

THOUGHTS ON BUSINESS

BY
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A TASK FOR REFORMERS

THE effort to reform humanity should not always begin at the bottom. Sometimes it is wise to begin at the top, and sometimes in the middle—and always where the soil is worth the seed.

In speaking of this matter recently a man of wide business experience said:

"There is a big field waiting for reformers. It is not among the so-called lower classes, where so much reform effort is spent, and where a good deal of it is no doubt wasted. It is among the people who are represented by the 'average employe' in our great mercantile and industrial institutions. It is a sad fact that only a very small percentage of these people are really in earnest—that is, are really trying to do their best."

"What per cent would you say?" I asked.

"Not over five per cent," he replied. "I really think that would be a high estimate."

"Oh, you can't mean that!" I exclaimed.

"Yes I do," he asserted. "It may vary a little in different establishments, and in different kinds of work, but in general that is just about where the matter stands. My observations are wide, and cover a period of twenty years. Something should be done to turn back the tide of indifference and shiftlessness which spreads through this class of employes in nearly every business establishment."

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Postmaster W. F. Walker, Editor.

(Too late for last week.)

H. E. Johnson returned from Omaha Saturday.

Little Kathryn Carey has been quite sick this week.

A. M. Miller went to Crawford Monday, returning Tuesday.

Miss Emma Ansen spent Saturday night with Myrtle Roland.

Miss Dill is assisting in Norton's store here during the big sale.

Miss Clara Burri closed her school Friday for a two weeks' vacation.

Harry Shelquist departed Wednesday for his home at Melrose, Iowa.

Mrs. J. T. Carey was shopping in Alliance the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hedgecock were in from Sioux county the first of the week.

Miss Warren came in from Agate Tuesday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Warren.

Rev. Kubler's little son and Gerty Olds each suffered an attack of pneumonia the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bass and Edith Broshar were Cantonites shopping in town the first of the week.

Grandma Kendall, who has been visiting at the Burleigh home, returned to Lakeside Saturday.

Quite a number of Carrie Bushnell's friends met at her home Saturday night for a farewell surprise.

W. D. McIntyre's family arrived the last of the week. They expect to make this their home in the future.

John Wiltsey, who has been attending school at Lincoln, returned Wednesday to spend his holiday vacation at home.

W. A. Clark went back to his old home in Iowa for a visit with his parents. Mr. Clark has not been home for two years.

Ralph Hopkins arrived the latter part of the week from Dixon, Nebraska, to assist in caring for his brother Bert.

Mrs. Hindman of Sioux county had the misfortune to have her eye put out Tuesday. We did not get particulars.

C. W. Brown and Carrie Bushnell left Sunday for San Diego, Cal., where they will join the rest of the family for the winter.

Mr. McKinney is stationed at the depot in the place of Mr. McCarthy who went to Lead, S. D., last week after his household goods.

Mrs. E. E. Ford left for Omaha Tuesday. She will be joined there by Genevieve in a visit to Lawrence who is attending school there.

Misses Conklin, Killeen and Schultabier came home Saturday to spend Xmas vacation. They had been attending the sisters' school at Alliance.

While driving to town with his family last Saturday the buggy of Mr. Shoemaker upset, spilling them all out, but fortunately no one was hurt.

Miss Eva Blanchard came in from Dunlap Saturday and took the afternoon train for Chadron where she will spend her Xmas vacation with home folks.

Mrs. John Carey, who has been visiting her daughters and son for the past three months, left for her home in Canada Saturday. She was accompanied as far as Alliance by Jack and Miss Lettie where they visited until Sunday with their sister.

Frank Potmesil returned Tuesday from the trip east.

Mr. Blythe departed for the east Monday for a visit at the old home.

Mrs. Potmesil and daughter Alice are both dangerously ill at their home near Dunlap.

Ira Scribner was a Hay Springs visitor over Christmas, returning to these parts Saturday.

Born, Dec. 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Ira Roland, a daughter. Mother and babe doing fine.

Dr. and Mrs. Little were Christmas visitors at the Breese home at Rushville, returning Saturday.

John Warren came in from Sioux county Tuesday to do some trading and to get acquainted with the new nephew.

Miss Esther Neeland spent a few days in town last week and went on the road Saturday for a visit with friends.

Miss Madeline Carey spent Thursday and Friday of last week with her sister and brother here.

Born, on Saturday morning, Dec. 26, to Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Warren, a son. All concerned doing nicely.

Miss Dollie Pierce came up from Alliance last week Thursday, returning to her work at the Norton store Sunday afternoon.

The many friends of Miss Gertrude Olds will be pleased to know that she is able to be around again after her siege of throat and lung trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Donovan and little son spent Christmas with Mrs. D's mother and family. They went on down the road for a few days' stay.

The Misses Foster arrived Tuesday and in company with Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Shepherd drove out to Sioux county Wednesday where their father has a claim.

F. E. Olds came down from Chadron last week and ate Christmas dinner under the parental roof. Mrs. Olds is in Omaha at present, a guest at her sister's home.

W. B. Miller came down from Crawford

to spend Xmas with home folks and friends. He was accompanied by his friend, Mr. McNeal. The boys returned to Crawford Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Rustin came up from Lincoln to spend the holiday vacation with her many friends and relatives here. We are a little late but were not aware of her arrival here until too late for last week's items.

The I. O. O. F. lodge members are making quite extensive preparations for the installation and banquet to take place January 4. Installation private, banquet for the members and their families.

Old Santa was a pretty busy body in our town Christmas eve with a chimney and tree at the M. E. church and a cave at the Congregational. Each and every child in and around town was well remembered.

Mr. and Mrs. Fronhapfel and family had a very narrow escape from what might have been a serious accident. While driving out to Leo Frohnappel's place Christmas morning the buggy upset, spilling them all out. With the exception of a good shaking up no damage was done.

The orchestra dance Xmas night was well attended and a neat little sum realized therefrom. The orchestra boys desire to thank the public for their liberal patronage. Our little town has just cause to feel proud of its orchestra as each and every member is an artist. We hear only words of praise for them.

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