowing Nails. Allen's Foot-Ease makes new or tight shoes easy. At all Druggists and Shoe stores, 25 cents. Accept no substitute. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

If a man loses all his money he also manages to lose nearly all his enemies.

Why It Is the Best
is because made by an entirely different process. Defiance Starch is unlike any other, better and one-third more for 10 cents.

It is the grave cases of a physician that benefit the undertaker.

Pope Pius X is reforming his "army." The forces of the Holy See at present hardly exceed 400 men, and half of these consist of the citizen soldiers known as the Palatine Guard, who are detailed for service in St. Peter's and the vatican during the great papal functions. The Holy Father has reduced their number from 200 to 100. He has also reduced by thirty men the Swiss Guards, who now number about ninety. On the other hand, he has increased the Pontifical Gendarmes, whose functions are more useful than ornamental, from 72 to 100. The number of the Noble Guards has been left unaltered, but twenty-five of the older members of it have been retired and their places supplied by a younger generation.

"What's de matter wif Mistuh Erastus Pinky?" said Uncle Rasperry. "He don' seem to be doin' no work at all, no mo'."

"No," answered Jim Colliflower. "He heard 'bout tne prodigal son one time, an' he tried it hisse'f. An' it turned out so satisfactory dat he ain't been doin' nuffin' but takin' encores ever since."

A person doesn't necessarily have to be clumsy to break the ten commandments.

That Acid Trouble.

Colusa, Cal., April 18th.—Much has been said and written recently about Uric Acid in the system; what causes it and how to get rid of it. It is known to be the first cause of Rheumatism and many other diseases and has therefore received a great deal of attention from medical men.

Mr. L. F. Moulton of this place claims that he has solved the problem of how to get this acid out of the system. He says:

"I had this acid trouble myself for years. At times the Kidney secretions would be very profuse and at other times scant, but the acid was always my greatest trouble. Medicine failed to cure me till at last I heard of a remedy called Dodd's Kidney Pills and after taking a box I seemed to be entirely cured. However, it came back on me and this time I took several boxes, with the result that I was completely and permanently cured. This was three years ago and I have not had a single symptom of the acid trouble since. I am 75 years of age and I am well as ever I was."

"You must not see me any more,"
The maiden cried in fright.
"I'll not," the gallant lover swore,
And then turned out the light.

CONSUMERS OF SHOES
ALWAYS ASK FOR THE BEST WESTERN MADE SHOES.
These brands will guarantee you a good shoe for men:
Star and Crescent **E. Z. Walker**
Comet **Cock of Walk**
Our **PRAIRIE QUEEN** leads all others in Women's and Children's Shoes.
See that our name is on the shoes you buy.
F. P. KIRKENDALL & CO. Manufactured in OMAHA.

THE SONGLESS POET

WEAK SOUL THAT FALTERED IN ITS MISSION.

"I Must Feed My Soul on the Songs of the Past, Ere I Dare to Sing My Own"—Lesson for All Who Would Evade Their Duty.

"The world grows old," said the Angel of souls,
"And faints in its despair;
I will cheer its age with the spirit of youth—
I will send a poet there.

"I will smite its gloom with the joy of song,
"And make it glad again."
Then a babe was born in a poor man's home,
And a poet had come to men.

And he wandered away from his mother's knee,
And played in his father's field,
And the Angel of souls he waited long
To see his soul revealed.

And there came a day when the careless youth
Heard the voice of wondrous tone—
The Voice that came from the Heart of the world
And spoke to his heart alone.

Then the Angel of souls bent toward the world
And listened and listened again
With a hungry ear for the wise, strong words
Of the songs of the poet of men.

But the poet he said, "I am foolish and young,
My words are weak and few;
I will learn the songs of the wise old bards
Who sang when the world was new."

But the Voice within cried, "Speak to men
The words I give to say;
Fear not, but speak the words of the voice,"
But the poet answered, "Nay."

"I will learn," he said, "of the bards of the past
Who trod the young earth's sod
When the earth was nearer the heaven than now,
And the prophets talked with God."

"Think not," said the Voice, "that the God that filled
The souls of the bards of yore
Now leaves the world to his underlings
And visits his earth no more."

"But my words are weak," the poet said,
"I dare not speak alone;
I must feed my soul on the songs of the past
Ere I dare to sing my own.

I will learn of the mighty bards of the past,
Of the ages far and dim—"
And the awful tones of the Voice within,
Spake never again to him.

But he filled his soul with the bards of the past;
They thrilled him o'er and o'er;
But the sad, old world rolled on in its gloom,
For a poet came no more.

He died; and the song that was in him died,
Unreached his starry goals,
And his soul that had failed of its mighty work
Went up to the Angel of souls.

And the soul stood naked before that gaze
Of fierce consuming ire;
And the scorn in the look of the Angel of souls
Burned into its depths like fire.

"E'er a bard shall sing as God made thee to sing,
The earth in grief and tears
Must bide its time," said the Angel of souls,
"And wait for a thousand years."
—Sam Walter Foss.

Why Kuropatkin Is Loved.

Gen. Kuropatkin's hold over men is due to his reputation for absolute fearlessness. Five years ago he received the information that the great powder magazine at St. Petersburg and that at Toulon, France, were to be blown up within twenty-four hours. The general was in bed when he heard the news, but he at once got up and started for St. Petersburg without losing a moment. He summoned all the staff of the magazine and went on a round of inspection. He found everything in order, and as a proof of his satisfaction ordered every one in the magazine to take three days' holiday and to leave at once. He then collected a new garrison and a new staff and set a ring of sentries all round the magazine. The consequence was that nothing happened to St. Petersburg magazine, but that at Toulon was blown up the next day.

Keene's Keen Sarcasm.

James R. Keene is a man of few words, but can be courteous as a cavalier or as acridly sarcastic as the late Mr. Whistler. It is told that the financier was cornered in his office one day by a woman with a social economy hobby who talked away much of his valuable time, aggravating her offense by punctuating her remarks with "And I know you're a very busy man." During a half hour Mr. Keene had not a single chance to get in a word, so voluble was his visitor. But in telling of a surprise she had experienced she said:

"Why, Mr. Keene, my heart was in my mouth. I couldn't speak."

"Marvelous!" exclaimed the big operator, rising. "I regret it was not my pleasure to have met you then." He bowed her out.

Sword for Brave Missourian.

Lieut. Arthur L. Willard of the navy is to be given a fine sword when he visits his home in Kirksville, Mo., next summer. The sword will be given him for gallant service rendered during the Spanish-American war. It cost $200 and was paid for by the state. On the scabbard is engraved: "Presented to Lieut. Arthur Lee Willard, U. S. Navy, by the state of Missouri, in recognition of his bravery in planting the first American flag on Cuban soil at Diana, Cardenas bay, May 11, 1898."

The Friendship of Youth.

Two boys brought up together sometimes remain fast friends for life, but not so commonly as one might suppose. "I thought you had a little friend with you to-day, Tommy," said a lady to a child who was walking about alone and disconsolate. "I have a little friend, but I hate him!" was the reply; and the words contain a whole essayful of comment upon the value of friendship founded solely upon propinquity.—Spectator.

The oddest little railroad in the world is that which runs from Westmoreland, the county seat of Pottawatomie county, Missouri, to Blaine, some eight miles away. The people of Westmoreland wanted a railroad outlet and they built the line with the assistance of the farmers. A company undertook to operate it and got into court on account of debts not paid. Then some patriotic people of Westmoreland took it over and ran it until the only engine went out of commission. Then three or four Westmoreland men bought an engine and kept the road going, pending a decision of the suit in the United States court. It is said to have been the only road in the world which issued no passes. Its working force consisted of an engineer and a conductor, the conductor being station agent at both ends. The other day the men at Westmoreland who owned the engine got a chance to sell it and they did so, leaving the road tied up for want of motive power. And traffic over it will not be resumed until the court finally disposes of the matters at issue.

There are just two things necessary for advancement—work and ability. The poor boy who works, who does what he can for his employer, who takes an interest in the business, who isn't expecting $1 for every 5 cents worth of time he puts in, who does by his employer as he would want an employer to do by him, is going to get along in this world today. He will not be one of the failures.

Ben Jonson was at work on one of his plays.

"What you have concluded on," he wrote, "make good, I pray you."

He stopped to chuckle over it.

"I like that phrase, 'make good,'" he said. "Three hundred years from now they'll be using it as the latest choice bit of slang."

A woman has as hard work keeping her cook from discovering what she doesn't know about cooking as a man has to keep his children from learning what he doesn't know about everything.

We like all sorts of boys, but boys are abused so much that we are particularly fond of good ones. If you know a good boy, let us hear about him. We would like to praise him.

When a young man tells a girl he loves her for herself alone it's equivalent to an injunction against interference from the rest of the family.

When a woman calls a man by his given name accidentally on purpose she does it to make him think he is irresistible, and he does.

The man who thinks a good deal of his wife should not attempt to conceal his thoughts when he is alone with her.

We often hear of a middle-aged man, but never a middle-aged woman. A woman is either young or old.

No Maude, dear; there is no similarity between a cursory glance and swear words.

It is the interest of every member of the STATE FARMER'S MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. to help it along. The Company belongs to the members. The officers are their servants. Each member is only liable for his share of losses and expenses, according to the amount of insurance he carries.

Members are assessed at the end of two years, after the insurance was first written upon all their policies for the time insured, and assessment follows every two years.

We have paid our members over $60,000 in losses. Cannot you help some of your neighbors to its benefits?

B. R. STOUFFER, Sec'y.,
South Omaha, Nebr.

It's very careless of a girl to be wearing stick pins when the lights go out.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children
Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

When a pugilist is knocked out it isn't a round of pleasure.

Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE
Won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10 cents and equals 20 cents worth of any other bluing. If your grocer does not keep it send 10c for sample to The Laundry Blue Co., 14 Michigan Street, Chicago.

To stamp out an evil it is sometimes necessary to be well heeled.

Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. No other brand of cigars is so popular with the smoker. He has learned to rely upon its uniform high quality. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Many vain regrets are concealed in the stubs of a check book.

Those Who Have Tried It
will use no other. Defiance Cold Water Starch has no equal in Quantity or Quality—16 oz. for 10 cents. Other brands contain only 12 oz.

It doesn't require much politeness to invite a bill collector to call again.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

Railroad officials are not all hypnotists, although they make passes.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

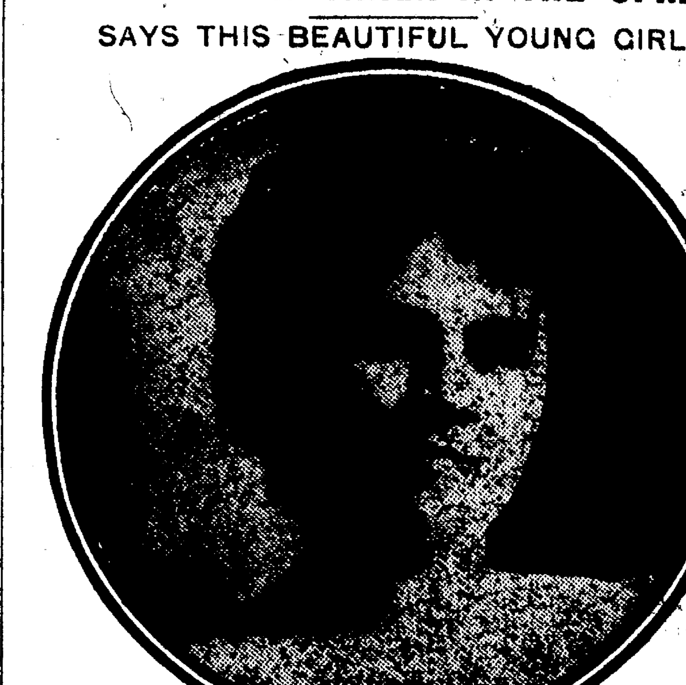
The girl who marries the wrong man never marries the best man.

Old Sofas, Backs of Chairs, etc., can be dyed with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES.

The fellow who has his leg pulled naturally feels limp.

"PE-RU-NA TONES UP THE SYSTEM IF TAKEN IN THE SPRING."

SAYS THIS BEAUTIFUL YOUNG GIRL



MISS MARJORY HAMPTON, OF NEW YORK.

Miss Marjory Hampton, 2616 Third Avenue, New York City, writes:
"Peruna is a fine medicine to take any season of the year. Taken in the spring it tones up the system and acts as a tonic, strengthening me more than a vacation. In the fall and winter I have found that it cures colds and catarrh and also find that it is invaluable to keep the bowels regular, acting as a gentle stimulant on the system. In fact, I consider it a whole medicine chest.—Miss Marjory Hampton.

PURE BLOOD.

Blood Impurities of Springtime—Cause, Prevention and Cure.

Dr. Hartman's medical lectures are eagerly scanned by many thousand readers.

One of the most timely and interesting lectures he ever delivered was his recent lecture on the blood impurities of spring.

The doctor said in substance that every spring the blood is loaded with the effete accumulations of winter, deranging the digestion, producing sluggishness of the liver, overtaxing the kidneys, interfering with the action of the bowels and the proper circulation of the blood.

This condition of things produces what is popularly known as spring fever, spring malaria, nervous exhaustion, that tired feeling, blood thickening and many other names.

Sometimes the victim is bilious, dyspeptic and constipated; sometimes he is weak, nervous and depressed; and again he may have eruptions, swellings and other blood humors. Whichever it is, the cause is the same—effete accumulations in the blood.

Nothing is more certain within the whole range of medical science than that a course of Peruna in early spring time will perfectly and effectually prevent or cure this almost universal affection.

Everybody feels it in some degree. A great majority are disturbed considerably, while a large per cent of the human family are made very miserable by this condition every spring.

Peruna will prevent it if taken in time.

Peruna will cure it if taken as directed.

Peruna is the ideal spring medicine of the medical profession.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

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When Your Grocer Says
he does not have Defiance Starch, you may be sure he is afraid to keep it until his stock of 12 oz. packages are sold. Defiance Starch is not only better than any other Cold Water Starch, but it contains 16 oz. to the package and sells for the same money as 12 oz. brands.

A matrimonial storm will curdle even the milk of human kindness.

Insist on Getting It.
Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16 oz. pkg. Defiance Starch for same money.

One way for a young man to make a hit with the girl's father is to strike him for a loan.

Every tidy housekeeper appreciates nicely starched clothes and linens. No starch under the sun gives so good a finish as Defiance Starch. It is absolutely free of the chemicals which other starches contain. It never sticks to the iron or causes the clothes to break. It does not rot them. For 10 cents you get 16 ounces of the best starch that can be made. Get Defiance.

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Lincoln Paints ABSOLUTELY PURE
PLUCK WINS—It ALWAYS wins.
We had pluck enough 15 years ago to put an absolutely pure house paint on the market, and it won. It stands this western climate, and we have pluck enough to guarantee it. Ask your dealer for it, and write us for special color design for your house—free. **Lincoln Paint & Color Co., Lincoln, Nebr.**

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CURES catarrh of the stomach.

PISO'S CURE FOR
CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS.
Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.
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The Table Rock Argus.
F. H. Tabler, Publisher.
Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

The assessed valuation of Pawnee county last year was something over $3,000,000. This year it will probably be larger and will approximate $4,000,000.

The New York democratic convention, which met in Albany on Monday, under the leadership of David B. Hill, instructed its delegates to the national convention for Judge Parker

The republican county convention for the purpose of selecting candidates for members of the legislature and county attorney, and naming delegates to the state convention, will be held at Pawnee City on Saturday, April 14th.

Governor Mickey has appointed the following named gentlemen as delegates from this congressional district to the national good roads convention which will meet at St Louis, May 16 to 21. L A Varner, Sterling; E L Vance, Pawnee City; Peter Berlet, Auburn; H H Hanks, Nebraska City; W W Apperson, Tecumseh; J A Hill, Falls City.

Two hundred and ninety-one prisoner are confined at the penitentiary according to the report filed with the board of public lands and buildings by Warden Beemer. It has cost the state an average of 7 cents and 8 mills a day to feed the convicts and the maintenance of the employes' table has been at an average per capita of 9 cents and 6 mills. During the the month 8 prisoners were discharged and paroled. The average number of inmates has been about 282.—Tecumseh Tribunal.

The Tecumseh Tribunal says "the big head" is a popular way of expressing a common and frequent ailment. It arises from many sources, but the real foundation is the lack of sense. A little money developes it in some people, a few good clothes gives it to others, a chance to exercise a little authority is often the cause of it, while others will have it from having a better job than their associates. The truth is, no sensible person ever gets the "big head." The one who becomes stuck up and stiff-necked from success of any kind is a weak-minded mortal who should go away back and sit down.

The republican convention of the First senatorial district was held at Pawnee City last Saturday afternoon, and was called to order by C. H. Barnard, both committeemen being absent. J. A. Shaffer, of Salem, was selected as chairman, and Mr. Barnard as secretary. Judge E. A. Tucker of Humboldt was nominated for senator by acclimation and returned his thanks to the convention for the honor conferred. Resolutions were adopted endorsing H. C. Lindsay for clerk of the supreme court. E. A. Tucker was born May 13, 1856, in Homer, Courtland county, N. Y., educated in the Wisconsin public schools, graduating from the Belvidere, Ill., high schools, and the law department of the university of Wisconsin, June 17, 1878. Practiced law one year at Geneva, Ill., and removed to Humboldt, in 1879. He served one term as county attorney of Richardson county, and one term as mayor of Humboldt. He was a delegate in 1900 to the national convention at Philadelphia, which nominated William McKinley and has always been a stalwart republican.

On May 15th. there will be published, simultaneously on board all the ships in the trans-Atlantic lines, a daily newspaper, giving a summary of the worlds happenings. It is calculated that at least 20,000 people will be readers of these newspapers which will be printed every morning before breakfast, by rapid presses, from stereotype plates cast on board ship, of the preceding days happenings the world over. each ship will have its printing office, equipped with type setting machines, for which the telegraphic news will be received by the Marconi wireless telegraph system. Service will be received from the nearest coast point, that is to say, ships going eastward will receive their new froM American stations until half way across, when they change and receive from the European stations the remainder of the trip, and vis-a-vis on the return trip.—Ex.

Ayer's

Impure blood always shows somewhere. If the skin, then boils, pimples, rashes. If the nerves, then neuralgia, nervousness, depression. If the

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stomach, then dyspepsia, biliousness, loss of appetite. Your doctor knows the remedy, used for 60 years.

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Aid the Sarsaparilla by keeping the bowels regular with Ayer's Pills.

In addition to an elaborate portrayal of current fashions and other matter of special interest to women The Delineator for May contains literary and artistic features of the highest excellence. In fiction, there are two short stories: His Fiance, by Virginia Woodward Cloud, a delightful tale of a girl and her adviceful cousins and awesome mother-in-law, and The Battle to the Strong, by John H Ohitson, a college story; also a dramatic story of the Evolution of a Club Woman, by Agnes Surbridge. The story of Catherine Sevier, conspicuous in the early history of Tennessee, is the first of a series on Great Women of Pioneer Times. Among the present-day great, Mme Sembrich, the famous soprano, is the subject of an interesting article by Gustav Kobbe, the illustrations of which are of special value. In Around the World in Eighty Pictures the reader is taken into a field of greatest interest—Japan and Corea. Lillie Hamilton French's remarks on Mothers and Marriageable Sons will be greatly enjoyed, and Dr Murray's instructions in regard to the care of the mouth and teeth will be found helpful to everyone. In addition there are engaging studies and pastimes for the little ones, and timely information for almost every department of the home.

Makes A Clean Sweep

There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the salves you ever heard of Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures burns, sores, bruises, cuts, boils, ulcers, skin eruptions and piles. It's only 25c and guaranteed to give satisfaction by Colwell, Druggist.

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Is provided with clean towels, sharp razors, and is prepared to perform the very best tonsorial service in the very best manner, and the public is invited to visit my parlors when wanted work in my line, assuring you of courteous treatment at all times.

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should be a source of pleasure when you think of the splendid Carpets, Rugs and Mattings we have to make home beautiful.

SMYRNA RUGS, $1.25, 30x60 inches, in floral, oriental and animal designs.

BEDROOM SUITS complete for $15.00 and up. An elegant Golden Oak suit for $18.00. Come and see them.

A fine display of Iron Beds. Refrigerators, Buffets, Sideboards, Tables, Chairs, Couches.

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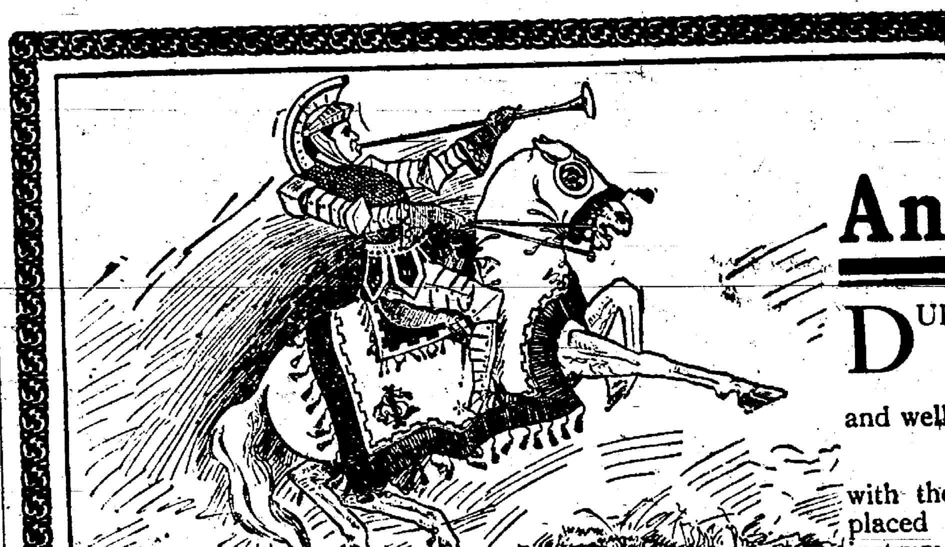

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There are no barriers, no obstacles, no combination of circumstances that can prevent anybody anywhere getting that education which in these days is so essential to success.

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Foreman Molder	Cotton-Mill Supt.
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Electrician	Sign Painter
Electric-Lighting Supt.	Show-Card Writer
Electric-Railway Supt.	Chemist
Telephone Engineer	Sheet-Metal Draftsman
Telegraph Engineer	Ornamental Designer
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We urge you not to delay this matter. If you are interested, make your enquiries now while we are here to talk to you personally, and address all communications to

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BEATRICE, NEB.

Paints at Wilson's.

Sunbonnets at W. C. Fellers.

Curtain cords at W. C. Fellers'.

Take your laundry to W. C. Fellers

A new line of Douglas shoes at W. C. Fellers.'

Judge Belding was over from Pawnee on Monday.

Sheriff Martin was here Tuesday looking after private business

Wilson's Art Studio is open each Thursday in Table Rock. 41

For Sale.—Plymouth Rock eggs. Inquire of J. R. SUTTON. 37-tf

Frames fitted; eyes tested free, at Carpenter's, the jeweler. 41-2

John Pattison is having a new house erected on his farm south of town.

F O Pierce has returned to Table Rock from Peru, and is located in the Groom house west of town.

Consult your own interests by buying wall paper and paints at Wilson's drug store. 39-tf

For photos that will live after we are dead, go to Wilson's Studio. Each Thursday in Table Rock. 41

Captain W J Martin returned Monday to Washington, Kas., after a two weeks' visit with relatives and friends here.

Mrs. E. P. Bracken entertained her sister, Mrs. Percy Brundage, wife of the editor of the Tecumseh Chieftain, this week.

J. L. Fisher, deputy assessor, is around interviewing the property owners of Table Rock precinct. Better not dodge him.

Hiram Billings has been quite sick this week at the home of C. H. Brock He is 86 years of age and one of the earliest settlers of the county.

Ross Phillips returned from Lincoln last Saturday, having graduated from the Lincoln Business college and will begin work next Monday in the lumber office of C. R. Smith.

Wall paper and paints form an important feature in the household considerations at this season of the year. The Wilson drug store is supplied with a large stock of the very best and at prices hard to duplicate.

Mr and Mrs Bert Williams, who have been guests of Mr and Mrs Allen Barnes for several weeks, left on Monday for northeast Ohio, Mr Williams being called there by the last company by which he is employed.

Rev. W. H. Parker, of Carlinville, Ill., writes friends here that life is bright and beautiful and freighted with joy and contentment for him, for he is now the proud and happy father of a baby boy, born on the 17th, and that Mrs. Parker and the boy are doing nicely.

The little 18-months'-old child of Mr and Mrs E J Taylor, was severely burned on Tuesday forenoon. Mrs Taylor was doing the washing, and had filled the machine with hot water and stepped out of the room for a moment; the child was playing about the machine and succeeded in pulling the plug out, and the hot water flowing out, scalded the child badly about the legs, body and arms. While the burns are very painful, they are not thought to be deep, and the child will soon recover.

The membership of the Methodist church as well as our citizens generally were startled last week by the announcement that Rev. W. M. Morrow had resigned the pastorate and was to go to New York. Confirmation of the report came Sunday morning when Mr. Morrow announced that with the evening service his pastorate would end. He has accepted the pastorate of the M. E. church at Pattens Mills, N. Y. The transfer had been suddenly arranged, but Dr. Dean, the presiding elder, authorized him to announce service for next Sunday, that he had a man for the place, and there would be no break in the service. Who the new man is to be is conjecture, as Dr. Dean has not informed a of his selection. A farewell reception to Mr. and Mrs. Morrow was given at the church on Wednesday evening, which was largely attended. Mr. and Mrs. Morrow leave this afternoon for their new charge. They came to Table Rock charge in September and by their earnest and efficient labors have won the esteem and affection of all with whom they came in contact. There is deep regret among our people at losing them, but the best wishes of all go with them to their new home.

Sunbonnets at W C Fellers.

Curtain cords at W. C. Fellers'.

Mrs J L Fisher has been quite sick this week.

Sheriff Martin was in town the first of the week.

Has your watch or clock stopped? Have Carpenter repair it. 41-2

For Sale Cheap—A good organ. 40-43 Mrs. E. L. Mitchell.

W. C. Fellers is agent for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try him once.

Good all wool carpets in the bolt—right on our floor—no waiting.
W. C. Fellers

The Wilson drug store claims it will save you money on wall paper and paints and invites you to put it to the test.

We are not here to meet anybody else's prices on undertaking goods; we simply want to furnish good goods at living prices. A. K. Tillotson.

Miss Ruth Chambers, one of the popular young ladies of Table Rock, has been selected as teacher of the fourth grade of the Humboldt public school.

The Robertson restaurant quit business this week. We understand Mr. Robertson will not leave Table Rock but has not decided on what he will do.

G M Lane has bargained for the Baker lot, west of Mr Marble's lot, and if the deeds come back O. K., in time he will join walls with Mr Marble and erect a two-story brick block thereon.

Charley Hawkins left on Tuesday afternoon, for a visit to his old home at Scotts, Mich. He has just recovered from a severe illness, and will remain in Michigan for several weeks to recuperate.

Station agent Whitson is at Wymore this week, being called there by the death of Mrs. Whitson's mother, Mrs. Frank Label, who died Thursday and was buried Saturday at Wymore. Mr. Clark, of Blue Springs, is Mr. Whitson's relief at the depot.

Congressman Burkett has recommended the appointment of Mrs Jessie W Phillips as postmistress of Table Rock. Mrs Phillips has made a splendid official, and has kept the business of the office up in an efficient manner, and to the satisfaction of the patrons.

The village board held a meeting on Friday evening, and appointed Tom Shorter as marshal. They canvassed the votes cast at the recent election and certificates of election were issued to the successful candidates who will qualify and enter upon their duties about the first of May.

Rev. P. H. Schell is doing some farming this year. He has a new way or raising potatoes. First he plants several rows of potatoes, then some rows of onions and then some potatoes again. The strong onions cause the eyes of the potatoes to become weak and shed tears, thus irrigating the potatoes and insuring a good crop.
—Dubois News Record

Last Saturday was the nineteenth anniversary of Mr and Mrs G B Munsinger, and the event was commemorated by a party of friends who gathered at the home in the evening. The evening was very pleasantly passed in games and social conversation, refreshments being served. The guests presented them with a set of dishes as a token of their esteem. It was crowding the midnight hour pretty close when the guests departed, wishing Mr and Mrs Munsinger many happy returns of the day when they two were made one.

Rev J D Murphy was publicly installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city, on Tuesday evening. The stormy weather kept many away from the services who otherwise would have been present. Rev R C Campbell of Pawnee, presided at the meeting, and preached an interesting and instructive doctrinary sermon; the charge to the pastor was delivered by Dr Long, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church of Lincoln; and the charge to the congregation was by Dr Saulsbury of the Third church of Lincoln; both addresses were appreciated by those present. The opening prayer was delivered by Rev W M Morrow of the Methodist church, and the benediction was pronounced by the newly installed pastor, Rev Murphy. Mr Murphy has been in charge of the work here for several weeks, and has already won the esteem and friendship of our citizens, who hope the relationship of pastor and people will be mutually helpful and beneficial.

Mrs W S Kinsey is here from Wymore visiting her mother.

Take your repairing to Carpenter's. All work guaranted. 41-2

G. W. Pepoon & Co., will deliver wood to any part of town for $1.75 per rick. 37-tf

Sittings in cloudy as well as clear weather, at Wilson's Studio. Each Thursday in Table Rock. 41

Our line of ladies' dress skirts is large and the style is elegant, cut and fit perfect. W. C. Fellers.

Remember the finest hearse in S. E. Nebraska is used by Tillotson, and the price is not as high as formerly.

We have one of the finest church trucks ever brought to Pawnee county, for use in our business.
40 A. K. Tillotson.

Mrs Nancy Taylor left on Tuesday for a visit with her son, Frank Wyman at Litchfield, Neb., and Mrs Hattie Pangburn, at Ravenna.

Fruit trees of all kinds indicate a large yield if the weather from now on is propitious. The late spring has kept them back, but peach, plum and cherry are budded full.

EGGS FOR SALE

From original high scoring, prize winning Barred Plymouth Rock stock: 75c per 15; $2 per 50: $3.50 per 100 eggs. 42-3 J. Murphy.

Richard Allen came up from St. Joseph Tuesday, having quit the restaurant buisness there, to accept a position with the Burlington at Alliance. He will remain home for a few days before going to Alliance.

A MAY-POLE dance will be given in the Opera House, on Monday evening, May 2d, to which the public is invited. Music will be furnished by the local orchestra, assisted by a Wymore pianist. Refreshments will be served at C. H. Mitchell's restaurant.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs Bates next week Friday, April 29th at half past two. Some important business is to be transacted and we hope to see a large attendance. Subject, "Origin and Aims of W. C. T. U." An interesting program is prepared, so be on time.

Tom Roberts left on Thursday of last week, with his two children, for Pierce county, where he will leave the children with his sister, while he goes back to Canada to dispose of his property interests, and will then return to Nebraska to be near the children.

Dr Campbell and wife, Mr and Mrs F W Harrington, Mr and Mrs Robert Inglis, Mr and Mrs Clarence Miles, Mr and Mrs H J Chapman, Miss Esther Bennett and Miss Potts, of Pawnee, drove over through the storm Tuesday night to attend the public installation of Rev. J. D. Murphy.

Ed. Lawrence of Elk Creek must pay taxes on the $5,000 judgment given him some time ago by the district court of Johnson county against J G Woolsey—that is, we presume such will be the case. Just how much the judgment is considered worth to Mr L will be known after the assessor has asked him to hold up his hand and qualify.—Tecumseh Tribunal.

J J Anderson, local representative of the International Correspondence Schools, Scranton, Penn., reports considerabe interest in the School at this place. After spending a week here he thinks he is in a position to say that the response met with is above the average where concentration is held first. He is also well pleased with the general cordiality and courtersy extended to him by all with whom he came in contact. Regular trips will be made to Table Rock every month for collections and other business in the interests of the I. C. S.

Monthly meeting of the W. S. A., to be held at the home of Mrs. P. W. Fulmer, Saturday, April 23d:
Opening—by singing New America
Current events—Mrs. Dottie Smith
Piano solo—Rudolph Kovanda
Vocal solo—Miss Clara Hansen
Headquarters message—Mrs. Anna Kovanda
Piano duette—Misses Nelle Cotton and Georgie Fulmer
Paper—The Power of Music—Myrta Howe
Piano solo—Miss Anna Wilson
Poem on Music—written by A. L. Bixby—read by Miss Ruth Chambers
Vocal solo—Miss Ruby Allen
Instrumental music—Cornet and Piano—Dorr Tressler and Miss Nelle Cotton
Everybody welcome

Wall paper at Wilson's.

Read our map proposition.

A new line of Douglas shoes at W. C. Fellers'.

E. C. Phillips is home for a few days this week.

Walter Smith made a business trip to Lincoln the first of the week.

Roscoe Zink is again day operator here, and John Hartzell has been transferred to Beatrice.

For Sale.—A good, family horse; will work single or double. Inquire of C. H. Carmichael. 40

Our line of ladies' dress skirts is large and the styles are elegant, cut and fit perfect. W. C. Fellers.

Mrs. Wm. White of Pawnee City, mother and daughter Phillis, visited Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Parker Thursday.

I desire to return my sincere thanks to the friends and neighbors, for the kindness rendered during the illness, death and burial of my wife.
Wm. Nemecheck.

John Baldwin, a former resident of this city, and who has been in the west for several years, returned on Monday for a visit with relatives and friends.

We understand that Conductor K E Cleaveland has bought the property in Lincoln now used as the parsonage of the Third Presbyterian church, and expects to make it his home.

Mrs. Walter S. Cox died April 8th 1904, at the home of her father Michael Stanton, 4½ miles north of Mulvane, Kansas, aged 37 years 7 months and 23 days, the cause of death being rheumatism of the heart, and illness lasting only about 15 minutes. The deceased was reared in Johnson county and for several years prior to her marriage was recognized as one of our most competent school teacher. After her marriage to Mr. Cox, about 14 years since, she continued to reside in this locality, going to Kansas about two years ago. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and the flower offerings from friends were profuse. Mr. Cox was absent in Idaho and was unable to be present at the funeral of his wife. Besides a husband and father, deceased leaves four sisters two brothers and many friends who are deeply greived at her demise. One sister, Mrs. Will Sherman, resides in Tecumseh.—Tecumseh Tribunal

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

Mr Fred Westphal, aged 72 years, died at his home on Saturday of pneumonia, after a week's illness. He leaves a wife and two sons, Charles and William; his two daughters, Mrs Sophia Geber and Mrs Augusta Volker, having preceded him to the other world some years ago. Funeral services were conducted in the beautiful little church of the Lutherans on Long Branch, and the remains interred in the churchyard cemetery.

Mrs Martha Myers of Table Rock, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs W A Frank for a few days, returned home Monday.

James Ogle has purchased the fine 200-acre farm in sec 36, of Anton Dvorak for $18,000.

Road district No. 4 now owns a new grader, a much needed piece of machinery.

James Curtis of Furnas county, was a guest of his friend, Joy Myer, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Henry Frank visited A A Widdifield and wife on Saturday.

Mrs Peter Gold recently spent a few days with her son, George Kinney near Stella.

Some person who had parted with his last particle of common sense, drove down the road east of A J Purcell's and scattered nearly to the timber on the south side of the grade, a motley assortment of old pans, cans, pails, jugs, hoops, etc., which are not only unsightly, but obstruct the highway, as the side roads are frequently used when the grade is muddy or rough. The following describes the condition into which these buckets and pans have plunged us:

Horses scaring,
Harness tearing,
Husbands swearing,
Wives despairing.
Buggies breaking,
Ground scraping,
Bodies aching,
Medicines taking.
Experts mending,
Bills sending,
Words offending,
Air rending.

Roy Hoke was down from Elk Creek Sunday.

Next Friday is Arbor day and the state bank will be closed while Charley goes fishing, if the weather permits.

Remember Tillotson when in need of anything in the undertaking line; our stock is complete and new. 40

The Nebraska Indian base ball aggregation from Genoa, was in town last night. They were enroute to Verdon where they play ball today.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges.
W. C. Fellers.

Please call and see us when in need of undertaking goods. Let us make you prices; if we can't please you in price and goods we don't want your business. 40 A. K. Tillotson.

I know a jolly old maiden lady,
A lady of high degree,
Who never goes to bed—without
A drink of Rocky Mountain Tea.
Sensible woman. F M Colwell.

Now is the time to take a spring tonic to purify the blood, cleanse the liver and kidneys of all impurities. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do the business. 35c. Tea or tablets. F M Colwell.

Mrs. Frank Label died at her home in this city Thursday afternoon at five o'clock, after an illness of three weeks. Deceased was born in Schlan, Bohemia, April 19, 1841, this making her, 62 years 11 months, and 23 days of age. She was highly respected by all who knew her, on account of her good Chistian character. She leaves a husband and one child, Mrs. Wm. Whitson. The funeral service will take place at the Catholic church, Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock.—Wymore Wymorean.

DISTRICT NO. 52.

Aunt Harriet Mc Laughlin is recovering from a severe illness the first of the week.

Uncle Joe Hays came out from Humboldt for a few days visit with friends in this vicinity.

George Curtis of Beaver City, a former resident of this neighborhood, visited Joy Meyers a couple days last week.

H. W. Hays and family are expected here soon. H. W. will go to Missouri to look up a location while the family visit relatives in this vicinity. They sold their farm near Farnam.

J. Ogle shelled corn Tuesday.

The funeral of Mr. Westphal was largely attended Monday.

Rev. Wilson of Humboldt preached at Pine Ridge Sunday afternoon. The Sunday school at that place is progressing very nicely.

Tomorrow is Arbor day. Plant trees.

Frank Martin was over from Pawnee Saturday.

Good all wool carpets in the bolt—right on our floor—no waiting.
W. C. Fellers.

J N Eckman of Pawnee City, was looking after business matters here Monday.

Ben Bedea, a prominent republican of Clay precinct, was a guest of his son, George, this week.

Now is the time to clean house—clean your system first, drive out the microbes of winter with Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. It will keep you well all winter. 35c. Tea or tablets. F M Colwell.

Wm. Coxe, who recently arrived here from Belvidere, Illinois, left Monday in company with his wife, for a visit at Oklahoma City. Mrs. Coxe—nee Lucy Bain—had been staying here for several months for her health, and will probably stay at this place for some time after her return from Oklahoma City. Mr. Coxe is engaged in business at Belvidere, and may possibly move to Oklahoma.—Hennessey (O. T.) Clipper.

County Superintendent Waddell was here yesterday and made the examination of the eighth grade of our public school. The professor thinks one of the coming things in county schools is the enlargement of districts with cenerally located schools, which will be grade and furnished with two or three teachers, so that instead of giving ten or fifteen minutes to a recitation as prevails today in many districts, from twenty-five to thirty minutes can be given to each class, and the quality of school work will thereby be bettered.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT OF PAWNEE COUNTY, NEBRASKA.
In the Matter of the Estate of Michael M. Stover, deceased.

All persons interested in said estate take notice, that on reading and filing the petition of C. H. Norris, the administrator of the estate of Michael M. Stover, deceased, praying that his administration account this day filed be allowed; that the residue of said estate be distributed as provided by law; and that he be discharged from his trust as such administrator. It is ordered that all persons interested in said matter be and appear before the county court of said county, at Pawnee City, Nebraska, on the 29th day of April, 1904, at ten o'clock a. m., and show cause if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court this 6th day of April, 1904.
[Seal] FRANK A. BARTON, County Judge.

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TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes

A friend of Hastings college last week sent the trustees $900 cash. The $50,000 endowment fund will soon be raised.

Norfolk is greatly pleased at its success in securing the next meeting of the North Nebraska Teachers' association.

The Alliance postoffice has been advanced from third to second class, the receipts for the past year having reached $8,136.75.

The Solomon Manufacturing company of Omaha has incorporated with a capital stock of $5,000. It controls patented devices.

The Bank of Holbrook, capital $6,600, has been incorporated by Samuel Patterson, C. M. Brown, A. M. Keys, R. F. Patterson and E. Brown.

The state bank of Holbrook, which was approved by the state banking board, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The capital stock is $6,000.

The certificate of nomination of E. J. Burkett as congressman from the First district has been filed with the secretary of state. Mr. Burkett's certificate was the second to be filed.

Editor Dundas of the Auburn Granger recently celebrated his third of a century of married bliss and his quarter of a century's work in the treadmill of the newspaper business.

The Farmers' Business association of the town of Campbell has incorporated with a capital stock of $8,000 and will purchase and sell grain, live stock, lumber, coal, twine and other supplies used on the farm.

Notwithstanding Omaha's fire department is to be materially strengthened and improved by the installation of new machinery and the organization of new companies, the fire insurance rates show no disposition to come down.

The press now used to print the Columbus Journal is one which was used by E. Rosewater for the first issues of the Omaha Daily Bee, which was established in 1871. The press today, like most of the machinery made in those days, seems to be as good as new, and turns out as clear a print as any of the latest inventions.

Fairfield local papers note the splendid record of a Nebraska young man, Archie Hopper, of that place, who has just won the honor of valedictorian of his class of two hundred at the dental school of the Northwestern university at Chicago. He was one of twelve to compete for the place and among the twelve he stood highest.

One of the oldest landmarks in Loup county is gone, the old cedar log house built by Jacob Strohl twenty-seven years ago, when that was an unorganized territory, having recently been removed. Mr. Strohl was the first settler in Strohl precinct, there being no settlement west of him nearer than the Black Hills when he went to that section.

Judge Irving F. Baxter, the new United States district attorney for the district of Nebraska, was taken around through the federal building at Omaha by Attorney W. S. Summers, the retiring official, and introduced to the heads of the various departments, Mr. Summers bespeaking for his successor the same courtesy and kindly treatment that had bee naccorded himself.

The United States civil service commission will hold an examination at Grand Island, Lincoln and Omaha, May 3 and 4, for junior draftsman, ordnance department at large. The examination is open only to men. The position to be filled is at the Rock Island arsenal, at $900 a year, and other similar vacancies as they may occur. The examination will be in mathematics, practical calculation, drawing and educational training and experience. The applicants must be twenty years of age or over.

According to the new city directory Omaha's population has increased 22,226 since 1900, when the census showed the population to be 102,555. The directory's figures are 124,981, a gain of 2,037 over the figures of 1903, when the population showed a gain over that of 1902, as given by the directory, of 2,015. So that, according to the directory that city is continuing on its onward march.

J. P. Taylor, Burlington roadmaster at Central City, was taken to Lincoln in a special car and taken to the sanitarium, where injuries recently received will be treated. Mr. Taylor was riding in a way car and at Archer station, near Central City, the way car was bumped so violently that he was thrown. His hip was injured. Mr. Taylor is an old man, and his service with the Burlington extends over a term of thirty years.

The Union Pacific has appealed to the United States supreme court from the decision of the federal court of appeals, granting the Chicago Great Western the right to use the bridge and terminals of the former road. The decision against the Union Pacific was rendered at St. Louis. It involves the right of railroads entering Omaha from the east to use the Missouri river bridge, the Union depot and other terminal facilities under the law making grants to Pacific railroads.

In its answer to the injunction proceedings brought by the Omaha Grain Exchange, the Chicago & Northwestern declares that its Chicago line is via Blair and not Omaha, and alleges that there are no cereal mills and industries at Omaha such as are required to make a grain market.

In six days Louis Kovar, of Howells, who is agent at that place for the Beatrice Creamery company, paid out $310.80 for cream, and in addition to this there was fully as large an amount shipped by farmers, making the value of the cream shipped at that point a little better than one hundred dollars per day.

HILL AND HARRIMAN

Great Battle Begun for Northern Pacific Ownership

UNCLE SAM IS INTERESTED

Attorney General Knox Represented in Court to Enforce Supreme Court Order Dissolving the Merger

What is perhaps one of the greatest legal battles by corporation lawyers, whose names are familiar from one side of the United States to the other, who represent two of the wealthiest sets of corporate interests in the United States, is being waged in the United States court at St. Paul, Minn., before Judges Sanborn, Vandevanter, Hook, and Thayer.

When court convened the Harriman interests were represented by W. D. Guthrie, John F. Dillon and Judge Baldwin. The Northern Securities company was represented by Elihu Root, former secretary of war; Francis Lind Stetson, attorney for J. Pierpont Morgan.

The first point raised will be the right of Harriman and Pierce to intervene, and if that right is granted the suit will follow with its usual accompaniment of demurrers, answers, amended petitions, etc. If the motion is denied the settlement of the affairs of the company will be made according to the order of the court.

E. H. Harriman and others ask leave to file an intervening petition for the purpose of showing why the Northern Securities company's officials should not carry out a plan of distribution of the assets of the recently declared illegal Northern Securities company in a manner alleged to be inimical to the interests of Harriman and Pierce. Besides the great array of legal talent on both sides, including for the defendants, Elihu Root, former secretary of war, the United States government was represented by District Attorney Houpt, who presented an objection to the intervention under the direction of Attorney General Knox.

This intervention was something of a surprise to the petitioners, who were not aware of it until after Mr. Evarts had opened the case for the plaintiffs, when Judge Sanborn asked him if he was aware that the United States government objected to the intervening petition. The court then directed Mr. Houpt to read the objection of Mr. Knox.

The attorney general in his objection recites the result of the hearing of the original case in the various courts and the final decision of the United States supreme court. He holds that the effect of this decision was to end and close the case, and concluded:

"The United States stands on the decree as affirmed, and submits that the court is only concerned to see that it is faithfully observed by the defendants according to its terms."

Nebraska Rural Routes

The following additional rural free delivery routes have been ordered established in Nebraska:

Weston, Saunders county, route No. 2.—Length of route, 25.6 miles; number of houses on route, 105. Service on this route will begin May 2.

Riverdale, Buffalo county, route No. 1.—Length of route, 26 miles; number of houses on route, 102. Service on this route will begin May 2.

Cortland, Gage county, route No. 2.—Length of route, 20 miles; number of houses on route, 80. Service on this route will begin May 16.

Fourth class postmasters have been appointed for Nebraska towns as follows:

Level, Dawson county—David Roten, postmaster; vice G. Maline, resigned.

Atlanta, Phelps county—Miss Della M. Funk, postmistress; vice Noah Johnson, resigned.

Building Stocks Not Assessable

The capital stock, loans and mortgages carried by building and loan associations in Nebraska are not to be assessed under the new revenue law, but the holders of shares of stock in these concerns will be required to list them as credits and they are subject to taxation. There is a section of the statutes of the state which specifically describes how building and loan associations shall be assessed and Secretary Bennett of the state board of equalization has informed the county assessors of the state that they will be required to follow the statute to the letter. The method of taxation is described in section 148a14 of chapter 166 of the compiled statutes of 1901.

Afraid of Being Counted Out

On petition of Frank Koutsky, Judge Bartlett in the Douglas county district court issued a restraining order against the city council and several city officials of South Omaha enjoining them from "counting out" Koutsky, who alleges that he was elected mayor at the recent election, with a plurality of sixteen votes. The petition states that members of the council and the city clerk and others are holding secret meetings at which the vote is being counted, instead of in public. Koutsky was the republican candidate.

STATE FAIR RACES

Following is the Program of the Races in Lincoln Next August

Horsemen will be attracted to the state fair in Lincoln by purses amounting to $5,700. The program, which begins Monday, August 29, has been completed. It is announced that the entries will be closed on August 14.

Dan Patch, the world's champion harness horse, will be the spectacular attraction of the week. His time is 1:56¼, and crowds from all over the state will be expected to see him. This means certain money and horsemen who venture to the fair are assured of cash winnings.

R. J. Flick will be superintendent of speed and Senator Updegraff will be starting judge. Both men served last year and gave satisfaction.

The program:

MONDAY.

2:27 pace, $500 purse.
2:40 trot, $500 purse.
One-half mile and repeat, all ages, $100.

TUESDAY.

2:17 pace, $500 purse.
2:40 trot, three year old and under, $400 purse.
One mile dash, all ages, $125 purse.
Dan Patch trial to break the world's record.

WEDNESDAY.

2:35 pace, $500 purse.
2:18 trot, $500 purse.
One and one-eighth mile dash, all ages, $150 purse.
Three-fourths mile dash, all ages, $100.

THURSDAY.

2:22 pace, $500 purse.
2:27 trot, $500 purse.
One mile dash, all ages, $125.
Five-eighths mile dash, all ages, $100.

FRIDAY.

Free for all pace, $500 purse.
2:23 trot, $500 purse.
One-half mile and repeat, all ages, $100.

BOERS STILL COMBATIVE

They Made St. Louis Exposition People Realize It

When the Boer soldiers who arrived in St. Louis for exhibit purposes at the world's fair left the cars and marched to the quarters provided for them at the exposition grounds they found that the British soldiers had preceded them and had taken possession of fifty of the best tents. Thereupon the Boers were highly incensed and withdrew to a hillside and held a council, with the Boer flag planted in their midst. They concluded they had not been fairly dealt with and sent a delegation to the British officers to demand better division of the camp comforts. British Major Scott Harding was informed that unless better care was to be taken of the Boers there would be mutiny. After some considerable conferring a redivision was made and the Boers were quartered more to their satisfaction.

Supreme Court Will Decide

The Boyd county land controversy is to be settled by the supreme court in original actions. At the last sitting of the court Attorney General Prout asked leave of the court to file original suits in ejectment in the supreme court against the individual settlers upon the lands. An order was issued by the court granting permission to file the suits. The attorney general will begin the actions and it is probable that the cases will be argued at the first May sitting of the court. The order will tend to do away with the litigation in the Boyd county district court and will enable a decision to be reached much sooner than otherwise.

Barely Saved the Kearney Lake

The retaining wall and embankment which confines the lake on the hill northwest of Kearney, Neb., narrowly escaped destruction during the windstorm which raged for over twenty-four hours.

The wind caused immense waves upon the lake, which dashed against the wall and rolled over the embankment, washing and weakening the latter and tearing two great holes in the wall.

Men worked until late in the night repairing the damage with timbers and sacks of sand, but they had a hard time saving the lake. An immense body of water would have rushed down the hill if the wall had given way and considerable damage would have resulted.

No Law Effective

Judge Palmer in the criminal division of the district court at Denver has decided that there is no punishment prescribed by statute in Colorado for fraud committed at special elections such as the recent charter elections in that City. This decision frees eighteen election officers, who were charged with stuffing the ballot boxes.

Bought 700 Acres

A big land deal involving a consideration that will range between $50,000 and $70,000 has been completed between Nat J. Johnson of Ames and the Standard Cattle company at that place, whereby Mr. Johnson becomes purchaser of 700 acres of land, including practically the entire townsite of Ames with all improvements and extensive tracts of hay pasture and farm land and feeding pens for stock. The purchase has been completed, though not filed for record.

THE FOWLER BILL

House Committee on Banking Want Hasty Silver Coinage

ITS SCHEME OF ELASTICITY

Would Repeal Law Requiring Deposits of Government Funds and Thus Eliminate Gold Reserve

A report from the house committee on banking and currency, recommending the passage of the bill "to improve currency conditions," was filed in the lower house of congress by Chairman Fowler. The first section of the bill repeals the law which prohibits customs receipts from being deposited in national banks. The result of the present law in this matter, the report says is unnecessarily to tie up the money of the country. The report says that if states and municipalities should lock up the proceeds of local taxation as the national government locks up its receipts, the effect would be disastrous, and yet there is as much reason for such a course in the one case as in the other.

The second section repeals the monthly three million dollar limit on bank note retirement. The report says the repeal of this restriction will give to the national bank note circulation all of the elasticity which it is possible for a bond-secured circulation to have.

The recoinage of silver dollars into subsidiary silver coins is provided in the third section of the bill. The limit of $100,000,000 as the total amount of subsidiary silver coins that can be in existence at any one time is repealed by this section. The report says that on July 1 next the bullion from which subsidiary coins may be made will be exhausted.

There are in the treasury 578,012,099 silver dollars or, says the report, according to Secretary Shaw, five hundred carloads of thirty tons each. The secretary says that this money is worth in bullion less than half of its face value in dollars. It is this money that the bill proposes to recoin into subsidiary silver as rapidly as the secretary shall order. In this recoinage there is estimated a profit to the government of 7 cents on each dollar.

Relief to the treasury department in its inability to meet the demand for small bills, owing to the manner in which present law limits their issuance, is sought to be remedied by the removal of these limitations. On this point the report says:

"It is probably true that the inability of the treasury to meet the demand for small bills, combined with the shortage in subsidiary coin in recent years, has compelled the retention of small bills in circulation until much of that form of money has become ragged and filthy and produced conditions which have fully justified the vigorous crusade for 'clean money' which has been recently inaugurated. It is believed, however, that with the large discretion given to the treasury and the national banks under the provisions of this bill supplemented by an abundant supply of subsidiary coin, much of the cause for complaint will be removed.

"An ideal sanitary currency, however, can only be secured by the substitution of subsidiary coin for all one and two dollar bills and improved methods of redemption for paper money of denominations of $5 and upwards."

SAVED HER MOTHER

Nine Year Old Girl Says Her Mother from Burning

To the quickness of wit of her 9-year-old daughter, Mrs. O. S. Ward, 1125 South Fifteenth street, Lincoln, owes her escape from terrible burning and perhaps her life.

Mrs. Ward, the wife of the secretary of the Farmers' Grocery company, had just lighted the gasoline stove when in a sudden flash of flame, her dress caught fire. No one was in the house except herself and little daughter Gertrude, and when the fire started to consume the light material of her clothing there seemed to be no hope of saving her. But the child, siezing a bucket of water that stood near, dashed the contents over her mother, then wrapped a blanket about her before the fire could gain much headway.

Mrs. Ward was burned about the hands but otherwise was not injured beyond the fright. The little girl was not harmed by the episode.

Safe Blown at Yutan

The Lincoln police received information that the office of the Union Pacific at Yutan, Neb., was entered and the safe blown open. No details as to amount of money taken, or identity of the robbers were given.

The last open Sunday at the world's fair grounds is passed and the grounds will be closed to all visitors until the fair opens formally, and thereafter will be closed on Sunday. More than 2,000 persons took advantage of the fair weather and visited the grounds.

TO FIGHT RAMSEY BILL

Missouri Pacific Takes Case to Higher Court

The Missouri Pacific railroad company has filed a petition in the supreme court claiming that the road is not a Nebraska corporation and that the courts of the state have no power to interfere in the controversy with the Co-Operative Shipping association of Virginia, it being a matter for federal court adjudication. The company asks to have the case transferred to the federal district court for settlement.

The Virginia association is the first one to attempt a test of the validity of the Ramsey bill, and Representative Ramsey of Virginia, the author of the bill, is a stockholder in the concern.

The company purchased an old line elevator at Virginia several years ago. Some time afterward the elevator burned down and another one was erected on the right-of-way of the railroad. A sidetrack to the elevator was asked for, but refused and since that time the farmers who are members of the co-operative concern hav been required to haul their grain from the elevator to the track and shovel it in the cars. An application for a writ of mandamus to compel the railroad company to build a track to the elevator was applied for some weeks since.

IMPORTANT POSTAL RULING

Periodicals Can No Longer be Sent as Second Class Matter

The United States supreme court decides that books published periodically are not entitled to transmission through the mails as second class matter. The opinion was delivered by Justice Brown and covered three cases against the postmaster general instituted respectively by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Smith and others and Bates and Gil. The chief justice and Justice Harlan dissented.

The question decided has been the subject of long controversy between the postoffice department and the publishers, both before congress and in the department. For sixteen years and under eleven postmaster generals these publications were carried as second class matter, though under protest from the department which made many efforts to have the law modified or repealed but without success. Failing in this the postmaster general issued an order in 1902 excluding the books from the second class rate. Thereupon the matter was taken to the court, the effect being that the postmaster general was sustained by the final decision as rendered.

Wages of School Teachers

Although the average wage scale of teachers in the district schools of the state has been on the increase for the last few years and the number of men teachers has steadily decreased because of the poor salaries paid, the table of increase for the last six years shows that the lowest average salary paid the man teacher exceeds the highest one paid the woman teacher by $1.77, and that the highest salary paid the man teacher exceeds the highest paid the woman by $11.19. Superintendent Fowler has prepared a table of the average salaries for men and women teachers for the last six years, as follows:

Year:	Men.	Women.
1898	$42.61	$36.04
1899	45.05	36.56
1900	46.26	36.90
1901	47.54	38.23
1902	49.15	38.51
190	52.03	40.84

Colorado Militia in Contempt

District Judge Stevens, of Ouray, Colo., declared Adjutant General Sherman M. Bell and Captain Bulkeley Wells to be in contempt of court for not complying with the writ of habeas corpus which required the officers to bring before the court Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, whom they are holding in confinment in Telluride. The court ordered Sheriff Corbett to arrest the two officers. Judge Stevens severely criticised the course of Governor James H. Peabody and the military authorities, saying they appeared to be in insurrection against the court.

Beaver's Habeas Corpus Refused

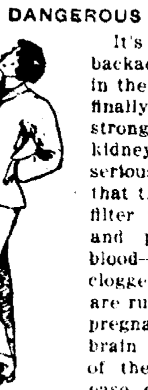
The United States supreme court decided the New York case against Geo. W. Beavers, late chief of the salary and allowance division of the postoffice department. It was an appeal from a decision by the circuit court for the southern district of New York refusing to grant a writ of habeas corpus.

Nebraska Peach Crop Safe

The Nebraska peach crop has not suffered from the recent severe spell of cold weather and sleet which has swept the state. Advices received by the state bureau of crop and industrial statistics from the peach growing sections of the state are to the effect that the budding has not yet begun and that cold weather can do no injury for several weeks yet.

It is easier to marry money than to cash in after you have done it.

DANGEROUS NEGLECT.



It's the neglect of backache, sideache, pain in the hips or loins that finally prostrates the strongest body. The kidney warnings are serious—they tell you that they are unable to filter the body's waste and poison from the blood—the sewers are clogged and impurities are running wild to impregnate nerves, heart, brain and every organ of the body with disease elements. Doan's Kidney Pills are quick to soothe and strengthen sick kidneys and help them free the system from poison. Read how valuable they are, even in cases of long standing.

L. C. Lovell of 415 North First St., Spokane, Wash., says: "I have had trouble from my kidneys for the past ten years. It was caused by a strain to which I paid little attention. But as I neglected the trouble it became worse and worse until any strain or a slight cold was sure to be followed by severe pain across my back. Then the action of the kidney secretions became deranged and I was caused much annoyance besides loss of sleep. Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my notice and after taking them a short time their good effect was apparent. All the pain was removed from my back and the kidney secretions became normal. Doan's Kidney Pills do all that is claimed for them."

A FREE TRIAL of this great remedy which cured Mr. Lovell will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

During 1902 about 6,000 Danes, 20,000 Norwegians and 30,000 Swedes came to the United States. Most of the men were married and brought their families with them. As a rule the emigrants from Norway, Sweden and Denmark are fairly well educated and all have occupations. They are prompted to leave their native lands to escape enforced military service, and are attracted to this country by the prospects of better wages or of getting cheap farm lands. In Denmark the laborer receives about 75 cents a day; in Norway, 72 cents, and in Sweden about the same. The farmer rarely makes over $54 a year. But in spite of these insignificant incomes, all have been tolerably well educated, and physically and mentally well developed, and so they readily acquire property when they come to the United States, and soon become self-supporting citizens.

"There is one thing," says Mayor Harrison, "that might make Chicago more lively than other cities. That is its vast floating population. We are so situated that we have tens of thousands of men for the winter. We are right on the lake, and a large part of the vast army of lake workers come here at the close of navigation to spend what they have earned during the rest of the year. We have thousands of railroad workers, including Italians, Greeks and others who labor in the spring, summer and fall on the various trunk lines, going as far west as the Rockies, and we have the men who work on the farms in the summer. The result is that we have many men who are half idle during the winter and such men are always hard to control."

Miss Oldun (coyly)—When he proposed I kept him in suspense for at least ten minutes."

Miss Sharp—Oh, I guess not! I suppose it merely seemed that long to you.

It isn't the mirror's fault if the woman isn't faultless.

CAME FROM COFFEE.

A Case Where the Taking of Morphine Began With Coffee.

"For 15 years," says a young Ohio woman, "I was a great sufferer from stomach, heart and liver trouble. For the last 10 years the suffering was terrible; it would be impossible to describe it. During the last three years I had convulsions from which the only relief was the use of morphine.

"I had several physicians, nearly all of whom advised me to stop drinking tea and coffee, but as I could take only liquid foods I felt I could not live without coffee. I continued drinking it until I became almost insane, my mind was affected, while my whole nervous system was a complete wreck. I suffered day and night from thirst and as water would only make me sick I kept on trying different drinks until a friend asked me to try Postum Food Coffee.

"I did so but it was some time before I was benefited by the change, my system was so filled with coffee poison. It was not long, however, before I could eat all kinds of foods and drink all the cold water I wanted and which my system demands. It is now 8 years I have drank nothing but Postum for breakfast and supper and the result has been that in place of being an invalid with my mind affected I am now strong, sturdy, happy and healthy.

"I have a very delicate daughter who has been greatly benefited by drinking Postum, also a strong boy who would rather go without food for his breakfast than his Postum. So much depends on the proper cooking of Postum for unless it is boiled the proper length of time people will be disappointed in it. Those in the habit of drinking strong coffee should make the Postum very strong at first in order to get a strong coffee taste." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each package for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

THE GIRL AT THE HALFWAY HOUSE

A STORY OF THE PLAINS

BY E. HOUGH, AUTHOR OF THE STORY OF THE COWBOY

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CHAPTER XXVIII.—Continued.

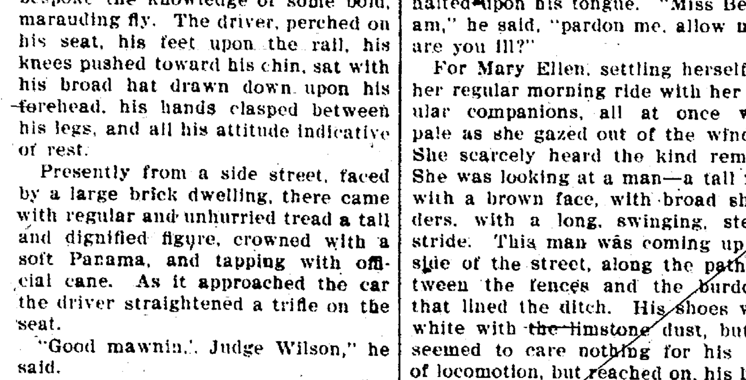
One morning the little street car stood, as was its wont, at the terminus of the track, near the front of the wide grounds of the old mansion house. This was far out upon the edge of the little city, and few were the patrons that might be expected; but it was held but mere courtesy to offer the services of the street car line to this family, so long recognized as one of the unimpeachably best of this Southern city. This modern innovation of the street car was not readily taken up by the conservative community, and though it had been established for some years, it might be questioned whether its shares had ever paid much interest upon their face value.

At this terminus of the line at the outskirts of the town there was each morning enacted the same little scene. The driver slowly unhitched his mules and turned them about to the other end of the car, in readiness for the return journey. Matters having progressed this far, the mules fell at once into a deep state of dejection and somnolence, their ears lopping down, their bodies drooping and motionless, save as now and then a faint swish of tail or wag of a weary ear bespoke the knowledge of some bold, marauding fly. The driver, perched on his seat, his feet upon the rail, his knees pushed toward his chin, sat with his broad hat drawn down upon his forehead, his hands clasped between his legs, and all his attitude indicative of rest.

Presently from a side street, faced by a large brick dwelling, there came with regular and unhurried tread a tall and dignified figure, crowned with a soft Panama, and tapping with official cane. As it approached the car the driver straightened a trifle on the seat.

"Good mawnin', Judge Wilson," he said.

"Uh-ah, good mawnin', James," replied the judge. "Uh-ah, Doctah Gregg li'l late this mawnin', eh?"



Franklin drew her closer to him.

"Yessah, seems like," said the driver, his head again falling.

In perhaps five or ten minutes, perhaps half an hour, there would be heard the tapping of another cane, and Dr. Gregg, also tall, not quite so portly, and wearing a white beaver instead of a soft Panama, would appear from the opening of yet another side street tributary to the car.

"Good mawnin', James," said the doctor as he passed; and the driver answered respectfully.

"Good mawnin', Doctah. You li'l late this mawnin', seems like."

"Well, yessah, I may be a leetle late, just a leetle. Good mawnin', Judge; how are you this mawnin', sah?"

"Very well, Doctah, sah, thank you, sah. Step in an' seddown. Right wahm, this mawnin'. Uh-ah!"

So the judge and the doctor sat down in the car, and conversed, easily and in no haste, perhaps for five or ten minutes, perhaps for half an hour. Now and then the driver cast a glance out of the side of his eye over toward the lion-headed gates, but no one was uneasy or anxious. The mules were to apparent view very sad and still, yet really very happy within their souls.

"Young lady li'l late this mawnin', seems like," remarked the judge.

"Oh, yes, but she'll be 'long directly, I reckon," replied the doctor. "You know how 'bout these young folks. They don't always realize the impohtance o' pressin' business mattehs. But we must fo'give heh, Judge, we must fo-give heh, foh she suhtinly is well wo'th waitin' foh; yes, indeed."

"Uh-ah! Quite right, Doctah, quite right! Fine young lady, fine young lady. Old stock, yes indeed! Beechams o' Fohginny. Too bad Cousin Sarann Clayton keeps heh so close like. She fitten to be received, sah, to be received!"

"Yes, indeed," assented the doctor. "Yes, sah. Now, ain't that the young lady a-comin' down the walk?"

Judge and doctor and driver now turned their gaze beyond the lion-headed gateway to the winding walk that passed among the trees up to the old mansion house. Far off, through the great columns of the trees, there might indeed this morning now be seen the flutter of a gown of white. The faint sounds of voices might be heard. Mary Ellen, conscientious marketer, was discussing joints and salads with her aunt. And then Mary Ellen, deliberately tying the strings of her bonnet under her chin, turned, answering her aunt's summons for replevin of a forgotten fan. Then, slowly, calmly, the gown of white became more distinct as she came nearer, her tall figure composing well with the setting of this scene. For her patiently waited the judge and the doctor and the driver.

"Good mawnin', Miss Beecham," said the driver as she passed, touching his hat and infusing more stiffness into his spine.

"Good morning, sir," she replied, pleasantly.

"Uh-ah, good mawnin', Miss Beecham, good mawnin'," said Judge Wilson; and "Good mawnin'," said Dr. Gregg.

"Good morning, Judge Wilson," replied Mary Ellen, as she entered the car. "Good morning, Dr. Gregg." The gentlemen made way for her upon the shady side of the car, and lifted their hats ceremoniously.

"L'il late this mawnin', Miss Beecham, seems like," said the judge, with no trace of resentment in his tones.

Dr. Gregg upon this morning began his customary reproach also, but it halted upon his tongue. "Miss Beecham," he said, "pardon me, allow me—are you ill?"

For Mary Ellen, settling herself for her regular morning ride with her regular companions, all at once went pale as she gazed out of the window. She scarcely heard the kind remark. She was looking at a man—a tall man with a brown face, with broad shoulders, with a long, swinging, steady stride. This man was coming up the side of the street, along the path between the fences and the burdocks that lined the ditch. His shoes were white with the limestone dust, but he seemed to care nothing for his way of locomotion, but reached on, his head up, his eye searching eagerly.

Not with equipage, not mounted as a Southern cavalier, not announced, but in the most direct and swiftest way in his power had Edward Franklin come. Strong, eager, masterful, scorning the blazing sun, his reckless waste of energy marked him as a stranger in that place. He stopped at the gateway for one moment, looking up the path, and then turned swiftly toward the car as though called audibly.

As with a flash his face lighted, and he strode straight on toward a woman whose heart was throbbing in a sudden tumultuous terror. She saw him stoop at the car door, even as once before she had seen him enter at another lowly door, in another and far-off land. She felt again the fear which then she half admitted. But in a moment Mary Ellen knew that all fear and all resistance were too late.

The eyes of Franklin, direct, assured, almost sad, asked her no question, but only said, "Here am I!" And Mary Ellen knew that she could no longer make denial or delay. Her thoughts came rapid and confused; her eyes swam; her heart beat fast. Afar she heard the singing of a mocker in the oaks, throbbing, thrilling, high and sweet as though his heart would break with what he had to say.

Judge Wilson and Dr. Gregg politely removed their hats as Franklin entered the car and addressed Mary Ellen. Confused by the abruptness of it all, it was a moment before she recognized local requirements, and presented Franklin to the gentlemen. For an instant she planned flight, escape. She would have begged Franklin to return with her. Fate in the form of the driver had its way. "Git ep, mewel!" sounded from the front of the car. There was a double groan; A little bell tinkled lazily. The rusty wheels began slowly to revolve.

"It's an awful hour to call," admitted Franklin under the rumble of the wheels. "I couldn't get a carriage and I hadn't any horse. There wasn't any car. Forgive me."

It is only to be said that both judge and doctor were gentlemen, and loyal to beauty in distress. They both earned Mary Ellen's love, for they got off eight blocks sooner than they should have done, and walked more than half a mile in the sun before they found a place of rest.

"Oh, well, yessah, Judge," said Dr. Gregg, half sighing, "we were young once, eh, Judge? young once ouhselves."

"Lucky dog!" said the judge; "lucky dog! But he seems a gentleman, and if he has propah fam'ly an' propah resources, it may be, yessah, it may be she's lucky, too. Oh, Northehn, yessah, I admit it. But what would you expeck, sah, in these times? I'm told theh are some vehy fine people in the No'th."

"Deep through!" said the doctor, communing with himself. "Carries his trunk gran'ly. Splendid creatuah—splendid! Have him? O' co'se she'll have him! What woman wouldn't? What a cadaver! What a subjeck——!"

"Good God! my dear sir!" said the judge. "Really!"

Franklin and Mary Ellen sat looking out before them, silent. At last he turned and placed his hand over the two that lay knit loosely in her lap. Mary Ellen stirred, her throat moved, but she could not speak. Franklin leaned forward and looked into her face.

"I knew it must be so," he whispered, quietly.

"What—what must you think?" broke out Mary Ellen, angry that she could not resist.

"There, there, dearest!" he said. "Don't trouble. I knew it was to be. I came straight to you." He tightened his grip upon her hands. Mary Ellen straightened and looked him in the face.

"I'll admit it," she said. "I knew that you were coming. I must have dreamed it."

There in the car, upon the public highway, Franklin cast his arm about her waist and drew her strongly to him. "Dear girl," he said, "it was to be! We must work out our lives together. Will you be happy—out there—with me?"

Again Mary Ellen turned and looked at him with a new frankness and unreserve.

"That's the oddest of it," said she. "Out on the prairies I called the South 'back home.' Now it's the other way."

They fell again into silence, but already, lover-like, began to read each other's thoughts and to find less need of speech.

"You and I, dearest," said Franklin, finally, "you and I together, forever and ever. We'll live at the Halfway House. Don't shiver, child; I've built a fine new house there——"

"You've built a house?"

"Yes, yes. Well, I'll confess it—I bought the place myself."

"Then it was your money?"

"And it is your money."

"I've a notion," began Mary Ellen, edging away, biting her lip.

"And so have I," said Franklin, stooping and kissing her fingers with scandalous publicity. "I've a notion that you shall not speak of that. It is ours. We've more than a thousand acres of land there, and plenty of cattle. Curly shall be foreman—he's married the little waiter girl, and has come back to Ellisville; they live next door to Sam and Nora. Aunt Lucy shall be our cook. We shall have roses, and green grass, and flowers. And you and I—you and I—shall live and shall do that which has been sent to us to do. Mary Ellen—dear Mary Ellen——"

Again the girl threw up her head, but her pride was going fast.

"Then—then you think—you think it is no sin? Is there no lapse in this for me? You think I shall not be——"

Franklin drew her closer to him. "That which is before us now is Life," he said. "Dearest, how sweet—how very sweet!"

A caged mocking bird at a little near-by house burst out into a shrill paean, fellow to that of the wild bird of the oaks. Mary Ellen felt her senses melting into a mysterious, bewildering joy. Unconsciously she swayed slightly against the shoulder of her lover. In her heart the music of the bird thrilled on, even when the tinkle of the little bell ceased, even when Franklin, stepping from the car, held up his hands to her and whispered, "Come."

(The End.)

Buying a Good Fortune.

Four little green birds sat on a cage fronted with a tray. The tray held folded slips of paper. A man carried the whole. He strolled east in Grand street, near Mulberry. A woman, swarthy of complexion and with a shawl drawn around her head and shoulders, looked at the birds and hesitated in her walk. The man, keen to notice any indication of trade, saw her hesitancy.

"Fortune, lady?" he asked.

The woman stopped and passed a coin to his hand. He lifted a bird from its perch and placed it on the edge of the tray. The bird picked up a folded slip of paper. The man took the paper and handed it to the woman. The woman opened it, read, smiled, and passed on. The man nodded approvingly.

"Gave her a good fortune, did you?" asked a man standing by.

"Sure," said the man with the birds. "All the fortunes are good. Birds tell no bad fortunes."

Then he smiled wisely.—New York Press.

Not What She Expected.

An English lord was recently dining with a family in New York. The hostess's little girl sat opposite the lord and stared solemnly.

"Are you an English lord, really and truly, sir?" she said at last.

"Yes," he answered laughing, "really and truly."

"I never saw an English lord before," she said, "I've always wanted to."

"And now you're satisfied, aren't you?" said the young man, gayly.

"No, I'm not satisfied," responded the little girl. "I'm disappointed."—The Children's Visitor

Your Corner

The Latest of the Decrees of Fashion—Crepe Marquise One of the New Spring and Summer Fabrics—Japanese Satins That Are Bound to Be Popular.

Red and Pink Combined.

A combination of colors most people would exclaim at has become very popular this season. It is red and pink, and brunettes may consider this a blessing, as it is particularly becoming to their type. Pink is used for the foundation of the frock, and it is trimmed with clusters of cherry or deep poppy shades that blend with it. The effect is very rich, and a handsome gown is the result if care is taken in the shading of the color.

Blouse Eton.

Walking costumes made with short coats and skirts that clear the ground are the latest shown and are charmingly graceful as well as hygienic and comfortable. This one is made of mixed homespun, in tans and browns, with revers of tan colored cloth, and

4674 Blouse Eton, 32 to 40 bust.
4673 Walking Skirt, 22 to 30 waist.

includes the fashionable tucks in both blouse and skirt. The drop shoulders, the wide sleeves and the crushed belt all mark the blouse as essentially smart, while the skirt with front and back alike and short tucks between is one of the newest and best liked. To make the blouse for a woman of medium size will be required 3⅞ yards of material 27, 2¼ yards 44 or 2 yards 52 inches wide; to make the skirt 7½ yards 27, 5 yards 44 or 3⅞ yards 52 inches wide.

A May Manton pattern of blouse, No. 4674, sizes 32 to 40, or of skirt, No. 4673, sizes 22 to 30, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents for each.

Popular Laces.

Bruges and duchesse figure on many of the new Paris gowns, which means it is hoped that Honiton will have a look in. It is so pretty combined with soft Suede in belts and in appliques on materials. Black lace sparkles with jet and is accompanied by beautiful collars, which are more wonderfully cut than jet has ever been.

PRETTY THINGS TO WEAR

Voiles for spring wear show faint colored plaids and raised dots, sometimes both in the one pattern.

Small three-cornered hats are to be worn, their severity softened by a ribbon rosette holding a falling bunch of flowers at the side.

Don't try to wear that new "Algerian" blue unless you have a faultless complexion.

Some of the spring walking hats are trimmed with foulard handkerchiefs, which show Japanese centers and plain borders.

Lots of tawny yellow shades and umbers will be worn by those who can do so without endangering their good looks.

Cotton Crepes.

Crepe marquise is one of the new spring and summer fabrics that can be washed. It has a crepe ground of monotones, and is distinguished by embroidered dots. Crepe Jacqueline, another silk and cotton goods in monotones, runs through the gamut of colors from pale ecru to black, with overrunning jacquards. Crepe Armazine is similar to crepe marquise, save that silk stripes instead of dots break its surface. Crepe princess is all cotton, but is a charming fabric. Voile duchess is a new and cheap all-cotton goods, with three threads woven together in such a way as to prevent sagging of the material. Pompadour crepe is another new dress material, with the softness of crepe and the lustre of silk, and printed in Pompadour designs.

Veils Are Passing.

Veils will be much less worn because of the veil effects in the lace trimmings, and feathers, though seen occasionally, will be far less popular than flowers. Roses stand first in favor—very large and small, and pink more than other colors.

And all the handsomest ornaments are in art noveau tinted to match all the spring flowers.

A Belt of Precious Stones.

An attractive new belt is composed of large gunmetal beads and precious stones set in a circle. Olivines, amethysts, topazes, coral and turquoises figure in this belt. Gunmetal beads separate the stones, so that there is no clash of colors.

The Kitchen

Alcohol cleans piano keys; kerosene, oilcloth, table and shelf covers.

A tablespoonful of vinegar mixed with three of pure linseed oil will freshen and polish mahogany.

For sponging out bureau drawers or sideboards use tepid water containing a small quantity of thymolin.

To clean plaster of paris ornaments cover them with a thick coating of starch and allow it to become perfectly dry. Then it may be brushed off and the dirt with it.

Polished iron work can be preserved from rust by an inexpensive mixture made of copal varnish mixed with as much olive oil as will give it a degree of greasiness, and afterward adding to this mixture as much spirit of turpentine as of varnish.

To clean a clock lay in the bottom a rag saturated with kerosene. The fumes loosen the dirt and cause it to drop out. In a few days place another cloth saturated in kerosene in the clock. The fumes lubricate the works.

WITH CAPE EFFECT.

Waists made with fancy capes, or cape collars, are both graceful and fashionable, and also are becoming to the greater number of womankind. This one is peculiarly effective and makes part of a costume of violet seeded voile trimmed with ecru lace applique and worn with a crushed belt of messaline satin. The tucks, that are arranged to give a yoke effect in the waist and to confine the sleeves closely at the shoulders, provide soft fullness below the stitchings that means admirable folds and lines and allows the droop over the wide belt that marks the latest models. To make the waist for a woman of medium size will be required 5½ yards of material 21 or 27 or 2½ yards 44 inches wide, with 5 yards of applique to finish edges of cape, sleeves and collar.

A May Manton pattern, No. 4678, sizes 32 to 40, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

Child's Frock.

Long-waisted or French frocks are among the most fashionable shown for the little folk and are charming in the extreme. This one is made of mercerized blue chambray with trimming of white embroidery and is eminently simple as well as attractive,

4652 Child's Frock, 2 to 8 years.

of 5 years of age will be required 3¼ but the design can be reproduced in many materials. The slightly open neck is a special feature and the wide collar is peculiarly stylish and becoming. To make the frock for a child yards of material 27, 3¼ yards 32 or 2½ yards 44 inches wide.

A May Manton pattern, No. 4652, sizes 2 to 8 years, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

Japanese Satins.

How lovely are the gauzes, some of them exhibiting velvet brocade, some satin stripes; many are embroidered with gold wistaria blooms. Printed satins show something of the Japanese element, and though we cannot quite make up our minds whether we are to be faithful to silk and return with all our allegiance to it, it is certainly making its way for picture gowns, and soft makes are delicately painted with chine effects. Diaphanous silk muslins and tulles cannot be beaten for evening wear, and the amplitude of skirts show them off well.

Informal TALKS

When making a pudding don't forget to make a pleat in the cloth at the top of your basin, so as to allow the pudding room to swell.

The hands can be cleansed better with warm water than with cold, but they should always be rinsed afterward with cold water, as this keeps them in a better condition.

A good polish for stoves is made of one teaspoonful of powdered alum mixed with the stove polish. The brilliance that this polish will give to a stove will last for a long time.

To preserve stair carpets put pads of old blankets on each step. If there is no store of ancient blankets to draw from, a substitute may be made of several thicknesses of brown paper.

When a spoonful of borax is put into the last water in which white clothes are rinsed, it has the effect of whitening them. Before it is added to the rinsing water the borax should be dissolved in a little hot water.

Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out all blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

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Important Business Announcements

The senatorial convention will meet at Pawnee City April 16, at 5 p. m.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

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Ballad of Old Songs.

Life is a song and love is sweet,
Sing me then to the old refrain,
Laughing lyrics with tripping feet,
Pattering music like drops of rain.
Ragtime, ruffles our weary brain.
Oh, for the ballad of surge and sway,
Words that wave like a field of grain—
Where are the songs of yesterday?

Stately in tune with the measured beat,
But even songs fill us with pensive pain.
Yet it's ever and always the thing we meet
Ever and always and over again,
Till it verily makes of life a bane!
Singers, a respite if you we pray
From the baby warm by the razor slain—
Where are the songs of yesterday?

Verses like this we madly bleat,
Trying to voice our dire disdain
For the song and dance described as neat
In comic opera's tangled skein.
Oh, for the time of a poet's reign
These lisping jitters to drive away.
Is there nothing to see and nothing to gain?
Where are the songs of yesterday?

Poet prince, to our pleading deign.
Make us a laughing, lovely lay!
Tell us in tune what we ask in vain—
Where are the songs of yesterday?
—New York Herald.

Ye Modern Philanthropist.

"John," said the multi-millionaire to his secretary, "make out a check for $1,000,000 to endow the Teachers and Skinnem University, $750,000 for the Whist Conservatory, and $2,750,250.13 for the Home for Indigent Office-holders."

"Yes, sir."

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"Make 'em cut the ham thick! That lunch shark is a confirmed swindler, John—he's a thief of the first water."
—Baltimore News.

This is the Latest Disease.

Fanitis is the latest malady to attack the human race. It is a disease to which only civilized people are subject. Moreover, it is prevalent in summer, and persons who frequent summer gardens and cafes are liable to be numbered among its victims. It is nothing more than an ordinary cold or neuralgia produced by the drafts created by electric fans. Nevertheless, physicians in a spirit of humor have chosen to give it a semi-scientific name, and many practitioners are confident the malady under its new nomenclature will prove as popular as la grippe or appendicitis.

Estate Left By "King of Yop."

Mr. Hartridge, a lawyer of Savanah, who went to the island of Yop to investigate the alleged large estate left by the late David O'Keefe of Savanah, dubbed "King of Yop," has cabled O'Keefe's widow that the strange man did leave a large estate. He had found property worth $250,000 in the island of Yop and property of equal value in Hong-Kong. Early reports had it that O'Keefe left an estate worth $2,000,000.

Effect of Coast Line.

Seattle is 1,450 miles nearer China and Japan than San Francisco.

How Long Will This Condition Continue?

IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

New Set of China May Scare the Superstitious.

To those who are influenced by the old superstition of sitting down to table 13 in number, an invitation from the President to dine at the White House off the new state service of china, may well be looked at askance.

Whether intentionally or by accident, the mystic number is curiously repeated in the crest, and even in the transaction by which the service was ordered.

To begin with, there are, of course, 13 stars and 13 bars in the shield, representing the original 13 states of the union. In one claw the eagle grasps 13 bolts, and in the other an olive branch upon which are 13 leaves and 13 berries. The pinions of the eagle, too, have 13 feathers, and it will be found that there are 13 letters in the motto, "E Pluribus Unum."

Further, there are 13 letters in the Christian names of the President and his wife—Theodore and Annie—and 13 letters also in Staffordshire, the county in England in which the wedgwood ware is manufactured; but perhaps the most significant fact of all in this respect is that the service was delivered on Friday, Feb. 13, of this year.

Under these circumstances it would seem to require only a party of 13 to make any one sensitive in such matters search his mind diligently for an excuse to absent himself from the table.—Collier's Weekly.

WHAT MAKES A GENTLEMAN.

Qualities That Neither Wealth Nor Education Can Impart to a Man.

Archbishop Temple, the recently deceased primate of the established church of England and a man of the highest character, gave a short time before his death the following outline of what he considered really gentlemanly conduct:

"The man who is thoroughly unselfish in all small things, he is the man in regard of whom it is quite impossible for you not to feel that man is a gentleman. Let his rank in society be what it may, let him be ignorant of the ordinary conventionalities of social intercourse, still, if the man be truly self-sacrificing, if in his ordinary relations with his fellows there is true and genuine unselfishness, it is impossible for any man who has much to do with him not to feel 'That man is a gentleman.' I don't care whether he is educated or not, whether he is learned or not; I don't care how ignorant he may be or how low he may stand; I don't care if he be ever so poor; the man who constantly shows that he is constantly giving himself up for other people, that man is at heart and in reality one of nature's gentlemen and this is the way in which he shows it."

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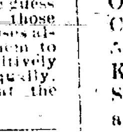

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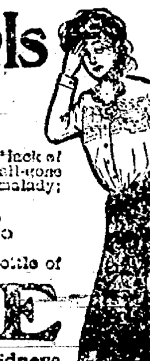

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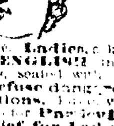

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Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto "For God and Home and Every Land."

Dont forget, Union meeting with Mrs Bates first house west of Methodist church tomorrow afternoon, April 29th. All are welcome.

Kansas is very much alive. At the midyear meeting of the W. C. T. U., executive Meh. 22-25 inclusive, in Topeka, every member was present; since their annual meeting, last October 27 unions have been organized, 7 them Y's.

Five and several buildings in Kansas City, have been presented to the Kansas W. C. T.U. by Mrs. Carrie Nation, for a school where Christian girls can receive special training in evangelistic, missionary and W. C. T. U. work as well as along domestic lines. The gift is on condition that the controlling board shall be pronounced party prohibitionists and shall be loyal to the laws of Kansas.

Kansas led last year in the matter of tithing or systmatic giving, won the banner for best scientific temperance report at the National convention, greatest number of oral lessons taught, also won the "Silver Press Star."

Five hundred farmers near Wellington Kansas have signed an agreement not to buy any goods in that town till the authorities close the saloons. A farmer recently became drunk in Wellington and was killed in a runaway while going home His neighbors started the movement which it is hoped will result in the enforcement of the prohibitory law in that section of Kansas.

Mary A Livermore is not so widely known as one of the crusaders, but thus she gave her experience to Katharine Lente Stevenson. "I went to Washington Court House to lecture and as I stepped out upon the platform it seemed to me to be in possession of woman. A woman stepped forward and asked, "Is this Mrs. Livermore? We are come down a committee of one hundred and sixty, from the woman's praying band of this town to invite you to the prayer meeting which is now being held at — church. I frankly confess that I wished them all further, but when one hundred and sixty women get hold of you, you might as well surrender. She found the church packed and a poor fellow telling how he had been saved from drink by the work of these women, of his now happy home, children running to meet him instead of hiding as formerly when he appeared and he closed with this appeal "Ladies I beg of you to stand your ground. If you dont I'm a goner.

Mrs. Livermore says "Before I knew it I was weeping and responding to the earnest prayers and when they called upon me to pray and speak, I was ready to cast in my allegiance unreservedly with the Woman's Temperance Crusade." She wrote to the editor of the Boston Transcript describing the meeting and saying the work had been greatly misrepresented by the public. He asked her for other articles, which she wrote from different points in the west.

On her return home, her old pastor Dr. Neal, who had baptised her, requested her to tell the story in his church which she did and to a packed house.

A few months later the Massachusetts women came together in state convention organized and chose its name a month before the organization of the national body. Mrs. Susan S. Giffard of Worcester served as president nearly a year, then Mrs. Livermore was elected and reelected for ten years. She said "through all those ten years I stood by the society because I knew that the name through other and more readily recognized service would be a safeguard and would help in the overcoming of unreasonable prejudice. Mrs. Livermore has for years lived in her home at Melrose, near Boston and last Dec. celebrated her eighty second birthday. She is herself the best refutation of the persistent error, that public life unfits a woman for home interests and she has received continuous honors in her own city.

Robbed The Grave

A startling incident is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia as follows: I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters; to my great joy the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only 50c, guaranteed at Colwell's drug store.

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MARKET LETTER.

JOSEPH A. RICKART,
Live Stock Correspondent.
Kansas City, Mo, April 18, 1904.

Kansas City, Mo., Monday, April 25, 1904. About 50 per cent of the supply of 31,300 cattle at Kansas City last week were beef steers, 30 per cent cows, heifers and butcher stuff; and 20 per cent stockers and feeders. Outside of the depression Monday, account of too many cattle everywhere, cattle market was good all week, and gains were made every day except Friday, on which day medium to plain beef steers lost 10 cents. Beef steers gained 10 cents over previous Friday, and 20 cents above Monday. Good to choice cows and heifers gained 10 cents, fat bulls improved a little, veals added 25 to 50 cents. The modest supply of stockers and feeders sold quietly, demand also being moderate, but prices gained 10 cents, more on choice stockers. Top beef steers last week $5.25, most sales around $4.50; heavy cows mostly $3.50 to $4.25, heifers $4.00 to $4.50; stockers and feeders up to $4.60, veal up to $6.00, bulls $2.65 to $3.75. Supply today is light at 4000, owing to storms in the West yesterday, and with moderate receipts elsewhere, market is snappy at strong prices some cases 10 cents higher. Beef steers are at best price this spring and salesmen advise sending them in, heavy cattle particularly, as this class will lose in value as soon as warm weather sets in.

Hog supply here lasst week was 45,000 head and market declined 10 or 15 cents. Quality was good and weights mostly 200 to 250 lbs. Packers don't pay much attention to either weight or quality, paying about the same price for all, and a blind man could do business in the hog alleys nowadays. A good shipping demand helped light hogs more than usual last week, keeping them nearly steady and weights under 200 lbs. now sell within 5 cents of the top. Best price today $4.92½, bulk of sales $4.80 to 4.90.

Sheep and lamb prices are 30 cents higher than a week ago. Supply continues light, about one half the run of a year ago at this time, presumable on account of lateness of southern sheep in moving. Prices are strong to 10 cents higher today than Friday, and lambs sold at $6.50, yearlings at $6.00, wethers $5.75 and ewes at $5.35, all these prices out of a run of 3500 head, and nothing extra choice. Clipped stock brings 50 cents per hundred less than same quality in fleece, but this margin will rapidly disappear, and be entirely wiped out by the middle of May. High prices are expected to remain for the present.

An exchange says every town has:
A liar.
A sponger.
A smart alec.
A girl who giggles.
A weather prophet.
A neighborhood fued.
A woman who tattles.
A man who knows it all.
One Jacksonian democrat.
More loafers than it needs.
A boy who cuts up in church.
A "thing" that stares at women.
A stock law that is not enforced.
A widower who is too gay for his age.
Some men who make remarks about women.
A preacher who would like to run the town.
A few who know how to run the country.
A grown young man who laughs at his own wit.
A girl who goes to the postoffice at every mail.
Scores of men with the caboose of their trousers worn smooth as glass.
A man who "butts in," and who gets all that's coming to him."

Special Daily News Offer.

The Omaha Daily News will be mailed six days in the week from now until January 1 1905 for $1.00; money to accompany the order. This will carry you through the presidential campaign and possibly all of the Japanese-Russian War.

The Daily News receives the complete Scripps-McRae Cable and Telegraph reports; the full Newspaper Enterprise Association service; and has four special correspondents at the seat of war, thus enabling it to give you accurate news promptly. Remember it is an independent paper, giving all the news without fear or favor. This offer is good only during April. Send order to this office or direct to Omaha Daily News, Omaha, Neb.

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Nebraska Notes

Twenty-two students of the Lincoln Medical college graduated at the commencement exercises held at the Oliver theatre.

The new Y. M. C. A. building completed at Chadron, Neb., has been dedicated. Governor Mickey was invited to deliver an address at the exercises.

The DeWitt Telephone company has increased its capital stock to $20,000 and will make extensive improvements in its DeWitt exchange. The amended articles have been filed.

It looks as if a saloon at Ord will have to close. The proprietor died and there seems to be no legal way in which the administrator of the estate can go on with the saloon.

The report of the superintendent of the Kearney reform school, filed with the secretary of state shows a total enrollment at the school for the month of March of 156. The total number of inmates at the end of the month was 151.

The Security State bank of Washington, whose application for a charter was approved by the state banking board, has filed its articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The capital stock is $10,000 and the paid-up capital, $5,000.

"A Woman's Honor," a comedy drama, was presented at the North opera house at Columbus, under the auspices of company K, First Nebraska national guard. The players were home talent under direction of H. C. Porter of Kansas City, Mo.

Th excavation for the foundation of the administration building at the Norfolk asylum has been completed by the contractors and the laying of the foundations will be commenced at once. State Architect Tyler will superintend the construction.

Fremont residents are congratulating themselves upon the enforcement of the ordinance prohibiting chickens from running at large. A citizen was prosecuted and fined under the ordinance with the result that people generally are confining their poultry.

In order that instruction in the new drill manual may be had, the officers' school of instruction of the national board will be postponed from May 1 to some time the latter part of June. The postponement is made at the request of a number of officers of the guard.

The North Platte Electric Light and Power company of Colorado has decided to do business in Nebraska. Articles have been filed with the secretary of state. The principal place of business is in Denver, and the capital stock is placed at $20,000. The company operates its plants by power obtained from the North Platte river.

The commissioner of public lands and buildings and his deputy have held the following auction of school land leases: Holt county at O'Neill and Hayes county at Hayes Center, Brown county at Ainsworth and Hitchcock county at Trenton, Cherry county at Valentine, Sheridan county at Rushville, Dawes county at Chadron, Sioux county at Harrison.

A new company has been organized to prospect for oil in Nebraska. The capital stock is $60,000, and it is asserted that the company will prospect the northwestern section of the state where indications of oil are to be found. The concern will be known as the Omaha Petroleum company and the articles of incorporation are filed with the secretary of state.

The city of Omaha will continue to fight the cases brought in the district court of Douglas county against property holders who refuse to pay the paving taxes assessed against them in several of the city paving districts. A number of the cases have been appealed by the city from the district court to the supreme court and now are pending. Additional ones are being filed. The decisions in most instances have been against the city in the lower court.

The secretary of the state board of irrigation is busy reviewing proofs of applications for water rights filed last summer. The proofs are required to specify the improvements made by the applicants.

Melvin D. Williams, assistant engineer of the United States geological survey, has placed blanks in the hands of farmers in the North Platte valley who use water for irrigation, that they may report the amount of water used on the land, the crops raised, the time of water used and other matters of like nature, which will be used in survey work for the irrigation dams to be constructed by the government in Wyoming and extending into western Nebraska.

The manufacturers and jobbers of Lincoln have formed an association which will mean a long step forward for the business interests of Lincoln. The organization was effected at a meeting at the Commercial club, when fifty signed the roll of membership. The object of the association is to go out into the state to make an aggressive campaign to secure a larger proportion of the wholesale trade of the country merchants and to advertise Lincoln more thoroughly as a wholesale center.

The state department of oil inspection has realized a profit of $795.38 for the state during the month of March. The report of Inspector Church for the month shows that the receipts amounted to $1,677.50, the expenses to $882.12 and that the amount turned over to the state treasurer was $795.38.

A school of instruction for the officers of the national guard will be held at the office of Adjutant General Culver in Lincoln during the first week in May. The school will be under the supervision of General Daggett and General Culver and will include a complete course of military instruction.

The Ward of King Canute

A Romance of the Danish Conquest.

By OTTILIE A. LILIENCRANTZ, author of The Thrall of Lief the Lucky.

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CHAPTER I.

The Fall of the House of Frode.

As the blackness of the midsummer night paled, the broken towers and wrecked walls of the monostery loomed up dim and stark in the gray light.

Through a breach in the moss-grown wall, the first sunbeam stole in and pointed a bright finger across the cloiser garth at the charred spot in the center, where missals and parchment rolls had made a roaring fire to warm the invaders' blood-stained hands.

As the lark rose through the brightening air to greet the coming day, a woman in the tunic and cowl of a nun opened what was left of the wicket-gate in the one unbattered wall. She struck a note in perfect harmony with her surroundings, as she stood under the crumbling arch, peering out into the flowering lane.

Like the straggling hedges that were half buried under a net of wild roses, red and white, the path was half effaced by grass; but beyond, her eye could follow the straight line of the great Roman road over marsh and meadow and hill-top.

Between the dark walls of oak and beech, it gleamed as white as the Milky Way. The nun was able to trace its course up the slope of the last hill. Just beyond the crest, a pall of smoke was spread over a burning village. Shivering the nun turned her face back to the desolate peace of the ruins.

"Now is it clear to all men why a bloody cloud was hung over the land in the year that Ethelred came to the throne," she said. "I feel as the blessed dead might feel should they be forced to leave the shelter of their graves and look out upon the world."

Rising from its knees beside a bed of herbs, a second figure in faded robes approached the gate. Sister Sexberga was very old, much older than her companion, and her face was a wrinkled parchment whereon Time had written some terrible lessons.

The face under the black locks was the face of Randalin.

She said gently, "We are one with the dead, beloved sister. Those who lie under the chancel lay no safer than we, last night, though the Pagans' passing tread shook the ground we lay on, and their songs broke our slumbers."

The shadows deepened in the eyes of Sister Wynfreda as she turned them back toward the lane, for her patience was not yet ripe to perfect mellowness.

"The peace of the grave can never be mine while my heart is open to the sorrows of others," she answered with sadness. "Sister Sexberga, that was an English band which passed last night. I am in utmost fear for the Dames of Avalcomb."

"'They that take the sword shall perish with the sword,'" the old nun quoted, a little sternly. "An Englishman was despoiled of his lands when Frode the Dane took Avalcomb. If now Frode's turn has come—"

Her companion made a gesture of entreaty. "It is not for Frode that I am timorous, dear sister, nor for the boy, Fridtjof; it is for Randalin, his daughter."

Sister Sexberga was some time silent. When at last she spoke, it was but to repeat slowly, "Randalin, his daughter. God pity her!"

Sister Wynfreda was no longer listening. She had quitted her hold upon the gate and taken a step forward, straining her eyes. Out of a tall mass of golden bloom at the farther end of the lane, an arm clad in brown homespun had tossed itself for one delirious instant. Trailing her robes over the flaisted grass, the nun came upon a wounded man lying face downward in the tangle.

When the united strength of the four arms had turned the limp weight upon its back, a cry of astonishment rose from each throat.

"The woodward of Avalcomb!"

"The hand of the Lord hath fallen!"

After a moment the younger woman said in a trembling voice, "The whisper in my heart spoke truly. Dearest sister, put your arm under here, and we will get him to his feet and bring him in, and he will tell us what has happened. See! He is shaking off his swoon. After he has swallowed some of your wine, he will be able to speak and tell us."

It was muscle-breaking work for women's backs, for though he tried instinctively to obey their directions, the man was scarcely conscious; his arms were like lead yokes upon his supporters' shoulders. Just within the gate their strength gave out, and they were forced to put him down among the spicy herbs. There, as one was pulling off her threadbare cloak to make him a pillow, and the other was starting after her cordial, he opened his eyes.

"Master!" he muttered. "Master? Have they gone?"

In an instant Sister Wynfreda was on her knees beside him. "Is it the English you mean? Did they beset the castle?"

Slowly the man's clouded eyes cleared. "The Sisters—" he murmured. "I had the intention—to get to you—but I fell—" His words died away in a whisper, and his eyelids drooped. Sister Sexberga turned again to seek her restorative. Sister Wynfreda leaned over and shook him.

"Answer me, first. Where is your master? And young Fridtjof? And your mistress?"

He shrank from her touch with a gasp of pain. "Dead," he muttered. "Dead—at the gate—Frode and the boy—the raven-starvers cut them down like saplings."

"And Randalin?"

"I heard her scream as the Englishman seized her—Leofwinesson had her round the waist—they knocked me on the head, then—I—I—" Again his voice died away.

Sister Wynfreda made no attempt to recall him. Mechanically she held his head so that her companion might pour the liquid down his throat. That done, she brought water and bandages, and stood by, absent-eyed and in silence, while Sexberga found his wounds and dressed them. It was the older woman who spoke first.

"The fate of this maiden lies heavy on your mind, beloved," she said tenderly; "and I would have you know that my heart also is sorrowful. For all that she is the fruit of darkness, it was permitted by the Lord that Randalin, Frode's daughter, should be born with a light in her soul. It was in my prayers that we might be enabled to feed that light as it were a sacred lamp, to the end that in God's good time the spreading glory of its brightness might deliver her from the shadows forever."

In the chapel four feeble old voices raised a chant that trembled and shook like a quivering heart-string. Tremulously sweet it drifted out over the garden and blended with the aroma in the air. The wounded man smiled through his pain.

The chant ceased, the wavering treble dying away in a note of haunting sweetness. The man moaned and clutched at his wound; and the bowed figure by his side roused herself to tend him. Then a grating of rusty hinges made her turn her head.

Under the crumbling arch, relieved against the green of the lane beyond, stood the figure of a slender boy wrapped in a mantle of scarlet that bore a strangely familiar look.

Sister Wynfreda rose and took a step forward, staring at him in bewilderment.

"Fridtjof?" she questioned.

At the sound of her voice, the boy turned and hastened toward her. Then a great cry burst from Sister Wynfreda, for the face under the black locks was the face of Randalin.

She made a convincing boy, this daughter of the Vikings. Though she was sixteen, her graceful body had retained most of the lines and slender curves of childhood; and she was long of limb and broad of shoulder. A life out-of-doors had given to her skin a tone of warm brown, which, in a land that expected women to be lily-fair, was like a mask added to her disguise. The blackness of her hair was equally unconnected with Northern dreams of beautiful maidens. Some fair-tressed ancestor back in the past must have qualified his blood from the veins of an Irish captive; in no other way could one account for those locks, and for her eyes that were of the grayish blue of iris petals.

The eyes were a little staring this morning, as though still stretched wide with the horror of the things they had looked upon; and all the glowing red blood had ebbed away from the brown cheeks.

She said in a low voice, "My father . . . Fridtjof . . ." then stopped to draw a long hard breath through her set teeth.

Sister Wynfreda ran to the girl and caught her tremblingly by the hands. "Praise the Lord that you are delivered whole to me!" she breathed. "Gram told us—that they had taken you."

Gazing at her out of horror-filled eyes, Randalin stood quite still in her embrace. Her story came from her in jerks, and each fragment seemed to leave her breathless, though she spoke slowly.

"I broke away," she said. "They stood around me in a ring. Norman Leofwinesson said he would carry me before a priest and marry me, so that Avalcomb might be his lawfully, whichever king got the victory. I said by no means would I wed him; sooner would I slay him. All thought that a great jest and laughed. While they were shouting I slipped between them and got up the stairs into a chamber, where I bolted the door and would not open to them, though they pounded their fists sore and cursed at me. At last they began to laugh and jeer, and called to me they would go down and drink my wedding toast before they broke in the door and fetched me; and then they betook themselves to feasting."

Sister Wynfreda bent her head to murmur a prayer: "God forgive me if I have lacked charity in my judgment on the Pagans! If they who have seen the light can do such deeds, what can be expected of those who yet labor under the curse of darkness?"

"I do not understand you," Randalin said wearily, sinking on the grass and passing her hands over her strained eyes. "When a man looks with eyes of longing upon another man's property, it is to be expected that he will do as much evil as luck allows him. Though he has got Baddeby, Norman was covetous of Avalcomb. When his lord, Edric Jarl, was still King Edmund's man, he twice beset the castle, and my father twice held it against him. And his greed was such that he could not stay away even after Edric had become the man of Canute."

It was the nun's turn for bewilderment. "The man of Canute? Edric of Mercia, who is married to the King's sister? It cannot be that you know what you say!"

"Certainly I know what I say," the girl returned a little impatiently. "All English lords are fraudulent; men can see that by the state of the country. Though he be thrice kinsman to the English King, Edric Jarl has joined the host of Canute of Denmark; and all his men have followed him. But even that agreement could not hold Norman back from Avalcomb. He lay hidden near the gate till he saw my father come, in the dusk, from hunting, when he fell upon him and slew him, and forced an entrance—the nithing! When he had five-and-fifty men and my father but twelve!"

She paused, with set lips and head flung high. The nun got down stiffly beside her and laid a gentle hand upon upon her knee.

"Think not of it, my daughter," she urged. "Think of your present need and of what it behooves us to do. Tell me how you escaped from the chamber, and why you wear these clothes."

(To be continued.)

IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTION.

Comparisons That Give an Idea of Its Magnitude.

To realize the magnitude of the production of iron and steel in this country during one year, one has to employ much larger standards of comparison than pounds and tons. For instance a blast furnace large enough to receive at one charge all the metal that passes through all the blast furnaces of the country in one year would have to be built to contain 2,000,000,000 cubic feet. Or to use the slightly more conceivable comparison, it would have to be twenty-four times as large as the great pyramid of Cheops. The coke used in the process of manufacture would, if piled up in a column 400 feet square, reach 6,500 feet up into the skies, and the iron ore from which all the products are made, would, if piled up in a column one-fourth of the bulk of that coke, reach just as high as the former—some 34,636,121 tons. If all the car rails were rolled into one huge rail, the dimension would be 1 1-5 miles long, 81 feet high, 81 feet across the base, and 43 feet across at the top, being wide enough to accommodate a locomotive and its tender. One huge wire nail containing the metal annually drawn into such a form would make a column 1,000 feet high and 54 feet square, overtopping the renowned Eiffel Tower at Paris. The cut nails would reach to the heights of the Washington monument, and would far overtop the Park Row building, the highest in the world.

Hope On.

There was never a day so misty and gray
That the blue was not somewhere above it;
There is never a mountain top ever so bleak,
That some little flower does not love it.

There was never a night so dreary and dark
That the stars were not somewhere shining;
There is never a cloud so heavy and black
That it has not a silvery lining.

There is never a waiting-time, weary and long,
That will not sometime have an ending;
The most beautiful part of the landscape is where
The sunshine and shadows are blending.

Into every life some shadows will fall,
But Heaven sends the sunshine of love;
Through the rifts in the clouds we may if we will,
See the beautiful blue above.

Then let us hope on though the way be long
And the darkness be gathering fast;
For the turn in the road is a little way on
Where the home-lights will greet us at last.

—D. Wooster.

Good Partner for Whist.

Dr. B. Holly Smith, one of Baltimore's crack whist players, was at his favorite game the other evening in a private house. Some of the guests did not know as much about whist as he. His partner was a certain Mrs. W——, whose knowledge of the game was confined to a few elementary principles.

"Excuse me, Mrs. W——," exclaimed Dr. Smith, at the conclusion of a hand that his partner had played in a way to try his very soul, "but I signaled for trumps twice during that hand."

"Did you?" she asked innocently. "Why, I didn't hear you."—New York Times.

Meteorological Tipping Bucket.

A tipping bucket attachment has been added to the rain gauge of the weather bureau on top of the Custom House at St. Louis. It accurately tells of the amount of precipitation The rain is drained into a double bucket, so poised that it tips on receiving a certain amount of water. Every movement of this kind is registered by an electrical connection.

Zulu Prince Going Home.

H. R. H. Prince Unsengangacona Umhlangan Umbelazi Cetewayo, who has been living in London lodgings for some time, is about to return to Zululand, where, he says, he will discard European clothing at once, and resume skins, beads, feathers and leg bracelets. He can speak Zulu, Kaffir, English, Dutch, French, Portuguese and Spanish.

Accidents and Disasters.

The loss of life from accidents and disasters in the United States last year was: Fires, 1,792; drowning, 2,471; explosions, 736; falling buildings, etc., 474; steam railways, 4,090; electric railways, 573; electricity, 156; mines, 788; cyclones and storms, 487; lightning, 139.

Graphite Deposit in Colorado.

The second graphite deposit of any extent in the United States was discovered recently near Cameron, Colo., the vein measuring from fifteen to forty feet in width. Thorough tests show it to be worth $250 a ton.

Criminals Kept in Suspense.

In France, when a convict is sentenced to death by the guillotine, the day of his execution is not named in his presence, and he knows not when he is to be led forth until within fifteen minutes of the fatal moment.

Coal Consumption by Czar's Fleet.

The coal bill of the Russian Pacific squadron at anchor is said to be $1,030,000 a year. One ironclad used twelve tons of coal daily for electric lighting. It is principally Cardiff coal, which costs $17.51 a ton.

Judgment Against Emperor.

The commander-in-chief of the army of the Emperor of Sahara has obtained judgment for $833 in a London court against his august employer. That sum represents one month's salary.

When the bonds of matrimony become frost-bitten it's hard work to thaw them out again.

A peculiar bird of the loon variety, a stranger to this climate, was killed near Jackson lake in Nebraska. The bird is a large dark creature, black as coal, with the exception of peculiar leopardlike spots on its back and a beautiful mottled white on its wings. The neck is banded with peculiar stipes alternately black and white. Bird and game fanciers who have examined the bird say that it is not native to this climate and that nothing like it has ever been seen around the lakes in this part of the country. The only similar variety of the loon is said to be found in South America among the lakes in th eAndes countries. The bird was one of a pair which were passing over Jackson lake.

Hercules cheerfully cleaned out the stables.

"I was afraid," he explained, "that they would ask me to take the stove down."

With a happy smile he considered that he had the easy end of the housecleaning.

"A man should never spend money that his wife does not know all about."

"Well," said Mrs. Torkins, "I must say Charley is a model in that respect. He always comes to me for sympathy when he has been trying to transact business with the race horses."

A HEART STORY.

Folsom, S. Dak.—In these days when so many sudden deaths are reported from Heart Failure and various forms of Heart Disease, it will be good news to many to learn that there is a never failing remedy for every form of Heart Trouble.

Mrs. H. D. Hyde of this place, was troubled for years with a pain in her heart which distressed her a great deal. She had tried many remedies but had not succeeded in finding anything that would help her until at last she began a treatment of Dodd's Kidney Pills and this very soon relieved her and she has not had a single pain or any distress in the region of the heart since. She says: "I cannot say too much praise of Dodd's Kidney Pills. They are the greatest heart medicine I have ever used. I was troubled for over three years with a severe pain in my heart, which entirely disappeared after a short treatment of Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Dr. I. A. George has patents pending on an invention which if successful has a wide field of usefulness before it. The invention is an automatic adjusting roller bearing, designed especially for carrying heavy loads. The bearings are tapering rollers at each end of which is a row of balls which allows the roller to slip up or down to accommodate the diameter of the roller. The automatic adjustment is the feature of superiority claimed over the roller bearing and it is designed to overcome the difficulty consequent upon the impossibility to produce a number of ball bearings of exactly the same diameter. The inventor things his device will minimize friction equally with the ball bearing and furnish greater durability. The city hose cart is to soon be fitted with the new bearing.

"Have you ever made any effort to do your fellow man any good?"

"Certainly," replied Senator Sorghum. "It is a well known fact that money widely circulated can accomplish but little. In order to exert its full force and achieve great works it must be concentrated."

"Well?"

"I have been doing my best to concentrate as much as possible."

Mrs. Brown—Of course, a husband owes a wife protection.

Mrs. Jones—Oh, yes; and she is also entitled to the funds necessary for free trade at the bargain counters.

"What's your idea in beginning with pie and eating your dinner backward?"

"My stomach's upset."

HAS A SAY.

The School Principal Talks About Food.

The Principal of a High School in a flourishing Calif. city says:

"For 23 years I worked in the school with only short summer vacations. I formed the habit of eating rapidly, masticated poorly which coupled with my sedentary work led to indigestion, liver trouble, lame back and rheumatism.

"Upon consulting physicians some doped me with drugs, while others prescribed dieting and sometimes I got temporary relief, other times not. For 12 years I struggled along with this handicap to my work, seldom laid up but often a burden to myself with lameness and rheumatic pains.

"Two years ago I met an old friend, a physician who noticed at once my out-of-health condition and who prescribed for me an exclusive diet of Grape-Nuts, milk and fruit.

"I followed his instructions and in two months I felt like a new man with no more headaches, rheumatism or liver trouble and from that time to this Grape-Nuts has been my main food for morning and evening meals. am stronger and healthier than I have been for years without a trace of the old troubles.

"Judging from my present vigorous physical and mental state I tell my people Methuselah may yet have to take second place among the old men, for I feel like I will live a great many more years.

"To all this remarkable change in health I am indebted to my wise friend and Grape-Nuts and I hope the Postum Co. will continue to manufacture this life and health giving food for several centuries yet, until I move to a world where indigestion is unknown." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Ask any physician what he knows about Grape Nuts. Those who have tried it know things.

"There's a reason."

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

SNAP SHOTS OF THE WORLD'S FAIR

Some of the Interesting Features Briefly Described

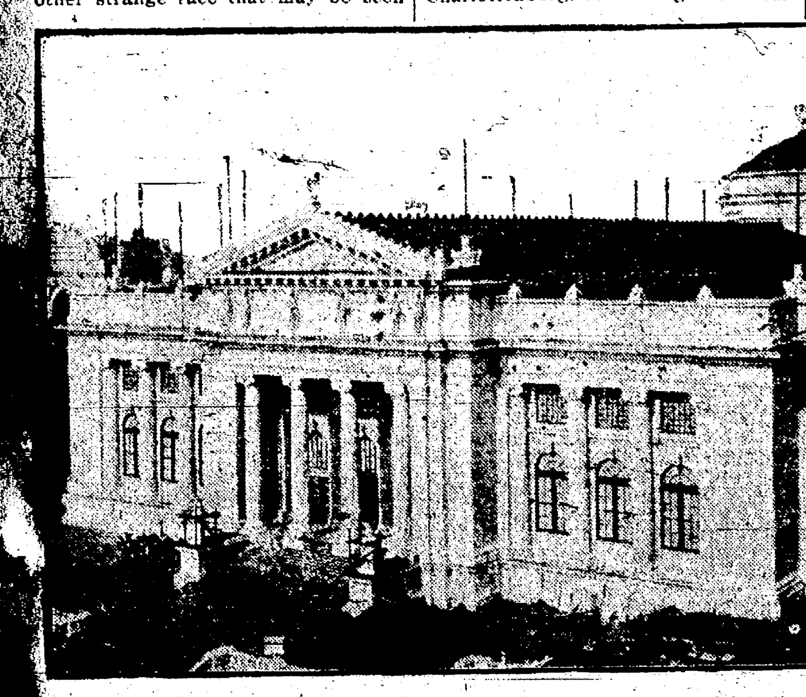
A Visit to the Exposition is Equivalent to a Tour of the Globe

Any effort at exaggeration, in attempting to describe the World's Fair at St. Louis would more than likely result in failure. One's imagination would indeed be abnormally developed if he were to conceive more glories, more beauty, more majestic splendor, and a more comprehensive gathering of men and the works of men, than has been assembled on two square miles comprising the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

More than a thousand native Filipinos are living in the 40-acre Philippine tract at the World's Fair. Their homes have been reproduced in St. Louis and they are counterparts of those left behind in the Pacific archipelago. The Filipino colony embraces representatives from many tribes, and Americans and Europeans will be interested in seeing the subjects that Uncle Sam acquired with the Philippine Islands, and in learning of their lives and habits.

Besides the native villages, the Philippine commission, which has expended nearly $1,000,000 on the exhibit, has erected replicas of many of the most famous buildings on the islands. Several bits of old Spanish architecture are sure to delight all visitors.

Patagonian giants are even less known than Filipinos. And there are a number of these strange people domiciled nearby, while a little further on may be found another strange race—pygmies from darkest Africa, whose very existence, until recent years, was doubted. The Ainus, the aborigines of northern Japan, are another strange race that may be seen



Looking Down on the Government Building from the Missouri Building.

at the World's Fair. These queer people are small of stature and their bodies are covered with hair.

They are quite a different race from the modern Japanese. Japan, indeed, is in the front rank of nations at the great World's Fair. The site selected by Japan for her group of buildings is one of the choicest alloted to foreign nations, and the enterprising Japanese have made the most of their advantages. On a high hill overlooking Machinery Palace workmen from the Mikado's realm have built a number of quaint and beautiful pagodas and have embellished the surroundings with just such gardens as have won the Japanese the enviable reputation of developing and perfecting such flowers and plants as they cultivate.

Never was the United States government so deeply interested in an exposition as it is in this 1904 World's Fair. Already the government's investment has reached the $11,000,000 mark, and this does not include the Philippine expenditures, which were paid out of the insular treasury. The result is the greatest exhibit ever made by Uncle Sam.

One of the interesting government exhibits is the great map of the United States, worked out in growing crops, each state being represented by crops chiefly grown in that state. This map covers six acres of ground. One who has not seen the map may have an idea of its immense size when he is told that Illinois on this crop map is 75 feet long. The boundary lines between the states are gravel walks and the World's Fair visitors stroll at will through the states, and receive simultaneously a lesson in geography and agriculture.

The largest timepiece in the world is at the World's Fair, and may be seen on a slope on the north side of Agriculture Hill. The dial of this great clock is 112 feet in diameter. The frame work is steel, of course, but it is so covered with flowers that it appears to have been built entirely of flowers, and for that reason it is popularly known as the "floral clock."

Germany's participation in this World's Fair surpasses anything that that great nation has ever done at any other international exposition. The National pavilion, on a high hill overlooking the Cascades, is a faithful reproduction of the ancient castle Charlottenburg, and the gardens surrounding it are gems of the landscape architect's art. Germany's immense pavilion, of white and gold, in the mammoth Palace of Agriculture, is one of the features of that interesting building, while the Palace of Varied Industries contains another German exhibit of unique interest.

Most interest naturally centers in the races of the airships. To win the grand prize of $100,000 the successful aeronaut must cover the 10-mile course at the speed of 18¾ miles an hour. Santos Dumont has several of his wonderful machines on the ground and is sanguine of success. Other noted aeronauts are prepared to contest vigorously with the famous little Brazilian.

The historic stage coach in which Hank Monk drove Horace Greeley into Placerville "on time" is seen daily in the Gulch. Mark Twain and Artemus Ward, in the early days, made Hank Monk and the old coach famous by their vivid descriptions of the celebrated ride.

The landscape of the World's Fair is a feature of diversified beauty. It embraces hill and valley, plateau and lowland. In the Cascade region alone more than 4,000,000 brilliantly colored flowering and foliage plants are used in the creation of the Rainbow Gardens. More than 30,000,000 plants are used in beautifying other sections of the grounds. All of the main avenues are delightfully shaded with rows of silver maples, and in several sections there are great groups of forest trees that ever afford a delightful shade.

The largest engine in the world is an exhibit in the Palace of Machinery. This monster with a power equal to that of 5,000 horses, occupies a space in the center of the great structure, and towers 35 feet in the air. It is as large as an ordinary three-story house. Altogether the engines develop a power of 50,000 horses. At the Chicago exposition ten years ago, which more nearly than any other similar enterprise approaches the present in magnitude, the greatest power developed was 12,000 horse power.

The Pike is a most alluring place. It is a broad boulevard more than a mile long, with the shows of all nations arranged on either side in the most captivating array. The architecture of The Pike is that of all ages and countries, from the prehistoric ages to the present day, and everything that is new, strange and interesting is shown in this street of all nations. After night The Pike is a blaze of glory and myriads of electric lights accentuate the beauties of the quaint architecture.

In one newspaper article but few of the places of interest may be touched. A large volume would be required were each feature mentioned in a single line. The visitor who can find time but for a week's stay at the Fair will see more glories than he ever dreamed of, and were he to lengthen his stay to the seven months of the fair he could pass every moment in profitable and interesting sightseeing.

An Experience.

One of Allentown's young ladies returned recently from her first trip to New York. On reaching the metropolis she had accepted an invitation to a matinee. It was a brilliant production and left an impression which was dimmed only by a visit some time later to the opera in the evening. She was giving a glowing account of the first experience to some friends the other day, one of whom interpolated enviously:

"Yes, I have seen it."

"But," continued the other, "did you ever attend a matinee in the evening?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Why Co-operative Colonies Fail.

Co-operative colonies fail because they get out of touch with the great world around them," said a lecturer recently who had been a member of the famous colony of Zoar. "All the property and all the earnings of the colonists were divided equally," said he. "As a result there was less energy and thrift. Petty jealousies interfered with the colony work and when its leader died it gradually went to pieces."

Canadian Route Is Shorter.

At a recent meeting of the royal transportation commission in Halifax, reports and maps were submitted showing that the Canadian route between Europe and the East was 680 miles shorter than those from United States ports.

Russian Ship Canal.

Surveys, which have just been completed, for a ship canal across Russia to connect the Baltic and Black seas, show that the distance will be 1,468 miles and the cost $180,000,000.

SHE WANTED TO KNOW.

Girl's Question That Paralyzed Gunnery Lieutenant.

She was a dear little girl, and had spent most of her life in a country rectory. It was not surprising, therefore, that her knowledge of things maritime and warlike was not extensive.

The young gunnery officer of H. M. S. —— had been showing her round the battleship. It was the very first warship of any kind she had ever visited, and her mind was full of the wonderful sights presented.

Being an industrious and a thorough young man, the gunnery lieutenant had explained very fully the mechanism and the use of the torpedo in warfare.

She examined the long, deadly, cigar-shaped engine of war critically and fearfully.

Then she tapped it with the point of her parasol and let her glove run over its burnished side, and finally paralyzed the gunnery officer with the question:

"How does the crew get inside?"—London Tit-Bits.

California's Building.

California is erecting a pavilion in the agricultural building at the world's fair that will attract universal attention. Its exterior is entirely covered with dried fruit, four tons of apricots, peaches and prunes being exhibited.

Many Varieties of Mosquitoes.

In Louisiana's world fair exhibit there will be shown ninety-eight varieties of mosquitoes. They are in cases and are guaranteed not to bite or sting.

Center of Lamb-Raising Industry.

Greeley, Colo., is becoming almost as noted for its lamb, as for its potato industry. Shipments of young lambs from Greeley to Eastern and other markets, are now being made, at the rate of from 75 to 100 carloads a week. The experiment of feeding lambs during the winter months on a food composed, in large part of sugar-beet pulp, from the many beet sugar factories in that section of the State, has been proved a success in northern Colorado. Tens of thousands of sheep and lambs are now being fed in that manner at Greeley, Ft. Collins, Loveland and elsewhere, in the region referred to.

Real Case of Broken Heart.

"Died from a broken heart"—an old woman of 74, who married her fourth husband, aged 72, in December last, at West Ham, was deserted by him a fortnight after the wedding. She died suddenly on Sunday, her last words being: "My heart's broken!" and a coroner's jury, on Wednesday, found that the cause of death was valvular disease of the heart.—Philadelphia Ledger.

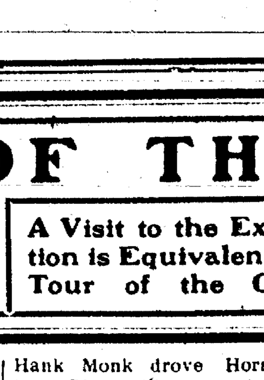
Noted Scientist.

Dr. Maximilian Nitze, who just a quarter of a century ago, invented a luminous apparatus for looking into the stomach and other internal organs, is still living in Berlin, where he is an instructor at the university.

Telephone Statistics.

In the United States there are upward of 20,000,000 families and at least 5,000,000 places of business, making a total of 25,000,000 opportunities to place telephones. Of these about one-eighth are now equipped.

Your Corner



Chat of Matters of Feminine Interest—Two Charming Features Combined Effectively in Gown Illustrated—Pretty Corset Cover — Fashion Notes.

Voile With Lace.

Tucks and triple skirts make two noteworthy features of present styles that are combined most effectively in this charming gown. As shown, the material is champagne colored voile with ecru lace and the waist is made with double sleeves and contrasting

4653 Tucked Waist, 32 to 40 bust.
4654 Sectional Tucked Skirt, 22 to 30 waist.

vest, but the design is a simple one and is appropriate to all the season's materials while the contrasting vest and trimming and substituting bishop sleeves for the double ones. The skirt consists of three flounces, all of which are straight at their lower edges, and which are joined beneath hems that give an effect of tucks, and is peculiarly well suited to bordered and to washable fabrics. To make the waist for a woman of medium size will be required 5⅞ yards of material 21, 5⅝ yards 27 or 3½ yards 44 inches wide; to make the skirt 11¼ yards 21, 9⅝ yards 27 or 5⅝ yards 44 inches wide.

A May Manton pattern of waist, No. 4653, sizes 32 to 40, or of skirt 4654, sizes 22 to 30, will be mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents each.

Pretty Things to Wear

Checked voiles are the latest.

Some of the new jackets have two graduated tucks up the back.

Very many evening dresses have long sleeves, full at the elbow.

Chemisettes and vests of lace and chiffon abound in the spring dresses.

Shoulders are entirely given up to a long languid droop over the top of the sleeve.

The lingerie blouse sleeve is tucked into a narrow frill of valenciennes at the wrist.

Silks are all of the soft, flowing order.

It is prophesied that the Elizabethan ruff is to be revived.

It is once more fashionable to wear a bunch of flowers in the corsage in the daytime.

Some of the new evening gloves are edged with a ruche all the way up to the fastenings.

A novel red silk stocking has a black foot and ankle, designed to imitate a low tie shoe.

The stock of white ecru linen finished with a big hemstitched or embroidered bow is a jaunty favorite.

Lace sleeves dyed to match the frock are being used, as more serviceable than the daintier white frills.

To Keep Ferns Fresh.

There is a new way to care for ferns that has been found very successful. Once a week they must have a Turkish bath. Put them in the bathroom, shut the windows and doors to exclude every particle of air. Then fill the bathtub with scalding water and allow the plants to steam for three or four hours.

The room should be gradually cooled before the plants are removed to a cooler atmosphere. This process does away entirely with the laborious work of washing and spraying the leaves and is much more satisfactory.

Pineapple Snow.

Soak half a box of gelatin in a teacup of cold water for an hour. Grate a small pineapple and stir in a cupful of granulated sugar. When this is dissolved stir in the gelatin. Turn into a double boiler the water outside, already hot, and stir until sugar and gelatin are altogether dissolved. Take from stove and allow the mixture to get cool, but not too stiff to whip in the whites of five eggs that have been beaten very stiff. Beat all until it is well mixed. Put in glass dish and leave on the ice for several hours. Serve with whipped cream.

The Kitchen

If lard is rubbed over every part of a new tin it will remain bright and free from dust for an indefinite time.

To keep the nickel on the stove bright make a thin paste of ammonia and baking soda and rub it with a woolen cloth.

A little salt dissolved in buttermilk will quickly brighten copper after it is applied.

Turpentine mixed with stove polish gives an added luster to the stove.

Soot may be removed from the chimney by burning a piece of zinc in the stove.

Boil three or four onions in a pint of water, apply with a soft brush to gilt frames, and flies will keep off.

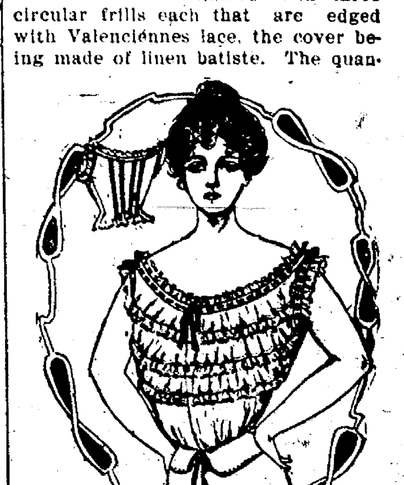
To avoid unpleasant odors from the sink keep on hand a gallon of water in which a pound of copperas has been boiled and at intervals clean with this.

Do not use soap in washing a stained or painted floor; use clear water in which a little borax has been dissolved.

To clean cut glass wash articles, let dry and afterward rub them with prepared chalk and a soft brush, carefully going into all the cavities.—Chicago American.

Corset Cover.

Blouse waists create a demand for corset covers with full fronts that is quite generally felt and recognized This one combines that feature with a prettily tucked back and is finished with circular basque portions from the under-arm seams that do away with all bulk over the hips. The fronts are slightly full in themselves and are trimmed with three circular frills each that are edged with Valenciennes lace, the cover being made of linen batiste. The quan-



4636 Corset Cover, 32 to 40 bust.

tity of material required for the medium size is 1½ yards 36 inches wide with 8½ yards of lace and 2½ yards of beading.

A May Manton pattern, No. 4636, sizes 32 to 40 will be mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents.

Belts.

The leather belt, three inches wide, is the latest notion. Made stiff, it neither dips front or back, and is straight all round and fastens with straps. It is not half so pretty as the crushed leather, as soft as satin, sparkling with a good harness buckle. All kinds of leather have been pressed into the service, and some of them have the natural hair left on them, such as calf skin. An all-round belt is never so becoming as those with a slight dip. A stock or necktie of some sort should match the color of the belt.

Informal Talks

When making a curry of cooked meat all browned spots should be removed.

If you wish a cake to be light put it into a very hot oven at first and let the oven cool after the first twenty minutes.

When bluing clothes tie the blue into a piece of flannel and you will avoid unsightly blotches of the color on your clothes.

Before frying fish wipe it with a damp cloth, next dust it thickly with dry flour and then dip into egg and bread crumbs.

When stewing fruit add the sugar after the fruit is cooked, but while it is still hot. In this way a smaller quantity of sugar is needed.

After washing lace ties, etc., rinse them in milk instead of starching them. Let the lace dry, then damp and iron and you will find it looking quite new again.

Wet umbrellas should be stood on their handles to dry. This allows the water to run out of them instead of into the part where the ribs and the silk meet, thus causing the metal to rust and the silk to rot.

For Brunettes.

A combination most becoming to brunettes is the blending of pale pink and red. The pink is used for the foundation of the frock in some soft or gauzy fabric, with a garniture of cherry colored poppy, or even crimson velvet. Occasionally this order is reversed, and a red gown is decorated with flowers or ribbons in pale pink, but the result in this case is not so satisfactory.

A JAUNTY LITTLE COAT.

Novelty cheviots make a feature of the latest styles and are most effective made up into the fashionable suits with short blouse coats. This most excellent example shows mixed browns and tans with dots of deep cream color and is combined with brown velvet and cream colored cloth. The coat is one of the jaunty blouses that make favorites of the season and includes a yoke collar that gives the broad shoulder line and full sleeves with flare cuffs that are most becoming. The quantity of material required for the medium size is 4½ yards 21, 3⅞ yards 27 or 2⅛ yards 44 inches wide.

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Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out all blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

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Pattern No. ....

Waist Measure (if for skirt) ....

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Write plainly. Fill out all blanks. Enclose 10c. Mail to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago.

The Table Rock Argus.

F. H. Taylor, Publisher.

Entered at the Table Rock Post-Office as second-class mail matter.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

The democrats of Pawnee county will hold a mass convention at Pawnee City, on Friday, May 6th, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the state convention and the transaction of such other business as may come before it.

The county commissioners have called a special election for the purpose of voting on a proposition to issue bonds in the amount of $75,000 for the purpose of erecting a court house and jail in Pawnee City. The date for the special election is Tuesday, May 31st, 1904. Bonds are to be of $1,000 denomination, to be dated July 1, 1904, and payable on the 1st day of July, 1914, redeemable at any interest paying day at the option of the county after the first year: they are to draw 4 per cent interest, payable semi-annually.

LINCOLN LETTER

The honorable judges of the supreme court of the state of Nebraska failed to agree upon a clerk at the sitting last week. In the language of one of the state house wags "each judge dissented from the other's opinion." The withdrawal of one of the prominent candidates was expected to clear the situation, and Monday it was expected that someone would be named as soon as the court assembled, but two conferences between the republican members failed to dispose of the matter and the appointment was allowed to go over at least until the next sitting, early in May, and with it went the minor appointments, as a matter of course.

Governor Mickey has issued a proclamation, setting aside May 31st as a day on which to celebrate the anniversary of the signing of the Kansas-Nebraska bill. The bill was signed by President Pierce on May 30, 1854. As this date falls on Memorial Day, the following day was selected by the governor for the celebration of these semi-centennial of Nebraska's birth. The proclamation suggests that on the Friday preceding, exercises be held in all the schools and colleges, and that on the Sabbath preceding, the pastors make mention of the event.

Insurance Deputy Pierce of the auditor's office, has notified fraternal insurance companies doing business in Nebraska that they must re-examine members taken over from other orders. This ruling is announced as a result of the favorable decision upon that point lately made by the supreme court in the case brought by the Bankers Union Company of Omaha, to compel the department to allow them to continue business. The court decided that when one insurance company absorbs another all of the members affected by the transfer must be proven to be capable of passing the regular examination. This contention has been made by Mr Pierce for many years and the department is extremely gratified that the court should hold with them.

The Nebraska democracy actually intends to stand for something in the coming state campaign. Heretofore the stock expressions "we view with alarm," "we protest against," we denounce," etc., have been plentifully sprinkled over the platforms but this year the fusionists have determined to frame a revenue law and go before the people with a direct promise that if they are successful in electing a legislature they will enact it into law. They will do this with a lofty disregard for the fact that the present law is as yet untried and its effects are a matter of conjecture. They will do this without pausing to [illegible] that the fusion leaders in both branches of the legislature favored the present law in the main, helped construct it in the committee room, [illegible] on its [illegible] the floor and were only deterred from voting for it when their state organ [illegible] them [illegible] with political death and punishment after [illegible] [illegible] they helped the republican majority to do a [illegible] polluting the revenue [illegible] so woefully complicated. They will do this too, without [illegible] great deal of st[illegible] that two fusion [illegible] court and two [illegible]

missioners—a majority in each case—have approved the measure, not only as jurists, but as citizens and taxpayers, stating that the law was "admirably constructed to distribute the burden of taxation equitably among all classes and interests." Congressman Stark, C J Smythe, M F Harrington, James Manahan and Edgar Howard have been agreed upon by the leaders as a committee to frame a bill, and the corps of fusionocratic spellbinders have entered a training school in which they hope to learn to handle the words "I am for" as easily as they do the expression "I am against.

IRRIGATION

Big Horn Basin

Your spare time will be well spent if you will use it in making a trip to this new irrigated country. The United States will not be long now in getting under irrigation all the land that is subject to this class of farming, as it is becoming the most popular way to farm for sure results. This country is yet in its infancy, and homeseekers should avail themselves of this opportunity to get a farm in the Big Horn Basin. Just now you can get the choice of this land at a very low price, and you will be surprised what a delay of a few days will do for you in the price of this land.

Post yourself on this country by writing for booklet descriptive of the Big Horn Basin and any other information you may desire.

We will make very low round trip rates to this country the first and third Tuesdays in May. J Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha, Neb.

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

The severe storms of Saturday and Sunday did a great deal of damage to roads, and our supervisor John Layman, is finding plenty of work to do.

Mr. Rogers was down from Elk thisCreek week looking after his farm

A. A. Widdifield and wife drove up to visit their daughter Mrs. Jessie Frank, on Saturday and in the evening entertained a number of friends with their phonograph.

Arthur Longwell, our plucky little mail carrier has brought the mail every day, but Monday.

In Saturday's electrical storm the lightning struck and killed two fine colts for G. E. Bedea.

A cow belonging to Baily Warner was drowned in the high water of the Nemaha.

Ad Hays and daughter, who came over from Pawnee to visit friends extended their visit a little longer on account of the storm.

The high water is compelling the nine boys and girls from here, who have been attending school in Table Rock, to be absent.

Ayer's

If your blood is thin and impure, you are miserable all the time. It is pure, rich blood that invigorates, strengthens, refreshes. You certainly know

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Laxative doses of Ayer's Pills each night greatly aid the Sarsaparilla.

Women Crazy Over Hofmann.

At a recent recital Josef Hofmann responded to four encores but still the audience wanted more. Then he quietly closed the lid of the piano, bowed and left the stage. As usual, it was the women who raised the whirlwind of indiscriminate applause and perhaps the pianist would have shown less patience had he not remembered that but for the fair sex he and some other virtuosos would be in a bad way.

Makes A Clean Sweep

There's nothing like doing a thing thoroughly. Of all the salves you ever heard of Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best. It sweeps away and cures burns, sores, bruises, cuts, boils, ulcers, skin eruptions and piles. It's only 25c and guaranteed to give satisfaction by Colwell, Druggist.

HOUSE-CLEANING

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SMYRNA RUGS, $1.25, 30x60 inches, in floral, oriental and animal designs.

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A fine display of Iron Beds. Refrigerators, Buffets, Sideboards, Tables, Chairs, Couches.

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YOU KNOW IT'S RIGHT.

THE STRIDES OF SCIENCE.

Marvelous Progress Made in Less Than Sixty Years.

Fifty-nine years ago Morse's long labor successfully culminated in the first public experiment or demonstration of his invention, and over the wires between Baltimore and Washington there flashed the message, "What hath God wrought!" The wonder startled the world, as well it might, but the work was, after all, only begun.

That was scarcely more than half a century ago, yet the Postal Telegraph company will outdo Puck sixty to one and put a girdle round the earth in forty seconds. A message will start from one side of a room in New York and will accomplish its circle and begin to be received at the other side before the last word has been reached by the sender.

Science does not, after all, move "slowly, slowly."

She Was Disillusioned.

With the introduction of the flood of historical novels it was expected that a more courtly observance of social intercourse would obtain; that there would be more of the "I prithee, fair lady, tell me," etc., and less of the "Oh, come off!" But the observant man is doomed to disappointment. He stood one afternoon looking into an elaborately decorated window filled with gowns, all marvels of comeliness when he heard this right a well-modulated female voice remark:

"Now, Charlie, this is the dress I have wanted all the week. It has been marked down to $45. Won't you buy it for me?"

"Great Scott! Forty-five dollars! Why, look here, my dear, you must think that you have married a multi-millionaire. I thought that we came around here looking for a ten-cent store where we could buy a washboard."

Waiting.

What do we know of pain or ruth
In that first age of living?
The immortality of youth—
Its transient splendor giving?
What do we reck of patience then,
Of self with self debating
To stay the impatient spirit when
It has most need of waiting?

Oh, lesson hardest to be learned,
What must we lose to gain it?
[illegible] has been spurned,
Nor cared we to attain it;
For life was then a summer song,
Our hearts and souls elating;
We hurried with the eager throng,
And scorned the art of waiting.

Now wiser grown we've learned to wait,
To curb each high endeavor;
We've learned our strength to estimate
When it has gone forever.
We've [illegible] the love when steps are slow
Past youth, past love, past hating—
The wisdom we would fain forego,
The peace that comes with waiting.

Clock of Deceptive Value.

Judge Neubürger has a clock which is at once the joy and the bane of his life. Its case is of old Delft; and it is a gem which would make an antiquarian's mouth water. But its dingy appearance calls forth so much adverse comment from uncultured visitors to his office that the judge's feelings are constantly "riled." A man with long whiskers chanced to observe it one day recently and exclaimed:

"Why, judge," that's a measly lookin' old clock. What do you keep it for? Looks like it costs six cents."

"My friend," replied the judge, "whatever your other virtues may be, you're utterly ignorant as to the value of time."—New York World.

Ancient Trees in England.

"Some of the oldest trees in the world are to be found in Great Britain. The tree called Will's [illegible] oak in Windsor Park [illegible] to be 1,200 years old. The [illegible] Bentley and Winterthorn [illegible] least two centuries older.

Hungarian's Fearful Crime.

[illegible]

THE PIONEER

BARBER SHOP,

FRANK LEATHERMAN,

PROPRIETOR.

BERT LAYMAN, ASSISTANT.

Is provided with clean towels, sharp razors, and is prepared to perform the very best tonsorial service in the very best manner, and the public is invited to visit my parlors when wanting work in my line, assuring you of courteous treatment at all times.

J. C. BECK.

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Good rigs always to be had on reasonable terms. Bus and baggage wagon to and from depot. Courteous treatment accorded all patrons and satisfaction guaranteed.

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Dent Seed Corn.

I furnished the state of Nebraska for exhibition at the St. Louis Exposition, 100 bushels of White Dent corn, ten times more than any other grower in the state. I have been carefully selecting and improving White Dent corn eight years, until I can truthfully say

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F W CHASE.

Pawnee City, Neb, R. F. D No. 5

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A hair cut, a shampoo, at the popular barber shop of

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where the artists take pride in pleasing their customers, and where all work in the barber line is performed by experts and courteous treatment is accorded to everybody.

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which is the largest in Pawnee county. Get a new Suit of Clothes that will Fit you, for as little money as you would pay for a misfit. A fine line of Shoes for men, women and children. We invite you to call and see our big stock.

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Not Gentlemen.

In her personal account of her capture and her sufferings while held for ransom Miss Stone complains bitterly because none of the brigands would lend her a toothbrush. No man who has any pretensions to being a gentleman could refuse to lend a suffering lady his toothbrush for a few moments each morning.

How to Prepare for Suicide.

A woman at Macon, who committed suicide by drowning herself, destroyed all her fortune first. She burned about £200 worth of securities, tore up about £500 worth of bank notes into shreds, and threw a considerable amount in gold and silver coins into the river.

Boer Prisoners in Exile.

It has been decided to send all Boer prisoners who are sentenced to terms of penal servitude out of South Africa to the Seychelles Islands. A new convict prison is to be constructed there for the purpose. Accommodation for 1,200 prisoners of war will be ready in Antigua by the middle of [illegible]

Differ Over Libraries.

Some unfeeling newspapers are poking at Andrew Carnegie the remark recently made by President Eliot of Harvard: "A library that will go on a shelf [illegible] is enough to give an [illegible] to any human [illegible] that ever came into the world."

Paints at Wilson's.

County Assessor Gossin was in town today.

Frames fitted: eyes tested free, at Carpenter's, the jeweler.

Miss Ruth Chambers visited in Humboldt this week.

Lizzie Hilbert, was quite sick the fore part of the week with pneumonia.

J D Palmer, the crippled son of Dave Palmer, is very sick with pneumonia.

The amount of water falling here last Sunday night, as given by S. H. Dopp, was 4.81 inches.

For photos that will live after we are dead, go to Wilson's Studio. Each Thursday in Table Rock. 41

C. H. Norris, and G. B. Johnson, M. H. Marble and Fred Runnion drove to Pawnee this morning.

Remember the finest hearse in S. E. Nebraska is used by Tillotson, and the price is not as high as formerly.

Mrs. Cora Schurr left this week for Jackson, Mont., where she will visit her parents, C L. Wemple and wife for several weeks.

William Meyers and family moved to Table Rock Saturday. Mr. Meyers will work on the brick yard there the coming summer.—Steinauer Star

Sugar is advancing in price, and is very likely to go still higher; good judgement will dictate buying a quantity now, when W. C. Fellers is selling it at $5.25 per sack.

Pawnee Republican.—F H Taylor of the Table Rock Argus, ate everything in sight at the Exchange hotel in this city last Monday evening.

Miss Vesta Freeman, stenographer for the Tidball-Marsh Lumber company of Lincoln, was a guest of her cousin, Mrs. C. H. Mitchell, over Sunday.

Wm White, of Lincoln, who has a host of friends in Table Rock, was a guest of relatives here Thursday and Friday. He says Mrs White's health remains about the same as it was here.

George Fisher, who has been here for some weeks, having come to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Helen Roberts, left Monday for his home in Pueblo, Colorado.

The South Fork at DuBois was raised by the rains of Saturday and Sunday, and overflowed its banks. A lot of trackage was washed out for the Rock Island railroad.

Wall paper and paints form an important feature in the household considerations at this season of the year. The Wilson drug store is supplied with a large stock of the very best and at prices hard to duplicate.

Rev. Rodabaugh, of Peru, who was obliged to give up the active ministry because of his health, preached an excellent sermon in the M. E. church on Sunday morning, and will occupy the pulpit again next Sunday if a regular pastor is not provided.

A MAY-POLE dance will be given in the Opera House, on Monday evening, May 2d, to which the public is invited. Music will be furnished by the local orchestra, assisted by a Wymore pianist. Refreshments will be served at C. H. Mitchell's restaurant.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs Bates next week Friday, April 29th at half past two. Some important business is to be transacted and we hope to see a large attendance. Subject, "Origin and Aims of W. C. T. U." An interesting program is prepared, so be on time.

The following item from the Washington (Iowa) Journal of April 2 will be of interest to Johnson and Pawnee county people because of the fact that the Newt O'Loughlin refered to is a brother of "Uncle Jimmie" O'Loughlin of Pawnee City, and "Uncle Jimmie is grandfather of our townsman, M. G. O'Loughlin:

"Mr Newt O'Loughlin sails to-day on the Eluria steamer for Queenstown. M. O. Loughlin received a letter yesterday from James Fugazi, agent for C. R. I. & P. Ry. and the Cunard line of steamers, saying that he would advise of the safe arrival of Newt in Queenstown. Mr. O'Loughlin goes to Ireland to look after the family interests in a large fortune there. They have been looking into the matter for some time and believe that if they can prove up they will come into a big estate. Mr. Martin Swift, sr., of this place, knew the O'Loughlins in Ireland very well."—Tecumseh Chieftain.

Read our map proposition.

Take your repairing to Carpenter's. All work guaranteed. 41-tf

Money to loan; real estate; favorable terms. 37-tf C. W. Chambers.

Rev J F Kemper was a guest of relatives and friends here one day last week.

Consult your own interests by buying wall paper and paints at Wilson's drug store. 39-tf

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges. W. C. Fellers.

Thursday is the day your face is the most handsome. Take it to Wilson's Art Studio on that day only. Each week.

Rev. C. C. Atwood will be here and preach in the Christian church Sunday Morning and evening. Everyone is invited to hear him.

Misses Sadie Baird of Beatrice, and Jennie Rounds of Bookwalter, school teacher friends of Miss Mabel Miller, were her guests the last of last week.

Postoffice Inspector D J Sinclair called officially on Mrs Phillips on Monday and found things about the Table Rock postoffice in excellent condition.

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Lawrence Griffing left on the early train this morning for Holdredge, to take a mail run from that city to Sterling, Colo., which he will work while the regular clerk takes a rest.

Now is the time to take a spring tonic to purify the blood, cleanse the liver and kidneys of all impurities. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will do the business. 35c. Tea or tablets. F M Colwell.

Word has been received here that Mrs. S. A. Bosserman, of Lincoln, her two daughters, Lela and Alva, Miss Howard who lived with them, and Mrs. Calvin, of Table Rock, who is sewing there, were all poisoned from something they had eaten for supper; Alva and Miss Howard were very sick, and the home was quite a hospital for several hours, but later all recovered.

Hiram Billings, who has lived here most of the time for the past forty-eight years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs C H Brock, on Saturday night, in his 86th year. He leaves five sons and two daughters. The funeral services were held in the Christian church at 4 o'clock on Monday afternoon. In 1860-2 he was county commissioner, and at one time was quite prominent in county affairs. Later he met with financial reverses.

What might have been a disastrous fire, had it not been discovered in time, occurred Saturday evening about 8 o'clock in R P Jennings' restaurant building. A lot of barrels of lime had been stored in the cellar, and the rain flooded it, the water coming in contact with the lime creating the fire. It was put out by the aid of the fire department and citizens without turning in a general alarm. Several barrels of the lime were destroyed.

Mrs Mary Kubick died at the residence of her son, James Kubick, on Tuesday evening, at an advanced age. She has lived in this vicinity since 1867, and was known to many of the old settlers. She leaves three sons, Joseph, Thomas and James, and one daughter. The funeral services were held this morning and interment made in the Bohemian cemetery east of town.

Mrs R P Jennings left for Falls City Tuesday to attend a district meeting of the Knights and Ladies of Security when delegates to the national convention will be chosen. She left the 'old man' to look after the chickens, and expects to come home after a couple of days' absence only to learn that Cap has neglected the stock to go coon hunting.

Have you had visitors this week? Is it worthy of mention in the home paper? If so, why not speak to the editor about them. In going about the streets we see strangers and don't know whose friends they are. Why not tell us? Some of our patrons step in and hand us the items. We are indebted to them. That's why we have the local page—to chronicle the city news. If you don't see the news man—our 'phone number is 14 Even if you leave town, someone may be glad to know it.

Take your laundry to W. C. Fellers

Has your watch or clock stopped? have Carpenter repair it.

W. C. Fellers is agent for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try him once.

The Mississippi river is on its annual tear and is doing considerable damage.

Found Money—Party losing same can learn finder, by calling at this office.

For Sale.—A good, family horse; will work single or double. Inquire of C. H. Carmichael. 40

Sittings in cloudy as well as clear weather, at Wilson's Studio. Each Thursday in Table Rock. 41

Grandma Jones went to Pawnee City today to visit her daughter, Mrs Coard, for a few days.

Horace Martin, a cousin of Arthur Longwell, who is studying for the ministry at Atchison, Kas., was his guest Saturday, and preached Sunday morning and evening in the Lutheran church at Pawnee City.

Pawnee City has been boasting in years agone of her two lines of railway, and the superior knowledge of her citizens in general on account of her splendid schools. But alas! Only last week it became necessary to put in operation a stage line between that hamlet and Table Rock in order that her citizens might visit surrounding towns, the running of passenger trains being such that it is next to impossible to get out of the city by rail and make connection for Lincoln—or Tecumseh. Poor old Pawnee—she is deserving of better things.—Tecumseh Tribunal.

An accident occurred on Tuesday about 11 o'clock in the forenoon, which resulted seriously for Mr. Allen Barnes. In company with Wm. Ward, he was working on a scaffold fixing the siding and roof of the Martin building occupied by J. Tillotson, when the scaffold broke and the workmen fell: Mr. Ward was not much hurt, but Mr. Barnes fell into the alley between the two buildings, striking on his head and shoulders, and breaking his right arm; severe gashes were cut in his head and he was considerably bruised about the body. He was picked up unconscious and carried to Dr. Wilson's office, where his injuries were dressed, and then he was taken to his home. He is 71 years of age and the injury is extremely dangerous to one of his age. He had a good rest and sleep last night and hopes are entertained that he will ultimately recover.

The rain storm on Sunday afternoon and night was one of the greatest ever experienced in this section. The rainfall in that time was 4.81 inches, added to 2½ inches which fell on Saturday afternoon and night, swelled the streams and river until the low—and some of the high—places were flooded. Clear Creek and Taylor Branch were higher than they have been for many years, but the river was not so high, and the surplus water from the creeks was carried off in a few hours. Along Clear Creek many bridges were washed out, and some stock was drowned for farmers along its courses, but this loss was not great. Taylor Branch was over the bridges leading to the depot, and they were so shaken by the force of waters that they were moved from the foundations, but settled back; many houses in lower town were flooded, and the people living across the tracks were carried from their homes by strong men who waded water almost to their necks to get some of the victims. The home of Mrs Christine Wheeler was a sight the next day, the water being from six to eleven inches deep in the house, ruining carpets and other furnishings, and filling the cistern and well with filth; the houses occupied by Wm Glenn and W G Matthews were also in bad condition, water being about ten inches deep in them; other houses in the vicinity were flooded, but not so seriously as these. The debris washed into the depot yards was greater than ever before; bridge lumber, huge logs, wood, brush, etc., were piled in, and men and teams were busy for two days getting it out. The company which fitted up the cut-off as a fishing resort, found the water going over the dam about eighteen inches on Monday morning, and the probability is that many of the fish they had put in have escaped and the dams will have to be repaired. The railroad was able to keep trains going almost on time, on account of the river not getting as high as on former occasions.

Wall paper at Wilson's.

For Sale.—Plymouth Rock eggs. Inquire of J. R. SUTTON. 37-tf

G. W. Pepoon & Co., will deliver wood to any part of town for $1.75 per rick. 37-tf

County Attorney Raper was over from Pawnee this morning, on professional business.

The Wilson drug store claims it will save you money on wall paper and paints and invites you to put it to the test.

We have one of the finest church trucks ever brought to Pawnee county, for use in our business.

40 A. K. Tillotson.

EGGS FOR SALE

From original high scoring, prize winning Barred Plymouth Rock stock: 75c per 15; $2 per 50; $3.50 per 100 eggs. 42-3 J. Murphy.

If you should meet Silas Bowen on the street in the near future and he's stepping so high he doesn't see you, don't get mad—he can't help it, he's so proud over the birth of a pair of twin girls born Wednesday morning. Mother and girls are doing nicely.

A Big Chance!

SEVENTY-FIVE SACKS OF SUGAR at

$5.25 PER SACK

At W. C. FELLERS.

Get One Quick.

Wymore Wymorean.—Joe Litty has filled the vacancy left by Wm Overbay in the ticket office at the Burlington depot.... Ora Branwell, who has been night operator at the Burlington depot at Beatrice for some time, has been transferred to Superintendent Rodger's office at this place. His place at Beatrice was filled by John Hartzell of Table Rock.... Mrs Mary Sisson, a Beatrice widow, has been notified that she has fallen heir to a fortune of nearly $2,000,000 in Scotland. The fortune is part of an estate left by the late George Bowler, who died several years ago.... In 1903 the Nebraska Indians won 144 games and lost 33 through Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Ohio, Wisconsin, West Virginia, Missouri and Kentucky. They accomplished the unprecedented feat of shutting out their opponents 64 times.

For Sale Cheap—A good organ. 40-43 Mrs. E. L. Mitchell.

The new telephone cards are out, and may be had at the bank.

Will Table Rock celebrate the Fourth? Enterprising cites are already planning for the big day.

Remember Tillotson when in need of anything in the undertaking line: our stock is complete and new. 40

J. O. Meek and wife of Table Rock, were in the city Wednesday, and attended the Gillan-Meek nuptials.—Wymore Arbor State.

Humboldt Leader.—Arthur Freeman received a scalp wound Wednesday from a missile thrown by a companion at play. No serious results are anticipated.

I know a jolly old maiden lady,
A lady of high degree,
Who never goes to bed—without
A drink of Rocky Mountain Tea.
Sensible woman. F M Colwell.

Humboldt Enterprise.—Elmer Wood was down from Table Rock Sunday afternoon....Col W M Harding made a business trip to Table Rock Wednesday....M H Marble was down from Table Rock Friday last.

Are you guilty of being tied to any Commission firm or are you a free and independent stockman? We are recognized agents for all free and independent stockmen. Charles Dixon Commission Company, Stock Yards, Kansas City, Mo. Write to us. Ship to us.

The following persons from Table Rock attended the Odd Fellows' celebration at Falls City Tuesday: Claire Seism, Mrs Stewart, Mrs Faulkner, Bruce Woods, Claude Lamar, O W Fellers, Mr and Mrs Peter Stevens, Frank Hanna, Mr and Mrs Weldon Fisher, Mrs Cora Cochran, Frank Cochran, Chas McCourtney.

R. L. Wilcox, who suffered for several weeks from an injury which he received while hauling mail, this week received an insurance benefit from the Woodman Accident Association. He recommends the Company to those wishing insurance knowing they are reliable, and prompt in settlement of all claims.

During the storms Saturday and Sunday nights, the bridge between J C and C S Wood's farms was washed out; the bridge south of Anthony Strejc's place is gone; the one north of Mr Strejc's is partly gone; the one west of George Gilbert's has vamoosed and can't be found; also the one just south of John Sochor's, and several others in this vicinity.

Wilson's Art Studio is open each Thursday in Table Rock. 41

We are not here to meet anybody else's prices on undertaking goods; we simply want to furnish good goods at living prices. A. K. Tillotson.

Misses Elsie Blandin and Maude Smith of the Pawnee City High School, were guests of Mr and Mrs Francis W Parker, the last of the week.

Please call and see us when in need of undertaking goods. Let us make you prices: if we can't please you in price and goods we don't want your business. 40 A. K. Tillotson.

E A Hansen received word recently that his sister, Mrs Rachael Bloom, had been found in a dying condition near her home in Colorado, and lived but a short time after being found. She was 62 years of age, and lived here for a number of years.

A baby boy weighing ten pounds, was born to Mr and Mrs. Will Aylor on Saturday morning. The parents are very proud of the little stranger. Mother and child are getting along nicely.

Now is the time to clean house—clean your system first, drive out the microbes of winter with Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. It will keep you well all winter. 35c. Tea or tablets. F M Colwell.

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Handle the entire out-put. The best soft coal in the market, "THE WHITE ASH COAL." Enquire of COTTON BRICK CO., TABLE ROCK, NEBR.

The public schools observed Arbor day by interesting exercises on Friday afternoon in which the different grades participated. The exercises were impressive and interesting, the following being the program rendered:

Song—Celebrate The Arbor Day........School
Recitation—Have You Planted a Tree........Ina Ward
Why We Keep Arbor Day..1st Primary
Recitation—The Little Planter........Mabel Barnes
Exercise—Who Loves the Trees Best........1st Primary
Recitation—When the Green gets back on the Trees....Lloyd Phillips
Exercise—What the Trees Teach Us........2nd Primary
Talk........Rev Murphy
Tree Planting
Song—The Breezes etc

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TO IMPROVE STOCK

An Association Has Been Formed by Kansas Breeders

ADVANCE CATTLE BREEDING

Will Stimulate Pure Stock Breeding to End that Live Stock Owners Will Reap Merited Reward

The Glasco Improved Stock Show and Sale association has been organized at Glasco, Kan., and officers elected as follows: President, J. M. Copeland; secretary, G. H. Bernard; treasurer, G. W. Hussey. The vice presidents are: L. H. Cool, J. M. Copeland, W. W. Palmer, George Nowels, W. A. Davidson, George Chapman, E. E. Butler, J. H. Martin and C. C. King.

They are all prominent thoroughbred stockmen, in cattle as well as horses and hogs. Other owners of herds in and about Glasco are: W. E. Orebaugh, Frank Wilson, George Coldwell, John Chase, J. A. Nicol, and others, who handle from 50 to 100 head.

The object for which the association was organized is to unite all owners and fanciers of pure bred stock into one society for the promotion of the interests of good stock, to stimulate pure stock breeding and to create a greater interest so that more people in the community may become fanciers of pure bred stock to the end that the live stock interests of the vicinity may be advanced.

The country around Glasco is filling up rapidly with thoroughbred stock, having more than doubled in the past few years, and more farmers are engaging in the industry, as they see the success of those who have been engaged in it for the last few years.

Farmers Against Joints

For the past month or more farmers in the vicinity of Wellington, Kan., have been securing signatures to a petition asking the business men of the city to unite in an effort to close the licensed "joints" and gambling houses of the town. Their ultimatum was delivered through the local papers in the form of a series of resolutions, declaring that if these places were not closed by May 1 they would cease doing any trading in the town. The resolutions are said to have received over 800 signatures, principally of heads of families. Nothing is likely to be done about the matter until the farmers demonstrate they are in earnest.

Start in Business

About a dozen of Washburn's medical students left Topeka, Kan., for Cheyenne, Wyo., where they expect to begin "practice"—selling views.

Their success will be of interest to many of the Washburn boys who contemplate the same work for this summer's vacation. During the spring vacation, just passed, several of the college boys sold views in the neighboring towns and all report good returns for their labor. This is one of the many ways which enable the boys to go to college.

Nebraska Postal Affairs

The postoffice department has ordered the establishment of the following new rural free delivery routes for Nebraska, beginning service May 16:

Columbus, Platte county, route No. 4; length of route, 26½ miles; number of houses on route, 100.

Platte Center, Platte county, route No. 1; length of route, 27½ miles; number of houses on route, 100.

The following appointments have been made in the rural free delivery service for Nebraska:

McCool Junction, route No. 1—Edwin Wilcox, carrier; Frank B. Hays, substitute.

Arborville, route No. 1—Amos W. Shafer, carrier; Hiram Mellott, substitute.

Valparaiso, route No. 4—Stephen M. Newby, carrier; David O. White, substitute.

Dakota Divorces Not Recognized

Justice Weaver of the supreme court in a decision at Des Moines does not recognize divorces granted in South Dakota to Iowans who go to the northern prairie land for legal separation. In the case of Beman versus Beeman it is held that the husband must pay to his wife one-third of his fortune since the decree of divorce was granted. Mrs. Beeman will receive about $3,000.

The case is of unusual interest for the reason that such a decision invalidates many divorces granted Iowans. Under it, residence in either of the Dakotas for the statutory period is not satisfactory evidence of a bona fide change of residence.

Has 78,000 Population

There are 78,000 persons living in Kansas City, Kan., at the present time, according to the canvass completed by the Hoye Directory company. This is an increase of 3,000 compared with the canvass results last year. The growth would be considered remarkable in any city. It is truly wonderful for Kansas City, Kan., considering the fact that last summer's flood made thousands of persons temporarily homeless.

HEARST CRITICIZES KNOX

Compares Him to an Old Hen Regarding Trust Prosecution

"The attorney general has been brooding over the evidence like an old hen on a doorknob for eighteen months. He has not acted in any way and won't let anybody take it away from him."

Representative William Randolph Hearst made this statement before the house committee on judiciary in arguing for a favorable report on his resolution calling on the attorney general for the evidence against the anthracite coal carrying railroads which includes the report of the United States district attorney for the southern district of New York.

Mr. Hearst occupied the attention of the committee for an hour in the first argument he has made in his capacity of a member of the house. He reviewed in detail the proceedings instituted by himself against the railroads and demanded that action should be taken either by the attorney general or that the house should appoint a committee of seven of its members to compile anew the evidence in the possession of the attorney general with a view to securing action against these roads under the Sherman anti-trust act.

CANAL IS OURS

Transfer of Panama Canal to the United States Has Been Made

The Associated press is authorized to announce that the contract by which the ownership of the Panama canal passes to the United States is signed, sealed, delivered and complete.

The title to the canal route is now vested in the government of the United States.

The document by which this transaction is consummated bears the signatures of President Bo and Director Richman of the Panama Canal company, who signed for the company as its responsible officials.

The transfer is complete and without reservation and the United States secures a perfect title.

This result has been accomplished quietly and most unexpectedly. At the meeting of the stockholders of the Panama Canal company in Paris President Bo announced that the sale had been completed, and instead of asking for authority to execute a future contract, it remained to ratify the sale.

When W. A. Day and Charles W. Russell, the United States assistant attorneys general, who are in Paris to assist in the transfer of the property, were seen by the Associated press, they reluctantly admitted that the transfer had been consummated.

Charles Fair Estate Settled

Judge Cook of the California Superior court bench, has ordered the final Charles M. Fair, which was appraised at $3,040,000, to the two sisters of the deceased, Mrs. Herman Oelrichs and Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt. The sum of $126,000 was held out for the purpose of meeting various other claims. Attorney's fees and other claims to the sum of over $200,000 were allowed, to be paid out of the estate.

No contest in the distribution of the estate was made.

During the proceedings Charles S. Neal testified that $130,000 had been paid to Mrs. Nelson, mother of Mrs. Fair.

Chicago a Summer Resort

During the St. Louis exposition Chicago will be billed as a summer resort point by all the western railroads. This was decided upon at a meeting of a special committee of the Western Passenger association. The rate in effect from all points west to the Pacific coast will be one fare plus $2 for the round trip with a minimum rate of $20. This rate is about the same as was granted for the exposition, and will protect the Chicago gateway on all classes of business during the exposition.

Wilmot Best Marksman

Wilmot, shooting from the thirty-yard line, won the fourth mid-winter interstate shoot at twenty-five live birds at Blue River park, near Kansas City, making a straight score. Thirty-three men entered the race and fifteen of that number finished, but as none of the other eighteen men killed his first twenty without a miss, Wilmot is conceded to be the winner. T. P. Marshall, Keithsburg, Ill., (32 yards), Ed O'Brien, Florence, Kan., (32 yards) and Russell Klein, (31 yards) each killed twenty-four birds.

Chicago Murderers Hung

Compelled to be carried to the scaffold, Peter Niedermeier, leader of the car barn bandits, was hanged in Chicago. Weak and pale, but with a slight suggestion of a smile, the bandit failed to carry out his oft-repeated boast that he would die before reaching the gallows. The hanging of his associates, Gustav Marx and Harvey Van Dine, quickly followed.

RUSSIANS FLEEING

Many Drown in Yalu River by Their Haste

JAPANESE MINE DID WORK

No Longer Any Doubt as to Cause of Sinking of the Russian Ship Petropavlovsk and Pobieda

A correspondent of the London Times, cabling from New Chwang, says that a messenger has arrived there from the Yalu river with the information that the Russians are fleeing north across the river in overcrowded boats and are losing hundreds by drowning.

The correspondent of the Standard at Tien Tsin says that Japanese troops are now embarking from Korea and possibly are being reinforced by the forces on the Yalu river, from which the Russians have practically withdrawn.

The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, says that Port Arthur undoubtedly is effectually blocked and that events are culminating around the doomed fortress.

All doubt as to the cause of the destruction of the battleship Petropavlovsk and the damage to the battleship Pobieda at Port Arthur is dissipated by the report submitted by telegraph to the Russian emperor. In it Viceroy Alexieff stated in a way that leaves the matter no longer an open question that mines were responsible for the disaster.

The viceroy's report was sent only after a thorough investigation, ordered by the emperor to be made. It explicitly states that "under the starboard side of the Petropavlovsk there was an explosion" and specifically declares that a mine exploded under the Pobieda. That the Russian ships did not run on their own mines is shown by the failure of the viceroy to mention anything of the kind and by the positive statement of the port admiral that Admiral Makaroff was familiar with the location of the torpedoes defending the port. The Russian officials also fail to understand the surprising blunder caused by the mistake of the Russian torpedo boat destroyers in taking the Japanese torpedo boats for a Russian flotila, which resulted in the loss of the Strashni.

Working for Steel Trust

A London dispatch says: Even the most sanguine do not expect immediate results from the exchange of views now in progress between representatives of steel manufacturers of the United States, Germany, Great Britain, Austro-Hungary and Belgium, with the object of establishing among the steel makers of the important exporting countries an agreement whereby export prices will be fixed and indiscriminate "dumping" be prevented. The movement, which was initiated by the Germans, will, it is thought by many interested persons, find an insuperable bar in the attitude of an influential body of Britishers who are equally interested as producers and consumers of steel in turning out the more highly finished class of goods, and who profit from the "dumping."

Hill's Plan Put Through

The stockholders of the Northern Securities company held a special meeting in Hoboken, N. J., to vote on the proposed pro rata plan of distribution of assets as recommended by the directors. Officials of the company who were present included President J. J. Hill, Fourth Vice President and General Counsel W. P. Clough, Secretary E. T. Nichols and Nicholas Terhune, a director. Winslow S. Pierce read a formal protest in which he said that the Northern Securities company is not now and never was the owner of the stock sold by E. H. Harriman and Winslow S. Pierce and that the Northern Securities company had no right to distribute the stock under the plan proposed.

Railroad Without Debts

The Sioux City & Western Railroad company, the first railroad without any debt whatever to file its tax schedule with the state board of equalization, submitted its report to the secretary of the board. The road has a capital stock of $2,500,000, with no stock on the market. The stock is listed at its par value of $100 per share. The gross earnings for the year were $224,563.57 and the net earnings $23,942.15. Operating expenses cost $195,621 and improvement $1,181. Maintenance cost $194,439.

Miss Roosevelt at St. Louis

A telegram has been received at St. Louis by Miss Irene Catlin, daughter of Daniel Catlin, from Miss Alice Roosevelt, accepting Miss Catlin's invitation to be her guest during the latter part of May and attend the world's fair.

Philippines' Bonds Sold

The $3,000,000 Philippine temporary certificates which C. S. Jones, president of the American National bank of Kansas City, Mo., recently purchased from the government, were sold to Blair & Co., of New York.

ROSEBUD AGENCY BILL

President Roosevelt's Advice Taken and Bill So Amended

The Rosebud bill, opening to public settlement 416,000 acres of land in the Rosebud Indian reservation in South Dakota, has passed both houses of congress.

In commenting upon the measure, Congressman Martin said: "The opposition to the bill concerning the price the land was to be sold at was entirely removed after the rate of $4 per acre was agreed upon. This agreement with the Sioux Indians was reached by the secretary of the interior through the Indian agent in charge of the Rosebud agency. There is no doubt now that the president will sign the bill. After it has been enrolled and engrossed it will be taken to the White house for the president's signature. The lottery plan will be adopted in the allotment of the lands. The Nebraska congressmen deserve much credit for aid rendered the passage of this bill."

WITHIN $1,000 OF GOAL

$32,000 Pledged for Nebraska University Temple Fund

The committee working for the pledging of the Nebraska university temple fund has announced that $32,000 has been raised in pledges toward that building. This means that something more than $1,000 remains to be contributed by the students and the people. The committee announces that work on the structure probably will begin next spring.

A good part of the pledges have been redeemed by those who took them. People in all parts of the state have signed, and a number of individual pledges of large sums have been made. The committee refuses to divulge names of the givers. The university students have been working earnestly in behalf of the fund, and one man raised $75 while at his home in the western part of the state during the Christmas holidays.

IN JAIL FOR DEBT

First Time in History of Nebraska Such Rule was Enforced

Security of a new kind has been recognized by Lancaster county.

Charles E. Petterson, who has been held in jail nearly a month, has given notes for the payment of a sum of money to support the child of Miss Pauline Shepherd and the county holds as security the paternity charge on which Patterson was imprisoned. When Patterson pays the notes the county will dismiss the charge.

The prisoner has been released from the county jail. He agreed to pay the girl a sum suitable to herself and her family. Part was given in cash and the remainder in notes, to be paid in a short time.

Patterson forfeited his bond on the last day of the February term of the district court and was later arrested on a capias.

A Station Burned

The Burlington depot at Amazonia, on the line between Lincoln and St. Joseph, was burned to the ground and a car of feed nearby also was destroyed by the fire.

It is supposed that the station was struck by lightning. The damage to the depot amounted to about $1,400 and the car of feed was valued at about $400.

A box car was sent to Amazonia and it is being utilized as a station. The depot which was burned was moved about two months ago and repaired and fixed up to that time.

Assessing Kearney County

The work of assessing Kearney county under the new revenue law is about one-fourth completed, and Assessor Sutton has made an estimate from the work done as to what the averages will be. The value of farm lands will range from $3,500 to $4,000 per quarter section. In former years these lands have been assessed at from $1.50 to $3.25 per acre. Horses will average $50 per head, and cattle will run $12.50 to $15. Hogs are listed at $4 per hundred. Wheat is assessed at 55 to 60 cents per bushel, corn at 35 cents and oats at 30 cents. Agricultural implements and household goods are taken at $40 to $50 and poultry at $2 to $2.50 per dozen.

Pittsburg's Foreign Musician

Emil Paurek, of Dresden, Germany, the musical conductor, has signed a contract to direct the Pittsburg orchestra for the next three seasons, in consideration of $10,000 per season of twenty-five weeks.

Think the Trust Responsible

Representative McNary of Massachusetts, has introduced a resolution intsructing the secretary of commerce and labor to investigate the causes for the high price of coal in the United States since January, 1903; whether the price is controlled by a combination and if so to investigate the organization of such a combine and its methods of doing business.

A boy can be civilized, but then he isn't a boy any longer.

IT MAY MEAN PEACE

The Withdrawal of Alexiff a Step Toward Peace

HE WAS A STRONG RADICAL

If Russia Could Win One Victory Over Japan She Could Back Down from Her Position

The announcement from St. Petersburg by the Associated press of the withdrawal of Viceroy Alexieff from the direction of the affairs of the far east, together with the lucid and interesting story of the rise and fall of the radical element in Russia headed by Alexieff and Bezobrzoff, was received at Washington with intense interest in official circles. The change indicated is believed to portend a complete reversal of Russian policy in Manchuria, and it is believed that could Russia save her face and pride before the world by securing a decisive victory on land the way would speedily be opened for peace negotiations on the broad basis of the last Japanese proposition just before the outbreak of the war. The restoration to power and influence of M. Witte, the deposed Russion minister of finance, who strongly opposed to war, is expected to follow very soon.

The Japanese legation in London is greatly interested in the announcement of Viceroy Alexieff's resignation. The opinion is expressed that if he had resigned six months ago there would have been no war, but now that hostilities are in progress the Japanese would have preferred to see Alexieff retain control.

AIDS PERRY FUND

Marquis Ito Contributes $750 to the Perry Memorial Fund

Marquis Ito, of Tokio, Japan, contributed the sum of $750 to the Perry memorial relief fund. In a letter accompanying the contribution the marquis said:

"Permit me to express my warmest sympathy in this work, which will not only perpetrate the name of your great commodore, who already is revered and beloved here, but which will also carry home to every one of us, even the poorest of our families, the traditional friendly feeling of Americans toward our countrymen.

"This enterprise, to a certain extent, is interpreted as an endeavor on the part of those who first introduced us to western ideals to lead us farther toward a universal community and humanitarian principles. Before these the national frontiers should vanish, and they will vanish. I sincerely hope that this work will be crowned with unprecedented success."

The Perry memorial relief fund was organized in Tokio on March 31 upon the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Japan treaty by Japan and the United States. The purpose of the fund is to bring aid to the destitute families of Japanese soldiers and sailors. A number of prominent Japanese and Americans subscribed to the fund as soon as the movement was organized.

James Doyle Wanted

If James Doyle, who served as janitor at the Home of the Good Shepherd, Omaha, for several months two years ago, will present himself he may secure a considerable fortune which has come to him through the death of relatives at Peoria and Dixon, Ill. He has several heirs who wish him to establish proof that he is either alive or dead in order that they may be able to tell just how rich they are. The details of the information received at the office of the Omaha city clerk are meagre. It has been ascertained that there is no record of Doyle having died in Omaha, but his present whereabouts are unknown.

Spelling Winners' Prizes

State Superintendent Fowler has been disseminating knowledge forwarding forty-two copies of Webster's Academic dictionary to as many persons in Nebraska. The recipients of the books are the winners of prizes at the spelling contest at the Nebraska state teacher's meeting held last January. Inspector Crabtree of the university has inquired into the results of the contest, and it is his opinion that it has awakened great interest in this branch of knowledge, and he believes the rising generation equal if not excell their forefathers in the art of spelling.

Turning the Canal

The early plans to have the transfer of the Panama Canal company's property take place at the United States embassy in Paris, have been changed and all the papers relating to the transfer are being executed before Consul General Cowdy. Some of the most important document ensuring American ownership of the canal have already been executed and the stockholders' meeting is awaited largely as a formality to make the transaction complete.

NEBRASKA IS THIRTEENTH

Only Twelve Larger Colleges and Universities in United States

Nebraska university stands thirteenth in point of attendance among the universities of the United States. The registrar of Columbia university has gathered and printed the statistics of all the leading colleges in this country. This is practically the same rank that Nebraska has held for several years. The only changes since last year are that Michigan has passed California and in the statistics Illinois has passed up several notches. But since the publication of the statistics the Chicago College of Dental Surgery, which Illinois had taken and which had raised her so high, has been dropped, so that Illinois stands where it did before, just below Wisconsin.

The statistics are given below:

	Attendance.	Faculty.
Harvard	6,013	549
Columbia	4,557	585
Chicago	4,146	197
Michigan	3,926	182
California	3,690	342
Illinois	3,661	399
Minnesota	3,550	295
Cornell	3,438	426
Wisconsin	3,221	225
Yale	2,990	325
Northwestern	2,740	304
Pennsylvania	2,644	308
Nebraska	2,247	220
Syracuse	2,207	180
Ohio State	1,710	140
Indiana	1,614	71
Missouri	1,540	106
Princeton	1,434	108
Stanford	1,370	128
Johns Hopkins	694	150

UNCLE SAM NEEDS IT

Cabinet Believes United States Should Own Wireless Telegraph

Important matter considered at the cabinet meeting was that looking to the control by the government of wireless telegraphy. The subject was broached by Secretary Hay in connection with the communication received recently by this government from Russia. The discussion finally drifted to the expression of an opinion that it would be desirable if not, indeed, absolutely necessary, for this government to control, at least in a supervisory way, the operation of wireless telegraphy, particularly along the coasts. Stations for the receipt of wireless messages are springing up at various points along both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. It was pointed out that, in the event of a war with a foreign nation, it might be necessary in defense of the nation for officers of the United States to have charge of these stations, as a means of assurance to the government that no communication was established with the vsesels of an enemy's fleet and that the system was not employed to the detriment of United States interests.

Sheldon a Bad Man

George Galway, alias Frank Sheldon, who was brought from Petersboro, Ontario, to York, Neb., to answer the charge of forging his employer's name to a $600 check, pleaded guilty when arraigned in county court. He was placed under $1,500 bonds to appear in district court in June to receive his sentence. In default of bond he was placed in jail. Galway is also wanted at Fremont, Kankakee, Ill., and in Vermont on forgery and embezzlement charges. He is also charged with desertion from the United States navy after he had enlisted at Sacramento.

Regarding Exclusion Law

President Roosevelt has decided not to make public at this time the opinion rendered by Attorney General Knox as to the validity of the Chinese exclusion law in view of the denunciation by China of the treaty. The president was induced to withhold the opinion because of the amendment to the general deficiency bill now pending before congress looking to the modification of the existing exclusion law. As already announced by the Associated press the attorney general in his opinion holds that the exclusion law will continue effective after the treaty shall have lapsed. It was regarded as necessary, however, that some slight amendments should be made to it on account of the denunciation of the treaty.

Audubon Society at Work

The Omaha Audubon society is opening up its spring campaign. Miss Joy Higgins is busy posting in school houses, public parks and elsewhere notices which were authorized last fall, but not used before, offering a reward for the arrest and conviction of anyone guilty of violating the city ordinance which makes it a misdemeanor to shoot at any bird with any manner of weapon, to kill any bird, and even to have a dead bird in possession. The notices are signed by Chief of Police Donahue.

England for Arbitration

The general council of the bar of England at its annual meeting unanimously passed the following resolution, proposed by Sir Edward Clarke, former solicitor general:

"This meeting expresses strong approval of the conclusion by this country of treaties of arbitration with other countries and also of the manifestations in Canada and the United States in favor of a similar treaty between this country and the United States."

Women who work, whether in the house, store, office or factory, very rarely have the ability to stand the strain. The case of Miss Frankie Orser, of Boston, Mass., is interesting to all women, and adds further proof that woman's great friend in need is **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.**

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I suffered misery for several years. My back ached and I had bearing down pains, and frequent headaches. I would often wake from a restful sleep in such pain and misery that it would be hours before I could close my eyes again. I dreaded the long nights and weary days. I could do no work. I consulted different physicians hoping to get relief, but, finding that their medicines did not cure me, I tried **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound**, as it was highly recomended to me. I am glad that I did so, for I soon found that it was the medicine for my case. Very soon I was rid of every ache and pain and restored to perfect health. I feel splendid, have a fine appetite, and have gained in weight a lot."—MISS FRANKIE ORSER, 14 Warrenton St., Boston, Mass.

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"After two months I decided to try what a change would do for me, and as **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound** was strongly recommended to me I decided to try it. Within three days I felt better, my appetite returned, and I could sleep. In another week I was able to sit up part of the day, and in ten days more I was well. My strength had returned, I gained fourteen pounds, and felt better and stronger than I had for years. I gratefully acknowledge its merits. Very sincerely yours, MRS. BERT E. LENNOX, 120 East 4th St., Dixon, Ill."

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"My wife is trying to get into society."

"Ah! I suppose it keeps her busy."

"Yes, but not as busy as it keeps me trying not to get into debt."

K. C. S. Almanac for 1904.

The Kansas City Southern Railway Company's Annual Almanac is now ready for distribution. It contains the usual monthly calendars, many useful household hints and information concerning the country in Missouri, Arkansas, the Indian Territory, Texas and Louisiana. Write for a copy to S. G. Warner, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, K. C. S. Ry., Kansas City, Mo.

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OLDTIMER WENT THE LIMIT.

Can Any One Remember a Windier Day Than This?

The late William C. Whitney used to relate a conversation that he heard in his youth between two Connecticut farmers during his student days at Yale.

"These two old men," he would begin, "always were contradicting and deriding one another. They were friends; they liked to be together; but all their talk was made up of sneers and scoffs.

"One windy March day they fell into an argument on the question of high winds. They disputed bitterly as to which of them could remember the most windy day.

"The younger of the two said:

"'Well, Josh, I mind the mornin' o' April four; in the year '03, when 'twuz so all-fired windy that it took the crows two hours to fly from the ten-acre lot to their roost by the green barn—a fly o' less'n a mile.'

"'Shucks, William,' said the older farmer, 'I mind days so windy that the crows had to walk home.'"—New York Notes.

JAPS MAKE NO FUSS.

Businesslike Methods in the Departure of Soldiery.

This is a picture of a battalion leaving Tokio for the Chinese war at the railway station: Suddenly the public are instructed to wait a little and the turnstiles are locked. At last the great iron gates at the end of the platform are opened and the head of the battalion appears. It marches straight on till the leading company arrives at the front carriage.

The battalion is halted, turns toward the train; in a moment the train is packed as full as it can hold. The guard whistles, the train moves on. There are no friends on the platform—no women—no band playing "The Girl I Left Behind Me." "All is quiet, all is great," everything betokens order and quiet determination. Now the train has gone, the great gates are shut, the turnstiles are opened, the next ordinary passenger's train is ready to depart "on time." This is, as far as I can remember, the exact description of a Japanese battalion leaving for the front in the Chinese war. Who can resist such a nation as this?—London Telegraph.

Talking Pictures.

We have in the phonograph a fairly good reproduction of the speaking or singing voice, and in the cinematograph a photographic imitation of movement. That a combination of the two would be striking and valuable has occurred to many inventors, but hitherto none has succeeded in combining them practically, chiefly because the difficulty of making the two devices move in perfect time. This has now been effected by two French inventors, who operate the cinematograph by an electric motor controlled by a device on the phonograph axle. The two pieces of apparatus—optical and acoustical—thus keep perfect accord, and the result is said to be most satisfactory.

The Uninvited Guest.

Trouble—well, jest any day,
Comes, an' says he's goin' to stay;
Hangs his hat up on the rack,
Takes a chair an' leans 'way back!
Botherin', don't that beat the nation—
Comin', with no invitation!

Hear him talk!—"The way wuz long,
Folks directin' of me wrong;
But I'm glad they did, kaze I
Might 'a' passed yer dwellin' by!
From this place I'll never roam—
I'll jest make myself at home!"

But I say: "Joy's on the way;
Train's a trifle late to-day;
But he's comin'—oh, he's comin'!
Don't you hear that tune he's hummin'?"
Trouble says: "I'll go right now;
House don't suit me anyhow!"
—Frank L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

Not the Medicine He Wanted.

Human life is full of disappointments. For instance, Representative John Sharp Williams, the minority leader of the national house, has been suffering from a severe cold. He diagnosed his ailments to Mrs. Williams. "I gave her every symptom I thought should cause the prescribing of a good, old-fashioned whisky toddy with plenty of sugar," he says, "but the ways of women are past understanding. What do you think she prescribed after listening to my symptoms? Nothing more and nothing less than a mustard plaster?"

The Japanese Soldier.

Rice and fried fish form the food of the Japanese army in campaigning times. The rice is boiled until quite thick and glutinous, and then cut into squares. When possible fruit is substituted for fish. The Japanese soldier, according to M. Pichon, has muscles like whipcord, is a sure shot, has an eye for landmarks, and a memory for locality. He can do with three hours' sleep out of the twenty-four, is cleanly, attends to sanitary instructions, and is ardently patriotic. He costs the state about 9 cents a day, and thinks himself well off.

Hear From Sinking Vessel.

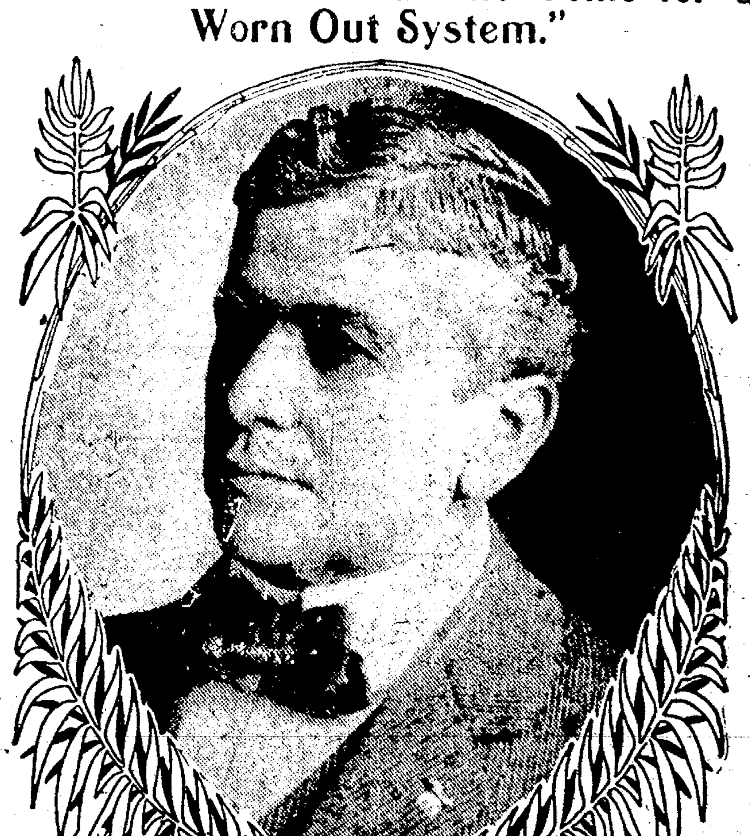
The Charles Steele, a vessel of 1,600 tons, with a crew of twenty, left Leish, Scotland in October, 1898, bound for Hamburg, and was not seen afterward. A bottle has just been found on the coast containing a message from one of the crew, stating that the vessel had been in collision and was sinking.

A New Umbrella Jar.

A new umbrella jar about nine by twenty-seven inches is certainly much more convenient than the tall ones used in the past. This modern one is long enough to hold not only the umbrellas and parasols, but the canes as well. It is of blue majolica and has a large white daisy sprawling over the front.

A MICHIGAN MAYOR SAYS:

"I Know Pe-ru-na is a Fine Tonic for a Worn Out System."



Hon. Nelson Rice of St. Joseph, Mich., knows of a large number of grateful patients in his county who have been cured by Peruna.

Hon. Nelson Rice, Mayor of St. Joseph, Michigan, writes:
The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio:

Gentlemen: "I wish to congratulate you on the success of your efforts to win the confidence of the public in need of a reliable medicine. *I know Peruna is a fine tonic for a worn out system and a specific in cases of catarrhal difficulties. You have a large number of grateful patients in this county who have used Peruna and have been cured by it, and who praise it above all other medicines. Peruna has my heartiest good wishes."—Nelson Rice.*

MARCH, APRIL, MAY.

Weak Nerves, Poor Digestion, Impure Blood, Depressed Spirits.

The sun has just crossed the equator on its yearly trip north. The real equator is shifted toward the north nearly eighteen miles every day. With the return of the sun comes the bodily ills peculiar to spring. With one person the nerves are weak; another person, digestion poor; with others the blood is out of order; and still others have depressed spirits and tired feeling.

All these things are especially true of those who have been suffering with catarrh in any form or la grippe. A course of Peruna is sure to correct all these conditions. It is an ideal spring medicine. Peruna does not irritate—it invigorates. It does not temporarily stimulate—it strengthens. It equalizes the circulation of the blood, tranquilizes the nervous system and regulates the bodily functions. Peruna, unlike so many spring medicines is not simply a physic or stimulant or nervine. It is a natural tonic and invigorator.

If you do not receive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

"Dad," said little Reginald, "what is a bucket shop?"

"A bucket shop, my son," said the fond father, feelingly, "a bucket shop is a modern cooperage establishment, to which a man takes a barrel and brings back the bunghole."

Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE

Won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10 cents and equals 20 cents worth of any other bluing. If your grocer does not keep it send 10c for sample to The Laundry Blue Co., 14 Michigan Street, Chicago.

The state bank of Holbrook, which was approved by the state banking board, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The capital stock is $6,000.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz. in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

Do you want 16 oz. instead of 12 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

Norfolk is greatly pleased at its success in securing the next meeting of the North Nebraska Teachers' association.

Scheherazade has married the sultan.

"Yes," said the heroine of the "Arabian Nights," "things are just reversed; he tells me fairy tales every night now."

DO YOUR CLOTHES LOOK YELLOW?

If so, use Red Cross Ball Blue. It will make them white as snow. 2 oz. package 5 cents.

Even the milk of human kindness may be condensed.

The Shortest Way out of an attack of

Rheumatism or Neuralgia

Is to use

St. Jacobs Oil

Which affords not only sure relief, but a prompt cure. It soothes, subdues, and ends the suffering.

Price, 25c.

WEATHERWISE IS THE MAN WHO WEARS TOWER'S FISH BRAND SLICKERS

A reputation extending over sixty-six years and our guarantee are back of every garment bearing the SIGN OF THE FISH. There are many imitations. Be sure of the name TOWER on the buttons.

ON SALE EVERYWHERE.

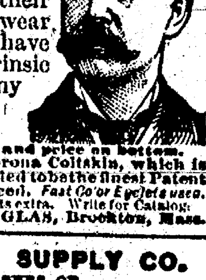
A. J. TOWER CO. BOSTON, MASS. U. S. A.
TOWER CANADIAN CO. Limited, TORONTO, CAN.

MEXICAN

Mustang Liniment

is a positive cure for Piles.

W. L. DOUGLAS
$4.00, $3.50, $3.00, $2.50 UNION MADE SHOES BEST IN THE WORLD.



W. L. Douglas shoes are worn by more men than any other make. The reason is, they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and have greater intrinsic value than any other shoes.

Sold Everywhere.

Look for name and price on bottom. Douglas uses Corona Coltskin, which is everywhere conceded to be the finest Patent Leather yet produced. *Fast Color Eyelets used.* Shoes by mail, 25 cents extra. Write for Catalog. W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.

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JOBBERS OF
PUMPS, WINDMILLS and PLUMBING MATERIAL
BELTING and THRESHER SUPPLIES.
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FARMERS BEST ON EARTH Harness, Collars and Saddles

With BB trade mark are made from the old-fashioned tanned California leather. With care will last a lifetime. Ask your dealer if they do not handle our goods. Send 2-cent stamp for Catalog of our Harness and Saddles, which show you a way to buy them.

BUCKSTAFF BROS., The Harness Men, Lincoln, Nebraska.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Under a recent order of the Commissioner of Pensions all veterans serving 90 days or more during the Civil War, and honorably discharged, and over 62 years of age are entitled to pension. Write to Butts & Phillips, 1426 N. Y. Ave., Washington, D. C.

References: Washington Board of Trade; Traders National Bank.

When Answering ... Kindly ...

Important Business Announcements

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

I am now prepared to do accordian pleating from 1 to 30 inches wide.
Mrs. F. H. Taylor.

BARRED Plymouth Rock eggs for sale. 25c per dozen. Mrs. P. G. Hales.

FOR SALE:—A house and two lots nicely located in Table Rock. Enquire at this office or write Mrs. S. E. Busserman, 1733 R St., Lincoln.

Wanted—Trustworthy Lady or Gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced. Position permanent. Address Manager, 905 Monon Bldg., Chicago.

MANAGER WANTED

Trustworthy lady or gentleman to manage business in this county and adjoining territory for well and favorably known house of solid financial standing. $20.00 straight cash salary and expenses paid each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Expense money advanced. Position permanent. Address Manager, 870 Como Block, Chicago, Illinois.

Save the Loved Ones.

Mrs Mary A Vliet, Newcastle, Colo, writes: I believe Ballard's Horehound Syrup is superior to any other cough medicine and will do all that is claimed for it, and it is so pleasant to take. My little girl wants to take it when she has no need for it. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the great cure for all pulmonary ailments. 25c, 50c $1 at Colwell's.

Fisheries in Norway.

A comparison has been drawn in Norway as to the profit of the fisheries in the sea and in the rivers which shows that the former are three times as remunerative as the latter.

Large Transaction in Cattle.

The purchase of 25,000 head of cattle at one time was the transaction of a Texas man recently. It is said that twenty-five trains were required to transport them.

Delightful Climate of Mexico.

The mean annual temperature in the shade, of the City of Mexico, for the period of twenty-five years past, has been 53.76 degrees F

Crossing Contest.

"Don't you know that it is wrong to gamble?" "Yaas," said Pechaway Tilk, as he shook the dice. "I knows it's wrong to gamble, but dishere isn't gamblin'; dishere is a guessin' contest."—Washington Star.

Mamba Held to Secret.

The mamba of the Chartreuse, who has been exhibited in Paris under the endorsement of the associations that have been offered large sums for the secret of the manufacture of chartreuse liquor.

Woman Carries Big Policy.

Mrs. Leland Stanford is said to carry a larger amount of insurance than any other woman in the world. Her policies amount to more than a million dollars.

Preserved Fish Good Food.

Preserved fish are generally more economical as food than fresh fish. Thus salt cod furnishes 50 per cent more nourishment than does fresh cod.

Methodists in England.

There are seven different branches of the Wesleyan church in England; but the Wesleyan Methodists exceed in numbers the other four combined."

Consular Service Costs Little.

On foreign intercourse the United States spends $7,200,000 a year, but consular fees and other receipts cuts the to less than $1,000,000.

A Fine Distinction.

Samuel Elsworth Kiser, the poet-humorist of the Chicago Record-Herald, recently visited Baltimore in connection with a gathering of humorists in that city. During his visit he was asked by one of the local newspaper humorists to write a piece of verse for his department. Kiser turned to his friend with a bland air and asked: "Poetry, or for publication?"—New York Times.

As Others See Us.

"You always say the wrong thing at the right time, Henry," said Mrs. Packem. "Now, I always think twice before I speak."

"Yes, my dear," replied the meek and lowly Henry, "but you are one of those rapid-fire thinkers."

Birthday of the Sun.

This year, according to Sir Robert Ball, the sun celebrates its 100,000,000th birthday.

Great Tract is Unexplored.

The valley of the Amazon still remains almost unexplored.

A Great Sensation

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind, when W H Brown of that place who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr King's New Discovery for consumption. He writes: I endured insufferable agonies from asthma but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure. Similar cures of consumption, pneumonia, bronchitis and grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and $1. Guaranteed by Colwell, Druggist. Trial bottles free.

$500 IN GOLD FREE

Great New Offer on the Number of Paid Admissions to the St. Louis World's Fair on

JULY 4, 1904.

Contest Opens March 1, 1904. - Closes June 30, 1904, at Midnight

No guesses will be received after that date

Conditions of the Contest: Every purchaser of a quart can of Liquid Koal, buying from one of our regular dealers, on the number of people that will pass through the gates, paid admissions, of the St. Louis World's Fair, on July 4, 1904. To the one who purchases a gallon can four votes will be allowed; a five-gallon can, eight; five guesses. No limit to the number of guesses allowed on one can. Each guess must be written plainly with three lines to the address, and be written on separate pieces of paper. Fill out the coupon given with each can, and be sure to write your address plainly. Each coupon will be numbered consecutively, beginning with No. 1, and each guess must have the coupon number corresponding with the coupon on the can. Only one guess will be received in one envelope, and no guesses will be received after midnight, June 30, 1904, after which time no guesses will be received. In case of a tie, the prizes will be awarded equally. During this contest, where we have no dealer, orders will be sent prepaid and cash must accompany them. Money on deposit at the Peoples Bank, Sheldon, Iowa, to pay these prizes.

Here is the List of Prizes.

For the nearest correct estimate or guess	$250.00
For the second nearest correct estimate or guess	100.00
For the third nearest correct estimate or guess	50.00
For the fourth nearest correct estimate or guess	25.00
For the fifth nearest correct estimate or guess	15.00
For the sixth nearest correct estimate or guess	10.00
For the next 20 nearest correct estimates or guesses	5.00
Total	$500.00

Special Prizes

For first nearest correct estimate or guess received in March 19th, National Sack Tool and Bedding Co. Prize [illegible] $ 50.00

For first nearest correct estimate or guess received in April 20th, Sheldon Incubator Co. Prize [illegible] 50.00

For first nearest correct estimate or guess received in May the 2 Gallon can Liquid Koal, Value [illegible] 12.75

Valuable Information

"In said [illegible] to form my estimates, we furnish the following figures:

Total paid admissions during May to the Chicago World's Fair were [illegible] 1,950,067

Total paid admissions during May to the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo [illegible] 1,848,120

A fair will fix the total number of paid admissions to the St. Louis World's Fair at [illegible]

Keep in your estimate as indicated above

GUESSING COUPON

Town ..... State .....

Date 1904

Any Dear National Medical Co. Sheldon, Iowa:

My estimate on the nearest paid admissions to the St. Louis World's Fair on July 4, 1904, is .....

Counted out by [illegible]

Given from the Table Rock Argus

LIQUID KOAL FOR HORSES

keeps large healthy, Kills lice on all kinds of animals, cures lice, pinkeye and distemper, and is the greatest [illegible] disease of animals known to modern science. Sold on its merits. Your money back if not satisfied. Write the company, inclosing stamp, for free advice on all diseases of animals.

One quart can, $1. One gallon can, $2. Other sizes in proportion.

Manufactured by
NATIONAL MEDICAL CO.,
Sheldon, Iowa

Wahoo, Neb., Dec. 17, 1903.

I have been using L. K. as an insect destroyer and find it all you claim for it. Would recommend it to all. I will soon [illegible] the place of the lice.
Yours, [illegible]

FRED M COLWELL,
Table Rock, Neb.

Visitors Lunch.

Those human lunch counters are now on view in the anthropological museum at Columbia university. The first is of an Eskimo and his snow-white wife, this would, of course, be ruddy were the properties of blood. The third is that of a coal miner and is coal black. The intermediate one is that of a town dweller and is a dirty slate gray, as are the lungs of all dwellers in cities at this moment.

Coffee From Pink Eye.

Pinkroot, or "pink eye," is cultivated in Florida by Mr. Ackerman in enforcement of an edict of the United States Marine hospital, owners of the disease have been known to cure the symptoms of the malady in a few days. The company is convinced that the disease was brought there by herdsmen, by way of Cuba.

Food in Time of War.

An association of prominent men is being organized in England to urge parliament to create a royal commission, which shall investigate the question of feeding England in time of war. The association advocates the old idea of establishing great granaries to hold a reserve supply of food.

Will Seek to Verify Claim.

During its stay the scientific expedition to the Panama islands, under the patronage of the Geographical Society of Baltimore, will give considerable attention to the verification of the claim that Watling Island is the San Salvador where Columbus first landed.

Baptists in Russia.

The recent edict of the Czar granting religious toleration in the empire, will probably make the condition of Baptists more tolerable than it has been. There are 198 Baptist churches in Russia, with 22,244 members, and last year 1,264 were added by baptism.

The Oldest College.

The College of Confucius, the old university of China, has for 3,000 years borne the name of Kwotsekiev. Its main building, the finest temple of Confucius in China, has 330 columns in its court, on which are engraved the names of its 60,000 graduates.

To Build Church in Africa.

St. Andrew's is the oldest Presbyterian church in South Africa, and it has for nearly seventy-five years been the Caledonian church for Presbyterian soldiers in Cape Town. It is proposed to erect a building to seat about 1,200 people.

Walks Without Crutches

I was much afflicted with sciatica, writes Ed C. Nud, Lowaville, Sedgwick county, Kan, going about on crutches and suffering a deal of pain. I was induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment which relieved me. I used three 50c bottles. It is the greatest liniment I ever used; have recommended it to a number of persons, all of whom themselves as being benefitted by it. I now walk without crutches, able to perform a great deal of light labor on the farm. 25c, 50c and $1 at Colwell's.

JEFFERSON AS A FARMER.

Great Statesman Was Proud to Be a Tiller of the Soil.

Little Washington, Jefferson delighted in farming. "The boys of a race," he wrote in his youth, "are in the nurseries of the people." A guest present at Monticello a quarter of a century ago, shows the profusion which he farmed at Monticello. For example is an extract from memoranda for July of one year during Mr. Cleveland's administration: "Planted cut celery; rowed patch of peas for fall; planted snap beans. July 22—Had the last dish of our green peas. July 31.—Had Irish potatoes from my garden."—From "Our Farmer Presidents," in Leslie's Monthly for June.

A GOOD THING.

German Syrup is the special prescription of Dr A Boschee, a celebrated German physician, and is acknowledged to be one of the most fortunate discoveries in medicine. It quickly cures Coughs, Colds and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

M H Marble,

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Garden Seeds.

The Seeds that Yield are Sold by Allinson.

I will again handle the popular

Henry Field Seeds

and will have all kinds of Garden Seeds, Onion Sets, Bulbs, Plants, etc.

White Ohio, Early Ohio, Banner and other varieties of Potatoes. Home Grown and Red River Grown Potatoes.

White Elephant—a big corn—Shenandoah Yellow—a hundred day corn—Iowa Silvermine, Early Ohio—a ninety day corn—Early White Cap Dent and many other varieties of corn. Those wanting corn in ear can have same crated.

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TIME TABLE

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St Louis and all points east and south.	San Francisco and all points west

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Corrected April 12, 1901

No 12.—Vestibuled Express daily: Pawnee Wymore, Denver, and all points west. 2.15 a m
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No 22—Daily Mail and Accommodation 8.45 a m
No 15.—Vestibuled Express daily: Lincoln and all points beyond St Joseph, Kansas City, and all points east 4.35 p m
No. 41—Passenger daily except Sunday: Ceresco, Wahoo, Bee & Mills Mondays Only 10.05 a m
No. 42—Passenger daily except Sunday: Wahoo, Ceresco, Pacific Junction 6.10 p m
No. 129—Accommodation except Sunday: Nemaha, Auburn, Peru, Lincoln and intermediate points 5.15 p m

For further information, call on agents and [illegible]

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DR. FENNER'S Kidney AND Backache Cure

ALSO PURIFIES THE BLOOD.

All Diseases of the kidneys, bladder, and urinary organs. Also catarrh, heart disease, gravel, dropsy, rheumatism, backache, female troubles.

Don't become discouraged. There is a cure for you. If necessary write Dr. Fenner. He has spent a lifetime curing just such cases as yours. All consultations FREE.

Suffered with Kidney Trouble. Had Pains in His Back.

"For some time past I have been suffering with kidney trouble, causing severe pains in my back. I was unable to do any heavy work. I tried many remedies and doctors but without benefit. I then commenced taking Dr. Fenner's Kidney and Backache Cure and secured prompt relief and now after many months, have had no return of the aches and pains and am able to work as I could not before.

My little grandson has also been greatly benefited by its use.

I certainly heartily recommend your Kidney and Backache Cure and am very thankful for the cure it has wrought in me. Yours truly,

JOHN LONG."

Father of Frank Long, proprietor of Hotel Oxford, Topeka, Kas.

Sold by Druggists, 50c. and $1. Get Cook Book and Treatise on the Kidneys—FREE. DR. M. M. Fenner, M. D., Fredonia, N. Y.

For sale by F. M. Colwell.

When A Woman Feels Depressed

has frequent headache, a "thin case of nerves," lack of appetite, inability to sleep well, a morbid, allgone feeling, it does not necessarily mean a female malady;

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Don't fail to get to-day, at your druggist's bottle of

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Dragging Pains.

2235 Keeley St., CHICAGO, ILL., Oct., 2, 1902.

I suffered with falling and congestion of the womb, with severe pains through the groins. I suffered terribly at the time of menstruation, had lifelong headaches and rushing of blood to the brain. Went to try Lucas Cuticle, Cobb and all Lung troubles of the severest nature, removing, as it does, the cause of the affection and leaving the parts in a strong and healthy condition. It is not an experimental medicine, but has stood the test of years, giving satisfaction in every case, which its rapidly increasing sale every season confirms. Boschee's German Syrup was introduced in the United States in 1868, and is now sold in every town and village in the civilized world. Three doses will relieve any ordinary cough. Price 75c. Get Green's Special Almanac. F. M. Colwell.

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A Perfect Cure For All Throat and Lung Troubles.

Money back if it fails. Trial Bottles free.

Mrs. Bush

Mrs. Bush is now in perfect health because she took Wine of Cardui for menstrual disorders, bearing down pain and blinding headaches when all other remedies failed to bring her relief. Any sufferer may secure health by taking Wine of Cardui in her home. The first bottle convinces the patient that it is on the road to health.

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Price 50c and $1. TRIAL BOTTLES FREE.

CHICHESTER'S ENGLISH PENNYROYAL PILLS

Ask Druggist for Chi-Chester-S Diamond Brand Pills, take no other. Refuse dangerous substitutions and imitations. Buy of your Druggist, or send 4c. in stamps for particulars, testimonials and "Relief for Ladies," in letter, by return mail. 10,000 Testimonials. Name this paper. Chi-Chester Chemical Co., 2100 Madison Square, Philadelphia, Pa.

DON'T BE FOOLED!

Take no substitute, original ROCKY MOUNTAIN TEA Made only by Madison Medicine Co., Madison, Wis. It keeps you well. Our trade mark on each package. Price, 35 cents. Never sold in bulk. Accept no substitute. Ask your druggist.

TABLE ROCK ARGUS.

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You have to burn it, and we keep the best grades at lowest prices. Call and see us.

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W. C. T. U.

Edited by E. E. Linn. Our Motto —For God and Home and Every Land."

The U. is not with Mrs. Bates but some evenings proved the most drawing cards these last few days of April having a pleasant what house-keeper could resist? However those of us who were present enjoyed a little W. C. T. U. Catechism, and sketch of Mrs. Livermore as a Crusader.

A county conference of W. C. T. U. workers is called for May the 19th at 2 P. M. in the First Presbyterian Church at Pawnee City. Business and plans for county temperance work will occupy the afternoon and all our women, also all members of the Gospel and temperance workers are urged to be present at that meeting.

At night a silver medal contest will be held, an admission of 5 and 10 cts. charged to pay expenses of the same. Seven little girls of Pawnee, all new in the work, and four of our Table Rock boys will compete for a silver medal, so you may be sure it will make an interesting program. Jay Paterniti, Leslie Munsinger, Charles Bush, and Loyd Stewart are the boys who go from Table Rock. As soon after as can be conveniently arranged we shall have a contest in Table Rock, and hope to keep up the work in the county through the coming summer and fall. If you wish to see the temperance sentiment spread, come out and hear the little folks at it encourage them in every way you can. Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Marble, Mrs. Mattie Griffing, Mrs. Linn, and we hope others of our white ribbon women will attend the convention and help to plan for future work.

Over 17,000 pages of literature have been distributed by our union since Jan. 1-04. Are you saving all your Church Sunday School, and temperance papers for this purpose? If not please do so, we can find plenty of places where they will be welcome. They may be left at Mrs. Bates or at the Methodist church and we will try to see that they are distributed where they will do good.

Who Pays For The Liquor License?

Here is what a Vermont paper says: "Wealthy men seldom if ever patronize the saloons. The support of these places comes from wage earners, the very class who cannot afford it. Every dime spent that way is lost to the family of the married man, who exchanges it for rum. If he buys only two drinks a day 300 days in the year he spends $60 within that time. He has no way of making up the loss, he derives no benefit from the liquor, and his family suffer. The consequence. There is $60 going that would have helped pay the rent, would have dressed the children more comfortably, and supplied more food to the whole family, this would have helped pay the doctors bill—all gone for rum!

What if the town does get a part of its [illegible] community pay better off by [illegible] traffic that robs, debases and brutalizes it's victims and causes destitution and suffering among innocent women and children, that tends to make paupers and to increase crime? Where does the profit come in? Every dollar of revenue is a dead loss to some resident. How can it be a gain to the town if it leaves for favor a consumer one dollar poorer?

The New Voice of April 28th says, that about the middle of Jan. the British Medical Association, through a committee of its members, asked every registered physician in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales to unite with them in signing a petition for the compulsory study of the laws of health, including elementary instruction on the nature and effects of alcohol. Late advices show that this has already been signed by 15,000 practioners.

An English manufacturer, brother of Joseph Chamberlain M. P., in a recent speech said the only competitor he feared was the United States, and that because of their superior education and because the people of that country drank only half as much intoxicating liquor as Englishmen.

THE POWER OF MUSIC.

By Miss Myrta E. Howe.

Read at the W. S. A. social at Mrs. Fulmer's, Saturday evening, Ap. 23d.

Shakespeare pays a glowing tribute to music in the following quotation from "The Merchant of Venice," Lorenzo says to Jessica:

How sweet the moonlight sleeps upon this bank!
Here will we sit, and let the sounds
Of music creep in our ears: soft stillness and the night become the
Touches of sweet harmony.
Sit, Jessica. Look how the floor of
Heaven is thick inlaid with patines
Of bright gold: There's not the
Smallest orb which thou beholdst,
But in his motion like an angel sings,
Still quiring to the young-eyed
Cherubims; such harmony is in
Immortal souls.

Again he says:

The man that hath no music in himself,
Nor is not moved with concord of
sweet sounds,
Is fit for treasons, stratagems, and
Spoils; the motions of his spirit are
Dull as night, and his affections dark
As Erebus: let no such man be trusted.

Shakespeare has so beautifully expressed his Divine conception of music, and he has given us a literal truth.

There is music everywhere in nature, and also in the soul of man, if he could only hear it. But our inner spiritual faculties must be awakened before we can hear the "Music of the Spheres," and most of us have not reached that plane yet. The GREAT composers have heard this Heavenly music, and have given us a reproduction of it in their immortal harmonies, so by studying their best works, we come as near as possible to the Divine. I hope we all realize that music is a mighty spiritual power, which can be used for uplifting humanity, and we should do all that we can to make it universal. It is very important that we should always keep this idea in mind, and not lower it to a mere accomplishment, for the purpose of showing off our own personal power. The kind of playing that we all enjoy hearing the most has this high ideal back of it, and is entirely free from self-consciousness and vanity. It is this power of entering into the spirit of their music, and so making it carry a message to their listeners, which marks the principal difference between those great pianists, and others not so famous. However, people must learn how to LISTEN to good music, before we can become a musical people; for Paderewski himself cannot compel appreciation and understanding from those in his audience who do not know how to listen. It has been said that to be a good listener is as great an art as to be a good talker, and this certainly applies to music as well as to conversation. We cannot all be great performers, but we can all learn how to listen, and so increase our enjoyment and knowledge wonderfully. It was believed that music exists latent in every soul, only waiting to be called out. It has been named the language of the soul, and surely every one must desire to learn this spiritual language. The power of music is being more and more recognized, and it is used extensively for good in all kinds of ways, both in healing disease and in moral upliftment. Now of course it is only the best class of music that can have this elevating influence, and we should be careful to cultivate that kind. There is a great deal that is called music, nowadays, that really has no right to the name, and which bears the same relation to real music that sensational novels do to literature. We all recognize the demoralizing influence of trashy novels upon children and young people, and no intelligent people would think of giving their children nothing else to read. But it has not seemed to be so generally understood that silly, trashy music can have just as demoralizing an influence upon the mind, and that we should only study and listen to that which is really good and uplifting. Much of the popular music has no pure melody or harmony whatever, only a very marked, catchy time, that appeals to the sense of rhythm. It is full of errors in harmony, which sound just as badly to a musicians, as grammatical errors in literature do to an educated person. I read a definition of music once like this: "Classical music appeals to the head, romantic music to the heart, but the so-called popular music appeals only to the feet." So let us take warning and cultivate our hearts and heads instead of our feet. I read a definition of classical music in the Etude not long ago, which I cannot quote exactly, but it was something like this: "Classical music means any music of any style that is good and ORIGINAL. There is just as much difference between good, all wool dress goods, that is beautiful and wears well and cheap, shoddy stuff, that never looks nice, and soon wears out." The taste and appreciation for good music is very much like the taste for good books, and only comes through education and cultivation. Possibly, if children never had a chance to read anything but trashy books, they would not like or understand any other kind.

(Concluded next week.)

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Roll of honor for April—perfect in attendance and punctuality:

1st Primary

Willie Mead, Lowrain McCrea, Leola Porter, Harland Myeres, Meres Munsinger.

2nd Primary

Leata Bailey, Eva Munsinger, Chas Wood, Lloyd Andrew, Charlie Dvorak, Greta Nichols, Eva Irwin, Ines Linn, Clyde Porter, Jamie Chambers.

Intermediate

Raymond Andrew, Lizzie Barrett, Lee Kerns, Lesley Munsinger, Stella McCoy, Jay Patchin, Ella Munsinger, Callie Barrett, Loya Stewart, Ina Ward.

1st Grammar

Ella Beck, Mary Craig, Anna Dvorak, Bessie Hickman, Hazel Taylor, Frank Dvorak, Zelma McCrea, Anna Belle McNutt, Loyd Phillips, Kora Tenk, Pearl Voellers.

Second Grammar.

Gilbert Mead, Lilie Causey, Elva Fulton, Veda McCrea, Emma Schurr, Winnie Broyles, Gladys Mead, Ernest Norris, Ella Snyder.

High School

Rua Conant, Mary Dvorak, Nellie Irwin, Frank Kerns, Roy Kerns, Edgar Norris, Frances Phillips, Nellie Irwin, John Tomek.

A SURE THING.

It is said that nothing is sure but death and taxes, but that is not altogether true. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is a sure cure for all lung and throat troubles. Thousands can testify to that. Mrs. C. B. VanMetre of Shepherdtown, W. Va., says "I had a severe case of Bronchitis and for a year tried everything I heard of, but got no relief. One bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery then cured me absolutely." It's infallible for Croup, Whooping Cough, Grip, Pneumonia and Consumption. Try it. It's guaranteed by F. M. Colwell Drugist. Trial bottles free. Regular sizes 50c. $1.00.

PLEASANT VALLEY SCHOOL
District No. 75.

The school closed a successful eight-months' term, last week, Miss Annetta Hamgound, teacher.

Rosa Kozak and Lucy Covault, two pupils, received perfect attendance certificates.

Lucy Covault received the prize of a book, for having the highest average grade.

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TABLE ROCK, - NEBRASKA

Nebraska Notes

Notwithstanding alfalfa seed is worth from ten to eleven dollars per bushel on the market, the high price has not prevented large sales being made.

When the assessor comes to see you don't get frightened. All he asks is that you tell him everything, including all your notes and mortgages.

The Beatrice Manufacturing company, a novelty manufacturing concern, has been incorporated with a capital stock of $100,000, of which $20,000 is paid up.

The Tecumseh Military band will give public open air concerts during the season of 1904, giving their opening concert in May. The band is in exceptionally good shape for the coming concerts and is practicing twice a week.

Winter wheat in the vicinity of Lawrence looks good. Plenty of moisture has fallen to give it renewed vigor for rapid growth. Less than five inches of snow fell during the past fall and winter, but this fact in no way retarded the growth of wheat.

Samuel I. Gordon has again lost in the supreme court in an effort to collect more salary as police judge of Omaha, and in the opinion the court said that Gordon must first establish his right to the office by quo warranto proceedings.

The board of managers of the Seward county agricultural society held a meeting and the report of the secretary showed that the life membership subscription had been the means of relieving the society from debt and that the treasurer had on hand $201.

A youth went to his first dance at Falls City and during the evening danced with all the girls present except four. The next day he wrote a note to each of the four apologizing for his neglect, saying that the dance broke up before he could get around to them.

Custodian L. L. Lindsey of the Lincoln government building, has secured the consent of the department to remove the sod from that part of the government square to be occupied by the new building and patch up with it the thin spots east and west of the building.

The receipts of the Fremont postoffice from the sale of stamps and envelopes in March were $2,600. For the year ending last month they exceed $25,000. This puts the office one grade higher, and the salary of Postmaster Swanson for the year beginning next July will be $2,700.

It is reported upon good authority that the Union Pacific railroad has expressed a willingness to extend its line from Pleasanton to Georgetown, a postoffice some twenty miles east of Callaway, providing sufficient patronage can be obtained the warrant the move. The farmers and stockmen in the vicinity of Georgetown held a mass meeting to see what they had to offer to secure the road.

Mr. Ernest A. Bessey, of Lincoln, writes that he is now out in the interior portion of the Great Sahara in Africa. He is visiting one of the oases for the purpose of studying the conditions under which date palms grow. The United States department of agriculture is trying to introduce the growth of the date palm in Arizona and it is in the interest of this work that Mr. Bessey has been sent to that region.

The annual report of the chief of the fire department of Grand Island during the year of 1904 shows that the city has had twenty-three fires, with a total loss of only $13,575, and a net loss, insurance deducted, of $2,460. The cost of operating the volunteer fire department was only $105.93, keeping up the apparatus not included in this, nor yet the expense of the telephone alarm system.

The Lee brothers, of Stanton, who understand trapping, in eight days secured along the Elkhorn and Logan Creek 800 muskrats and 25 mink. They made use of 180 steel traps.

Samuel B. Tophim, of Minden, Neb., who resided at Fairfield for six years, was killed in the railroad yards at Hanover, Kan. He was acting in the capacity of head brakeman and his absence was not noticed until the train reached the adjoining station. The return run was made immediately and his body was found in the yard. He had probably fallen between the cars in walking over them, his limbs being completely severed from his body.

A smart young man at David City has had the virtue of veracity impressed upon his mind. After the young man had solemnly sworn he was not the owner of any diamonds, the assessor hardly gone out the door until he pulled a diamond pin and put it on. Before the assessor had traveled half the distance of one block he was told about the diamond, but said nothing. The young man thought he had done a remarkably clever thing, until some one informed him that the penalty was not less than $50 nor more than $2,000, besides having 50 per cent added to his tax, and that all the deputy assessor need to do was simply report him. Next day the young man hunted up the assessor and had his diamond listed.

The farmers in the vicinity of Swaberg along the Logan are organizing to stop hunting. The hunters are too careless in leaving gates open and driving over and cutting up the meadows.

The beneficent effect of the scavenger law has manifested itself in two directions. It has already brought into the city treasuries of Omaha and South Omaha and into the treasury of Douglas county many thousands of dollars in excess of delinquent taxes in any previous year during the same period, and incidentally has given employment to a small army of clerks.

WOMEN'S WOES.

Much of women's daily woe is due to kidney trouble. Sick kidneys cause backache, languor, blind headaches, dizziness, insomnia and urinary troubles. To cure yourself you must cure the kidneys. Profit by the experience of others who have been cured.

Mrs. William W. Brown, professional nurse, of 16 Jane St., Paterson, N. J., says: "I have not only seen much suffering and many deaths from kidney trouble, but I have suffered myself. At one time I thought I could not live. My back ached, there were frequent headaches and dizzy spells, and the kidney secretions were disordered. Doan's Kidney Pills helped me from the first, and soon relieved me entirely of all the distressing and painful symptoms."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Brown in the Dominion soon on. Not only the wheatgrowers of the central Mississippi valley, but the ranchers of Texas and New Mexico, and the cultivators of the comparatively virgin soil of Oklahoma, are pouring towards the productive vacant lands of the Canadian Northwest. It is no tentative, half-hearted departure for an alien country that is manifested in this exodus; it has become almost a rush to secure possession of land which it is feared by those imperfectly acquainted with the vast area of Canada's vacant lands, may all be acquired before they arrive. There is no element of speculation or experiment in the migration. The settlers have full information respecting the soil, wealth, the farming methods, the laws, taxation and system of government of the country to which they are moving, and they realize that the opportunities offered in Canada are in every respect better and greater than those they have enjoyed in the land they are leaving.

Canada can well afford to welcome cordially every American farmer coming to the Dominion. There is no question but that these immigrants make the most desirable settlers obtainable for the development of the prairie portion of the Dominion. Full information can be had from any authorized Canadian government agent whose address will be found elsewhere in this paper.

The enormous output of gold coinage at the Philadelphia mint continues at a rate which surpasses all previous records. Since February 6 up to April 15, there has been coined $60,180,390 in $20 gold pieces.

The coinage during the week beginning Monday, April 11, and ending on Saturday, April 16, inclusive, aggregated $11,302,600 in gold, an average of nearly $2,000,000 per day. On the last day of this record-breaking week the coinage was $2,500,000, also a record-breaker. The weight of the gold to produce this one week's coinage was over four tons.

This vast coinage of gold in so short a time, it was announced at the mint, has never been equalled by the mints of any other nation, nor by any mint in this country.

The artillery and cavalry constitute the weak point in the Japanese army. The horses are not well trained, nor are they strong, and although the Japanese cavalry behaved splendidly in recent skirmishes, with superior numbers of Cossacks, it is probable that when the first lot of trained horses is exhausted, the employment of a second consignment of raw animals will hamper their movements.

ONE DOLLAR WHEAT.

Western Canada's Wheat Fields Produce It—Magnificent Yields—Free Grants of Land to Settlers.

The returns of the Interior Department show that the movement of American farmers northward to Canada is each month affecting larger areas of the United States. Time was, says the Winnipeg Free Press, when the Dakotas, Minnesota and Iowa furnished the Dominion with the main bulk of its American contingent. Last year, however, forty-four states and districts were represented in the official statement as to the former residence of Americans who had homesteaded in Canada. The Dakotas still head the list, with 4,006 entries, Minnesota being a close second with 3,887; but with the exception of Alabama and Mississippi and Delaware every state in the Union supplied settlers who in order to secure farms in the fertile prairie country of Canada, became citizens of and took the oath of allegiance to, the Dominion. Last year no less than 11,841 Americans entered for homestead lands in Canada.

From the Gulf to the Boundary, and from ocean to ocean, the trek to the Dominion goes on. Not only the wheatgrowers of the central Mississippi valley, but the ranchers of Texas and New Mexico, and the cultivators of the comparatively virgin soil of Oklahoma, are pouring towards the productive vacant lands of the Canadian Northwest. It is no tentative, half-hearted departure for an alien country that is manifested in this exodus; it has become almost a rush to secure possession of land which it is feared by those imperfectly acquainted with the vast area of Canada's vacant lands, may all be acquired before they arrive. There is no element of speculation or experiment in the migration. The settlers have full information respecting the soil, wealth, the farming methods, the laws, taxation and system of government of the country to which they are moving, and they realize that the opportunities offered in Canada are in every respect better and greater than those they have enjoyed in the land they are leaving.

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Rheumatism in Utah.

Frisco, Utah, May 2nd.—There is a great deal of Rheumatism in this and neighboring states, and this painful disease has crippled many a strong man and woman among an otherwise healthy people.

Recently, however, there has been introduced into Utah a remedy for Rheumatism which bids fair to stamp out this awfully painful complaint. The name of this new remedy is Dodd's Kidney Pills, and it has already wrought some wonderful cures. Right here in Frisco there is a case of a Mr. Grace who had Rheumatism so bad in his feet that he could hardly walk. He tried many remedies in vain but Dodd's Kidney Pills cured him.

His wife says: "We both had Kidney Trouble, and my husband had the Rheumatism so bad that he could hardly walk. We used Dodd's Kidney Pills with much benefit. We have tried many remedies, but none have done us so much good as Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Similar reports come from all over the state, and it would seem as if Rheumatism had at last been conquered.

When a woman's bank account is overdrawn and she has to make it up she acts just the way she does when she says the grocer charges her for things she never bought.

Dealers say that as soon as a customer tries Defiance Starch it is impossible to sell them any other cold water starch. It can be used cold or boiled.

It's queer how many people act well till they go on the stage.

Many who formerly smoked 10c cigars now smoke Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

The fellow who keeps his faults to himself finds that they are soon forgotten

NOT EXTRAVAGANT

According to Population Our Per Capita of Expense is Small

INTERESTING STATEMENT

The Population of the United States is $0,372,000—Per Capita Expense Amounts to Only $7.97

The expenditures of the United States government are much less in proportion to population than those of many other of the leading nations of the world. This fact is shown by a statement just published by the department of commerce and labor, through its bureau of statistics, showing the population, revenues, expenditures and indebtedness of the principal countries of the world. It shows that while the expenditures of the United States with 80 millions of people is 640 million dollars, that of the United Kingdom, with 42 millions of people, is 898 million dollars; that of France, with 39 million people, is 695 million dollars; that of Germany, with 58 million people, 553 million dollars; while in practically every country aside from China and India, with their enormous population, the per capita of government expenditures is greater than in the United States.

Even in the case of Russia, with its population of 141 million, the per capita of government expenditure is about the same as that of the United States. While it is true that a larger proportion of public expenditures is borne by state and local governments in the United States than in many of the more centralized governments of Europe, these figures of the relative national expenditures of the various governments are at least interesting at the present time.

The table puts the population of the United States at $0,372,000, the government expenditure in 1903 at $640,303,000, and the per capita expenditure, $7.97. The per capita government expenditure of Canada is given at $9.30; the German empire, $9.45; Italy, $10.97; Austria-Hungary, $14.27; Belgium, $17.40; France, $17.84; the United Kingdom, $21.39, and Australia, $37.69. Russia's annual expenditure is put, for the latest available year, at $1,116,095,000, as against $644,882,000 in the United States, but the fact that Russia's population is given at 141 million brings the per capita expenditure to about the figure shown by the United States.

FAVORS FOR THE EDITORS

Railroad Lines Help to Make World's Fair a Success

The Burlington will carry the editors of Nebraska from Lincoln, Omaha and St. Joseph, Mo., to the world's fair at St. Louis, but the other railroads in the state are doing their part toward making the excursion a success. They are providing transportation from towns that are not on the Burlington system to the three cities from which the editors will leave for St. Louis on May 13 to 16.

Strict rules are governing this trip and only bona fide editors and their wives will be recognized by the committee in charge of it. If transportation favors for sisters, brothers or friends are desired, special arrangements will have to be made by the editors with the passenger agent for the Burlington.

PAY TAXES ON SECURITIES

Fraternal Orders Must Pay Tax on Their Reserve Fund

Securities deposited with the state auditor by fraternal insurance companies of Nebraska are assessable the same as any other securities and must be returned to the assessors, because there is no provision of the statutes exempting them from taxation, is the opinion of Attorney General Prout, given at the request of the board of equalization.

The opinion is supplementary to one handed down several weeks ago and states that the fraternal insurance business is not a charitable enterprise, because a definite contract is entered into between the company and the insured. The opinion holds that the securities are assessable under section 12, article 1, chapter 77 of the compiled statutes, which reads as follows:

"All property in this state not expressly exempt therefrom, shall be subject to taxation, and shall be valued at its actual value which shall be entered opposite each item and shall be assessed at 20 per cent of its actual value."

New Buildings in Albion

Two new brick blocks for business houses will be erected at Albion. The Albion National bank is now building a new brick building on the corner of Church and Fourth street. William Wiezel is erecting a new brick office building on Church street opposite the court house. Beside these there are several new residences under construction. It is safe to say that $200,000 will be expended in that city this year in improvements.

THE TEXAS ITCH

Is Prevalent in Herds of Cattle in the Northwestern Part of Nebraska

Texas itch has spread among the herds on the ranges of the northwestern section of Nebraska, and is even making its appearance in the eastern and southern portions of the state. No animal with the ailment can be shipped to market according to the quarantine ruling of the bureau of animal industry of the national administration, and Nebraska stockmen are organizing to fight the disease.

State Veterinarian Thomas has returned from Broken Bow and reports that a large number of cattle in Custer county have the disease. While at Broken Bow Dr. Thomas attended a meeting of the Central Nebraska Stockmen's association and delivered an address upon the spread of the ailment.

Up to a few years ago Texas itch was unknown in Nebraska. It was introduced into the state by Texas cattle shipped north to feed and since has spread alarmingly.

The meeting at Broken Bow was called to discuss the matter and to adopt measures to check it. Several weeks ago the state veterinarian issued an order requiring that all cattle affected be dipped in a lime and sulphur dip before shipping to market. A storm of protest at once was raised by the manufacturers of proprietory dips and later the order was modified to permit the use of any efficient dip. Soon thereafter the government issued an order that the lime and sulphur dip must be used before cattle could be sent to the stock market centers. Custer county, where the disease is most prevalent, is one of the largest counties in the state and is centrally located, being on the border line between the agricultural and cattle counties, and there is hardly a herd in the county which is not affected.

The stockmen at the meeting decided to erect a plant at Broken Bow for the manufacture of lime and sulphur dip and the product will be sold at actual cost. Those who desire to manufacture their own dip, will be taught how to make it and how it is used. A ton of sulphur was ordered and will arrive at Broken Bow quickly. By manufacturing in large quantities the stockmen can procure a good dip at a very low cost.

At present the price of a barrel of dip in Omaha or Kansas City is $12. Freight to the western part of the state amounts to $3, making a cost of $15 per barrel. A barrel of manufactured dip can not contain more than 100 pounds of sulphur and lime and the rest is Missouri river water, in which the ingredients are cooked and mixed.

One hundred pounds of sulphur costs $3, sufficient lime to mix a barrel of dip costs 5 cents, water costs nothing, and fuel for cooking is a small item. At a cost of $3.20 the stockman can make a barrel of dip. "We prefer to make our own dip," remarked a stockman, "for we save just $11.20 per barrel in so doing, and it seems a little high to pay $11.20 just for a few pounds of Missouri river water, especially when the water found in the cattle country is just as good."

When the disease first came into the state the stockmen were ignorant of it, and a few who were aware of its appearance tried to suppress the fact. Now all are anxious that it be stamped out and a fight against it will be waged until it has disappeared. Dr. Thomas is receiving word daily from stock raisers in all sections of the state asking what measure to adopt to cure the cattle, the sheriffs of the several counties are superintending the dipping of infected cattle.

PROSSER CELEBRATION

First Time in Twelve Years Passenger Train Entered Town

In spite of a furious rain accompanied by wind of high velocity, which raged all during the day, Prosser celebrated the installation of the Missouri Pacific's daily passenger service with a barbecue and attendant festivities. The village reception committee met a train load of excursionists at the station which had come all the way from Mankato, Kan., and the towns en route, to help Prosser celebrate. In the driving rain a procession was formed headed by the Scandia, Kan., band, and a march was made to Woodmen hall, with the band from Republic City, Kan., in the middle of the line and the rear brought up by the Lawrence, Neb., band. Numbers could not find admittance to the hall and were forced to make their way back through the storm to the train.

Patent Laws Are Changed

Favorable reports were authorized by the house committee on patents on the Mann bill amending the patent laws by authorizing the issuance of patents on the formulas of proprietary remedies instead of on the manufactured articles, and the Tawney bill, requiring affidavits to be filed with the copyright applications stating the place where the type for the publication was set. No copyright is to be issued on works not printed in this country. The penalty for a misstatement in the affidavit is fixed at $1,000.

MAKING GOOD ROADS

GREAT PROGRESS UNDER THE STATE-AID PLAN.

Thousands of Miles of Fine Thoroughfares in Existence in the Northeast. New York Proposes to Spend $50,000,000.

In the Northeastern states from Maine to Pennsylvania more progress has recently been made in building good roads than in any other section of the United States. This is mainly due to the adoption of the state-aid plan.

New Jersey was the first state to adopt this plan. The law enacted there in 1891 provided that the state pay one-third of the cost of improving the roads, and the counties two-thirds, part of which may be charged up to the towns in which the roads are built. The farmers were at first opposed to this law, but now they are enthusiastic in its support. More than a million and a half dollars have been appropriated by the state under this law. Nearly 1,000 miles of road have been macadamized. The state-aided roads must conform to the plans laid down by the state commissioner of highways.

In Massachusetts the state pays the entire cost of building the roads, but requires the counties to pay back one-fourth of the cost. Nearly half a million is appropriated annually for this purpose. Nearly five million dollars have already been invested in roads by the state. As a result Massachusetts has hundreds of miles of as fine roads as any in the world.

Connecticut has also operated under this plan since 1895. The state puts into the hands of the county for road building. The plan is considered a great success. More than a million and a half has been appropriated and about 500 miles of fine roads have been built.

In New York State the state pays one-half the cost of building the roads. It pays 35 per cent, and the township 15 per cent. The plan is working admirably. Last year $600,000 was appropriated by the legislature, and over two millions have been voted since the law was enacted. It is now proposed to raise by an issue of bonds fifty millions to be spent during the next ten years.

Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island and Delaware all have state-aid laws which are working satisfactorily, though expenditures and operations are on a smaller scale than in the other states named.

The fundamental principal on which the state aid plan rests is that the public highways are for the use and benefit of the whole people, and that all should, therefore, share in the cost of their improvement.

The plan of national aid is but a single step. Both embody the same principle. It is an interesting fact that the people of these states are enthusiastically in favor of taking "Uncle Sam" into the general scheme of cooperation. The state highway commissioners of New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont are outspoken advocates of national aid, and the New York legislature has memorialized Congress to enact the Brownlow bill.

If national aid would accomplish for the country what state aid is doing where adopted, it certainly deserves serious consideration.

On Japanese Torpedo Boats.

A Japanese officer serving on a torpedo boat has been telling his experiences. Very few caught cold, despite the bitter weather. The officer attributes this to the fact that they did not expose themselves to variations of temperature, as is the case with men in a big ship where cabins can be warmed by steering apparatus employed. On a destroyer or a torpedo boat the only source of artificial heat is a brazier, and brazier-like stoves are rare. Backs, one that in a little craft pitching and rolling badly live charcoal is a dangerous companion; the other that, as all apertures have to be closed to keep out the sea, the fumes of a brazier would be perilous. There was nothing for it, consequently, but to dispense with all heating appliances, and the men, living in a uniformly cold temperature, seem to have kept their health better than they would have done had means of generating artificial heat been accessible.

Be Near.

Not for the weary hands a good,
Kind love for hearts that pine,
But for the manly habitude
Of bright souls like mine.

Let winds that blow from heaven refresh,
Dear Lord, the languid air,
And cheer the sinking spirit of the flesh
Thy strength of spirit share.

And if the eye must fail of light,
The ear forget to hear,
Make clearer still the spirit's sight,
More fine the inward ear!

Be near me in mine hours of need,
To soothe, to cheer or warn,
And down these slopes of sunset lead,
As up the hills of morn!

—John G. Whittier

Kaiser Embellishes Memorial.

The German emperor has drawn an ornamental sketch, which is described as a "memorial sheet," to be presented, with the official announcement of death, to the relatives of German soldiers of the Southwest African colony who have fallen, or will fall, in battle against the Herreros.

Salvation Army Figures.

In forty-nine countries the Salvation army now has 7,500 separate societies, 14,000 paid officers, 451,730 unpaid officers, and 17,170 bandmen.

The Ward of King Canute

A Romance of the Danish Conquest.

By OTTILIE A. LILJENCRANTZ, author of The Thrall of Liet the Lucky.

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CHAPTER I—Continued.

"They were Fridtjof's." She spoke his name very softly. "I found them hanging on the anther wall the night the men began to entertain themselves with singing, and it could be heard that they were getting drunk. I waited till they were all still, and then I crept into the women's room, and found the bondmaids huddled in their beds. I got through the guard room, where the Englishmen were snoring so loud that they would not have heard if I had stamped. In a niche in the wall outside I found Almstein, the steward, hiding, full of fear. I made him follow me out of the postern and ground to the gate where —my father—and—Fridtjof—" Her voice broke, but she struggled on. "The English dogs had left them there, and Fridtjof's sword was in his hand. There was a smile on his lips. I made Almstein dig two graves. I kissed Fridtjof's mouth—and—and I laid—my father's cloak—over—over his—face."

It was useless trying to go on; a deep sob shut off her voice and threatened to rend her when she tried to hold it back. Sister Wynfreda strove with gentle arms to draw her down upon her breast.

"Suffer the tears to come, my daughter," she urged her tenderly, "or sooner or later they will choke you."

"They shall not!" Randalin cried brokenly. "They shall not! Am I a weak-minded English woman that I should shed tears because my father are murdered?. I will shed blood to avenge them; that is befitting a Danish girl. I will not weep—as though there were shame to wash out! I will not weep."

The older woman shrank a little. To ears attuned to the silence of the grave, such an outburst was little less than terrifying; she was at a loss how to soothe the girl. To gain a respite, she stole away and renewed the wounded man's bandages.

After a moment Randalin rose and followed, buckling her cloak as she went.

"Since I am become this man's lord, I think it is right for me to see how he fares before I leave him," she explained.

"Before you leave him?" The form in the faded robes turned inquiringly toward the erect young figure in its brave scarlet cloak. "What is it you say, my child?"

But Randalin was bending low over the green couch. "Do you know who I am?" she was asking urgently of the woodward. "Fix your eyes on me and try to gather together your wits."

Slowly the man's wandering gaze focused itself; a silly laugh welled up in his throat.

"It would be no strange wonder if I did not," he chuckled. "Odin has changed you greatly; your face was never so beautiful. But this once you cannot trick me, Fridtjof Frodesson."

There came a time when this mistake was a source of some comfort to Randalin. Frode's daughter; but now she stirred impatiently.

Sister Wynfreda's hand fell upon the girl's arm. "Disquiet yourself no further," she whispered. "It is useless and to no end. Come this way, where I cannot hear our voices, and tell me what moves you to speak of leaving. Is it not your intention to creep in with us?"

As she yielded reluctantly to the pressure, Randalin even showed surprise at the question. "By no means. My errand hither was only to ask for bread. I go direct to the lodge and camp to get justice from King Canute."

The nun reached out and caught the gay cloak, gasping. "The Danish camp? Better you thrust yourself into a den of ravenous beasts. You know not what you say."

Offense stiffened the figure under the cloak. "It is you who do not know. Now, as always, you think about Canute what lying English mouths have told of him. I know him from my father's lips. No man on the island is so true as he, or so generous to those who ask of him. He is the highest-minded man in the world."

"My daughter, my daughter, shake off this sleep of your wits. I entreat you! The men you are trusting in are dreams which you have dreamed in the safety of your father's arms. They are monsters. They are going are barbarians—yea, devils! It were even better had you married the son of Leofwine. Think you I know nothing of the Pagans, that you set my words at naught? Who, but Danishmen laid low these walls and slaughtered the holy nuns as lambs are torn by wild beasts? Have I not seen their horrid wickedness? You think a nun a coward? Know you how these scars came on my face? Three times, with my own hands, I pressed a red-hot iron there to destroy the beauty that allured—else had the Pagans dragged me with them—Was I a coward?"

Randalin's eyes were very wide. "It seems to me that you were simple-minded," she breathed. "Why did you not thrust the iron in his face?"

But Sister Wynfreda's expression changed so strangely that the girl foresaw an attack along another line, and hastened to forestall it. "It is not worth while to tell me further about the matter. Do you not see that it is by no means the same? I shall be a Danish woman among Danish men. I shall not be a captive to be made a drudge or beaten—I shall be with my own people, my own king. Let us end this talk. Give me the bread and let me go. The sun is getting high."

She glanced at it as she spoke, and found it so much higher than she realized that her haste increased.

Clutching at her belt, her arm, her cloak, the nun strove desperately to detain her. "Randalin! Listen! Alas! how you grieve me by talking after this manner! Wait, you do not understand. It is not their cruelty I fear for you. Child, listen! It is not their blows—"

But Randalin had wrenched herself free. "Oh, fear, fear, fear!" she cried impatiently. "Fear your enemies; fear your friends; fear your shadow! Old women are afraid of everything! No, no, do not look at me like that; I do not intend to behave badly toward you, but it will become a great misfortune to me if I am hindered; it will, in truth. See now; I will kiss you here—where your cheek is softest. I cannot allow you to take hold of my cloak again. There! Now lay your hands upon my head, as you did with the children when you wish them good luck."

Because there was nothing else to do, and because the thought of doing this gave her some comfort, Sister Wynfreda complied.

"God guard you, my fledgeling," she whispered over and over. "My prayers be as a wall around you. May he go with you as a warm hand in your loneliness. God keep you in safety, my most beloved daughter!"

CHAPTER II.

Where War-Dogs Kennel.

This morning there were but few travelers upon the Watling street. South of the highway the land was held by English farmers, who would naturally remain under cover while a Danish host was in the neighborhood; while north of the great dividing line lay Danish freeholds whose masters might be equally likely to see the guidence of being in their watch-towers when the English allies were passing. Barred across by the shadows of the mighty trees, the great road stretched away mile after mile in cool emptiness. At rare intervals, a mounted messenger clattered over the stones, his hand upon his weapon, his eyes rolling sharply in a keen watch of the thicket on either side. Still more rarely, foraging parties swept through the morning stillness, lowing cows pricked to a sharp trot before them, and squawking fowls slung over their broad shoulders.

On they came. When they caught sight of a sprig of a boy drawn up beside the way with his hand resting sternly on his knife, they sent up a shout of boisterous merriment. The blood roared so loudly in Randalin's ears that she could not understand what they said. She jerked her horse's head toward the trees and drove her spur deep into his side. Only as he leaped forward and they swept past her, shouting, did the words reach home.

"Look at the warrior, comrades! "Hail, Berserker!" "Scamper, cub, or your nurse will catch you!" "He some of your hair on your chin, little one!"

As the sound of hoof-beats died away, and the nag settled back to his steady jog-trot, the girl unclenched her hands and drew a long breath.

"Though it seems a strange wonder that they should not know me for a woman, I think I need give myself no further uneasiness. It must be that I am very like Fridtjof in looks. It may be that I would not be unadvisable now for me to ask advice of the next person how I can come to the camp.

The asking had become at matter of necessity by the time she found any one capable of answering the question. Three foreign merchants whom she overtook near noon could give her no information, and she covered the next five miles without seeing a living creature; then it was only when there to destroy the beauty that allured—else had the Pagans dragged

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"Do you know who I am?" she was asking urgently.

Your Corner

Fashion Hints, Recipes, and General Chat on Matters Connected With the Household—Charming Confirmation Dress for Young Girl—Embroidered Crepe de Chine and Lace.

When Onions Are Odorless.

How many times has every flat dweller entered his home only to cry out in disgust because the odor of the onion or the turnip or something else has permeated the entire six or seven rooms?

"Let's stop having such things for dinner," he suggests to his wife. "Why it's mortifying to invite a friend to dine when one knows this sort of atmosphere is going to rush him down as soon as he enters the door."

As a matter of fact, there is no need for excluding the onion or the other offending eatables. The simplest way in the world to solve the difficulty is this: Have the cook put into the cooking vessel with your onions just a piece of stale bread about as big as your fist. Somehow or other the bread absorbs the odors, and you don't know onions are on your menu until you sit down at the table.

A New Ornament.

The piquet is the name given to the spruce little bunch of flowers or small fruit which is somewhat stiffly tied up, to stand sentinel on the little spring waistcoat. This piquet is usually placed to the left of front, but as there are left-handed and right-handed people, so there are women or girls to whom the piquet appears most becoming when poised at the right side than on the left. In such a case the piquet of a lady's slippers, stocks or forget-me-nots is considered to the right of the front, besides the crown. The piquet stands erect and is supposed to be something of an ornament or pompon made of flowers, instead of feathers.

New Idea in Linens.

A new idea in linens is to be seen in the loosely woven ones which resemble scrim more than anything else. The color of this material, also, looks like scrim, and many beautiful effects are shown in colored flower designs on the ecru background. One of the prettiest linens is of a pure white mesh with a delicate pale green thread running through it. Tiny leaves are scattered here and there.

Still another novelty is a linen of medium weight and of a pure white. It will be required 5¼ yards 21, 4¼ yards 27 or 2¾ yards 44 inches wide when accordion plaited; 3⅜ yards 21, 2¾ yards 27 or 2 yards 44 inches wide when tucked or gathered, with 1¼ yards of all-over lace and ¾ yard of silk for belt.

A May Manton pattern, No 4680, sizes 32 to 40, will be mailed to any address on receipt of ten cents.

4680 Fancy Blouse, 32 to 40 bust.

Organdy With Frills of Lace.

Confirmation and graduation dresses differ little in design or material, as both occasions demand white, simply made. This very pretty model suits both and is made of French organdy with trimming of Valenciennes lace forming frills and double frills, or ruches. The waist is a fine affair, becoming one to young girls and harmonizes to a nicety with the skirt that is made on ideally simple lines, both being shirred, the waist

4672 Confirmation or Graduation Dress, 12 to 16 years.

to give a bertha effect, the skirt to form a hip yoke. To render the design still further useful and available for occasions of greater dress the waist is so constructed as to allow of being made low with elbow sleeves, as shown in the small sketch. The quantity of material required for a girl of 14 years of age is 3 yards 21, 7 yards 27 or 4⅜ yards 44 inches wide.

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GOT EVEN ON CONSTABLE.

Mississippi Justice Bound to Have His Dignity Sustained.

"This attack on Gen. Bristow for the disclosures in the special postal report reminds me of a justice of the peace of Mississippi who was hearing a case tried by a lawyer named George Smith and another named Brown," said Congressman John Sharp Williams. "The justice had been looking on the corn liquor when it was white and he was in a sad state. Smith had the witness.

"'What is your name?' demanded Smith.

"'I object,' said Brown. 'It doesn't make any difference what his name is.'

"Objection shustained,' solemnly muttered the court.

"'Where do you live?' asked Smith.

"'I object!' shouted Brown. 'It is immaterial where he lives.'

"'Shustained,' said the justice. Smith blazed up, calling the justice a 'drunken old fool' and adding several other compliments. By degrees the justice comprehended the force and drift of the remarks and then it was his time to get mad.

"'Where's Pryce?' he demanded. Pryce, the constable, emerged from the crowd with a broad grin which enraged the squire still more.

"'Stand up there!' he yelled to the constable. 'I fine you $5 for letting George Smith insult me on the bench. Court's adjourned.'"—Boston Journal.

Overstayed His Dream.

"I had a great dream the other night. I dreamed I met a man who offered to cut me a pound slice of radium."

"Whew! It's worth more'n a million an ounce!"

"That's right. 'Want a slice?' he says to me. 'Yes,' I answered him. But I was too grasping."

"How was that?"

"I woke up just as I asked him to cut it thick."

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PRETTY THINGS TO WEAR

Faded old shades are popular.

Boleros and skirts are the accepted dress mode.

Rays of fine pinch tucks give the tailored finish.

Almost all of the "opening" gowns have deep, tight cuffs.

Crush belts of Japanese hand embroidered satin are new.

Every shade of brown "goes," from light golden to mud color.

The Dutch neck is a pretty finish for warm weather waists.

Underwaists of thin silk are worn beneath transparent waists.

A mousseline waist with velvet skirt is an approved combination.

Little moons and star constellations appear on some shining silks.

Satin buttons embroidered by hand with tiny flowers are from Japan.

Embroider your linen gown with graduated wafer spots in pale colors.

Parisian Hose.

The latest Parisian fad, which is sure to make its way across the ocean, consists in a delicate silken hose, decorated with hand-painted birds, flowers or arabesques on the instep, and in some instances reaching up in front to a short distance below the knee.

Readers of this paper can secure any May Manton pattern illustrated above by filling out the blanks in coupon, and mailing, with 10 cents, to E. E. Harrison & Co., 65 Plymouth Place, Chicago. Pattern will be mailed promptly.

Raisin Sandwich.

An unusual yet very palatable sandwich filling is made from finely chopped, seeded raisins and English walnuts meats mixed with the well-beaten white of an egg slightly seasoned and flavored with a tiny bit of vanilla. Figs used in place of raisins will afford variety, but no sugar should be used with them. Use equal proportions of fruit and nuts.

Kitchen

To extinguish a chimney on fire take a large handful of sulphur and throw it into the fire. When the sulphurous fumes ascend they will at once put out the fire.

A small tray of quicklime placed in closets after they have been thoroughly cleaned will be found excellent for keeping the air pure and absorbing moisture. The lime must be frequently renewed.

To clean a mirror try rubbing it with a ball of soft paper slightly dampened with methylated spirit, then with a duster on which a little whiting has been sprinkled, and finally polish with clean paper or a wash leather.—Chicago American

The Table Rock Argus.

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The Russians were defeated by the Japanese in a land engagement last Sunday.

In the Lancaster democratic convention held Tuesday, W. J. Bryan was made chairman of the resolutions committee.

Hearst won out in the democratic convention of Iowa, and will have the votes of that state in the St. Louis convention.

The Second Commissioners' district republican convention will be held at Pawnee City, at the court house on Saturday, May 14th.

The thirty-first general conference of the M. E. church opened at Los Angeles, Cal., Tuesday and was called to order by Bishop Merrill. Eight hundred delegates from all parts of the United States are in attendance.

The republican county convention will be held at Pawnee City on Saturday of next week. Delegates to the state convention, and candidates for the legislature and prosecuting attorney are to be chosen.

The republican state convention will be held at Lincoln on May 18th. There isn't quite as much interest being taken in the event as there was several weeks ago when three or four persons sought to contest the re-nomination of Governor Mickey.

The great Louisiana Purchase Exposition was formally opened to the public at St Louis last Saturday, President Roosevelt touching the button which set the machinery in operation. The attendance was a record breaker for opening day, being nearly 200,000.

The closing hours of congress were enlivened by a wordy contest between Burke Cochran of New York, and Dalzell of Pennsylvania, the latter charging that Cochran supported McKinley in 1896 for money, and the former vehemently denying the charge.

George A. Joslyn, of Omaha, who became a millionaire off the country publishers of the west, and who has just completed the finest house in Nebraska, has threatened to tear down his house and move it to some more congenial point in the east, because of what he claims is unjust taxation. Nobody will cry but himself, if he cuts off his own nose to spoil his own face.

The members of the supreme court at a sitting on Monday afternoon, appointed Harry Lindsay clerk of the court with Victor Seymour as deputy. The position to which Mr. Lindsay has been appointed is one of the best paying offices in the state, being estimated all the way from $1,000 to $10,000 per year, but it is a fee office and not quite so remunerative now as it has been in the past. The appointment is to go into effect May 20th. Mr. Lindsay will probably resign the chairmanship of the republican state committee, and devote his time to the duties of his office. The Argus congratulates Mr. Lindsay on this recognition of his services to the party.

MARKET LETTER.

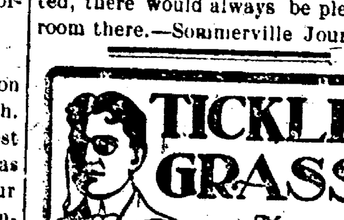
JOSEPH A. RICKART,
Live Stock Correspondent.

Kansas City, Mo., Monday, May 2 1904. After the good prices at the beginning of last week, the market yielded to the influence of big runs of cattle, Wednesday and Thursday, and the week finally closed with beef steers selling not much different from close of previous week. Top was $5 40 reached Tuesday, and sales all week were satisfactory being higher than either at the beginning or the end. Butcher stuff sold strong each day, except medium to common kinds, heavy cows going up to $4.40 and some of the best heifers seen here this year brought $4.70 Wednesday. Limited inquiry for stockers and feeders was ample for the very small run of these, and prices accordingly gained 10 or 15 cents during the week for the best kinds. Choice stockers and stock cows and calves were most wanted. Allowing for the unusual inflation of prices on Monday and Tuesday, general cattle market ended the week with prices best of the year. Supply today is 6,000 head, market steady to strong on everything except plain heavy beef cattle, which are slow, but not any lower than Friday. With moderate receipts traders look for higher prices for the next few weeks. Supply last week 30,500, same as previous week and a little less than same week last year.

Hogs arrived liberally toward the end of last week making a total of 52,000 head the biggest run of the year. Prices lost 10 or 15 cents although quality was good and markets active. Medium weights sold on an equal basis with heavy hogs, and salesmen claimed they were easier to sell. Market closed the week at a low point and a further decline of 10 cents is suffered to-day, bringing top price down to $4.72½, bulk of sales $4.55 to $4.70.

Sheep on feed in Colorado and Kansas have all been marketed, and supply last week was small at 16,000 head. Prices were higher, best lambs selling up to $6.75. Quite a sprinkling of Texas stuff arrived to-day. Western clipped lambs sold to-day at $6.00, clipped wethers at $5.25 to $5.75, Texas spring lambs at $7.25. Supply to-day 6000, market strong to 10 cents higher.

If heaven were a place to which only men who have always paid all the taxes they ought to were admitted, there would always be plenty of room there.—Sommerville Journal.



The Post-Mortem Player.

A wise man says that cards are bad;
That shuffling is a waste of time—
Hours spent in foolish idleness
Upon the ladder we would climb!
And yet I find a game or two
Along Fame's way but scarce retards—
Except when some bum player halts
To hold post-mortems on the cards.

"Who was it held the ace of spades?"
"If I had only caught the jack,
Surely would have won that pot,
And helped along my little stack."
"Who trumped that deuce for goodness sake?"
"I tried to fill a bobtailed flush."
"Just let me see the discard, please!"
Meanwhile he holds the game to gush!

Why don't the goblins get this man?
I wish the bad, bold hold-up "pards"
Would slug the nuisance who gets wise
And holds post-mortems on the cards!

A Missouri woman has asked for a divorce. She entered the bathroom and found her husband's face covered with lather. "Are you shaving, dear?" she lisped. "No," he replied, fiercely. "I'm blackening the stove!" Undoubtedly the woman has good grounds on which to base her divorce action.

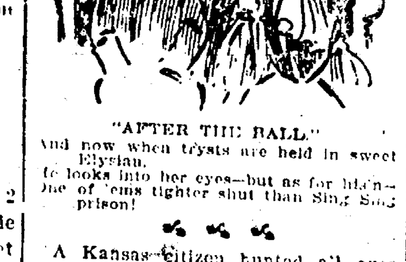
Iowa has a tiny man who wants to get married. He weighs but 30 pounds and any frail woman of 160 or 170 ought to have no trouble in wearing the family trousers, even though his would be entirely out of the question!

"Publicity is undoubtedly a safeguard to the nation, but it is still considered good government to take your baths in secret," says a funny feller. We take ourn in water 'at.

Will those men's corsets help a poker player to "stay" longer?

A Romance.

He looked into her eyes and she in his'n;
They talked of love and bliss with roseate vision!
Then pa came down the stairs, his anger risen!
The next thing was a "head on" fierce collision!



"AFTER THE BALL."
And now when trysts are held in sweet Elysian,
He looks into her eyes—but as for his'n—
One of 'ems tighter shut than Sing Sing prison!

A Kansas citizen hunted all over town to find the "stationary policeman" for the purpose of requesting the removal of a cow's carcass from near his residence. When he had succeeded in getting the sanitary officer to the spot, that functionary saw the cow's tail sticking out of the bank. He pulled it slightly, and behold! there was no cow's body buried there—only a bovine's tail stuck in the ground. "Well, I'll be durned," was the comment of the outraged citizen. Deponent telleth not what the officer said, but it is reasonable to suppose he remarked "fully as much as that!"

"Some one has invented a machine that enables us to feel music," says a writer. All we have to say is, that if any darned meddlesome agent comes monkeying around trying to sell our wife one of the dinged things, there'll be war in our flat building—that's all! There are some things that even a model husband will not permit!

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If You Get It at Carmichael & Smith's
YOU KNOW IT'S RIGHT.

A cloud no bigger than a man's hand can be seen rising lazily over the backyard fence most any day now. It's mother's precious and precocious Willie beating (?) the family carpets! Housecleaning activities are abroad in the land!

"The greatest compliment a woman can pay a man is to cook for him," says an exchange, and the greatest compliment a man can pay a woman is to eat what she cooks—but it's dangerous!

A Nebraska man got mad because he found a hairpin in a pound of butter! What did he expect? A new Easter hat or a house and lot?

When a girl begins to do her long braid on the top of her head it is time for father to get worried over growing gas bills.

The man about to be operated on for an enlarged liver sent for a minister. He wanted to be opened with prayer.

What makes more noise under the middle of a barn than a hen that has just laid an egg?

Few married men are in favor of hair restoratives. Why suffer the second pulling?

A woman cannot talk and chew gum at the same time anyhow!

Dug any horseradish yet this spring?

Now for the fish stories!

Ayer's

Your doctor will tell you that thin, pale, weak, nervous children become strong and well by taking Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Small doses, for a few days.

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QUICK ARREST.

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Maturing Meat.

After an animal is killed for meat the carcass should be left to "ripen," or mature for some time. This gives flavor to the meat. The great packing establishments in Chicago have reduced this to a system, and most meats are properly ripened before being put on the market. Many animals are killed for meat on the farm, but this principle of ripening the meat is paid no attention to, the meat being frozen at once if possible to keep it from spoiling. Meat that has not been ripened is tough and lacks flavor.

A butcher says that after an animal is killed he should be kept in a temperature of about 38 degrees for ten days at least before being frozen.

Important Business Announcements

I am now prepared to do accordian pleating from 1 to 30 inches wide.
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FIGS AND THISTLES.

Large sorrows come from little sins.

Every toper dies with the intention to taper.

No man can own more religion than he can use.

Idle hands advertise themselves as the devil's own.

When a man aspires he will probably soon perspire.

The Man of Sorrows was not much of a Man for sighs.

Fortune never disappoints the man who knows he will fail.

If God shows you a need He will show you a way to meet it.

If you will not tell the story here you cannot sing the song there.

It is impossible to preach with one eye on the conscience and the other on the collection.—Ram's Horn.

WONDERS OF MANKIND.

Grecian women had longer feet than the average man has now.

One pound of cork is sufficient to support a man of ordinary size in the water.

Experiments have shown that a person speaking in the open air can be heard about equally well at a distance of 100 feet in front, 75 feet at either side, and 30 feet behind.

EXAMINE OUR STOCK OF GENERAL MERCHANDISE which is the largest in Pawnee county. Get a new Suit of Clothes that will fit you, for as little money as you would pay for a misfit. A fine line of Shoes for men, women and children. We invite you to call and see our big stock.

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Good rigs always to be had on reasonable terms. Bus and baggage wagon to and from depot. Courteous treatment accorded all patrons and satisfaction guaranteed.

GET A SHAVE,
A hair cut, a shampoo, at the popular barber shop of
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where the artists take pride in pleasing their customers, and where all work in the barber line is performed by experts and courteous treatment is accorded to everybody.
POPULAR PRICES.

A Fearful Threat.

A Southern correspondent writes: "A little brother of mine, quarreling with a negro of about the same age, threw a rotten apple at him, which took effect between two very large-sized lips, and liberally bespattered and spluttered for a moment, and indignantly marched off, saying: 'Mass' Horace, I take dis countenance right in and show it to your father.'"

Postman Traveled Many Miles.

Thomas Dewar, a rural postman who has carried the letters from Kirkcaldy to Auchtertool for thirty-four years has just retired. Dewar is still in the full vigor of health and strength, and was only retiring in consequence of having reached the age limit. He had walked in the course of his duties 150,000 miles, equal to six times around the world.

Emperor Sets Good Example.

When he knelt down during the service on Good Friday in the court chapel at Vienna the Emperor Joseph observed that most of the gentlemen of his retinue remained standing. Without rising the emperor turned and quietly ordered them to follow his example. Instantly every member of the imperial suite was on his knees.

Do you need more blood and more flesh, do you need more strength this this spring? Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will bring them all. If it fails your money back. 35c. Tea or tablets form. F M Colwell.

Garden Seeds.

The Seeds that Yield are Sold by Allinson.

I will again handle the popular
Henry Field Seeds
and will have all kinds of Garden Seeds, Onion Sets, Rape, melons, etc

White Ohio, Early Ohio, Banner, and other varieties of Potatoes. Home Grown and Red River Grown Potatoes.

White Elephant—a big corn—Shenandoah Yellow—a hundred day corn—Iowa Silvermine, Early Ohio—a ninety day corn—Early White Cap Dent and many other varieties of corn. Those wanting corn in ear can have same crated.

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Dent Seed Corn.

I furnished the state of Nebraska for exhibition at the St. Louis Exposition, 100 bushels of White Dent corn, ten times more than any other grower in the state. I have been carefully selecting and improving White Dent corn eight years, until I can truthfully say

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TABLE ROCK, NEBRASKA

Paints at Wilson's.

Mrs. M. H. Irwin is quite sick this week.

The county commissioners were in session Tuesday.

Frames fitted; eyes tested free, at Carpenter's, the jeweler.

Mrs. Pauline Taylor, of Wymore, is visiting friends here this week.

J. Tillotson is confined to his room this week with rheumatism.

Miss Ruby Allen made a business trip to Elk Creek last Saturday.

Wilson Art Studio, open every Thursday in Table Rock. 44-tf

George Buerstetta & Co. carry a nice line of ladies' hats. Have you been there?

A large number from this place attended Campbell Bro's show at Pawnee on Monday.

Mrs. Legg, of Humboldt, was a guest of her daughters, Mrs. Caywood and Mrs. Voeller.

Mrs. W. S. Kinsey returned to her home at Wymore, after a few weeks' visit with her mother here.

Mrs. Mollie Ward left on Sunday for a visit at the home of her husband's parents, near Verdon.

Mrs. Al. Parker, of Lincoln, and her two sons were guests of her parents the latter part of last week.

Remember the finest hearse in S. E. Nebraska is used by Tillotson, and the price is not as high as formerly.

The commencement sermon will be preached by Rev. Murphy, at the Methodist church, Sunday, May 22d, at 8 p. m.

Fruit trees are beautiful, especially peach and cherry, with a profusion of blossoms rarely seen and promise a large yield of fruit.

The date for the Pawnee county fair is fixed for September 20-23, inclusive. Begin preparations now to make it a big affair.

During the storm of a week ago last Saturday, the house of Dom Mertes was struck by lightning and considerably damaged.

Mrs. Calvin returned from Lincoln Sunday afternoon and reports the Bosserman household as much better, although is not well yet.

The Tecumseh school bonds of $17,000 were sold Monday to a Council Bluffs firm for a premium of $85. The bonds draw 4½ per cent.

Miss Coffin and Mr. Hollister, piano and violin, of Wymore, were members of the orchestra at the May-pole dance here, Monday evening.

Michael Stover, of Morrill, Kas., was here a couple of days last week. On Sunday he returned home, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Stover, and his sister, Mrs. Clara Morton.

Allen Barnes who was so seriously injured by the breaking of a scaffold upon which he was working last week, is improving rapidly, everything considered, and is able to be up some.

Mrs. W. H. Wilson and Mrs. W. C. Fellers left for Omaha Monday afternoon to attend the session of the Grand chapter of the Eastern Star which meets in that city this week.

A spring tonic that cleans and purifies and absorbs all poison from the system. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well and keep you well all summer. 35 cents. Tea or tablets. F. M. Colwell.

Wall paper and paints form an important feature in the household considerations at this season of the year. The Wilson drug store is supplied with a large stock of the very best and at prices hard to duplicate.

A. L. Harrington, father of the Harrington brothers at Pawnee City, died on Tuesday morning, aged 76 years, 5 months and 6 days. He had been a resident of this county for more than a quarter of a century.

On Monday evening, the school board held its regular meeting and elected teachers for all departments of the school except for superintendent. All the old teachers except Miss Hansen were re-employed, and Miss Hansen did not apply for a place. Miss Minnie Boggs was changed from Second Primary to First Grammar, where she served for several years. Prof. Davies was not an applicant for his old position, as he expects to go to a larger school. The past year has been a very successful one; there being little fault-finding in any of the departments. The teachers employed are: Misses Luna Athens, Maggie Engberry, Anna Dimon, Minnie Boggs, Mable Miller, Fannie Hales and a superintendent will probably be chosen at the next regular meeting of the board.

Read our map proposition.

Miss Lillian Pattison is visiting her sister in Wymore.

Elmer Wood was down from Elk Creek Saturday and Sunday.

Take your repairing to Carpenter's. All work guaranteed. 41-tf

L. E. Taylor, of Wymore, was in town yesterday, and made this office a pleasant call.

Miss Ethel Rivett, of Lincoln, was a guest of her friend, Miss Nelle Cotton, over Sunday.

Ollie Perry, who is working at Syracuse, came down Monday for a short visit with relatives.

For Sale.—A good, family horse; will work single or double. Inquire of C. H. Carmichael. 40

The senior class of the high school will give two plays and a few extras, the night before commencement, at the opera house.

George Buerstetta of Elk Creek, was here yesterday looking after business matters and the progress of his new business block.

Miss Gertrude Norris came down from Lincoln Friday evening to attend the May-day picnic, and remained until Monday morning.

A baby daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Deputy, who live on the old Steve Brown place in Clear Creek, on Sunday morning.

May 31st is the time fixed by the county commissioners for voting on the proposition to issue $75,000 bonds to build a court house and jail.

Hon. C. H. Norris, accompanied his nephew, Joe Norris, to Falls City Tuesday afternoon, where he visited his brother until Wednesday night.

The room in the opera house block recently vacated by the Robertson restaurant, is being fitted up and will be occupied by F. W. Parker, the harness maker.

Local members of the A. O. U. W. are proud of the fact that the Nebraska jurisdiction of their order is the largest in the world—now numbering nearly 38,000.

A young man was taken through here to Lincoln on Sunday night, for surgical treatment. He had been out hunting near Byron, and in going through a barb wire fence, his gun went off, the charge striking him in the face, one eye being shot out.

Elsworth Groom, of Lincoln, visited over Sunday with his father and brother. He has a position as stenographer with the Reed insurance and loan company of Lincoln, and is doing nicely. He has determination and pluck and is bound to push along in the pathway of success and prosperity.

The band is coming along O. K., and will be in pretty fair shape for the coming summer concerts, which begin about the first of June. They are constantly getting new music, and the played-out numbers of last year will be relegated.

We predict a successful season for them.

The Pawnee City base ball team came over Saturday afternoon and contended with a home team in a hard fought game, in which scores were lavishly made. The game ended in the seventh inning with the score standing 14 to 15 in favor of the visitors. A return game will be played at Pawnee on Saturday the 14th.

Next Saturday the home team will meet a team from north of town on the home diamond.

Misses Ethel Rivett and L. Gertrude Norris and, Mr. J. H. Norris, of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Taylor, and Mr. Fred Bristol, of Wymore; Mr. Elmer Wood, of Elk Creek; Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Phillips, Misses Clara Hansen, Luna Athens, Ruth Chambers, Mabel Miller, Laura Holmes, Nelle Cotton, Emma Wood, Anna Dimon, Minnie Boggs, and Messrs. Edgar N. Wood, Enos Jones, Dorr Tressler, city, spent a delightful day at Harter's grove, in Clear Creek, last Saturday, celebrating their annual holiday—the May-day picnic. It was the aim of everyone to make this the banner picnic, and from all appearances it exceeded their expectations. And the dinner and supper! well, here is the menu:

Dinner: Beef loaf, pressed chicken, deviled eggs, Saratoga chips, Parker House rolls, peanut sandwiches, tomatoes with mayonnaise, cheese sticks, olives, preserves, ice cream with fresh pineapple, cakes, ice tea. Supper Beef loaf, pressed chicken, Saratoga chips, light bread, oyster salad, ice cream with strawberries, cake, lemonade.

Take your laundry to W. C. Fellers

Has your watch or clock stopped? have Carpenter repair it.

The Presbyterian church has been given a new roof this week.

J. D. Palmer, who was seriously ill with pneumonia, is much better.

W. C. Fellers is agent for Pawnee City Steam Laundry. Try him once.

Found Money—Party losing same can learn finder, by calling at this office.

J. O. Stout, of Auburn, was a guest of F. O. Pierce a couple of days this week.

George Stover and family of Pawnee, were guests of relatives here last week.

Have your photos made on Thursday at Wilson's Art Studio, Table Rock. 44-tf

George Buerstetta & Co. carry a nice line of ladies' hats. Have you been there?

Mrs. Tom Shorter is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Vina Nickelson, at Elk Creek, this week.

When in Pawnee City buy RELIABLE DRY GOODS of F. J. MUFFKE Pay less and dress better.

For corn shelling—horse power or steam—see A. J. Barrett or E. L. Porter, Table Rock, Neb.

Mrs. Frank Wheeler and children, of Wymore, were guests of relatives here the fore part of the week.

Remember Tillotson when in need of anything in the undertaking line; our stock is complete and new. 40

The graduating exercises of the eighth grade will be held in the High School room, Monday, May 23d, at 2 p. m.

Mrs. C. A. Barnard left on Friday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Irwin, at Lennox, Iowa, and expects to be gone several weeks.

Elder C. C. Atwood and wife were guests here during the week, Mr. Atwood preaching in the Christian Church Sunday morning and evening

The question of granting saloon license will be considered by the new town board, several applicants wanting the privilege, but one of our own citizens, J. H. Hilbert, seems to have the inside.

D B Reardon, of Neala, Ia., has brought suit in the United States court against Mrs. C. E. Murphy, of the Murphy hotel, for $5,000 damages for false arrest. Some months ago, Reardon was here working a map advertising scheme, and the arrest came about over the board bill made at that time. The suit is set for trial in the court at Omaha tomorrow, and several witnesses are expected to go from here.

NORTHEAST OF TABLE ROCK.

Tax paying is drawing our land owners to the county capital. On Monday Mr. C. Frank and daughter, Mrs. Eliza Burrow, were over, and on Tuesday Mr. W. A. Frank gave his handsome black driving team an airing, with a trip to the city.

Miss Elma Bennington, who has been staying with Mrs. Dan. Andrews, is spending this week at home, but will return next week.

W. D. Myers and family went to Table Rock Sunday evening to hear Rev. Atwood preach.

Mr. George Kent came from town the other day with a new Quick Meal range which was soon in place in the kitchen. It is evident, that with the great prospect for fruit, a new range, and an excellent cook, Mr. Kent expects to feast on hot biscuit, strawberry shortcake, cherry pie, peach cobbler and apple dumplings.

Mr. Vertiska has torn down the old house on his farm south of Geo. Gilbert's, and expects to erect a new one soon.

Word was received here from Oklahoma, that Earl the thirteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Millage, had accidentally shot himself and could not live. James Barclay and J. W. Hastings, brother and uncle of Mrs. Millage, left for there immediately but arrived too late to see him alive. It seems that he was trying to shoot off a little rifle which he had won as a prize, and when it failed to go, he examined it to find the reason. When it was turned directly toward him it was discharged, the ball entering the abdomen, perforating the bladder and intestines. The little fellow was well known here, and the sympathy of the people goes out to the stricken parents who are bereft of their only child.

Wall paper at Wilson's.

For Sale.—Plymouth Rock eggs. Inquire of J. R. SUTTON. 37-tf

G. W. Pepoon & Co., will deliver wood to any part of town for $1.75 per rick. 37-tf

Mrs. Rena Williams, was called here from Ohio by the accident to Allen Barnes, and will remain a few weeks.

Bill Frank captured ten young wolves one day this week, and took the scalps to the county seat yesterday.

The Wilson drug store claims it will save you money on wall paper and paints and invites you to put it to the test.

We have one of the finest church trucks ever brought to Pawnee county, for use in our business.
40 A. K. Tillotson.

Field day exercises on the high school grounds, Friday, May 20, at 3 p. m. The regular field day program and a base ball game between H. S., and town boys.

In the Methodist conference, the question of amusements is being considered, quite a number of the delegates favoring removing the ban on cards and dancing.

Mrs Phebe Cooper arrived home from Denver last Friday. She has spent several months with her son L. E., at St. Joe, and her daughter, Mrs Sadie Domedian, at Denver.

Please call and see us when in need of undertaking goods. Let us make you prices; if we can't please you in price and goods we don't want your business. 40 A. K. Tillotson.

A cow belonging to C C Mitchell got one of her legs caught in the roots of a tree yesterday in the G M Lane pasture, and in her attempt to get free, her leg was so badly broken and shattered that she had to be shot.

Charley Chambers, our expert checker player, had a sitting one day this week with the best checker player in the state—a Mr Reed, of Lincoln, who is a member of the Wesleyan quartette. In the forenoon, Mr. Chambers came out ahead in a series of games, and in the afternoon he lost, so that on the whole the sitting was about even.

A report has been current here that John O'Connor, a former well-known citizen of Table Rock, had been injured in a railroad wreck west of Denver, one leg being crushed and that he had survived an operation only a few days, dying last Friday. John left here several years ago for Wymore and became a conductor on the B & M. About a year ago he went to Denver and was railroading out of that city.

The following letter to Walter Smith is self-explanatory:

Nebraska City, Neb., May 5, 1904.

Dear Brother Smith:—Please announce to the church at Table Rock that their new preacher is Rev. W. A. Tyler, and that he will move to Table Rock toward the latter part of next week and preach the 15th. He has just graduated from Garrett Biblical Institute, has had several years in the ministry, is highly recommended, has a wife and three children, and comes to do good service. You can rest next Sabbath or hold such services as you think best, in place of the public services at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., and make preparation to give your new pastor a warm welcome into your nice parsonage, your church and your hearts. Yours as ever,
J. S. W. Dean.

Campbell Brothers' show has met with very bad luck at the beginning of this season's work. They pulled into Pawnee City last Sunday at 6:10 p. m., and unloaded all their train, with the exception of the elephant car. At about 11 o'clock, a gasoline torch in the car exploded, setting fire to the straw bedding, and before the fire department arrived, had destroyed the animals and some small show paraphernalia carried in the car. The animals killed, were, three elephants, including Venus, the man-killer, four camels, a sacred ox, ring pony and a black bear, making a total loss, financially, of over $20,000, with no insurance. A few weeks before, they had been offered $12,000 for Venus, the four-ton elephant, and she had the reputation of being one of the best trained animals in America. The management expects a car load of animals for their Omaha date, Monday, May 9th, to replace this loss. The citizens of Fairbury showed their respect and esteem toward the Campbell Brothers by purchasing 306 reserved seats for the Pawnee afternoon performance, making a purse of $229.50.

Joe Norris, of Lincoln, was a guest of his uncle, C. H. Norris, over Sunday.

Consult your own interests by buying wall paper and paints at Wilson's drug store. 39-tf

For Sale—Shenandoah Yellow, and Iowa Silvermine seed corn.
44-45 A. A. Widdifield.

Have your old collars and cuffs washed clean and white; we guarantee they will have no rough edges.
W. C. Fellers.

MADE YOUNG AGAIN

"One of Dr. King's New Life Pills each night for two weeks has put me in my 'teens' again" writes D. H. Turner of Dempsytown, Pa. They're the best in the world for Liver, Stomach and Bowels. Purely vegetable. Never gripe. Only 25c at F. M. Colwell's Drug Store.

What will Table Rock do on the FOURTH OF JULY? Why not celebrate in a manner creditable to one of the best towns in southeast Nebraska? Think it over.

IRRIGATION
Big Horn Basin

Your spare time will be well spent if you will use it in making a trip to this new irrigated country. The United States will not be long now in getting under irrigation all the land that is subject to this class of farming, as it is becoming the most popular way to farm for sure results. This country is yet in its infancy, and homeseekers should avail themselves of this opportunity to get a farm in the Big Horn Basin. Just now you can get the choice of this land at a very low price, and you will be surprised what a delay of a few days will do for you in the price of this land.

Post yourself on this country by writing for booklet descriptive of the Big Horn Basin and any other information you may desire.

We will make very low round trip rates to this country the first and third Tuesdays in May. J Francis, General Passenger Agent, Burlington Route, Omaha, Neb.

The new town board will meet to organize on Saturday evening of this week.

Mr. and Mrs Frank Wheeler, and family, of Wymore, visited relatives here this week.

We are not here to meet anybody else's prices on undertaking goods; we simply want to furnish good goods at living prices. A. K. Tillotson.

Are you guilty of being tied to any Commission firm or are you a free and independent stockman? We are recognized agents for all free and independent stockmen. Charles Dixon Commission Company, Stock Yards, Kansas City, Mo. Write to us. Ship to us.

Ten million pike eggs are to be hatched at the state fisheries this spring, and the fish will be planted in rivers which rise in Nebraska, as it has been found that pike have a bad habit of journeying to the headwaters and fish planted in Nebraska last year emigrated to Wyoming.

The commencement exercises of the Table Rock high school will be held on May 25th. There are eleven graduates; three boys: Chas. Martin, Claude Conant, Kay Dow, and eight girls: Blanche Mort, Mary Kovanda, Nellie Fellers, Mable Goodale, Madie Buckles, Nellie Irwin, Mabel Edwards and Cleo Layman.

Program for Commencement.

May 20, 3 p. m. Field Day—School Grounds.
May 22, 8 p. m. Commencement Sermon—M. E. Church.
May 23, 2 p. m. Eighth Grade Exercises—High School.
May 24, 8 p. m. Senior Class Exercises—Opera House.
May 25, 8 p. m. Commencement—Opera House.

SPRING AILMENTS

There is an aching and tired feeling; the liver, bowels and kidneys become sluggish and inactive, the digestion impaired, with little or no appetite, no ambition for anything, and a feeling that the whole body needs toning up. The trouble is, that during winter, there has been an accumulation of waste matter in the system. Herbine will remove it, secure to the secretions a right exit, and by its tonic effect, fully restore the wasted tissues and give strength in place of weakness. 50c at F. M. Colwell's

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where you will find a large stock of the very best grades at the lowest prices.
BRING YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS TO US FOR FILLING .....
W. H. WILSON.

TRUE JOURNALISM

Editor Edw. Howe of Atchison Lectures in Lawrence

WITH MANY FUNNY STORIES

"Some Experiences of a Newspaper Man" Subject of Lecture—Good Advice to Students Entering Journalism

Ed Howe, of the Atchison Globe, addressed the students of the State University of Kansas in the chapel at Lawrence. It was at first intended to have the address given in Blake Hall, the physics lecture room, but there was not room enough to accommodate the crowd and it was necessary to change to the chapel. Classes were dismissed for the lecture.

Mr. Howe's topic was, "Some Experiences of a Newspaper Man," and the address was given as a part of the course of lectures for the school of journalism, recently established at that institution. Mr. Howe consumed most of his time in relating his experiences with the people of Atchison since he started the Globe twenty-seven years ago. The lecture was replete with funny stories told in the speaker's characteristic manner.

The principal advice which he gave to young aspirants in journalistic honors was first of all to get started at work on a lively, wide awake paper, and to behave properly. The next step according to the Atchison man is to get acquainted with every one in town. Mr. Howe placed especial stress upon a wide acquaintance.

"I go out into the streets of Atchison every day," he said, "and see certain men and get from them the best things which my paper contains. They are the source of the news and the inspiration for nearly all of my editorial paragraphs. There is too much talk about the coming man. He is here already, and the thing to do is to know him."

In speaking of preparation for newspaper work, Mr. Howe said: "The greatest school of journalism in the world is the country newspaper. The best lectures I could give on the subject are contained in my letters to my sons who are running a little country paper in Idaho for the sake of the experience, and they are making good progress."

Mr. Howe's lecture was from the standpoint of a country newspaper man as have been nearly all the lectures in the course up to date.

"I know nothing about a city paper, except what I like and do not like," he said. "The Sunday editions are a nuisance. The space might better be filled up with interesting and instructive letters and articles than with stories about some woman who feeds her pet dog from a gold plate."

Historical Church Damaged

The First Methodist Episcopal church building at Fifth and Choctaw streets, Leavenworth, Kan., was damaged about $1,500 by fire and water. The fire started on the roof from sparks from a locomotive. The loss is covered by insurance in a church association.

The church was built in 1859 and is the oldest brick edifice in Kansas. The crusade which resulted in placing constitutional prohibition on the Kansas statute books originated in this building because of a saloon on the opposite corner. Of late years the church property has been damaged by the location of two passenger depots close to it. Damage suits followed and part of the amounts sued for were recovered after trials in both the state and federal courts.

Farmer Goes into Bankruptcy

The second case of farmers taking advantage of the bankruptcy law which has come before Referee Millikin in the United States bankruptcy court at Salina, Kan., within the past two years, has been filed. George W. Yapp of Epson, Jewell county, filed a petition of voluntary bankruptcy. His liabilities amount to $5,570. It is unusual for a Kansas farmer to be compelled to take advantage of the bankruptcy law.

The California Launched

The armored cruiser California was launched at the ship yards of the Union Iron works at San Francisco. The electric button which started the vessel on her way to the water was touched by Mrs. Walter S. Martin and the vessel was christened California.

There are to be five vessels like the California. She will cost, complete, $5,000,000.

Machinists Will Not Strike

The Topeka machinists of the Santa Fe held a large mass meeting and decided that they would not strike. J. D. Buckalew, third vice president of the international association of machinists, was present, and strongly advised this course. He said there would be no strike if he could help it. The action of the men on the coast lines of the road in going out without waiting for orders from the national headquarters of the union was strongly condemned

NEBRASKA WINS DEBATE

Sixth Time Her Debaters Have Defeated the Jayhawkers

The University of Nebraska won its sixth consecutive victory in debate by defeating the University of Kansas team in a strong and clean-cut discussion of the Monroe doctrine question. The debate took place before an audience of 500 people, in Memorial Hall, Lincoln, including many representatives of business and professional classes. The decision of the judges was two to one in favor of Nebraska When Judge Deemer of the Iowa supreme court announced the result of the conference the audience broke loose and a scene of wild enthusiasm followed. The crowd surged forward and seizing each of the debaters in rapid succession tossed them in the air in the most approved fashion. The Kansas debaters were treated in the same manner and Professor Fogg, under whose direction the debaters were trained, was tossed with the rest.

Gas Well in Wyandotte

Considerable secrecy is maintained as to the extent of the flow of gas recently struck at Bonner Springs in Wyandotte county, Kansas. A farmer from the neighborhood of the prospect holes said:

"Three wells have been put down, one at Captain Twister's, one in the Sharbert place, and one on the Kennyham place, between Bonner Springs and Edwardsville Gas was found at the last place, but to what extent, Mr. Wood, who is doing the boring, will not state. We know, however, for a fact that enough has been found to run the engine. Mr. Wood has leased almost all the gas and oil rights down there, and will bore another near Edwardsville soon."

Another Kansas Railroad

Another Kansas railroad has been chartered. It is the Great Bend Southern railway, and it is chartered to run from Great Bend south through Barton, Stafford, Pratt and Barber counties to the south line of the state.

The charter gives it the right to use steam, electricity, compressed air or any other motive power it wishes. The capital stock is only $25,000, which wouldn't build the road very far.

The reason for the proposed road is not apparent. Those who know the country through which it is to pass say that there is little excuse for the line unless it is to be a part of some other system.

Shot at Premier

Premier Maura of Madrid, was shot at while on his way to Madrid from the Balearic islands. When between Alicante and Encina a bullet whizzed through the roof of his car. The incident created great alarm, but no one was injured.

The official report of the incident given out by the minister of the interior says:

"As the train was running between Alicante and San Vincente some persons fired and others threw stones. The gendarmes accompanying the train returned the fire. Neither the premier nor the other passengers were hurt. Two arrests were made."

Decision Against Chinamen

In the supreme court of the United States a decision was delivered in the case of Sing Tuck and thirty other Chinese persons held for deportation on the order of an inspector. The men claimed to be citizens of the United States, and sued out writs of habeas corpus, claiming that they were entitled to a review of their cases by the courts before exhausting the remedies prescribed by the exclusion treaty of 1894. The court did not take this view, but held that Chinamen must pursue the course outlined in the law, exhausting the remedies there provided before applying to the courts. The opinion was by Justice Holmes.

Items in Deficiency Bill

In the general deficiency appropriation bill adopted the important senate amendments are:

Appropriating $5,000 for medals to commemorate the birth of Benjamin Franklin; appropriating $30,000 for a special assistant attorney general in an investigation and prosecution of certain frauds in the customs service; extending for two years the time for filing claims for property taken from confederate officers and soldiers; appropriating $4,500 for exhibition of the model of the capitol at the Louisiana Purchase exposition; appropriating $1,250 for the relief of the widow of General Longstreet.

May Yet Issue Passes

Representatives of western railroads met in Chicago to consider the question of granting return passes to live stock shippers. At the morning meeting it was agreed that the Iowa lines should comply with the law of that state by granting transportation within that state, but not on interstate business. Later it was discovered that two or three lines were pledged to the Iowa state commission to grant return passes to stockmen on all Chicago business.

STATESMEN QUIT

Second Session of the 58th Congress Adjourns Sine Die

PANAMA BILL AGREED TO

Routine Business Incident to Adjournment Occupied Largest Time of the Last Day's Session

The second session of the 58th congress has been declared adjourned by President Pro Tem Frye of the senate and Speaker Cannon of the house.

The senate began business promptly in legislative session and immediately afterwards agreed to the conference report on the emergency reserve river and harbor bill.

Mr. Kittredge presented the conference report on the Panama canal bill and it was agreed to without comment.

The house resolution fixing 2 p. m. as the hour for the final adjournment of the session was presented and was adopted without being referred to a committee.

President Roosevelt arrived at the capitol to attend to his official duties incident to the adjournment of congress. Nearly all the members of his cabinet had preceded him and were waiting in the president's room. He was accompanied by Mr. Loeb, his private secretary, and the whole executive force of the White house. A number of bills passed recently received his signature.

The president affixed his signature to the last of the general supply measures—the postoffice appropriation bill. Prior to that time he had signed the sundry civil, the general deficiency and the military academy bills, in addition to scores of measures of minor importance.

The president was in almost constant consultation with senators and representatives concerning measures presented to him for signature. Bills relating to the various departments were referred strictly to members of the cabinet who were present and, as usual, they passed upon them before they were signed by the president.

The joint committee of the two branches of congress consisting of Senators Hale and Cockrell and Representatives Payne, Memenway and Williams, appointed to notify the president that congress was ready to adjourn, called upon President Roosevelt in his room at the capitol. The president informed the committee that he had no further communications to make to the congress. The committee remained with the president less than five minutes.

The house resumed its session and at once got down to business and agreed to a number of conference reports on bills of minor importance. The conference report on the bill establishing a government for the Panama canal zone likewise was agreed to.

Mr. Payne (N. Y.), the majority leader, by unanimous consent, interrupted a roll call and offered a resolution providing for adjournment. Loud republican applause greeted the announcement.

READY TO OPEN FAIR

All Arrangements Made for Opening of the World's Fair

All arrangements have been perfected by the Postal Telegraph company for transmitting to St. Louis the electric current to be started by President Roosevelt at the White house in Washington, which will formally open the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

The key to be used by President Roosevelt to start the current on its western journey has been made. It is of gold and after it has been used by President Roosevelt it will be presented by the Postal Telegraph company to President D. R. Francis of the world's fair.

Democratic Committee Meeting

At a meeting of the sub-committee of the democratic national committee in St. Louis it was stated that the aggregate number of tickets to be issued for the convention would not exceed 9,500. Seven hundred and fifty seats will be reserved for the press. None but working newspaper men will be permitted to occupy these seats.

The committee approved Mr. Schroer's suggestion to place a telephone in every state delegation which will connect with a telephone on the main platform and afford service to all parts of the hall.

In the lobbies an additional number of telephones affording long distance connections will be installed.

Pierpont Morgan Gets $1,000,000

The government of the republic of Panama has indicated its desire to have $1,000,000 of the amount to be paid that country on account of the canal purchase transmitted to J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., their fiscal agents at New York, the remaining $9,000,000 to await the arrival at Washington of the Panama minister next June. The treasury department will comply with this request

ONE FOR THE RUSSIANS

They Capture and Sink a Japanese Ship of 400 Tons

Russian torpedo boats belonging to the Vladivostok squadron sank a Japanese military ship, the Kinshiu-Maru, of 4,000 tons, with all on board, with the exception of seventeen officers, twenty soldiers, sixty-five of the crew and eighty-five coal carriers. The others, who refused to surrender, were sent to the bottom with the ship.

The official report of Rear Admiral Yeszen to the emperor is as follows: "Two Russian torpedo boats met at sea the Japanese military transport Kinshiu-Maru, of 4,000 tons, laden with rice and other military stores, and about 500 tons of coal. The transport was armed with four Hotchkiss guns of 37 millimeters. The Russians captured on board seventeen officers, twenty soldiers, eighty-five military carriers, or coolies, and sixty-five of the crew, who surrendered. The remainder of the men, who were to form a landing party, obstinately refused to surrender or to go on board a Russian cruiser. Futhermore, they offered armed resistance to the Russians. In the end they were sent to the bottom with the transport."

HAGUE WAR RULES

Japan is the First to Adopt this Advanced Position

The advanced position taken by the Japanese in the adoption of humane rules of war is strikingly shown in a report to the state department from United States Minister Griscom at Tokio, in which he encloses a communication to himself from Baron Komura, the Japanese minister of foreign affairs. The minister shows that Japan is the first country to give full effect to the elaborate code of laws governing war laid down by The Hague conference. He announces that there has already been put into operation by the Japanese the rule of war regulating the dispatch of letters, money orders and valuables between prisoners of war and their friends in their own country. The Japanese government also has ordered that such prisoners be supplied free with postal facilities, communication and means of receiving gifts. Also that they be not subjected to any railway charges.

LINCOLN JOBBERS' TRIP

They Will Visit the Country Customers Along the Northwestern Line

The jobbers and business men of Lincoln will visit their friends along the line of the Nrothwestern railroad. A four days' trip has been planned for May 9. Every town on the main line as far northwest as Long Pine and on the Bonesteel and Albion branches of the road will be visited. A stop of from twenty minutes to one and one-half hours will give the Lincoln visitors time to meet their neighbors and get better acquainted. Two Pullman cars and a combination car will form a special train at the disposal of the visitors. Enough business men have already agreed to go to make this the largest excursion of the kind that ever left Lincoln. The wholesale houses of Lincoln have for many years done a good business in the northern and western part of Nebraska and this excursion will give the jobbers a chance to see the country and towns and greet their customers personally.

Baldridge to be Chairman

Howard H. Baldrige, of Omaha, will be temporary chairman of the republican state convention to be held in Lincoln May 18. Mr. Baldridge was selected by the executive committee of the state central committee at its meeting at the Lindell hotel recently. Among those mentioned for the honor were W. F. Gurley, John C Wharton and Robert Cowen of Omaha, and Judge Wall of Loup City. The committee selected A. B. Allen of Tecumseh to be temporary secretary of the convention. Those present at the committee meeting were Chairman Lindsay, Secretary Allen, Victor Rosewater of Omaha, C. A. Robinson of Kearney, Thomas Childers of Pierce, Hugh McCarger of Crete. E. G. Titus of Holdrege and Byron Clark of Plattsmouth were absent. Mr. Clarks' proxy was held by Chairman Lindsay.

Union Music at World's Fair

William Weil, official bandmaster of the world's fair, who was recently expelled by the Musicians' union, has paid a fine of $1,000, and by agreeing to conform strictly to union rules, has been reinstated as a member of the St. Louis union. Mr. Weil also agreed to employ only St. Louis musicians in his world's fair band.

Kinkaid's Bill Signed

Representative Kinkaid's bill increasing the size of homesteads in western Nebraska to 640 acres became a law when President Roosevelt in the presence of Mr. Kinkaid affixed his signature to the bill. The president indicated to Representative Kinkaid and Senator Dietrich that he would sign the measure before the adjournment of congress and he kept his promise, much to the gratification of the author of the bill, who has labored so incessantly for its passage

A PENSION GETTER

Congressman Burket Has Made an Exceptional Record

AMOUNT SECURED $100,000

Majority of His Claims Recognized as Meritorious and They Are Granted Quickly—Other News

The Nebraska delegation in congress has been more successful this session with private pension bills than ever before. Heretofore, if a member could attain the passage of three to four such bills he considered himself fortunate indeed, for that feat could only be achieved after the greatest effort. Congressman Burkett has secured more pensions than any other Nebraska congressman ever did. Since his first term he has dug up over $100,000 in pension arrearages for his constituents. Other Nebraska congressmen have had less than one term, yet they have scored well in that short time in the matter of pensions. Senator Millard has passed ten bills this session. There are many disappointed claimants still. Each thinks his case more meritorious than any other, and if congress fails to pass his bill, he forthwith blames the congressman. Experience shows that only about 7 per cent of the pension bills ever became laws. The committee select only the highly meritorious cases—cases concerning which there is little question—and they go through. A congressman can introduce any number of pension bills, but if he gets five out of the whole number he is exceedingly fortunate.

Judge Kincaid has talked to the president about his bill for larger homestead entries, which was signed by the speaker of the house and president of the senate and sent to the White house. No opposition is expected from Land Commissioner Richards, nor is there any doubt that the president will approve the bill.

Badges of Honor Presented

President Roosevelt presented to Richard P. Taylor, the well known secret service official detailed at the White house, a handsome medal of honor conferred upon him by the navy department for conspicuous gallantry during the hurricane at Apia, Samoa, on March 16, 1889. At that time Mr. Taylor was a quartermaster on the U. S. S. Nipsic, and from 1 o'clock till 6:30 on that morning he conned the ship. The night was of inky blackness and the rain, driven by a furious wind, cut the faces of all exposed to it like a whiplash. In addition to the con where Taylor stood was swept by volumes of smoke and soot after the ship's funnel has been carried away. Captain Mullaney commended Taylor for a medal of honor. The recommendation was approved by Admiral Kimberley. That was fifteen years ago, but it was not until now that Mr. Taylor received the medal.

Mother of Ten Children

That a woman who is the mother of ten children is a better citizen than her husband or the president of the United States, was the declaration made by President Roosevelt to the Rev. M. R. Deming, formerly pastor of the Tremont temple, Boston.

The Rev. Mr. Deming and his wife were among the delegates to the Florence Critenton mission conference who were received by the president. When Mrs. Deming was introduced it was stated that she was the mother of ten living children.

"I am delighted to meet her" said the president, giving Mrs. Deming a hearty handshake. "You and I may be good citizens, Mr. Deming," he continued, "but Mrs. Deming is the best citizen of the three."

Money to Prosecute Trusts

The appropriation for the enforcement of the anti-trust laws is made available, as proposed by the house, for the fiscal year of 1905 instead of until expended as proposed by the senate. The house provision of $85,000 prevails instead of the senate provision of $135,000 for assistant attorneys in special cases.

Taft Goes to St. Louis

Secretary Taft left Washington for St. Louis, where he will represent President Roosevelt at the opening exercises and ceremonies of the Louisiana Purchase exposition. The government board of management, with the exception of Colonel Michael, also left for St. Louis.

Woman Baptists Missions

Mrs. John Edwin Scott presided at the meeting in Omaha of the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary society of the West. After a devotional service the society heard reports and papers on foreign missions. The report of Mrs. Matilda E. Kline, treasurere of the society, showed an expenditure of $42,121 in the foreign field, and $18,579 for the expense of maintaining the work at home. Secretary Miss Julia L. Austin reported material growth in the membership and work accomplished.

KEARNEY GOT CONTRACT

New Normal School Walls to be Constructed of Ferguson Concrete

The new Kearney normal school will be built of hollow concrete tiles, at a cost of $41,500. The state board of education has decided to adopt the new building material for the building and awarded the contract to Knutzen & Isdell of Kearney. The tile to be used is known as the Ferguson patented tile and is manufactured by the Ferguson Concrete Tile company, also a Kearney firm.

The contractors will give a personal bond of $12,000, or a guarantee bond of $6,000 that the tiles will remain water proof and will not disintegrate within a period of five years. The manufacturers of the tiles will be required to give a guarantee bond of $10,000 to use only the best concrete in making the tiles. The merits of concrete construction. Bedford sandstone construction and pressed brick were discussed by members of the board and by experts in building material at the meeting and the manufacture of concrete building blocks was gone into in detail. The committee of the board which visited Denver, Milwaukee and Chicago to inspect buildings constructed of concrete, reported concerning the trip and all were impressed with the new material.

There were but two bidders for the erection of the building. They were Joseph Sparks of St. Joseph, Mo., and Knutzen & Isdell of Kearney. Neither bid included lighting, heating and wiring. The bids were as follows: Bedford stone, Sparks, $56,000, Knutzen & Isdell, $48,500; pressed brick, Sparks, $45,900, Knutzen & Isdell, $45,900; concrete, Sparks, $43,800; Knutzen & Isdell, $41,500. A number of plumbing firm submitted bids for the wiring, heating and plumbing and the contract was awarded to A. Dussell & Son of Columbus, Neb., for $5,385. The contracts will be signed up within thirty days and work on the building will begin at once.

WHEAT RATE SETTLED

Omaha and Kansas City Placed on a Parity for Chicago

Executive officers of the western roads have readjusted the entire schedules of grain rates. Incidentally in trying to settle the grain war another prospective war was started which may result in the reduction of Iowa grain rates about one-third. The fight is now over the question of whether the new rates from Omaha and Kansas City to Chicago shall be considered as proportional or local rates. The Northwestern road is credited with the desire to make them local rates. All other roads are in favor of making them proportional rates. If the view of the Northwestern is sustained it will reduce the Iowa rates.

In the re-arrangement of grain rates Omaha is placed on a parity with Kansas City, which has hitherto had a differential of two cents on grain to Chicago. The new rates are on the basis of 12 to 11 cents from both Omaha and Kansas City to Chicago.

The five-cent differential which St. Louis has enjoyed over Chicago in the past is wiped out and a differential of 3 cents substituted.

GALENA'S GRANT HOME

Col. Fred Grant Presents Grant Home to City of Galena

The twelfth annual celebration of General U. S. Grant's birthday was held at Galena, Ill., to a large audience filling Turner hall. Bishop Samuel Fallows, of Chicago, made the principal address and paid a glowing tribute to the great commander under whom he fought during the civil war. General Fred D. Grant and wife were prominent among those present.

The feature of the day was the presentation by General Grant to the city of Galena of the residence formerly owned and occupied by his distinguished father. The home has been given to the commander of the union forces by his admirers on his return from the war, August 18, 1865.

Among the participants in the celebration were the three Kohlsaat brothers, of Chicago; Herman H., Judge Christian C., and Ernest W.

Commencement at Peru

The commencement program of the Peru normal school has been agreed upon and announced by Superintendent Clark. The graduation class at the school this year will be a larger one than ever and the commencement will last four days.

Peace Conference at St. Louis

The bureau of the inter-parliamentary peace conference has been called to hold the next conference at St. Louis, August 5.

Brainard Has Big Fire

A fire which started at midnight destroyed the greater part of the business portion of Brainerd, Minn., causing a loss which is estimated at $150,000.

The letter of Miss Merkley, whose picture is printed above, proves beyond question that thousands of cases of inflammation of the ovaries and womb are annually cured by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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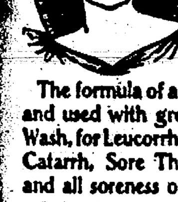

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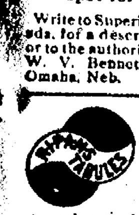

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The rural free delivery service is rapidly spreading over the country. Up to February 1 there were 21,660 routes in operation and several hundred more had been favorably reported upon. There were 5,217 petitions on hand asking for the establishment of other routes. This branch of the postal service has already become one of its most important features, and is helping greatly to make rural life more comfortable.

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Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar, made of extra quality tobacco. You pay 10c for cigars not so good. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Even the physical culture crank balks at carrying other people's burdens.

Sensible Housekeepers.

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Love will illume the lightest heart and the darkest parlor.

If you want creamery prices do as the creameries do, use JUNE TINT BUTTER COLOR.

You never find an undertaker or a doctor drinking to a man's health.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

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Don't you know that Defiance Starch, besides being absolutely superior to any other, is put up 16 ounces in packages and sells at same price as 12-ounce packages of other kinds?

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TRAITS OF THE RUSS

LITTLE TENDER-HEARTEDNESS IN HIS MAKE-UP.

"We Have to Learn to be Hard," Said an Empress Who Had Suffered—Brave Act of Czar Nicholas that Cowed a Savage Mob.

The disaster to the Russian ship engaged in arranging the sunken mines off Port Arthur reminds us that the Emperor Nicholas I. was very enthusiastic over this branch of the service. Lord Bloomfield accompanied him to watch experiments on many occasions. On one of them the whole party were drenched to the skin, and after the operations there was a drive of three or four hours, which his lordship relished as little as anybody.

On that drive back to St. Petersburg Lord Bloomfield had four horses to his carriage, and was proceeding at the usual helter-skelter Russian gallop, when the leading postillon's horse fell, bringing down his companion and one of the wheelers, and the poor boy lay under two of the plunging brutes. It was difficult to extricate the postilion, for the horses were cruelly hurt, and furious with pain.

A crowd collected, and Lord Castlereagh happened to drive up. At length the boy was lifted clear—not killed, but terribly hurt. He was put into Lord Castlereagh's caleche and sent on to the city, to the open astonishment of a Russian officer who had come up.

"Why make that fuss?" he said. "He's a Russian. He can ride yet. Wake him up with a little whipcord, and let him do his work."

But the Englishmen were more tender-hearted. Fresh horses and postilions were obtained and St. Petersburg was reached at last. The story came to the empress' ears. She was Marie of Prussia, a stately woman, who had once been very beautiful.

Her appearance was now marred by a nervous twitch of the features, which came over her during the terrible days that followed her husband's accession. There had been an emeute and the roaring mob surrounded the winter palace, threatening death to the imperial pair, who were watching from within.

Suddenly Nicholas took his 6-months-old child in his arms and stepped out on the balcony, facing the crowds which surged like a sea in the vast palace square. He was very young, and a splendid specimen of a man, this Emperor Nicholas, in the heyday of his magnificent strength.

He did not speak, but stood there—the baby in his arms. A silence fell on the mob, a silence almost more awful than its rage. Then came a tempest of cheers and sobs. The dynasty was saved.

The people were ready to die for their emperor and his heir. But one shivering woman had been tried past her strength—the Empress Marie carried with her the mark of that moment of anguish until her dying day.

She laughed at Lord Bloomfield when she was told of his care for a postilion boy, but there were tears in her beautiful eyes. "His mother loves him," she said. "His mother will thank you. But we Russians have to learn to be hard."—Chicago Journal.

Little Scout Was a "Gift."

It is not generally known that Little Scout, the gallant son of Lamplighter-Little Indian, a frequent winner on the tracks last summer, and the king of 'em all at New Orleans during November and December, is a "gift" horse.

When Turfman George C. Bennett bought a lot of yearlings from Milton young, which included Abe Frank and Ed Austin and five others, for which a total of $8,000 was paid, he wanted to get a Lamplighter, but did not fancy any that he saw.

After the deal for the seven head had been closed, Young, pointing to an under-sized colt, remarked to McDaniel:

"There is a Lamplighter in which you may feel an interest, and his dam is a half-sister to Myrtle Harkness.

"If you want him I will throw him in for good measure."

Gigantic Bird Cage.

Women will be interested in the gigantic bird cage at the world's fair, which is 325 feet long. The covering is of wire, strengthened by a steel framework. A wooden platform surrounds the cage, and through the center runs a fourteen-foot walk. In this aviary the feathered tribes will disport themselves under natural conditions.

Noted Orangery for Fair.

The British are planning to reproduce at St. Louis not only the noted Kensington Orangery, but the beautiful, old-fashioned garden in front of it, with its flower beds, lawns, shady alleys and lily-covered ponds, not forgetting its bowling green at one end.

Michigan Copper Miners.

Copper miners in Michigan have increased in number from less than 7,000 in 1893 to more than 14,000 in 1903.

The Way of the World.

The whole world loves a modest man,
Whether he's great or small,
But gives its plunks in great big chunks
To the fellow with plies of gall.

The whole world loves the silent man,
Who's quiet all day as the owls—
It's absorbing attention, permit me to mention,
'Twill give to the fellow who howls.

The whole world loves a peaceful man,
Who never will quarrel or bicker,
But the full right of way, permit me to say,
'Twill give to the strenuous kicker.

"That pass is no good," said the conductor, handing it back. "It's ten years old."

Mrs. Dimpleton—Here New Year's is just over and the baby has nothing to play with.

Dimple—Well, I told you not to give him indestructible toys for Christmas.

"Sir, I would do anything for your daughter's happiness," began the young man when he thought the ice was broken.

"Then," replied the indulgent father, "don't marry her."

"Henry," said Mrs. D'Style, "this is Ash Wednesday. Do you know what it means?"

"You bet," growled her lord and master. "It means that you begin today to think about an Easter hat."

"The true patriot," said Buncombe, "would do anything to save the country."

"Yes," replied Wiseman, "and then he expects the earth as salvage."

Wife—When we go anywhere now we walk. When we were only engaged you always called a carriage.

Husband—That's why we have to walk now.

The bride who is looking for a wedding present has little use for the talkative person with the gift of gab.

Some people expend a lot of energy trying to find out things they don't want to know.

The man who boasts that he has never made an enemy must be a human jellyfish.

The man who makes a success at being sad is not likely to have a chance at another job.

It would often be a relief if the self-made man would only make himself scarce.

Many a young man after going the pace finds himself on the other side of the bars.

The lightest remark will sometimes carry the most weight.

The man of mettle generally has a steely glitter in his eye.

Lots of men are honest simply because they have never been tested.

The good die youn, but the bad outlive their usefulness.

If a girl doesn't marry her first love it's his fault.

It's after a man is found out that he begins to repent.

How to Keep House.

With all the luxuries and pleasures of this life, its big enjoyments and its smaller comforts, there is an offset or antithesis which we have to contend with in the form of aches and pains. In some way and by some means every one has a touch of them in some form at some time. Trifling as some of them may be, the risk is that they will grow to something greater and rack the system with constant torture. There is nothing, therefore, of this kind that we have a right to trifle with. Taken in time, the worst forms of pains and aches are easily subdued and cured by the free use of St. Jacobs Oil. No well regulated household ought to be without a bottle of this great remedy for pain. It is the specific virtue of penetration in St. Jacobs Oil that carries it right to the pain spot and effects a prompt cure even in the most painful cases of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Lumbago, Sciatica. You want it also in the house at all times for hurts, cuts and wounds, and the house that always has it keeps up a sort of insurance against pain.

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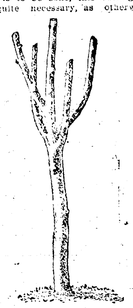
HORTICULTURE

Applying Lime Sulphur Wash.

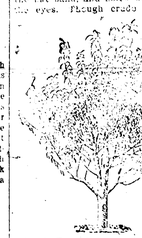
The spraying of lime sulphur wash for eradicating the San Jose scale was treated of last week. From a bulletin of the Virginia Experiment Station we reproduce four illustrations of trees that have been cut back to make their treatment easier. Cut 1 is an apple tree that has been cut back, and cut 2 is a peach tree that has been treated in the same way. If a thorough job is to be done, this cutting back is quite necessary, as otherwise a



Cut 1. Six-year-old apple tree cut back and washed by hand.

scale here and there may escape the effects of the application. The cutting back makes it easy to treat them with certain success. A large tree that has not been cut back will be found difficult to spray so thoroughly as to cover all the twigs. When the branches have been mostly cut off it is easy to do the work by hand, which will mean a great deal of saving in the way of spraying material. Hand-scrubbing is one of the most common ways of treating such trees after they have been cut back. A rag mop or heavy paint brush or whitewash brush may be used.

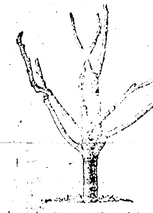
The Virginia station advises two



Cut 2. Same tree after summer's growth.

treatments of the orchard that is infested. The first one should be in the fall and the second one in March. Whether the San Jose scale has or has not been made the time is now here to make the spring attack on the scale.

It may be remembered that the application of the wash must be made during the time when the trees are dormant and not after the foliage has begun to appear. Where the trees have not been cut back as will often be the case, the trees will require more time. As to the use of steam, pumps that will both recommend themselves for spray purposes we cannot advise in large outfits over the original work. However, from pumps which prove more



Cut 3. Six-year-old peach tree cut back and washed by hand. Limbs should ordinarily be cut shorter.

resistant to corrosion by this wash than the usual brass pumps. The pumps and fittings should always be washed with clean water after each day's use."

From different parts of the bulletin we quote: "It is very easy for the men to waste the liquid, if they are not careful. * * * The men behind the wash gun are supplemented to their hands and very conscious to the face and eyes, and it became necessary for them to wear gloves and cover their eyes with veils, which were made by using plain strips of thin muslin or lawn. These were fastened with the hat band, and holes were cut for the eyes. Though crude in design

Cut 4. Tree that was cut back four years ago. Salesman's Reporter.

they are very useful in keeping the spray out of the face. * * * It was also found best to cover the horses with thin cloth blankets to protect them and the harness from becoming coated with the spray."—Farmers' Review.

The King of Fruits.

The king of fruits is the apple. We may talk of our orange groves, of our olive groves and of the many varieties of our plums and peaches, yet there are more apple trees in the United States to-day than of all other fruit trees combined. And there is no other kind of fruit that it is so impossible to overproduce. The peach crop may be so immense that thousands of carloads will go to waste before they can be taken care of. But the apple crop can always be taken care of. The man that wants fruit for his home or to sell thinks first of the apple, and he does well. The murders of the world are demanding it more every year. The man that plants an orchard of long-keeping apples will never have trouble in disposing of the fruit. The world wants it, and the world has a big mouth.

For the home orchard, the apple is the first thing to consider. It may be planted in so many varieties that its product will be coming into mellowness at all seasons, from July to almost July again. Happy is the community that can raise apples, and happy are the men that know how to handle their orchards that they will give them a fair crop every year. The great factor that makes the apple king of fruits is its rich flavor. The second great quality is its ability to keep for months, when even poorly taken care of. Now the apple has been treated in the past in the way of storage! Shaken from the tree, packed into all kinds of things that would hold anything, and stored in all kinds of places, from damp cellars to hot garrets! Yet, in spite of that, the apple has furnished fruit for the entire winter, and when it consisted of russets and Black Ox-eyes, has been found on the table of the grower even in March and April. If the apple has done so well for us under the worst of conditions, what will it do when it shall be given reasonable care under conditions scientifically correct for its long keeping?

The Farmer's Fruit.

It has been asserted that the farmer is the most backward fellow in the world, so far as looking after his own comfort is concerned, and that may be stretched to include the comfort of his family. There is no question that the farmer and his family should be the best fed people in the world, but are they? Some are and some are not. Some have gardens, orchards, fields of poultry and every thing that can add to the comfort of the farm home. Most do not. Yet at the back door of every farm house is a more productive piece of ground than any other spot, and nearly all of comfort to his family through every month in the year. The horror that does not care to go into fruit growing, even on a small scale, is one of the [illegible] that [illegible] their [illegible] time and [illegible]

[illegible] I make a [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] over to their latest days.

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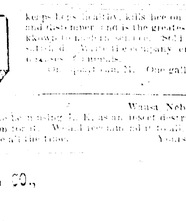

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Japan Leading The Nations.

George T. B. Davis writing for the Ram's Horn of May 6th gives some interesting items obtained in an interview with the Secretary of the Japanese National Temperance League, Takeshi Ukai, pastor of the Central Methodist Church of Tokio. He says that a number of the leaders in the present war with Russia are men who have accepted the christian faith. One of these, Rear Admiral Urin, comes from an ancient family and displayed such talent in the Japanese naval schools that the Government sent him to the United States to secure a modern nautical education. Here he met a Japanese girl who had been sent to this country to get a western education, and after she graduated at Vassar and he at Annapolis, they were married and returned to Japan to devote their lives to the betterment of their people. Urin was with a Japanese column that went to the allies in Pekin during the recent siege and rendered valorous service there. He has recently been promoted to command of the Japanese Squadron and bids fair to have great influence over the future of Japan. His wife, also a Christian, was for twenty years a teacher in the Girls' Normal School and for ten years Instructor in the Tokio Academy of Music. Besides this she is the mother of seven children and a missionary writes glowingly of their happy Christian home.

A notable leader who lately died, was Katoka Kenkichi of such ability that he was four times chosen speaker of the lower house of Parliament or Diet as it is called in Japan. In his first candidacy for office some of his friends feared the fact that he was an outspoken Christian would prevent his election as speaker and urged him to resign his eldership in the Presbyterian church. He replied "I would rather be an elder in the church than speaker in the house of Parliament."

Another active temperance worker, a member of the Japanese House of Representatives and a graduate of Vermont is Sho Nemoto. He is the originator of the famous anti tobacco law of Japan "that men under 21 years of age cannot use tobacco in any form." Mr. Davis' astonishment was great to find Japan so much in advance of America and he asked: "And is this remarkable law enforced?" "Yes indeed" replied Mr Ukai, with a puzzled expression implying that they would not have a law unless it were enforced. He says that twice the attempt has been made to pass a similar law in regard to liquor and they expect soon to succeed in this. Mr. Ukai has translated one of Miss Willard's books into the Japanese language.

We urge every one who has or can get a copy of the New Voice of May 7th to read it carefully, then inquire in regard to the text books used in our school. Are we paying the attention to the education of our children that we might and ought? Ten years hence may be too late to remedy the defects our carelessness and lack of interest permit to be instilled in the minds of the growing youth.

THE POWER OF MUSIC.

By Miss Myrta E. Howe.

Read at the W. S. A. social at Mrs Fulmer's, Saturday evening, April 23d.

If there are any who enjoy nothing but trashy music, which I am inclined to doubt, it is because they have not learned to understand anything better, for surely everyone can learn to love and appreciate that which is beautiful, noble and uplifting, that which contains the most intellectual and spiritual thought of the age. I am sure, however that the signs of the times are very favorable to the cause of good music, and that all the people are everywhere being awakened to the beauties of real music. I am sure the outlook is very encouraging that in the near future we will really be a musical people, able to discriminate between the real and the false, the gold and the dross. I believe there is more good music being played and appreciated today, everywhere, than ever before, and I rejoice in this good indication of growth and progress. To show the recent discovery of a peculiar power of music, I will quote part of an extract from the Chicago Inter Ocean; Special to the Inter Ocean from Boston. "An attempt will be made to treat with music the dying trees of Boston common. A theory, now much that practiced, music is a panacea for most human ills, is believed by a set of Bostonians to be applicable as well to plant as to animal life, and the failing trees will be "doctored" this summer with brass band music. The "tree cure" is really the idea of a New York violin maker, but Boston has many persons who have been convinced of its effectiveness. This violin maker is Hans Fletgen. He declares the trees are dying from nervous prostration, and that the harmony will make the leaves green and the sap flow freely again. He thinks that possibly the trees and plan is appreciate music, and that the constantly increasing rattle and bang of the city streets jars upon their tissues, and creates irregularities in what otherwise might be healthful and beautiful growths. In this theory he has a close second in Miss Christian Brown of Boston, who believes that disease of the human mind is assisted to make itself scarce by harmonious sounds like the playing on a piano, and that the mind once well regulated, the body is more easily attained. Friends of Hans Fletgen claim that he has made budded geraniums and carnations bloom before their time by simply playing harmonies. Also that he has a sensative plant in his wife's sewing room that exhibits every indication of extreme anger when a violin or a piano is played out of tune. He keeps his children in health by playing beautiful harmonies to them.

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There is a great deal of pleasat reading in the June Delineator. Fashion's foibles, as here set forth by pen and pencil, are well designed to delight the feminine mind as well as to prove a delusion and a snare to the masculine. There are besides a great many very pretty ideas in dresses for children, which will be welcomed by mothers. In the literary part of the magazine, the first place is given to a graceful Japanese tale, "The Giver of Honor" by Mrs. Hugh Frazer, a sister of Marion Crawford, which is refreshing in its sweetness and purity, and is sympathetically illustrated by Mr. C. D. Weldon. Other items of fiction are two college tales, "At the Window of Paradise," by R. H. Barbour, "Bailey's Sister," by Allan P. Aines. A contribution of great interest is the Chinese and Indian photographs in "Around the World" series. These are so beautiful as views, and so realistic, so away from the trit, in detail, that every one who looks at them must experience unusual pleasure. Dr. Grace Peckham Murray's article on the "Care of the Neck and Arms" will be helpful to many women. There are many other stories and articles for both little ones and grown folks and practical papers on domestic topics which go to make up a thouroughly readable number of this favorite magazine.

On last Friday morning Mr. John Whitney's house and all the contents were burned to the ground. The fire was caused by a defective flue. Mr. Whitney has been very sick for some months and was bed-fast at the time of the fire, and has been in very critical condition since. His bed was the only thing rescued from the fire.—Salem Index.

Word reached here Friday that J. B. O'Connor had lost a leg in a railroad accident near Denver from the effects of which he soon died. Before going to Colorado he was a freight conductor running out of this city and has a host of friends here who will regret to know of his death. Mr. O'Connor leaves a wife and four children, who are now in Denver.—Wymore Wymorean.

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