

# Plattsmouth Daily Herald.

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**CLASS LODGE NO. 140, I. O. O. F.** Meets every Tuesday evening of each week. All transient brothers are respectfully invited to attend.  
**TRIO LODGE NO. 81, A. O. U. W.** Meets every alternate Friday evening at K. of P. hall. Transient brothers are respectfully invited to attend. F. E. White, Master; Workman, J. E. Morris; Foreman, F. J. Morgan; Overseer, J. E. Morris; Recorder.  
**CLASS CAMP NO. 332, MODERN WOODMEN of America.** Meets second and fourth Monday evening at K. of P. hall. All transient brothers are requested to meet with us. A. A. Newcomer, Foreman; F. J. Morgan, Overseer; W. C. Willett, Clerk.  
**PLATTSMOUTH LODGE NO. 8, A. O. U. W.** Meets every alternate Friday evening at Rockwood hall at 8 o'clock. All transient brothers are respectfully invited to attend. J. A. Gutsche, M. W.; S. C. Green, Foreman; C. W. Wilde, Recorder; S. A. Newcomer, Overseer.  
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#### BORROWED AND STOLEN.

**Weather Probabilities.**  
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 3, 1:30 a. m.—Indications for Nebraska: Warmer; fair weather, followed by rain, light to fresh southerly winds.

**Discharging Workmen.**  
 St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 2.—There is much suppressed feeling among employes of the Gould Southwestern railroad system here and at other points along the line, because of an order to at once reduce the working forces to 10 per cent. The officials claim the reduction is the result of the dull season and will not last longer than March 1. The men claim the reduction is not justified by the labor situation on the system and is resorted to as a substitute for cutting wages. Fourteen hundred men will be left without work.

**The National Game in Cuba.**  
 JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 3.—The Cubans are rapidly becoming fascinated by the national game. An agent of a Havana base-ball association is here now negotiating a challenge to the Jacksonville club to go to Havana and play a series of three games for \$1,000 a side during Holy Week. As an additional inducement the agent offers to give them free admission to the bull fights while they are there. The challenge will probably be accepted and the games played this month.

**Mrs. Hancock's Chances.**  
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—The rumor is still floating about to the effect that Mrs. Gen. Hancock is to be the successor of Postmaster Conger, of Washington. The post office officials deny that the matter has been settled, although the admission is made that Mrs. Hancock may prove a formidable candidate. Postmaster General Vilas is especially reticent about it, and only says in answer to a query concerning the truth of the rumor, "The public will be promptly informed whenever the appointment is made."

**A Newspaper Change.**  
 St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 3.—The Daily Herald of Sunday morning announced the retirement of Mr. John P. Strong from the management of that paper. He has sold his interest to local capitalists and wealthy St. Josephans. The sale was made Saturday, November 5, but not announced until Sunday. W. E. Shepherd, business manager of the Herald under the old management, will be the new manager, and George C. Smith editor-in-chief. Both have been with the paper for years. There will be no change in the editorial or working force of the paper, which will remain republican in politics, as before.

**New Coal Fields in Kansas.**  
 ATCHISON, Kan., Jan. 3.—Further particulars of Saturday's big coal discovery at Doniphan, a small town five miles north of Atchison, received here to-day, fully confirm yesterday's reports and indicate that the quality and extent of the find is larger and better than was first supposed. The coal was struck at a depth of 600 feet, and it is the opinion of a prominent geologist on the ground that the vein dips to the south towards Atchison. An informal meeting of several capitalists was held here late last evening to plan for the construction of a new special branch railroad direct from Atchison to Doniphan. The excitement over this discovery, owing to the fact that it is the first coal ever discovered in paying quantities in such close proximity of this city, is great.

**The Result of a Protracted Spree.**  
 DENVER, Col., January 3.—George I. Hubbard committed suicide Sunday morning. He had charge of the buggy department of the W. J. Kinsey Implement Company, and was a man well known and generally liked in the city. He was on a spree during holiday week and despondency and remorse is supposed to have been the cause of the suicide. His wife anticipated his intentions and secured his revolver. He located the weapon however, and when his wife stepped out of doors for a moment Sunday he locked her out and ran up stairs with the weapon in his hand. His wife saw this move through the stained glass of the front door. Rushing around the house she gained an entrance at the rear door, but before she reached her husband's side he had placed the revolver to his temple and pulled the trigger. He was 30 years of age and had been married five years. He owned considerable property and had a life insurance of \$10,000.

### A War Steamer Sunk.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The British ironclad Hercules touched a reef off Ferrol, Spain, to-day, and knocked a hole in her side. All efforts to stop the leak failed, and the ship with difficulty reached the harbor of Ferrol, where she is gradually sinking.

**The Czar Remembers the Pope.**  
 ROME, Jan. 3.—The czar sent a letter to the pope, on the occasion of his holiness' jubilee, congratulating him upon his fifty years of priesthood, and expressing the hope that better relations might exist between the Greek Catholic church of Russia and the Catholic church of Rome.

**Russia's Armies.**  
 VIENNA, Jan. 3.—Freidenblatt denies on authentic information that the movement of Russian troops and army material on the frontier continues. The latest news shows that the recent reports concerning the movements referred mainly to the displacement effected within the frontier provinces.

**The Great Lick Telescope.**  
 SAN JOSE, Cal., E.—The great objective, or 36-inch lens of the Lick observatory telescope was fully mounted yesterday afternoon. As soon as observation is made the photographic lens will be mounted, and experimental photographs taken to determine the work required to finish the telescope.

### TAD LINCOLN'S THEATRE.

How the Child's Happiness was Sadly Marred—The President's Reproof.  
 In one of the vacant rooms of the White House Tad had fitted up, with the aid of the servants, a miniature theatre. The little fellow had rare skill and good taste in such matters, and after long and patient effort the work was completed. There was the stage, the orchestra, the curtains, the parquet, and all the paraphernalia pertaining to what he called a real theatre, and Tad was in a delirium of childish joy. About this time, just after the review of Burnside's division of the Army of the Potomac, a certain photographer came to the executive mansion to make some stereoscopic studies of the president's office for a Mr. Carpenter, an artist of reputation (the same gentleman who painted Mr. Lincoln's portrait), who had been much about the house. Mr. Carpenter and the photographer appeared at the same time. The artists told Mr. Lincoln that they must have a dark closet in which to develop their pictures. There was such a closet attached to the room which Tad had appropriated for his theatre, and it could not be reached without passing through that room. With Mr. Lincoln's permission the artists took possession of the "theatre," and they had taken several pictures before "Tad" discovered the trespass upon his premises. When he took in the situation there was an uproar. Their occupancy of his "theatre," without his consent, was an offense that stirred his wrath into an instant blaze. The little fellow declared indignantly that he would not submit to any such impudence. He locked the door and carried off the key. The artists hunted him up, and coaxed, remonstrated, begged, but all in vain. The young theatre manager, in a flame of passion, blamed Carpenter with the whole outrage. He declared that they should neither use his room nor go into it to get their instruments and chemicals. "No one," said he, "has any business in my room, unless invited by me, and I never invited you." Here was a pretty kettle of fish. Tad was master of the situation. Finally Mr. Lincoln was appealed to. Tad was called and Mr. Lincoln said to him sternly: "Go, now, and unlock the door." The offended boy went off to his mother's room, muttering a positive refusal to obey his father's command. On hearing of the child's disobedience Mr. Lincoln soon had the key, and "the theatre" was again invaded by the artists. Soon after this Mr. Lincoln said to Carpenter, half apologetically: "Tad was called and he was violently excited when I went to him for the key. I said to him, 'Tad, do you know that you are making your father very unhappy? You are causing a deal of trouble.' He burst into tears and gave up the keys. I had not the heart to say much to him in the way of reproof, for the little man certainly thought his rights had been shamefully disregarded." The distress which this unlucky affair brought upon his little pet caused Mr. Lincoln more concern than anything else connected with it.—Ward H. Lamou.

**A Frightened Mesmerizer.**  
 One evening I selected a young man whom I thought to be good material on which to practice. It took a trifle longer than customary to get him well under headway, but finally his senses yielded and I congratulated myself upon having hit upon a good patient. Eagerly I followed his course over vast arid plains and scorching deserts, through tropical climates and polar seas, over precipitous mountains, through the clouds in a balloon, under the sea in a diving bell, in great caves of untold beauty and through halls of golden finish—in fact, where he did not lead me would be far more easily told. At last for I was weary of our ruminations the time came for releasing him from my control and once more allowing him to return to terra firma. I told him as much, but he refused to come. I insisted that we had carried the performance far enough. He came not. I begged, I pleaded and reasoned with him, and finally I shook him, and yet he failed to "revive," nor did he until a bucketful of pure cold water was dashed in his face by one who had been an attentive witness.  
 This is the last time I ever attempted to mesmerize any one, and I think during the time my disciple refused to return to the land of the living (at my earnest request, too) an age passed over my head. The experience was too much for me; so much so that I believe I never again shall recover from the scars sufficiently to attempt a similar exhibition of my power in this line.—Kansas City Times.

### A PERFECTED ECONOMY.

The other evening a good looking man about 25 years old, wearing spectacles, sat down the table ten minutes after Mr. Irving appeared as Megalothrope, and with the air of a millionaire sat down to a feast.  
 "He has a small income, but he is always on hand at high priced entertainments," said a gentleman who occupied a seat next to a reporter and not far from the late comer.  
 "How does he do it?"  
 "He is a good fellow and as far as economy goes he is a genius. If there were many like him, his economy would not avail him anything, because the profession would be too crowded. He occupies a 25 cent seat, but paid only \$1.50 for it. It cost him \$1 to come in and he paid only fifty cents for the rapacious speculator could not dispose of. Ten minutes after the curtain goes up the shrill usher haws pretty much the empty seats that will not be occupied. When the 'genius' gave him fifty cents for a seat he made certain of a rebate in case a late comer should claim it. The rebate is twenty-five cents or 50 per cent, no more."  
 "Concerts? Why, his kind never pay to go to them. He dresses well, and concert programs are only too glad to get him to act as first class material to paper the house. There are few concerts that can absolutely claim a full paid house."  
 "At the fashionable restaurants he is frequently seen with a lady. He orders for one and receives almost enough for three. The young woman does not know he has ordered for one, because he writes the order. When he goes alone he orders only one or two dishes. His greatest trouble is when necessity forces him to ride in a cab, and the way he brings the Jehu down to regular school prices is something that should be emulated by the average citizen who permits himself to be fleeced him. Boutonnieres, neckties, bouquets he easily buys at half price. He does that by 'drumming' for the house he purchases from. His clothing is bought on the same plan as the flowers, and often the tailor is happy to make sure of 50 per cent. below his regular price. It is a well known fact that tailors make the patron's 1 per cent. out on many of their customers, but they do not lose on the goods, no matter how cheap they pretend to be. You rarely hear of one of his kind acting as groomsmen at a wedding, because he would be required to buy a handsome present. If you ever did know of one acting in that capacity, you may rest assured that the present was purchased by the bridegroom.—New York Mail and Express.

**How Novelist Fawcett Works.**  
 A pile of manuscript lay on the desk before him, the larger part of the new novel, "A Man's Will," which Mr. Fawcett is just completing. It was written with a lead pencil on sheets of ordinary unsized white paper; the handwriting is clear and bold. The manuscript at a casual glance appeared fresh and clean, with not a single word crossed out and with no intererations.  
 "Do you not rewrite sometimes?" I asked.  
 "Well, I do not exactly rewrite; I write over. I always use a lead pencil, and then I go over my work with a good eraser, rubbing and putting into their places emendations or additions. You see it leaves the manuscript clean and legible; but if you look closely you can pick out the corrected bits. Yes, I aim to do a regular amount of work each day. I used to be irregular, and believe I could write better at night and all that sort of thing, but the only way one really accomplishes much in this system and industry, I write three or four hours each day, usually in the afternoon, and do about a thousand words; that is my limit. Ten of these pages, taking up one of the sheets of manuscript, I wish I felt I could make it only three or four hundred words; I would be better satisfied, I think, though a thousand is not a very great amount. I have once, of course, written three or four thousand words a day, but I cannot afford to do that kind of work now.  
 "Do you plan out your novels entirely before putting pen to paper?"  
 "No, hardly that. I have a general idea or plan for the book, but I do not arrange the succession of the chapters and incidents beforehand. Indeed, most of my novels have very little plot; the main thing is the development of the relation of the character without much complication of incident. The events of the story are often suggested as the work grows under my pen. I keep full notes of ideas and chapters that I think will be useful. This book," said Mr. Fawcett, showing me a leather covered notebook, "I've written so long that I had to leave it rebound recently. I got down everything here; bits of character, descriptions of social happenings, schemes for stories, personal trials of friends and acquaintances, even."—John S. Phillips in New York Mail and Express.

**The Japanese Persimmon.**  
 Many of the gardens of Sacramento are at present decorated with Japanese persimmon trees loaded down with ripening fruit. The leaves of these trees are now all off, leaving the branches and fruit alone, and presenting a very pretty sight. The Japanese who recently visited Sacramento spoke very laudatory of this fruit, classing it as the finest in that empire, and stated that it would come to be greatly appreciated by the American people, when better known. The persimmons, very young, and some very large specimens of the fruit are to be seen in various parts of the city.—Chicago Times.

**Vedder, the Artist.**  
 Elihu Vedder, whose work is sometimes spoken of as the best imaginative art of modern times, has a brow and eyes like those of Hawthorne, though the eyes are gray, while the romancer is dark. The forehead is broad and thoughtful, the eyes are intelligent, frank and kindly, but the mouth and chin are those of a very matter of fact man.—Boston Budget.

**There is a strong likeness between a chronic invalid and a cracked china dish, which is handled so carefully that it outlasts many a sound whole one, which by a single inadvertence is dashed to atoms.—B. Marie Muller.**

A social philosopher foresees the day when the primary school desks will be supplied with type writers instead of writing books.

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