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Jones' Xmas Store.

MARRIED

Christmas, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mears, will always be remembered as the anniversary of a very happy occasion, for yesterday at 8 p. m. their eldest daughter was united in marriage to Mr. Harry Haywood Clubb of Sioux City. The wedding was a modest, home affair. Rev. Weldon officiating. The bride is a Wayne girl of much grace, highly accomplished and very popular with a large circle of friends. The following romantic and interesting story appeared in yesterday's Sioux City Journal: Friends of Harry H. Clubb, one of Sioux City's popular young musicians, will be surprised to learn that today he will be united in marriage to Miss Lula M. Mears, at Wayne, Neb. The ceremony will be performed at the residence of the parents of the bride. Miss Mears is a trained nurse and has spent much of her time in Sioux City since she graduated from the Samaritan hospital in 1900. There is a bit of romance connected with the early acquaintance of Mr. Clubb and Miss Mears. Mr. Clubb was a patient at the hospital while Miss Mears was in training there, and it was she who looked after his wants more than the other nurses at the institution. A strong friendship sprang up between them, which ripened into love, and tomorrow the pretty romance will culminate in a happy Christmas wedding. The groom is employed in the music store of W. A. Dean & Co. He is well known in musical circles and has many friends. He has composed and published two songs which have given him some fame as a song writer. "My Mother's Song" and a Game of Checkers." Mr. Clubb and his bride expect to return to Sioux City on Friday. During the winter they will board at 217 West Third street. Their cards announce them at home to friends after March 1 at 314 Omaha street.

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Money to Loan

AT ONLY 5 PER CENT.

on Farms

Farms for Sale,
Business Blocks for Sale
Business Blocks to Trade for Farms
Farms to Trade for Business Blocks

G. W. ALLBEE,

OFFICE OVER FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Bartlett's Assault Justifiable

One of the most unprovoked and inexcusable assaults the DEMOCRAT has ever been called upon to chronicle occurred last Monday morning just about daylight, John Hufford of the 2 Johns clothing store, being the victim and Ed. Bartlett the assailant. Mr. Hufford had entered the store and built a fire and was seated on the edge of a table placing some silver money in a drawer, having his two hands full of coin and about two hundred dollars in front of him. He heard some one come in the front door but did not look up as the party walked at once down to the stove. Just as the fellow got to the stove near which Mr. Hufford was sitting, the merchant glanced up at him but before he could even see who the party was Bartlett had his left arm thrown tightly around Hufford's neck and dealt the latter a terrific blow on the lower lip, forcing Hufford over on the table and giving him a blow on the left cheek and another in the left eye. Hufford was sure by this time he was being held up by a robber and letting go the money he grappled with Bartlett, shoving the latter up against the rear door and calling lustily for help. No one came and he attempted to get his man to the side door, having an arm locked around Bartlett's neck. Bartlett then tried to trip him and the two fell to the floor with Hufford on top, but Bartlett being the stronger of the two rolled his victim over and Hufford, expecting a knife to be shoved in him, grabbed Bartlett by both wrists. Hufford then saw who was over him and said, "Why, Edwin, this is a pretty business for you to be in!" "I'll show you what kind of business I'm in," retorted Bartlett, and then, according to Hufford's story, broke forth in a torrent of profane abuse and, arising, laid Hufford get up. Hufford, with his face terribly beaten, tried to reason with Bartlett, but the latter insisted that he had stood the abuse the 2 Johns were giving him through their advertisements as long as he was going to and Hufford thought he was going to renew the fight, when Prof. Davies passed and was called in, Bartlett leaving at once. Dan Harmonett was the next arrival, and Mr. Hufford being weak and in a fainting condition was laid out on a table and covered with fur coats, a doctor being called off once to dress his injuries.

That there was anything in the 2 Johns ads that a sane man could take exception to is the most ridiculous proposition ever offered. Mr. Kate says he is very sorry he was not the man called to square the account as there would have been a funeral over it and Bartlett would have been buried before Christmas. Later in the day Bartlett met James Britton near the opera house and turning back said, "You are one of the ——— who have been slandering me in the Democrat." Jim very hotly replied, "You are a ——— liar!" and Edwin took the bluff and begged Jim's pardon. Monday afternoon he was placed under arrest by Sheriff Mears, Mr. Hufford charging him with insanity and was held in jail until the hearing was held this morning. The case was called for Monday evening but a continuance taken to Friday forenoon by defendant. This forenoon the charge of insanity was withdrawn and Bartlett placed under \$500 bonds to keep the peace and given his liberty. This puts an entirely different phase upon the matter than that assumed by the DEMOCRAT in the above, Mr. Hufford evidently having needed a good licking.

Public Sales

Geo. Reuter, administrator of the estate of Frank Reuter, will sell the personal effects of deceased, in Concord Dec. 30th.
Ben Elliott's big sale is Jan. 8th.
Best refined coal oil only 20c at Epler's.
List your lands with Phil H. Kohl. Has largest list, sells most land.
At the Presbyterian Parsonage, Wednesday, Dec. 24, John F. Graves and Bertha L. Bartloe were united in marriage. The contracting parties are Wakefield people where they returned to celebrate. We wish them a Happy New Year.

Farm Loans. P. H. Kohl.

It was 15. below zero this morning and cold enough to let 50.
Floyd Jones was up from Omaha for Christmas, returning this afternoon. Floyd says he is doing well, and also Fred Winstan who has a fine job in the registry department of the Omaha post office.
Rev. and Mrs. Welden will be among those who will keep open house New Years day. Everyone will be welcome to the new parsonage which the generosity of the church and public generally has made possible. From three to five p. m.
A number of years ago Ed. Bartlett, who has gained considerable notoriety this week, left his clothes, watch, etc., on the bank of the Logan and quite disappeared from view. The creek was dragged for his body but later on he turned up at the old house in Illinois.
LOST—Christmas eve a lady's black leather pocket book. Finder kindly return to W. H. Gilderleeve.
A dispatch in yesterday's Omaha Bee announced the wedding at Fullerton of Miss Jessie Austin to Ray Reynolds. The DEMOCRAT extends its very best wishes.

Two high grade bulls for sale. Alvin G. Wert, 3 miles west and 7 1/2 south of Wayne.
W. A. Ivory, dentist, Nat. Bank.

See the nice things in candies at Steen's.
Jessie Bartlett, the accomplished and pleasant young girl who has been in the employ of John Payne the past few months, was married Tuesday evening to Miss Jessie Harshaw. (The bride, whose home is in South Dakota, has been staying in Wayne the past year and is one of the best and prettiest of girls and the good wishes of a host of friends will be that they will find lots of happiness and prosperity in their married life. They will make their home in South Dakota.

It is reported that the bachelor editor of the Carroll Index will soon join the Benedictine army. If such be true the Advocate wishes to get in on the ground floor with congratulations—Laurel Advocate.
At Ben Elliott's sale Jan. 8, 26 head of cattle will be sold, 8 calves, 7 head steers, 8 cows, one Shorthorn bull and some heifers.

To masked robbers held up four card players, in a saloon at Hubbard Christmas eve and at the point of two guns seduced \$172.
H. S. Welch left today for Osceola where his wife and baby have been for the past three weeks. Miss Madge Bayer is looking after the jewelry store.

Best Options on Farm Loans, see Phil H. Kohl.
Insure with Phil H. Kohl and have your losses paid promptly.
When you want a trunk taken to the depot or any other job of express work attended to promptly, phone No. 80, Van Bradford.

WANTED—Two young men, single, to farm some of my land.
PHIL SULLIVAN.
The best musical critics in the world give Sherwood a place at the head of the class.

FOR SALE—Two fresh milk cows. Enquire at place 1/2 mile south 1 mile east of Wayne. HENRY STUMPF.
William H. Sherwood the world renowned pianist and Miss Mabel Geneva Sharp a noted young soprano will appear at the M. E. church Tuesday evening, Dec. 30 at 8 p. m. This is under the auspices of the ladies of the federation for the benefit of the Public Library, and that it will be one of the finest entertainments ever given in Wayne, goes without saying. Tickets will be on sale at Dan Harmonett's and M. S. Davies. Adults 75c children 50.

A. J. Snell wanted to attend a party but was afraid to do so on account of pains in his stomach, which he feared would grow worse. He says, "I was telling my troubles to a lady friend, who said: 'Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy will put you in a condition for the party.' I bought a bottle and take pleasure in stating that two doses cured me and enabled me to have a good time at the party." Mr. Snell is a resident of Summer Hill, N. Y. This remedy is for sale by Raymond.

The DEMOCRAT got a most delicious present this morning, a fancy box of wedding cake and another full of bouquets, with the compliments of Mr. and Mrs. Clubb. It was a very nice thing to remember the "door prize." In such a generous manner and we will always have a very warm place in our hearts for Mr. and Mrs. Clubb, not just for the gift but the goodness that prompted the giving.

Billy Bruner came home this morning from Minneapolis for a few days. In a letter to the DEMOCRAT Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Grimsley wish their numerous Wayne friends all the blessings of the season.

Mrs. Frank Kruger has been very ill, intermittent fever but is now recovering.

The funeral of Mrs. W. J. White was held from the family home at the corner of Madison avenue and Fourth street at noon today. Rev. F. P. Wigton of the Presbyterian church conducting the services. The remains were then taken to Wayne, the former home of the family, on the 1 o'clock train for interment. The last sad rites were attended by relatives and friends, and many beautiful flowers were received, the school mates of Madge White in the public school contributing a generous share. Mrs. White had lived here with her family less than a year, but had won many friends during her residence who will be sorry that she has been called from them. The family resided in Wayne for a number of years, but before coming to Norfolk had lived at both Neligh and Clearwater. She was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. Besides her husband the deceased leaves a son and four daughters, all of whom are minors. The eldest, Max White, is employed at Brunswick, and came down from that place to attend the funeral of his mother.—Norfolk News.

Applying for Accidental Insurance After You are hurt, and Locking the Barn After the Horse is Stolen



are two very foolish things to do. We don't furnish locks for barns, but we do furnish the best quality of accident insurance at the lowest price. The cost is nominal, the results are phenomenal. Save money on your

life and fire insurance by letting us write it.
E. R. SURBER Office in First National Bank.

Hawke's Cut Glass

Transmits light colorless and crystal. It does not show a tint yellowish or greenish, and its surfaces do not appear smoky as you hold a piece between the light and your eye.

Hawkes Cut Glass

is for sale by J. G. MINES, Jeweler. No piece without the trade mark is Genuine. Dealers who try to sell you other cut glass when you ask for Hawkes are not consulting your best interests.

**20 YEARS AGO
SANTA CLAUS**

**FIRST PACKED HIS GRIP AT
M. S. Davies Toy Store**

This year Old Santa got "stalled." There were more toys and treasure than he could handle in a score of years to come. Twenty years "in the harness" ought to be a sufficient guarantee that you will "get the best for your money" at the old, reliable holiday headquarters. No use to enumerate the goods, you will find all kinds of things that you didn't know you wanted. Call early, call often.

Get Your's Packed This Year!

Christmas Will Soon Be Here

and it is always a question what we can get for presents. Here is a list of a few things that we have that may be just what you are looking for.
A Base Burner. Base burners at cost. Buy now and save from \$5 to \$7.
A Shotgun or Rifle, we have them in all grades.
A Self-Basting Roaster.
A Nickel Plated Tea Kettle, Coffee Pot or Tea Pot.
Silver Knives, Forks or Spoons.
Carving Sets from the best to the best.
Pocket Knives and Razors, all warranted.

CRAVEN BROTHERS

Down
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They Go, the Price of Overcoats at

Carrington's
The Leading Clothier

The commissioners having in charge the erection of a monument to the late President McKinley in Buffalo say that the work will surely be begun before April 1, 1903, thus making available the appropriation of \$100,000...

In his address on "Christianity and the Nation" at the Association hall, Brookings, Monday night, Bishop Potter expressed the opinion that the nation would not be made more religious by having a recitation of the constitution...

During the nineteenth century London grew from a city of 300,000 people to one of 5,000,000—that is, increased eight fold. New York increased from 60,000 to 3,500,000—nearly sixty fold.

One of Senator Lodge's small stock of stories relates to a member of the Massachusetts legislature who was much troubled by the chronic constipation of one night his wife woke him and whispered: "John, there are burglars in the house."

Dutch fishermen make astonishing catches by means of a very simple expedient. They put a number of live worms and insects into a bottle partly filled with water, which is then securely closed.

Great Britain is only half as big as Sumatra and double the size of Newfoundland. The island of New Guinea is in the list of the world's islands, England, without Wales, is almost identical in point of size with Rumania.

The National museum at Washington helps with funds to support the explorations in Egypt which Dr. Flinders Petrie, the great Egyptologist, is making.

During the past season a popular trader in Spain took part in sixty-five fights and killed 133 bulls. His net profit was \$10,000.

A portion of the first iron bridge built in England, which spans the Severn at the village of Salop, has given way. The bridge, built in 1779, and according to the act of parliament under which it was built, the sovereign has to pay toll before he can cross.

M. Claude, a French scientist, has found a way to produce hydrogen, thus doing away with the use of a tube imbedded in liquid air and the hydrocarbon elements in the gas are liquefied or frozen out and left behind, while the hydrogen passes off.

Al Shissler, a gambler, who killed F. W. Reul at Watertown, Wis., recently, is out on bail, and says wherever he goes, but William Cranford, a poor actor, who chanced to witness the murder, is confined in jail as a witness, with a prospect of remaining there for several months to come.

Professor T. A. Jagger, Jr., of Harvard, who has been making investigations of the eruption of Mount Pelee, believes that the people of the island can escape destruction by building cellars or chambers of masonry in which they can seek shelter when the eruptions occur.

In his capacity as high priest the Chinese emperor has to offer at least forty-six sacrifices to different gods in the course of the year. As a sacrifice is dedicated one of his holidays, which must be passed by him in complete solitude, his time is pretty well taken up.

Agents for American agricultural machinery sold in Constantinople last year 370 reapers and mowers, two binders, four rakes and one thrasher. No effort was made to sell them, because they are considered too complicated for satisfactory use by the Turkish peasants.

The Rebo Chronicle, speaking of the Imperial iron foundry in Japan, says that it has proved a failure because of the limited supply of ore in that country and that the government hopes to secure the privilege of working the rich Hanging Iron mine in China.

Dr. Samuel Willard, a venerable school teacher at New York, is now in his 81st year. He is about to start a trip to the Mediterranean, expecting to "do" Greece especially in a very thorough and satisfactory manner.

The office of superintendent of public instruction in Colorado is held by a woman. She is a democrat. The salary is \$3,000. She has been re-elected on the democratic ticket, and the state has generally gone republican.

Nightcaps and cotton ear wads are provided by the proprietor of a hotel at Vyltra, Hungary, for those of his guests who retire early and do not wish to be kept awake by a gypsy band which plays nightly at the hotel.

As the seal fishery in the Behring sea has been a failure this year, the Canadian sailors are turning their attention to the waters of the Atlantic. Sealers in the South Atlantic, where seals are stated to be plentiful.

In an official advertisement published in Vienna citing a Baroness Bourscheid to declare her whereabouts and appear before a court of law, it is mentioned that she was born in February, 1795.

LOST BIG ROLL.

Lincoln Mayor is Wondering Where \$1,020 in Bills Has gone To.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 22.—The mysterious disappearance of \$1,020 from the Lincoln Safe Deposit and Trust company is occupying the attention of the police.

Some time ago Mr. Winnett went into the depository and secured his box from the attendant. He then went into the office and examined the contents. He unlocked the box and returned it to the attendant.

Later he thought of the purse and returned to the depository to get it. The purse was gone. The matter was reported to the manager and the latter by the records found that very few men had been in the private apartments since the mayor had left the city.

It was in this depository that Dr. Farnam recently discovered that he was \$1,000 wealthier than he supposed. He had been made a millionaire by the records found that very few men had been in the private apartments since the mayor had left the city.

Hot Metal and Frosty Ground at York Disastrous Combination. New York, Dec. 22.—Thursday afternoon there was an explosion at the Downie-Wright Manufacturing company's works.

Explosion at York. The explosion at the Downie-Wright Manufacturing company's works at York, Pa., on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 22, was a very serious one.

Pardon for Christmas. Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 22.—Governor Savage yesterday gave Deputy Attorney General N. F. Johnson a pardon for his father, who is serving a three years' sentence in the state penitentiary for embezzlement.

NEBRASKA BREVITIES. YORK—Caddis Schooley, the young man who was arrested for a robbery, was arraigned before Judge Taylor and pleaded guilty.

FRONT.—The pupils in the public schools yesterday took up a collection for the poor of the city, amounting to over \$40.

MADISON—Judge John S. Robinson, representative in congress from the Third district, is in the city, and is expected to be here for some time.

OMAHA—Clyde Lake, aged 21, shot himself through the breast with a revolver. The wound is critical.

COLLAWAY—The 3-year-old daughter of Frank Nickerson met a horrible death by falling into a boiler of hot water. She was rescued by her mother, but died in a few hours.

LINCOLN—Governor Savage will ask the legislature to appropriate \$75,000 for the purpose of providing public representation for the state at the Louisiana purchase exposition, to be held in 1904.

ASHLAND—Dr. A. S. von Mansfeld of this city, his son, Charles H. von Mansfeld of Omaha, and Nelson Sheffer have been called to Albia, Ill., to attend to the case of a young man named Dunlap who is charged with giving poisoned candy to Miss Allie Dool of that place and causing her death.

BEATRICE—Fred Olds, the man who caused such a sensation here several months ago, when he confessed to the murder of David Jones, near Wymore, about five years ago, and implicated Ephraim Jones, has been released by Judge Lemon on motion of the county attorney. Herod had his trial about a month ago and was discharged by the jury on a sensational trial lasting several days.

DIAZ SPRAINS ARM. President of Mexico Suffers From Effects of an Accident. City of Mexico, Dec. 20.—President Diaz is suffering from the effects of falling on the staircase of the Reliance theater a few days ago. He sustained a sprained arm and slight bruises. No serious result is feared. It is authorized that the president has given up his plan of visiting Europe some time during the coming year. He will probably not make the long contemplated trip until he retires from public life.

WILL GIVE HERSELF UP. Mrs. Ella Gallagher Waiting for Terms of Bail to Be Arranged. Iowa City, Ia., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Ella Gallagher, a fugitive from justice since her indictment for perjury growing out of testimony in her trial for the murder of her husband, has notified the authorities through her nearest relative, George Colwell, that she is near the Canada line and ready to give herself up as soon as satisfactory terms as to bail can be arranged.

OIL ON COON RIVER. Analysis at Ames College Shows It to Be 80 Per Cent Pure. Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 20.—Oil has been discovered in the banks of the Coon river near Grant City, Ia. A quart of the oil was sent to Ames college for analysis and found to be 80 per cent pure. The discoverer, a woman, has quietly sold the oil to the local representative of the Pennsylvania Oil company and of Des Moines capitalists have been endeavoring to buy the lease contracts.

Prussian-blue paint is made from the ashes of the burnt hoofs of horses.

LITTLE JIM IS A GOOD INDIAN NOW

Winnebago Bad Man is Quietly Murdered by Two Tribes-men.

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TODAY IS FLAG DAY. Ninety-Nine Years Ago Louisiana Purchase Was Made. St. Louis, Dec. 22.—Today will be generally observed throughout the Louisiana Purchase territory as flag day.

VANDERBILT'S CONDITION. Symptoms of Peritonitis Are Subsiding, Says Physician. New York, Dec. 22.—Dr. Austin Flint issued this bulletin of Cornelius Vanderbilt's condition at 11:30 last night.

MURDERER-KILLED. George Stillwell, After Fatally Wounding City Marshal and Police Justice, is Riddled With Bullets. Keokuk, Ia., Dec. 22.—City Marshal R. W. Coulter and Justice A. E. Musgrave were fatally wounded last night at Farmington, Ia., by George Stillwell, a deputy fish commissioner, who was afterwards shot to death by a posse.

DUSSELS WIN OUT. Jury Decides Marriage Contract Made With Child Valid. Columbus, Neb., Dec. 23.—One of the hardest fought legal battles in the court history of Platte county ended at 10 o'clock Friday night when the jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, Mrs. Mary L. Henry, who is suing for a divorce from her husband, John Henry, who is alleged to have married her while she was a minor.

WEALTHY PARENT NEGLIGENT. Farmer With \$20,000 Allows Epileptic Daughter to Go Unreared. Grand Island, Neb., Dec. 23.—Sheriff Taylor, upon the order of the county board, has taken into custody a young girl, a prominent and well-to-do farmer here, that he must take care of and provide for his sick daughter, Lena.

HAVE BIG COCKING MAN. South Omaha Sports Have Biggest Bout in Many Years. Omaha, Neb., Dec. 23.—One of the biggest cocking matches held in Nebraska within the last few years took place in season on Thursday night, Dec. 22, in South Omaha, Saturday night. The main fight was between birds from South Omaha, Council Bluffs and several cities from the interior of Nebraska.

CONGRESSIONAL. Pure Food Bill Passed by the House Today. Washington, Dec. 22.—Some preliminary business preceded resumption of the debate on the pure food bill in the house today. The bill, which was introduced by Representative Hepburn, Iowa, did not meet the approval of the states as believed by the first section of the bill was read for amendment, Adamson of Georgia moved to strike out the enacting clause.

FAVORABLE REPORT. On Bill to Establish a Department of Commerce. Washington, Dec. 22.—The house committee on interstate commerce today ordered a favorable report on the department of commerce bill with a provision for including a bureau of labor in this department.

NEBRASKA BREVITIES. YORK.—The Commercial club of York has taken up the location of a normal school at York and is going about the matter.

ASHLAND.—The city waterworks sprung a leak Friday and 60,000 gallons of water disappeared that was not used by water consumers. It is believed the mains have been tapped by some miscreant.

MADISON.—Congressman Robinson, who became ill with appendicitis Wednesday, and whose condition yesterday became alarming, is today on the way to recover.

PLATTSMOUTH.—Mrs. William Neville had the misfortune to fall on the ice last night sustaining a fracture of her right arm.

YORK.—The York postoffice has increased from \$8,400 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902, to \$12,700 in the present calendar year.

FREMONT.—Deputy Game Warden Simpkins and Carter filed a complaint in the county court, charging T. D. Buchanan, the messenger of the American Express company, running between Council Bluffs and Fremont, with unlawfully having in his possession 500 prairie chickens and 28 quail.

PEOPLE ARE STARVING DRUNKARDS ARE MADE, NOT BORN

Wakefield Woman is Awarded \$500 from Dealers Who Sold Husband Liquor.

A HABITUAL DRUNKARD. Nebraska Supreme Court Makes Another Unique Ruling in a Stubbornly Contested Case—Sets a Precedent. Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 20.—According to the supreme court, in the case of Kriebitz vs. Stuhnik, drunkards are made, not born in Nebraska.

ESTABLISH AGE LIMIT. Nebraska Teachers Would Bar Those Under Seventeen. Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 20.—Much legislation is being introduced by the Nebraska Teachers' association, which met today with State Superintendent Fowler.

EASTERNERS MAY BUY. Wannamaker and Seigel, Cooper & Co. After the Bennett Store. Omaha, Neb., Dec. 20.—A strong report is current in local commercial and financial circles that the Bennett Department store, now in the hands of a receiver, is badly wanted by several big department store corporations of the east.

NEBRASKA BREVITIES. LINCOLN.—Checks amounting to \$350 have been drawn on the University of Nebraska by Omaha forgers. The state university pays in warrants, and the checks were cashed by Omaha money dealers.

ASHLAND.—The schools of this place have been closed until the holidays because of having insufficient coal to heat the buildings.

BEATRICE.—The "Hello Bill" company, which showed here last night, has received a bill for the baggage attached by Miss Mildred Claiborne and Frank T. Glenn, members of the company, who claimed that Manager Kellogg owed them back salaries.

GRAND ISLAND.—The young wife of the aged negro Baxter, who was sentenced to serve ten years for another of their babe, has contradicted all her evidence against him and Baxter may yet go free.

UNIQUE SUIT AT LAW. Father, in Case Against Son-in-Law for Loss of Daughter's Services Gets Verdict of \$4,000. Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 20.—A suit instituted on unique grounds has just been disposed of in the state circuit court by a jury awarding to E. R. Munger damages in the sum of \$4,000 against Olvas Olson.

Sad News for the Ladies. London, Dec. 19.—At the annual sale of Alaska sealisks held by C. M. Lamson & Sons, London, the price of sealisks was 25 per cent greater than last year. The demand was very strong.

CABINET APPROVES. President's Advisers Well Satisfied Hay's Handling of the Venezuelan Situation. Washington, Dec. 22.—Secretary Hay laid before the cabinet meeting today the latest phases of the Venezuelan situation. After a thorough discussion of the situation, the cabinet gave its unqualified approval to everything that had been done by the secretary, and also his plans for the future so far as they were outlined. It is gathered the attitude of the United States is in the present a waiting one, in the hope the allies will soon be able to agree upon a basis upon which they are willing to accept arbitration.

TROUBLES OF THE PUGS. Governor of Michigan Will Prevent Mill at Detroit. Lansing, Mich., Dec. 22.—Governor Bliss today notified Sheriff Dickson of Detroit that he expected him to see that the McGowan mill, which did not take place at Detroit next month.

College Student Suicides. Ottumwa, Ia., Dec. 19.—Because he believed he had not passed the examination at Iowa Wesleyan university at Mt. Pleasant, Everett Harman of Malcomb, Ia., cut his throat and died at Malcomb.

Carlos Will Renounce Claim. Madrid, Dec. 19.—The Herald says Don Carlos purposed to renounce his claim to the throne in favor of his son, Don Jaime.

Equador Sympathizes With Venezuela. Guayaquil, Ecuador, Dec. 19.—There was a large parade in the streets of Quito last night as a manifestation of sympathy with Venezuela.

Tower Received at Berlin. Berlin, Dec. 19.—Ambassador Tower presented his credentials to Emperor William at the Palace today.

Vanderbilt's Condition Unchanged. New York, Dec. 19.—There is no reported change in the condition of Mr. Vanderbilt. It was announced at Mr. Vanderbilt's home that he had no further hope of recovery during the night. Dr. Janeway said at midnight: "Mr. Vanderbilt is in no immediate danger."

Paris Police Drop Gore Case. Paris, Dec. 19.—The French authorities have become convinced that the death of Mrs. Ellen Gore was accidental and have decided to drop the case entirely against M. de Rydzewski.

Will Be No Longer Gay. Coney Island to Lose the Features That Have Made It Famous. New York, Dec. 22.—The first important step for the acquisition of park purposes of 162 acres of land at Coney Island, thereby wiping out the island's bawery, and converting the island into a national seaside resort, has been taken. At a meeting attended by many prominent residents of Brooklyn and officials the plan was unanimously adopted. Several other adjustments were proposed to be acquired by the city amounts to \$1,834,795.

Witness Disappears. Mobile Deskin, Wanted in the Biggar Case, is Missing. New York, Dec. 22.—Mobile Deskin, who was formerly a partner in the firm of Deskin & Bennett, is wanted in the Biggar case, and it is expected, will be called by the state as a witness in the alleged conspiracy case at Freehold, N. J., which also involves Dr. Hendricks, and former Justice of Peace Stanton, and the defendants, has disappeared and only the lawyers for the prosecution are supposed to know where he is.

BURT ASKS FOR TIME

Reply to Demands of Washburn. Mr. Burt Asks for Time to Consider the Matter.

Mr. Burt, who has been in New York for a week, in conference with Mr. Harriman, stated that he would leave for Omaha tomorrow to consider the matter with his employer.

MORE WAGES WANTED. Conductors and Brakemen Ask 20 Per Cent Increase on Forty Roads West of Chicago. Chicago, Dec. 22.—Demands for an increase of 20 per cent in wages for passenger and freight conductors and brakemen on the forty systems of railroads west of Chicago. Accompanying the demands was a notification that an answer must be returned by January 6. The increase will affect 100,000 conductors and brakemen.

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HORRIBLE TALE OF SUFFERING AT SEA

Collision of Two Schooners Off Thatcher's Island Cost Eleven Lives

BOTH VESSELS GO DOWN

Of the Survivors Some Are Critically Ill, Some Inane From Exposure, and All Are Badly Frost-Bitten.

Boston, Dec. 23.—The schooner Man-hasset arrived here today, having on board ten survivors of the wrecked schooner Frank A. Palmer and Louise B. Cray, which were in the collision Wednesday night off Thatcher's Island. Eleven or more sailors were either killed in the collision, drowned or died later from exposure.

After the accident fifteen men from either vessel took to the water. Three subsequently went insane and jumped overboard. Two died from exposure and two went insane after getting ashore. Both captains were saved. The survivors are frostbitten and some will probably have to have their feet and hands amputated.

The men taken to the hospital were not only in a critical condition physically, but were in such a mental plight that nothing could be learned from them as to their experiences.

Survivors' Condition Critical. The Man-hasset came into the harbor early this morning, showing signs of exhaustion. It was found that she arrived at the wharf about midnight, ready to transfer the sailors to hospital. Only six of the men could be removed, however. The other four were in such a critical condition that it was deemed impossible they could survive being taken from the vessel.

The crew of the Man-hasset learned something of the hardships of the shipwrecked men when they appeared on the scene at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night, some miles off Cape Ann. The light was clear, but a stiff gale was blowing and the sea running high. Members of the Palmer party claimed the Frank A. was on the wreck, and in attempting to cross the Palmer's bow hit her, cutting her nose square off, and entangling both vessels in the wreckage. The Man-hasset sank and sank in a few minutes.

No Time to Get Food. The Palmer's men managed to lower a boat. There was no time to procure provisions or additional clothing. As the men cleared the wreck of the two vessels they saw the crewmen in the same plight as they had been, and made room for as many as could reach the boat.

Fifteen souls were in the small craft when it finally parted company with the two captains. A short time after the boat left both schooners went down. Six men perished when the vessels sank. After the survivors had been at sea three days and nights, only one-third of their number succumbed in a fight, and of those who finally reached port none was able to realize what he had escaped.

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Will Go to Europe. James J. Hill says Great Northern is not in politics. Seattle, Wash., Dec. 23.—President James J. Hill and his party, including President Harris of the Burlington, has left for the east and will arrive in St. Paul for Christmas. After the first of the year Mr. Hill announces he will take a trip to Europe for rest.

In discussing politics, he said the Great Northern was not in politics in this or any other state and would not be so long as he could prevent it. The president of railroads in this state, he said, will retain some plans he has for the development of the state. Mr. Hill says the fight now is for Seattle to handle the Pacific trade accustomed to the coast.

Victim of Jokers. Chicago Man Entertained With "Wireless" Messages Abroad. St. Louis, Dec. 23.—Charles J. Singer, a Chicago realtor, returned today from a tour of the French liner La Savoie from Havre, with the depressing impression when he got to quarantine that he was out about \$150,000 because of war communications arising from the Venezuelan situation.

Mr. Singer supposed that several "hot air" messages read aboard the Frenchman as she was approaching and passing the Canary islands. He said he had a western radio. Naturally his friends knew all about Singer's preferences and there was a concerted bear attack on that particular stock. It was pointed down 33 points with a long list of other stocks. Mr. Singer was much agitated. His friends came around and shook his hand mournfully, incidentally swearing at the German ambassador.

At quarantine he found out that his western radio was all right. But he was not altogether satisfied, for he asked a reporter who talked to him on the subject if there had really been a panic at Wall street.

WILL BE A BATTLE ROYAL

Circus Syndicate to Show War on Cincinnati

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 23.—Something new and unique in capitalistic wars is promised for next year. The Barnum-Bailey-Sells-Foranugh-Buffalo Bill circus syndicate is to have war with the Ringling Brothers, who have grown to such proportions, popularity and wealth as to threaten the circus trust.

Although there will be hippodromes on the side, this war will be a hippodrome. On the syndicate's side will be ranged four of the six circuses each of which is the greatest on earth—backed by a combined capital of \$25,000,000. The Ringlings have not so much money, but they can score up unlimited backing and several millions of their own. Five Ringling brothers who know the circus business from the bottom and have made their fortune in it, will be pitted against the syndicate, that has succeeded in the shows of Barnum, Cole, Foranugh and the rest of the big ones.

Ever since the syndicate secured control of the big circuses it has been unrelenting in its efforts to "go after" one of the Ringling circuses which have dared to offer competition to the shows controlled by them. The Ringlings especially have been charged with undue familiarity with the dates of the syndicate. Previous to the departure of James A. Bailey and the "great show on earth" for the European trip just ended it was gossip in the Ringling boys' world that the Ringling boys would feel the sting of Bailey's wrath.

Against the Ringlings. The departure of Mr. Bailey for Europe, however, left matters as they were. Meanwhile the Ringling boys, in their circuses, and during the season just ended they "had opposition" with the "Buffalo Bill" show from Madison Square Garden.

Now that Mr. Bailey and the Barnum show are back in America the Ringling boys, it is said, are to be taught a lesson—at least an attempt is to be made. Under the program for 1903 the Buffalo Bill show is to go to Europe and duplicate, if possible, the success of the Barnum show in England and on the continent. To this end the train will be made up of the Buffalo Bill show, the Ringling boys, and the "work" stock, canvas, poles, staves and chain wagons, etc., all of which will be used by the Buffalo Bill show in Europe.

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ADJOURNMENT TAKEN. Anthracite Coal Strike Commission Will Meet Again in Philadelphia on January 6. Scranton, Pa., Dec. 23.—The anthracite coal strike commission held the last session of the year today and adjourned to meet in Philadelphia, Tuesday, January 6.

The two attorneys for the non-union men continued calling witnesses from Lackawanna and Luzerne counties for testimony in the case. All day violence, intimidation and boycotts were resorted to prevent non-union men from going to work.

MRS. GRANT'S FUNERAL. Services Held at Washington Today and Body Taken to New York for Interment. Washington, Dec. 23.—In the presence of a notable assemblage, including President Roosevelt, members of his cabinet, senators and representatives, and army, navy and marine officers in dress uniforms, funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Julia Dent Grant, widow of General Grant, were held today. The body was taken to New York on a train over the Pennsylvania railroad, which left here at 10 o'clock.

All the children of Mrs. Grant were present except Bessie Grant, who resided New York this morning and will attend the ceremonies in that city tomorrow.

LONDON BANK FAILS. Liabilities of J. & J. W. Pease Placed at \$2,500,000. London, Dec. 23.—The private banking firm of J. & J. W. Pease of Darling Street, London, has failed. The firm's liabilities are placed at about \$2,500,000.

It is understood that the people affected by the failure of the firm are mainly members of the Pease family and their intimate friends.

The partners in the firm are two brothers, John and James Pease, and four other partners, representing Durham and Essex, and A. B. Pease, of Yorkshire.

Several friends of the family have offered the firm financial assistance to arrange a plan of payment.

A WAREHOUSE BURNS. Warehouse of W. R. Nott Company at Minneapolis Destroyed. Minneapolis, Dec. 23.—The warehouse of the W. R. Nott company burned today. The loss is estimated at \$70,000. The building was a five-story structure and with its contents is almost a total loss. It was partially covered by insurance.

FIRE AT FARIBAUT. Institution for Feeble Minded Damaged to Extent of \$50,000. St. Paul, Dec. 23.—A fire early this morning in the main building of the institution for the feeble minded at Faribault, Minn., caused a loss of over \$50,000. The 300 inmates were removed in safety before the fire spread below the attic, where it started. The building has been burning for several hours and destroyed twelve years ago at a cost of \$200,000.

Will Spend Sunday in Old Dominion. Washington, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and four of their children, left today for Radford, Va., to spend Sunday with friends.

He Responds. Harper's Bazaar: She—Didn't our honeymoon pass quickly, dearest? He—Yes, but I think that why, it seemed in time before I had spent all the money I had.

Unexpected. New York Times: Gerald—it is unexpected, that happens. Gerald—Are you really going?

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The Randolph Reporter got out a very handsome Christmas number.

The Omaha Bee says no cheers greeted any of the speakers, at a public meeting recently held there—excepting the editor of the Bee. There is nothing surprising about that to anyone who has ever been forced to hear Rosewater make a speech.

Bix says the man who imagines that Bryan will have no influence in the next democratic national convention ought to take something for it. The man undoubtedly will.

If such a thing as an "inaugural ball" could be held before an election you can bet your Sunday slippers that Mickey would dance to any kind of campaign music.

E. B. Wilbur, formerly editor of the South Sioux City Argus, was taken from his home in North Dakota, last week, to Lincoln by United States Marshal on the charge of having published a lottery advertisement in the Argus.

The Norfolk News advocates an anti-cartoon law to affect presidents. Wonder if Huse thinks the president will always be republican? We know he believes there is nothing too mean and nasty to print about a democratic one.

According to the predictors we are to have twenty-seven snow storms this winter. This will be hard on the people who live next to the man who never shovels the snow from his walk, except the part he walks on himself.

Young Ecker of the Allen News says "there is one thing certain, a fellow cannot chase after a girl all the time and run a newspaper. He gets things mixed." We supposed after reading Ecker's paper that all the girls in Dixon county were running after him.

Norfolk advertises one of the great events in that city as being an exact reproduction of the funeral of President McKinley. Most people have "funerals" enough of their own to attend without paying to see other peoples'. McKinley's funeral ought to be one of too much solemnity, anyhow, to be caricatured even in a church entertainment.

According to local real estate men land values have fallen off about \$5 per acre in Wayne county, but the decline is only temporary and it is expected that after Jan. 1st the business will boom again. It is the dry, cold, short summer arid regions that are going to suffer a depression. Northeastern Nebraska, the heart of the corn and cattle country, will always be at a premium.

The Nebraska Democratic Editorial association will hold its second annual meeting at Grand Island, February 3. An interesting program has been arranged and everyone attending the meeting may count upon having an enjoyable time.

This association was organized at Columbus at a gathering of half a dozen democratic editors, and the first annual meeting, which was held at Lincoln last February, was well attended, and every editor expressed himself as feeling fully repaid for making a successful effort to break away from his desk in order to mingle for a day among his colleagues. It is to be hoped that every editor of a democratic paper in Nebraska will make it a point to be at Grand Island February 3.

A Dakota City girl means to keep warm this winter. She has married a man by the name of Cole. You lamphool, you don't suppose she'll burn him, do you?

The Stanton Register says: "About the grandest exhibition of 'nerves' that we have ever witnessed was displayed at the county clerk's office Monday, when a young man, apparently sound and healthy, inquired for the county commissioners and on being informed that they lived in the country he told his troubles to Clerk Piger. He told of having been at work in Wayne county and of having drifted into Stanton, and wanted the commissioners to furnish him transportation to Norfolk, where he claimed to reside. He was advised to 'hit the blind baggage' shovel snow or walk.

The automobile manufacturers who have decided to petition congress for an appropriation of \$20,000,000 for a national road propose that the expense of the highway shall be shared equally by the national government, the states and the counties through which the road passes. In other words, congress will order the expenditure, if the bill becomes a law, and will pay only one-third of the bills. What's the matter with the bicycle riders getting an appropriation from congress to hire people to pick the stones out of the roads and keep them smoothed down so there will be good riding all over the country. If the other bill goes here's one that autogo.

An Iowa farmer had a cow killed by the cars a short time since and wrote to the railroad company asking slight remunerative damages, adding: "Thirty dollars will be considered satisfactory, as the animal killed was but a common cow and by no means the best in my herd." The claim agent of the road promptly answered the letter and enclosed a check for \$100 saying: "It is the first instance since my connection with the claim department of the road that any other than a full-blooded animal of great value has been killed by our line and I enclose \$100 as damages and a reward for your honesty, and I would humbly ask your photo to be framed and placed in my office."

When men make a winning on the board of trade or the stock exchange the public usually hears all about it in a short time, but the losses are kept hidden and are disclosed only by accident. Some legal proceedings recently begun against a former citizen of Lincoln are said by those on the inside to open the door on one of these stock exchange skeletons. The gentleman became imbued with the idea a year ago last spring that Burlington stock was getting entirely too high, and began selling it short. As it kept on mounting he felt more sanguine that a smash was due, and strained his credit until it was ready to crack getting money to put up on margins. After his money was all gone and he had borrowed every cent the banks would let have he learned to his horror that he had been going up against James Hill and J. Pierpont Morgan, for they soon shovelled the stock up to \$200. The man who dallies with stocks without knowing what is going on behind the scenes usually gets let down like this sooner or later. —State Journal.

John J. Ingalls was in no hurry to take his departure from this world. The following extract from a letter written by him to his wife expresses his sentiments in his own inimitable fashion: "The world is so lovely at its best and life is so delightful, that I dread the thought of leaving it. I have seen and experienced so little of what may be seen and know that it seems like closing a volume of which I have only

glanced at the title page. But so many are taking their leave and I have already survived so large a number of my contemporaries that I must contemplate my departure with the rest. I thought as I lay in bed this morning, having waked early, what an uncivil host life is, to invite us to an entertainment which we are compelled to attend whether we like it or not, and then to unceremoniously take us by the arm and blow us out into the night, stormy and dismal, to go stumbling about without so much as a lantern to show us the way to another town."

The Green Graduate

R. M. Halleck of Central City has a letter in last week's Democrat of that city, which appears a decidedly timely criticism of the up-to-date public school system. Mr. Halleck says:

"I notice in one of my papers an article from the State University, in which is stated that the State Inspector of Schools will ask of the people several questions relative to the effectiveness of our public schools. I will be very pleased to learn what the business men think of the present work done in the schools, for there is much just criticism of the plan of instruction now followed by the teachers in Nebraska.

"One would think while listening to the orations of the graduates of our High schools at commencement, that the orators were finished products, and could go out into the business world and solve the problems of human life with credit; but such is not the case by any means.

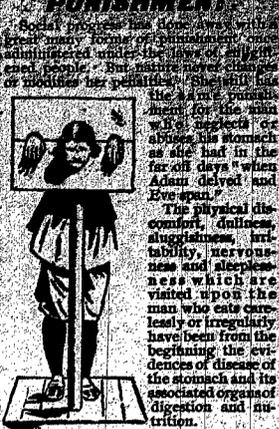
"The graduate in most cases is a failure. It is not the fault of the student, but must be the fault of the school board and the teacher. A course of study is arranged for the school, and the teacher must follow this course or be turned down. The child is stuffed with 90 per cent nonsense from the time he enters school until he passes off the rostrum at commencement a failure.

"To explain my meaning, I will say that I have interviewed several so-called graduates during the past year, and find that they are not posted in current events or matters of business. One and all fail in the use of correct English; but they could read Latin fluently. In one letter of 18 lines I noticed nine misspelled words and ten errors in capitalization; in fact there were several words in the middle of sentences commenced with capitals. There were many mistakes also in punctuation. This letter was written by a graduate (?) applying for a school. I asked two graduates to tell me the distance cornerwise of my farm and I met a failure. They could not measure my water tank, and failed to tell me if I lost or gained, if I sold a team of horses for \$200, on one I gained 20 per cent, on the other I lost 20 per cent. I booked another failure. In fact they could not solve any intricate problem I gave them. In history it was even worse than mathematics.

"I met a failure when I asked the names of the presidents, and the names of the states that succeeded in 1861. In geography they could not name the states and territories and their capitals, and many other important things were noted that had not been learned. In mathematics, grammar, geography, history and orthography it was almost a total failure with nearly all the students I have interviewed. They could mouth over a few Latin or Greek sentences, but outside of such trash they are very ignorant.

"After noting many interviews with business men, and noting the failures of the students, I have almost given up the thought that there is any good in our common schools. The child is not fitted for business, but is stuffed with things that are of no value. The dead languages are only for dead people. All one

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 [From the Gazette, Toowoomba, Australia.]
 I find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is an excellent medicine. I have been suffering from a severe cough for the last two months and it had effected a cure. I have great pleasure in recommending it.—W. C. Wockner. This is the opinion of one of our oldest and most respected residents, and has been voluntarily given in good faith that others may try the remedy and be benefited, as was Mr. Wockner. This remedy is sold by Raymond.

Representative Kyle never neglects an opportunity to give a sly slap to Ohio. He relates this incident, which he avers occurred in Pickaway county.

"There is in the county a certain cross-roads, where a patient teacher struggles daily with the development of the young idea. One morning she was giving the school a lesson in geography.

"What is a catarrh?" she asked.
 "There was absolute silence in response and she explained the meaning of the word."
 "What is a cape?"
 "It beats three of a kind," was the triumphant answer.

Great tonic, braces body and brain, drives away all impurities from your system. Makes you well. Keeps you well. Rocky Mountain Tea. 35c. Raymond Pharmacy

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 OTTO VOGEL, Jr.
 To Cattle Feeders

Having taken the agency for Rex Stock Food for Wayne county, I shall be pleased to have all patrons of this popular food kindly give me their orders, or reserve same until I can see them. D. W. Welker, the retiring agent, has made a remarkable success of this business, due to the merits of the food, and I shall appreciate any favors given me by feeders, who have used the food.
 BEN ELLIOTT.

Millet Hay
 For sale by E. J. NANGLE.
 Mrs. John Koefoed goes to Chicago for a holiday visit with Mr. Koefoed's people.

F. O. Davis and sister left Wednesday to spend the holidays at their old home in eastern Iowa.

Ralph Rundell is going to have a gas plant of his own similar to the one in use by the 2 Johns.

D. A. Jones shipped four cars of sheep to Omaha Tuesday.

F. L. Neely has bought the interest of Charley Craven in the hardware, to take possession Jan. 1st. While Mr. Craven has been entirely successful in the business he went into it largely to help his brother Harry get started, and with Mr. Neely back in the firm even better business is hoped for.

Go in and see Craven Bros. line of heating stoves.
 For fine insurance in the Continental see W. F. Assenheimer.

Dr. and Mrs. Williams left Wednesday for Iowa City. The doctor will return this week.

Geo. Merrill and wife from Carroll went to Des Moines Wednesday to spend Christmas.
 Miss Sanford of Sioux City is the guest of Miss Boekenbauer.

Holiday nick-nacks, no such assortment anywhere like Steen's.
 Dr. J. C. Clark, the eye specialist will be at the Boyd hotel, Feb., 2d.

Rev. Dawson, pastor of the M. E. church, will preach a New Year's sermon next Sunday morning. His evening topic will be "The Saloon Keeper Defended."

D. C. Main was recently elected President of the Board of Trustees of the M. E. church. Dr. Ivory was re-elected Sunday school superintendent.

Use corn huskers Hand Lotion 15 and 25c Wayne Drug Co., Boyd Annex
 A nice two-seated carriage, almost new, for sale cheap. Enquire at this office.

Emil Weber and wife went to Omaha Wednesday where they will visit for some time, their daughters being also there.

Miss Nettie Perry is visiting her cousins in Omaha.
 Mrs. Fanston, a cousin of Mrs. Gamble who lives south of town, returned to her home in Iowa Wednesday.

Atty. A. R. Davis left Wednesday for Blencio, Ia., to eat turkey with home folks.
 Burnt wood novelties. Welch, jeweler. Lowest Rates on farm loans. See P. H. Kohl.

Take out your fire insurance in the Continental with W. F. Assenheimer of Altona.
 Haller's remedies are for sale at the Nies residence 3 blocks east and 1 block north of M. E. church.
 C. W. NIES

I'll brave the storms of Chilkoot Pass, I'll cross the plains of frozen glass, I'll leave my wife and cross the sea, Rather than be without Rocky Mountain Tea. Raymond Pharmacy.

Vern Tower went down to Papillion Wednesday to spend Christmas with Charles. The latter is doing splendidly since he settled down to married bliss.

Fred Hofeldt, son of Henry Hofeldt who used to live east of Carroll, was visiting here the first of the week, leaving Wednesday for his home at Gretna, where the DEMOCRAT will find him hereafter.

Dan Martin of Carroll was in town Wednesday on his way to Peoria, Ill., to visit the old home he left fifteen years ago.

W. H. Fenner, father of Mrs. Dawson, was an arrival Monday and may make his home with Rev. and Mrs. Dawson. Mr. Fenner is from Durand, Ill., where his wife recently died.

Order of Hearing and Notice on Petition for Settlement of Account
 In the County Court of Wayne county, Nebraska.
 State of Nebraska, Wayne county, ss.
 To the heirs and all persons interested in the estate of Alonzo H. Ellis, deceased:
 On reading the petition of Clara B. Ellis, Administratrix, praying a final settlement and allowance of her account filed in this Court on the 12th day of December, 1902, and for allowance for support of children until they arrive at the age of 7 years, and the distribution of the residue of said estate, it is hereby ordered that you and all persons interested in said matter may, and do, appear at the County Court to be held in and for said County, on the 29th day of December, A. D., 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer should not be granted, and that notice of the pendency of said petition and of the hearing thereof be given to all persons interested in said matter by publishing a copy of this order in the NEBRASKA DEMOCRAT, a weekly newspaper printed in said county, for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing.
 E. HUNTER, County Judge.

HOSKINS
 (To late for last week)
 Chirp! Chirp! Chirp! says the baby bird from last year's nesting.

We would advise the Herald's correspondent, as he says a doctor is not obtainable, to take White's cream vermifuge. It never fails.

The Thursday night speaker will not keep to the same subject but will speak especially to the Herald's Hoskins correspondent and her text from Proverbs 15-7.

The Herald must be rather hard up for correspondents.
 Frank Phillips was home over Sunday.
 The Lutheran church has a Christmas tree this year.

Mrs. Wooley who went last week to visit a brother at Long Pine, this state, returned Thursday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Dow Wooley drove over to Norfolk Thursday.

Fert Templin hired a team and sleigh Wednesday evening. Oh well, guess we won't give Bert away as it is the first time we have ever known Bert to get reckless and indulge in any such foolishness.

M. J. Dendinger, John Kaulin, Mrs. F. C. Oldenburg, Geo. Haag and Jennie Waddell were among those doing Christmas shopping in Norfolk Thursday.

Mrs. Burbank went to Tekamah Wednesday for a visit with her daughter and family.
 Ralph Burbank Sundayed at home here with his parents.

This section of Nebraska is enjoying the best sleighing known for a number of years.
 The show at the town hall Thursday evening did not amount to much, owing to we don't know what.

The lodge boys went out to Melvin Case's home last week and gave him a lift in getting his corn out.

THE MARKET TOPPERS.
 It has been stated that grade Aberdeen-Angus steers have topped the Chicago Christmas market for many years in succession, but I believe an exact statement of the case has never appeared in print. I give below the name of the owner, breed and price for which the highest Christmas carload sold for each year since 1889:

1889—R. B. Hudson, Carrollton, Mo., Aberdeen-Angus \$7.10
 1890—Thos. Brandon, " " " 7.40
 1891—W. C. White, " " " 7.15
 1892—J. D. Enbank, Slater, Mo., " " " 7.00
 1893—W. C. White, Carrollton, Mo., " " " 7.00
 1894—J. Evans, Jr., & Son, Emerson, Ia., " " " 6.60
 1895—W. C. White, Carrollton, Mo., " " " 5.50
 1896—L. H. Kerrick, Bloomington, Ill., " " " 5.90
 1897—L. H. Kerrick, Bloomington, Ill., " " " 6.00
 1898—J. Evans, Jr., & Son, Emerson, Ia., " " " 6.25
 1899—L. H. Kerrick, Bloomington, Ill., " " " 8.25
 1900—L. H. Kerrick, Bloomington, Ill., " " " 15.50
 1901—D. W. Black, Lyndon, Ohio, Hereford..... 12.00

Young Bulls of the Angus Breed are now for sale at the Brenna Stock Farm. Inquire R. F. D. No. 3. H. S. MOSES.



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 Burns any kind of fuel
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Holiday Candies
 We have an elegant and wholesome stock of Box Candies, just the thing for Christmas. Our home-made Taffies are the best and least harmful for the little folks, and it is cheap.
 Fine Pies and Cakes and the best Bread Made
The Darnell City Bakery

Gus Benedict and Grace Lowder were married last week. Your correspondent wishes Gus success and happiness in his latest matrimonial venture.

Go to the Hoskins restaurant on Main street when you are in town and want a good meal, at any hour of the day.

The storm of last Sunday evening prevented exercises at the M. E. church.
 One of our young men was out sleighriding with the post office, and the post office wouldn't be a post office without any mail anyhow.

Wanted, by A. T. Waddell, some one to go for a sleigh ride, young lady preferred, but an old maid, widow or married woman will do. No old ladies need apply.

Anyone wishing a nice, safe, steady team for a sleigh ride these nice evenings apply to Louie Ziemer

D. W. Welker has gone to Omaha to work the territory in that vicinity for the Rex stock food people. As will be noticed by a card elsewhere Ben Elliott has taken the agency for Wayne county.

Farm lands bought and sold. Phil E. Kohl.
 Heary Stumpf, who lives just south-east of town had ten head of hogs stolen from him last week, presumably Monday or Tuesday night. The porkers weighed about 225 pounds each.

Widow Glass for sale by Wayne Drug Co., Boyd Annex.
 D. King Hara and wife left Tuesday for a two weeks visit at the old home of Mrs. Hara in Neosho, Mo.

LOST—Red and black robe, last Sunday on upper Main street. Please leave at DEMOCRAT office and oblige owner.
 Miss Lottie Mick is spending the week at her home in Carroll.

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 HEADQUARTERS FOR USEFUL AND BEAUTIFUL
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All New Stuff - New Styles - Lowest Prices

We have the Largest and most Complete line of Furniture ever shown in Northeast Nebraska. All kinds and every line complete, for Bed Room, Dining Room, Kitchen, Parlor, Hall and Library.

FANCY ROCKERS
 New Styles, Prettiest Patterns we have ever carried, and at lowest prices. All kinds; Colonial, large arm, saddle seat, opera seat, cobble seat, upholstered, sewing, syng.

Fancy ex-tension tables, buffets and sideboards, game and fruit pictures. Latest styles in dining chairs, china closets, China rocks, etc., etc.
Pretty Things For Dining Room

New Library FURNITURE
 Leather couches, tables, office chairs, fancy desk chairs, book cases, book shelves, combination cases, ladies' desks, leather rockers, etc.

Unparalleled Fittings for Bed Rooms.
 Bed Room Suites, best to be had. New styles in Iron beds, Odd dressers, Commodes. Best make of Springs and Mattresses.

Beautiful Pictures: Large assortment; beautiful line of subjects and all artistically framed especially for us. We do not wish to carry these over so will sell at a very low figure. Make fine gifts

Frames made to order from the largest line of mouldings carried by any one firm outside of Omaha. We have many fine couches, bed lounges, odd parlor pieces, toy furniture, sewing machines and many other articles, all at prices that are unparalled by any western house, and all lines are complete and new goods.

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Do you drink?
 If so and you know good liquor when you taste it, please call and let me show you some of the best WHISKIES ever sold in the northwest. I make a specialty of getting the best pure whiskies obtainable and cater to the best class of saloon patronage.

For the HOLIDAYS

Will have some choice "Christmas Packages" in Rye, Bourbon, Brandies, Fine Wines, Champagne, etc. Also the best Cigars sold. Call and see me personally, or phone 43. All orders receive prompt attention.

THE CAPITAL BAR
 O. D. FRANKS, PROP.

Notice of Incorporation
 Public notice is hereby given that the undersigned have associated themselves together and become incorporated under the laws of Nebraska.
 The name of said corporation is the Altona Opera House Company, that the purposes for which this corporation was formed are to construct, build, equip and acquire by purchase, lease or otherwise, a building suitable for an opera house or hall with the necessary real estate as is necessary.
 The amount of the capital stock of said corporation is \$1500.00, divided into 100 shares of \$15 each.
 The said corporation is to commence business the 1st of January, 1903, and terminate the 1st of January, 1905.
 The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which this corporation shall at any time subject itself shall not exceed 25 per cent of its capital stock.
 The affairs of the corporation are to be conducted by a Board of Directors together with the officers of the corporation, to-wit: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, which officers shall be elected annually by the stock holders of said corporation.
 W. F. Assenheimer, Emil O. Spittgerber, Herman Peters, Geo. L. Thies, Fred Workman, John Johnson, Joseph McGill, Fred Jensen, H. Gemorning, Carl Woehler, W. H. Thies, Louis F. Schacht, Adolph Woodmann, C. W. Worth, Wm. C. Spittgerber, W. Woehler, John Jensen, Frank Leuck Woehler, Wm. H. Kass, Al Booth.

Big Fire Sale
 Blankets, Furs, Robes, and Single and Double Coach Harness.
 Having made a very satisfactory settlement with the insurance companies for a great amount of damage done my harness because of its being dragged out on the street, and more soiled than injured, I will sell the above lines at a big discount from regular prices.

Clyde Oman Auctioneer
 The DEMOCRAT takes pleasure in announcing that Clyde Oman is now out for business in the auctioneer line and will give it his undivided attention. Mr. Oman has cried a large number of sales and was for years assistant to his father. Terms and dates may be had by enquiring at the DEMOCRAT office.

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THE NEW YEAR'S DANCE.

Where the lights are bright and the hearts are light
And the music sweet enchants,
Are gathered the men of brilliant name,
And the women whose beauty is known
For a rollicking New Year's dance.

And the question now is not, I vow,
"Oh, what will the New Year send?"
But the query that comes to mind,
"Will ever my dream of love come true,
Or will she be just a friend?"

L'Envoi.
In days of old, when knights were bold,
The trend of Cupid's lance
Was led by the flashing of swords and
light,
But smooth goes the course of Love to
night,
At this ravishing New Year's dance.
—JEAN C. HAYEZ.

Gaston Theriot, Swordsman

John H. Raftery, in Chicago Record-Herald

There were many reasons why Mrs. Blake's boarding house became the home of more old characters than any place of its size west of the Mississippi. Being a Dublin lady, whose husband had been in the French army and called her house the "Maison de Ville." Then her son Roderick, who had even scandalized the Latin quarter before he was of age, was something of a painter, and to his mother's house brought every vagrom Bohemian who drifted into Kansas City from Paris, Vienna or Rome. Sometimes they failed to pay board, but she was a canny little woman, and when she couldn't get the cash she made them work out the bill.

As long ago as 1879 the Hotel de Ville was populous with starchy, ornate with all sorts of painted and vocal of the characteristics and handicrafts of nearly a decade of "queer" tenants. School teachers, soldiers of fortune, painters, sculptors, writers, mostly made up the clientele of the Maison, and therefore Mrs. Blake did not flourish financially. But she was content. I hope she has never been driven to the extremity of an auction sale, but if she ever comes to her own like to know it. Some of the wandering painters who paid her with unframed pictures are famous now, and when last I was in her kitchen there was a landscape over the mantel, and the best work of a master hand.

The only rule of the Maison de Ville that was held inviolable was Mrs. Blake's forbiddance of female guests. She seemed to have a deep-set dislike for her sex, and even when her dead husband's sister called at the house, she was uncomfortable until she had gotten her out of the place. She wouldn't even sleep in her own bed, but every evening at dusk topped the management over to "Pond," a Chinaman, and went to her own lonely room over Miss Finster's millinery shop. Well, Pond, the Chinaman, slept all day in a little closet in the attic, and in the early '80s the place was always full. One evening in May a dapper little man came in while we were all at supper. In a pronounced French accent he asked for Mrs. Blake. He had come right into the dining room, where we were all at tea, and he couldn't help observing the contrast between his naively audacious intrusion and the self-deprecating manner of his address. When he found that madame was gone he asked for "Monsieur Roderick." He had a letter from Bruce Patrick, an artist then in Paris, and in five minutes young Blake had read the letter and given the stranger an enthusiastic welcome to the hospitality of his mother's house.

The newcomer was named Gaston Theriot. He talked from Rhelms and was a teacher of French and fencing—"Maitre d'armes," he called it. He fitted well into the mixed company, spoke English with a most pleasant and saucy assurance and was everybody's friend before Pond brought in the buckwheat. The cuisine of the Maison de Ville, you see, was not Parisian. Theriot was a handsome young rascal with glittering big, black eyes, closely cropped curls and the face of a boy. He said he was 28, but he didn't look it, though he was heavily built and spoke with the glib abandon of a man of the world.

Professor Dillon, a Trinity college man who had served under Blake in Paris and had tried his patience in the Papal guard, was one of the star

boarders at Blake's and he took an instant fancy to young Theriot. Dillon in his quiet, convincing way, had led us all to believe that he was an expert swordsman, and it was quite natural, when Gaston's baggage arrived, that a fencing bout should be arranged. The little Frenchman was quite willing, glad to give the Irishman a choice of weapons—foil, rapier or broadsword. They gave us a fine display in the library, and we all sat about smoking and drinking till near morning. The Irishman astonished us all with his sword play, but the little Frenchman proved to be a wizard with the lighter weapons, and Frenchlike, able to carry on a running fire of quaint jests, bon mots and recitative even while busied with his weapons. He made a great "hit" with all of us that night, but we could see that something of the wider citizenship of Captain Dillon was making for a close friendship with the new man from Rhelms.

And so it proved. Roderick and the rest of us, wanting that we were, became interested in fencing. In French literature, in gossip of the new Bohemia of Paris. We took some lessons of Theriot, began to read again Telemachus and the rudimentary literature of France, and it was Dillon, (he was 40 years old at least) who brought the Fides Achatas, the "near friend" of Gaston Theriot. He was a charming little fellow who scattered his money like a prince, and drank wine like a thirsty man. He never got by on whisky and pipes, preferring cigars and frothy drinks, but we liked him just the same and boosted him about town so that in six months he had a big class of fond students and a list of French pupils that assured his prosperity.

Nobody ever knew just how that coldness sprang up between Dillon and the little Frenchman, but we all noticed it. The Irishman quit seeing Theriot, and the spruce little fencer always the soul of courtesy—began to betray signs of the estrangement which was apparent to us all. Then one night—it was near New Year's—Dillon suddenly announced at the supper table that he was going to leave.

"I'm going to try Oklahoma," he said, fiddling with his fork. "I'm an adventurer, you know, and I am tired of this life."

We were all heartily sorry and showed it—all but Gaston. He only bit his lip and stared into his coffee. Dillon left the next day, and somehow after that Theriot didn't seem to fit in the circle. We suspected that he hadn't treated Dillon just right, and he seemed conscious of his lapse from grace. Anyhow, along about Valentine's day, the bright little Frenchman, without a word to anybody, suddenly disappeared. He paid his bill all right, but he didn't tell even Mrs. Blake where he was going.

I think it was in the summer of 1882 that I went down to Guthrie, Oklahoma, to write about the "Oklahoma empire." I met Dillon on the street. He seemed glad to see me, showed me his store (it was the best business house in town), and then after inviting me to his house for dinner, with a queer look in his eye, said:

"I want you to see my wife and a baby, but I'm chivalrously at his elbow, and, smiling vaguely, added:

"If you're going back to the Maison

de Ville, don't say anything about me—that is, about us."

He took me to his pretty cottage, and first showed me his baby, a black-eyed, pretty boy, about six months old. When Mrs. Dillon came in I dropped my hat and stared. She was a beautiful, blushing woman, with short, black curls, and when she gave me her little, nervous hand she looked into my eyes and said:

"You know me? Yes, I am Theriot, but not Gaston. I am Elaine, Fifine Dillon now. You had seen our pretty boy?"

And then I knew why they had been friends at the Maison de Ville.

"Over and Over Again."

What is the cheer of the new-born year—
What word to the lives of men?
The same old burdens for hearts to bear
Over and over again.

The same old burdens in paths we've trod,
But Love to lighten them all—thank God!
Over and over again.

What is the cheer of the new-born year?
A little of joy; and then
The light of sorrow, the falling tear,
Over and over again.

The same old sorrow and tears each day,
But Love to lighten and kiss them away.
Over and over again.

Come with the joys, with the tears and
sighs,
New Year, to the lives of men;
The light streams bright from the far,
starred skies
Over and over again.
And roses will bloom from the thorny sod,
And the dark will lead to the light of God,
Chicago Record-Herald.

A Call That Kills.

A kind of New Year's call that kills
is: Call, and settle up your bills."
—Harlem Life

Her Diary.

New brooms sweep clean, as everyone
must know.
New Year, to the lives of men;
Each trifle in detail, how soon 'twill grow
"Small by degrees and beautifully less."
—Puck.

A Matter of Necessity.

Judge: Willie—Why does a man swear
off so many things at New Year's?
Crabshaw—He has to, my boy, for he
spent all his money at Christmas.

Tonnyson—Up to Date.

"Ring out the old Ring in the new!
Bring out the hotel napkins, too!"
—Town Topics.

The Old Year's Legacy.

Now that the New Year's wish us,
We hear the same old cry.
Of the man who foots the bills
For the things he didn't buy.
—Chicago Daily News.

Boston Browningsites.

Boston Transcript: Mrs. Gush—How do you do, "Manda"? How did you like the reading of Browning at the club last night?

Mrs. Bluff—Oh, pretty well. But I didn't like the way her dress hung.

Mrs. Gush—Nor I, either. And it seemed to me she might have held the book more gracefully.

The New Year.

Here's a Happy New Year!
Sunshine in the sky,
Join the throng
And swell the song
While she at the organ
That comes a-floatin' by.
Wear a smile fur strangers;
Welcome all yer kin;
Curry the road,
And give a toast
To folks that happens in.
Wish we all may prosper
In whatever we do.
An' we must
Ef each'll just
Help the others through.
—Washington Star.

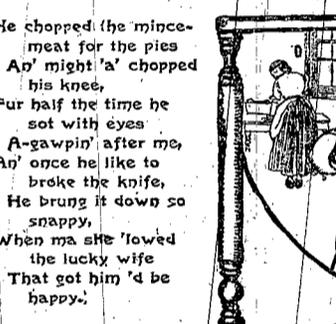


When Silas wuz
a-courtin' me
An' called on Nod
Year's day,
He wa'n't in any fret to
be
A-hurryin' away.
He didn't come a-tearin'
in
To taste a bite or two
An' then go tearin' out
a-gin.
Like Mabel's callers
do.

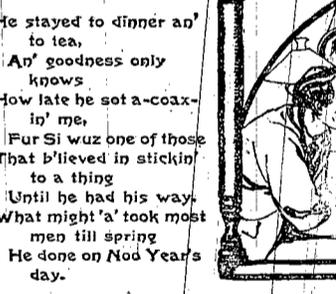


He come before the
mornin' sun
Had scarcely more
than risen,
Explainin' that his
chores wuz done,
So he'd help pa with
his'n.
But any one with half
an eye
Could see the chores
he chuz
Wuz them that mostly
kep' him nigh
Where me an' m'pther
wuz.

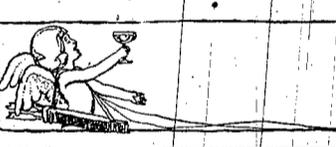
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An' fetched the milkhouse pans,
But 'twixt the trips he stood an' stood
A-warmin' of his han's.
An' once, when ma wuz in the shed
A-dreemin' off the batter,
'Twuz m'pther Silas up an' said
That m'ud me drop a platter.



He chopped the mince-
meat for the pies
An' might 'a' chopped
his knee,
Fur half the time he
sot with eyes
A-gawpin' after me,
An' once he like to
break the knife,
He brung it down so
snappy,
When ma she 'lowed
the lucky wife
That got him 'd be
happy.



He stayed to dinner an'
to tea,
An' goodness only
knows
How late he sot a-coax-
in' me,
Fur si wuz one of those
That b'lieved in stickin'
to a thing
'Until he had his way.
What might 'a' took most
men till spring
He done on Nod Year's
day.



Five Good Scotch Reasons.



George: "Come on, Jock; come a-wa doon the toon and hae a dram."
Jock: "Naw, it's ower early in the day. Besides, I promised the wife I'd be teetotal this year, and, besides, I've had four already."

A Reckoning-Up by Dozens.

New York World: Close upon the heels of the scientists and technical experts who advocate the metric system comes Professor Reeve of Worcester, with a duodecimal scale to apply to weights and measures. The professor wants to reckon things up by dozens, as Sir Joseph Porter did his sister and his cousins. Of course he has a nomenclature for his system. According to his plan "doz" would stand for twelve, "doz-nine" for twenty-one, "twos-one" (two dozen and one) for twenty-five, "eights" for eight dozen and "nids" for nine dozen.

All this is intensely interesting to men who regard figures and the language as "something to play with."

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MILLIONS ARE EMPLOYED

Farming a Great Business—\$41,000,000 Acres Under Cultivation.

There are many people under the impression that the number of farmers in this country is fast as fast as they can. The cases are not parallel except in this one respect, and that is the avoidance of a panic by not throwing their holdings onto the markets all at once.

According to the Farmers' Balance Sheet for 1902, more than 1,000,000 farms have been laid out and fenced in by now, principally in the west in the past ten years. During the year 1901, 15,000 farms were given away by the government. When the Indian Territory is opened for settlement, and the land is about two years hence—some time in 1904—8,000,000 acres of good land will be offered for sale at a low price. There are now in this country 306,000,000 acres of land uncultivated and available for farming purposes is \$41,000,000. This would make a country as large as England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, France, Germany, Australia, and Japan, and there would have been left over to make several countries which, until a few years ago, were considered of sufficient importance to be settled principally or starting computations there is not one of the countries named in the above list that would be able to produce anywhere near as large an amount of agricultural products as that produced in the United States on one-tenth of our area. The value of such products was in 1901 \$651,628,324.

MANY CATTLE ON FEED.

Immense Meat Crop Looked for From State of Iowa.

Breeders Gazette: An immense meat crop is looked for from Iowa this coming winter and spring. Reports carefully gathered from many sources indicate that a vast number of farmers never have carried or cared for both on feed or on feed and the pig crop is alleged in most districts to be a bumper one. The reason for the great purchases of feeding in the fall that about 50 per cent of the Iowa corn crop is not fit to be marketed. In other words it is soft and farmers to get good value for it must send it to the shambles instead of to the feeders. It is said that all records were broken this year in the Omaha market in the number of feeding steers taken by Hawkeye feeders, and the same is true of the sheep. In Kansas City many of the Iowa farmers supplied their needs in a similar record-smashing manner, and when to this tremendous influx of cattle and sheep we add the domestic supply of swine, young and old, we may expect a huge output of meat from Iowa at no very distant date and for a protracted period after the fattened stock begins to roll marketward.

The Kisses They Had.

Baltimore Herald: "Don't worry about money, darling, when we are married. We can live on the proverbial 'bread, cheese and kisses.'" "I know, Archibald; but who is going to furnish the bread and cheese?"

Just Imagine.

Harvard Lampoon: "Rabbit Hunter—Do you like birds?" "Bird Hunter—Sure! I love 'em." "Rabbit Hunter—Then eat my rabbit for a lark."

Tea and the Nerves.

Yonkers Statesman: She—I always heard tea was bad for the nerves. He—Oh, it can't be; I see Epton says he's coming over again to lift that cup.

His Fears.

Life: She—It's awfully hot, isn't it? I wish we could find a big bowlder where we could rest away in the shade. He—That's all right, but I'm not afraid of being sat on.

An Unlimited Supply.

Washington Star: "Everything is getting dearer," said the apprehensive citizen.

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Are you going to make any New Year resolutions? Yes, I'm going to limit myself to two engagements this year.

CHRISTMAS BRANDIES

Grand

NEW YEAR'S Fine Wines

Holiday Sale of Fine Liquors and Cigars

At The

At The Poor Man's Palace Bar.

Call and Sample

The Best

FINE CIGARS for THE MEN.

of Bottled Beer

CHAMPAIGN for THE LADIES.

Phone 36

H. Mildner.

CUT PRICE ON LADIES CLOAKS.

To reduce our stock on Ladies 'Cloaks, "all new and up-to-date," we will make some very low prices between now and Christmas. Be sure to see us before buying a Cloak.

The Racket.

BY DAD.

Genuine pedigree wienerwursts always have the licence tag attached. A good test is to put about a yard of them on the floor and call the cat. If she arches her back and spits, they are all right. If not, you will know they are the common horse article.

A Wayne teacher is keeping a copy of the president's message, and every pupil who misbehaves is compelled to read it. I used to be punished with a beeh gad, and, by gad, I believe I would rather have it that way.

One Wayne young man has had his moustache shaved off. A year ago his girl had a flock of Belgian hares, but she doesn't like them anymore.

A certain Wayne grocer has cheese that is old enough to vote. I would mention his name but he doesn't pay for this advertisement.

A good many people in Wayne are just now troubled with the itch. I've got it, by dad, but I am thankful that I haven't got as much to scratch as Frank Kruger will have when he gets it.

Once in a while somebody has a kick coming because one side of their paper is printed upside down. The other day I met a young lady who had a kick coming on this same score. I told her that all she had to do was to stand on her head to read it. "Well," she said, "I want you to understand that I am not from Missouri."

Rev. Dawson is going to preach the "Defense of the Saloonkeeper," next Sunday. Pshaw, a saloon man needs no defense when we all vote for the saloon. Why not "defend" poor printers, Bro. Dawson?

Today is a minute longer than yesterday, but if we figure "time is money" we feel shorter than we have for several days.

A much better explanation for Ed. Bartlett's assault upon John Hufford than has been able to give himself is that Staley underwear made him too hot to be decent.

"To his Satanic Majesty; from the 'devil,'" was the postscript on a Christmas package that lay on my desk yesterday morning. Thus you see when all the preachers and "more holy than righteous" people turn their backs to by dad the "devil" remembers us with gifts, and we like the "devil" best.

Jim Britton went into the 2 Johns store recently and demanded \$5.20 for buttons he had pulled off a pair of Dutchess trousers, which trousers the 2 Johns agreed to pay 10 cents for every button coming loose. By dad, it would have been as good a show as Jim has had this winter to have seen him when he was shy those \$2 buttons. He must have looked like a Dutchess, what!

The Sunday schools were crowded last Sunday. Next Sunday there will be plenty of room for the good girls and boys who are not bought with a wheezy whistle or sleepy doll.

AHERN'S

Order your ice cream early at Steen's and be sure you get some. The very best fruits in the market at the Brookings grocery. R. P. Williams has a good house for rent. See him early if you want it. A. snap. Easy terms. Choice 160 acres four miles from Wayne. See P. H. Kohl. Go to the Brookings when you want a barrel of good apples for what they are worth. Registered Hereford bulls for sale. Equire of Levi Diltz, two miles south of Wakefield. Steen is the popular caterer for you always get the best service obtainable in the season's delicacies. The name of Sherwood the pianist is a household word throughout the land in families whose members are musicians or lovers of good music. He has played with wonderful success in all the largest cities of this country, and has received unstinted praise from the public as well as the critics of the press. M. E. church Dec. 30. Among the numerous wedding parties, people who "got something in their stockings," were John F. Graves and Bertha Bartoe of Wakefield; Wm. Reese of Winside and Mrs. Eda Mortensen of Sundance, Wyo.; Chas. Reese and Miss Mary Peterson; for the Rev. Oscar P. Miller, John Gilman to Miss Stoar, both of Wausa, and Ralph Gilman of Wausa to Miss Neva Mosher of Randolph. Henry Claybaugh, jr., was home for Christmas. "In writing up the death and funeral of Mrs. Brown," said one of their neighbors to the DEMOCRAT, "you cannot say anything too good about the lady. She was just one of the very best women that ever lived." The Misses Libbie Ellis, Jessie Tucker and Anna Gamble are all home for the holidays. Prof. Voget went to Randolph last night to play for a ball. Homer Skeen returned to Sioux City today. Homer is looking for a chance to buy into some line of business. Subject for Sunday's sermons at the Baptist church: Morn'ing, "Jesus Teaching Concerning the Rich," evening, "Making a New Start." Fred Wright is up from the state university to spend the holidays. Miss Julia Andrews from Crete is a guest of Miss Etta. Boekenhaur.

Married

MILLER-THOMPSON: Bert Miller and Miss May Thompson were married at the Methodist parsonage Tuesday morning, Dec. 23rd, Rev. Dawson officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Miller go to Red Cloud, Neb., to spend the holidays with Mr. Miller's parents.

Miss Alice Hyde left Saturday to spend the holidays at her home in Vermillion.

All kinds of nuts at the Brookings grocery. Speaking about calendars, anytime you see anything prettier than those panel pictures Herman Mildner is giving away they cost you money to get them.

Johnny Juhlin is home from Kansas City to spend the holidays.

Editor Lundburg was a visitor from Carroll Sunday to see his parents, of course.

Sam Davies continues to be the luckiest mortal that ever bucked a slot machine. Sam won both first and second prizes in a raffle at Raymond's drug store.

Geo. Wilbur arrived Sunday evening from Ann Arbor, Mich. George completes the law course in June and has been highly honored by his classmates with important offices in the university.

Prince of Wales A new thing in mufflers. Handsome gift to a gentlemen. \$1.00 each at HARRINGTON'S.

Perrin Hotel for Sale. Owing to getting too far advanced in years to pare to conduct it I will sell the Hotel Perrin at a low figure. ROBT. PERRY.

Baled Hay for Sale. By bale or ton. Leave orders at Phillips & Sons. C. S. ASH.

The W. J. PERRY Live Stock Commission Firm. Union Stock Yards, South Omaha. Jas. Porterfield, Wayne Solicitor.

THIS STORE

Is closing the year of 1902 with the greatest sales record in history. Every month, excepting one, our sales are ahead of all previous years, for the corresponding months.

We believe this result is not only because that this has been a year of general prosperity, but that more and more people are finding out that THIS store is a satisfactory place to trade.

At all times we have tried—and think we have succeeded—in showing the most complete assortments found in this vicinity, and at prices universally lower than found in most stores.

Our prices are not so much lower because we ask less profit, but because we are in a position to buy our goods at a less price than other stores.

Our method of buying direct from the factory for cash has saved our customers many dollars this year, and it will be our earnest effort to save them an even greater amount in this year, 1903.

We thank you, one and all, for your patronage, and wish for you a Merry Christmas, and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



Coon Creek News Mrs. Porter and her three daughters of Howells, Neb., are visiting at the home of her son, Gerald Porter. Mr. James Smith who has been living the past year on Mrs. Vincent's farm has gone to Kansas to live. School closed last week Friday in district No. 10 for one week vacation. Clint Lang who has been on the sick list is now convalescent. Some of the farmers are offering 4c for corn huskers and can't get them at that. Clarence Sears came home Wednesday to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Sears. Mr. W. A. Hunter has put in a new pair of scales on his farm. Mr. Will Cunningham is the happiest man on the Creek at present. Miss Mable Sears is spending her vacation at home. Mr. J. C. Hansen has been hauling corn to Mr. W. A. Hunter. Wolves seem to be quite plentiful on the Creek since the snows came.

Winside News: Robert Olds bought a ticket last Monday for West Point where he expects to spend Christmas. He is billed to return Friday, but we are afraid there is a sweet young girl located in West Point who will keep him away longer. A. L. Beesen went to Norfolk Monday to get some new clothes and the train waited for him to have them fitted; that is we guess they did as it was late enough that day. The serious illness of Hon. John S. Robinson caused much alarm among his many personal friends here and it is with pleasure that we report the cheering news that he is much better and will get well. County Commissioner Russell heard that there were some rabbits out in the Apex country, and last week he took his gun and went after them, with great success. Joe Wilson acted as scout and located the game, and Uncle Dick did the rest. He put in a couple days and killed 22 Johnnies and 8 Jacks and went home greatly pleased with his outing. Does anyone around here know a man by the name of Henry W. Sholes of Zanesville, Ohio? If they do they know a dead beat and a scoundrel who would rob his sick mother. He owes this paper \$3.40 and refuses to pay although he does not dispute the claim. The man is a dishonest cur and we sincerely hope he will soon reach the hottest part of the place Bob Ingersol said did not exist. And there are others we will mention as fast as we get to them.

W P Agler has been feeling unwell of late. Claus Kay of Wayne was on the Creek the other day looking after his farm. Roam Hunter made a flying trip to Wakefield Wednesday. Charley Johnson was hauling wood from his brothers place five miles east of LaPorte, Thursday. M. S. Englert passed LaPorte Wednesday on his way home from Wakefield. Arthur Merriman has been shelling corn and reports it in bad shape. I would like to know what the Coon Creek reporter means about Englert's flowing well. I have been reading about it and Muths fish pond for a long time. I was interviewing Mr. Englert about his well and he told me all about it. He said his well did flow fast summer pretty bad while he was out west. He said it flowed at one time so bad that it washed away his pump and some piping and at another time it flowed so bad that it washed all his garden stuff away, then another time the water got so high that it washed the apples from the trees, then still higher until it got up in his barn and washed his flag pole away and it floated down stream and when lodged was picked out by a man and Mr. Englert says if he will return it he will be rewarded for his trouble.

Mrs. C. Wooley returned from Long Pine Saturday where she had been to visit a brother whom she had not seen in a dozen or more years. Mr. and Mrs. Strickland held a family dinner last Sunday at which time the Williams family of Winside were present. Walter Pilger visited friends in town last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Oldenburg were shopping in Norfolk last Monday. Frank Phillips came home to spend Sunday. H. S. Strickland and family went to Coleridge Wednesday to eat turkey with a brother's family. Mrs. Burbank returned Monday evening from Tekamah where she had been to visit a week with a daughter's family. Dr. Sisson preached one of his excellent sermons at the M. E. church last Sunday evening. The dance Monday evening was not so well attended as is sometimes the case but those present report a nice time. Dr. Sawyer went to his Missouri home Tuesday to be present at a family reunion and will be gone a week or more. W. J. Weatherholt was in town from Norfolk Monday. There were many family reunions in town Christmas day. Mrs. Mettlen came down from Wayne Monday to visit over Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. H. J. Candor. Jennie Mettlen of Wayne and Will Mettlen of Omaha spent Christmas with their sister, Mrs. Candor. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all. Ralph Burbank and Frank Phillips spent home Wednesday evening last at their Christmas dinner with home folks.

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