

The Plattsmouth Daily Herald.

FIRST YEAR

PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA, TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 3, 1888.

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CLAY LODGE NO. 146, I. O. O. F.—Meets every Tuesday evening of each week. All transient brothers are respectfully invited to attend.

PLATTSMOUTH ENCAMPMENT NO. 3, I. O. O. F.—Meets every alternate Friday in each month in the Masonic Hall. Visiting Brothers are 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. J. Morgan, Master Workman; E. S. Barstow, Foreman; Frank Brown, Overseer; I. Bowen, Guide; George Housworth, Recorder; H. J. Johnson, Financier; Wash. Smith, Receiver; M. Maybright, Past M. W.; Jack Daugherty, Inside Guard.

CASS CAMP NO. 32, MODEEN WOODMEN of America.—Meets second and fourth Monday evening at K. of P. Hall. All transient brothers are requested to visit us. L. A. Niles, Worthy Adviser; D. B. Smith, Ex-Banker; W. C. Willets, 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. L. S. Larson, M. W.; F. Boyd, Foreman; S. C. Wilde, Recorder; Leonard Anderson, Overseer.

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THE MIGHTY MISSOURI.

Disastrous Floods Above Sioux City—Much Damage Already Done.

Villages Flooded and Farm Lands Overflowed—The Farmers Compelled to Fly to the Hills

SIoux CITY, Ia., April 2.—It transpired yesterday afternoon that the ice gorge above here had not broken, and that the ice which moved out Saturday was only from the Sioux river. The great gorge which begins just above its mouth and extends up the river indefinitely, still holds, and has caused the most disastrous inundation since 1881. The water began to assume a threatening aspect above the gorge yesterday afternoon. At Elk Point, Dak., twenty-two miles above, the water began overflowing the banks at 8 o'clock last night, and to spread out over the thickly settled farming lands, extending along the river for fifteen miles to a breadth of eight or nine miles. The most of the farmers made a hurried flight but were unable to get their live stock out of the way. They had believed that danger from the flood was passed. The Milwaukee railroad track was soon covered for ten miles, and washed out in many places, and this morning the telegraph poles were all down. Communication is very difficult. The water has continued to rise all day, and the larger portion of Elk Point is under water. The water this afternoon is several inches higher at that place than it reached in the memorable flood of 1881.

This afternoon the station agent at Jefferson, ten miles this side of Elk Point, telegraphed that he would have to abandon the depot building. The river here this evening has risen four feet since yesterday afternoon and is filled with masses of floating ice.

The Trouble at Rosebud Agency.

VALENTINE, Neb., April 2.—General Armstrong, special inspector of the Indian department, returned here from Rosebud agency where he had spent three weeks investigating the row between the agent and his employes, during which Agent Spencer and Superintendent of Schools Boyle had a personal encounter, Boyle being prevented from using a knife on the agent by the half breed interpreter, who knocked him down. As yet the full result of this investigation is not known but an exodus has commenced which, if reports are true, will be kept up for some time. George Wright, the only employe under the old regime, who did well as a farmer, but who really acted as chief clerk, has left the reservation. Superintendent Boyle and Boss Carpenter Sloan have been allowed to resign. Two teachers have been discharged and four have resigned rather than serve under the present agent. It is rumored that more are to follow, among the number, the employes holding the highest positions next to the agent. In regard to the agent, his term of office depends upon the report of the inspector, and his removal must be authorized by the president himself. General Armstrong remained here three days and has now gone to Pine Ridge agency.

A Mexican Herd 115 Years Old.

EL PASO, Tex., April 2.—Roman Baca, one of the wealthiest citizens of New Mexico, who has held many of the highest offices in that territory, lives at San Mateo, in Bernalillo county. He is principally engaged in raising sheep, and he sells many thousands of his wool clips in El Paso. He states that an instance of remarkable longevity thoroughly authenticated is found on his estate at San Mateo. He has on the place a sheep herder who followed that occupation under Roman Baca's father. He is hearty and robust, and does a day's work as well as any herder on the place. Documents existing on the estate show that this herder is at least 115 years old. It is thought that instances of extreme longevity are more numerous among the lower class of Mexicans than any other race.

Nebraska Pensions.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The following pensions for Nebraskans were granted today: Original invalid—Gilford P. Richard, Eagle; Robert D. Anderson, DeWitt; David R. Bradford, Barnestown; Simeon Dumas, Plum Creek; Chauncey H. Allen, Nebraska City. Mexican survivors—George Bishop, Broken Bow. Mexican widows—Julia Ann, widow of Edwin Shepherd, Pender; Fraziska, widow of Jacob Schneider, Omaha.

A Midnight Blaze at Schuyler.

SCHUYLER, Neb., April 2.—At twelve o'clock last night fire broke out in J. Calek's clothing and tailoring establishment. Owing to the mud considerable

difficulty was experienced in getting the fire apparatus out, but as there was but little wind the fire did not make much headway and was confined to the one building. Almost the entire stock was carried out, but the building is completely wrecked.

Maxwell Must Swing

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—The supreme court late this afternoon dismissed the motion for rehearing on the writ of error in the celebrated Maxwell-Preller trunk murder case of St. Louis. This exhausts all legal procedure for Brooks, alias Maxwell, who must hang unless executive clemency is exercised.

City property of all kinds in exchange for lands improved or unimproved. Apply to Windham and Davies. w-6t.

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Fire Insurance written in the Aetna, Phoenix and Hartford by Windham & Davies.

There are 21 reasons why you should purchase lots in South Park. See page 4.

MAKING A FALSE CONFESSION.

Dr. W. A. Hammond Talks About the Self Accused Criminal.

I proposed to show that no uncommon circumstance for persons to confess to having perpetrated crimes of which they were either certainly or probably innocent, and that there are forces in operation in the human mind which may prompt to the making of a false confession, even though by so doing life, liberty or property be put in danger. Thus there is a difficulty in the minds of some persons who exhibit no other evidence of mental aberration to discriminate between their thoughts or their dreams and absolute facts. They brood over some real or imaginary circumstances until they bring themselves to believe in its reality.

Such a person, for instance, reads in the daily press of some shocking murder that has been committed, the perpetrator of which has escaped unrecognized. He reads in one newspaper, and in another another hears it talked up among his companions and begins by wondering whether or not the murderer will ever be discovered. He knows that murders have been committed by persons who at the time were in a state of somnambulism or who were suffering from an epileptic paroxysm. Perhaps he has himself in his youth walked in his sleep or has had a convulsion, as his mother has told him. Suddenly the idea strikes him that he may be the guilty man. At first the notion is horrible to him, but its very horror renders it attractive. He goes to the Academy of Medicine and reads up on the subject of epilepsy. There is scarcely a disease, especially of the nervous system, of which any person at some time or other of his life has not had one or more symptoms. The quack medicine advertisers are fully aware of this fact and make full use of it to frighten the ignorant into the purchase of their trash. Our innocent accuser has, therefore, no trouble in finding what he is looking after, and he goes home fully convinced that he has had an epileptic paroxysm, during which he may have been a murderer. The transition from a possibility to a reality presents no difficulties to his mind, and he ends by fully believing himself to be the murderer for whom the police are seeking. He visits the place where the crime was committed, questions the residents of the neighborhood in regard to all the particulars, and even interrogates the police relative to their plans for securing the murderer and the secret evidence they have in their possession.

At last suspicion turns toward him and eventually he is arrested. The accounts that he has read in the newspaper and the gossip he has heard, that, regardless of his original idea that he had perpetrated the crime during an epileptic fit, and therefore in a state of conscientiousness, that forces him to make atonement, he confesses that he perpetrated the murder and gives a full and circumstantial account of the crime. Inquiry soon, however, shows that he could not by any possibility have been the perpetrator, and he is, therefore, after a few days, during which the newspapers have given the most sensational accounts of his brutality and remorse, discharged from custody.—Dr. William A. Hammond.

Railroads Are Troubled by Tramps.

Excepting the engineer, conductor and trainmen, few people have any idea of the vexation and annoyance which those in charge of a train, passenger or freight, are compelled to submit to on account of tramps. A prominent official of the Missouri Pacific, in talking about the matter, says that fully 50,000 of these worthless characters are all the time plodding along the railroads of the country. They are a constant menace to the safety of travelers, as well as the property of the companies. Some of them do not hesitate to turn switches if they can find them unlocked, and many accidents, were the truth known, would be charged up to them. They fire bridges, depots and fences, and not only steal from cars, but make away with heavy lots of iron. One of their favorite practices is to steal handcars to help them along in their journey.—Omaha Republican.

A Mystery of the Mississippi.

There is another boat that frequents the river, chiefly in the autumn. It is a rude cabin or hut built upon a scow; a stovepipe projects from the roof; long sweeps from bow and stern direct its course. It floats idly with the current. The people on the river call these house boats. River children, when they first see a Noah's ark, call it a house boat. Who are the denizens of these hybrid craft? Whither are they bound? What the object of their voyages? In the south they may know these things. Up here they are of the mysteries of the river. In September they begin their exodus; sometimes four or five are in sight at once, until the frozen river stops their procession.—Globe-Democrat.

Driven to Religion by a Ghost.

There is a religious revival among the prisoners confined in the Farmington (Ala.) jail which owes its existence to the superstition of the convicts. The jail is filled with criminals of the worst class, brought here by the wonderful stories which have gone out concerning the place. On the 23d of last December George Williams, who had murdered a fellow convict, was executed in the jail yard, and the gallows, with the rope hanging in the air, was left standing for future use. The prisoners, 150 in number, crowded to their cell gratings to witness the final plunge of their friend George. A few nights later two or three inmates happened to be looking out at the midnight moon and were horrified to see George again ascend the scaffold, adjust the rope to his neck and fall through the trap with realistic effect. The prisoners told their story as soon as they recovered from their fright, and the next night others witnessed the repetition of the dreadful spectacle. Since that time the ghost has been a nightly visitor to the terror of the inmates, who are wont to psalm singing and praying. The jail officials are not very anxious to disabuse the minds of the believers in the ghost, as it has the effect of making them more peaceful.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Reward for Kindness.

Several months ago the Prince of Wales was surprised by receiving from the village of Brookline, Mass., a superb clock. It was a most beautiful piece of workmanship, and it now adorns one of the rooms at Marlborough house. This present came from an anonymous American admirer. When the clock was received at Marlborough house, in the package was also a letter, which said that the gift was a "humble token of gratitude for the prince's kindness and courtesy in picking up the cane of a cripple." The prince has been very much exercised over this peculiar present and epistle, such an act as is described in the letter. During the jubilee year there were a great many public ceremonies, and he faintly recalls passing through a line of spectators at one of the ceremonies last spring and noticing a lame gentleman who, in his embarrassment in attempting to get out of the way of the prince, dropped his cane. Of course, the natural thing for him was to pick it up, restore it to its owner and pass on. The prince has vainly sought to find out the name of the giver of the present, so that he might suitably acknowledge it.—The Argonaut.

The Earthquake at Bassano.

I visited this village because I understood that I could see there the line of destruction of the earthquake and would find yet undisturbed the ruins left in its track. I found upon reaching this village that the number of people who lost their lives in the church was not 300, but just three. There were four people in the church slightly injured. The 400 who were said to have been killed by the earthquake, I found upon actual examination to divide down to fifty-four. Forty-four others were wounded and injured. This is the first time that the exact figures of the actual loss of life in this town have ever been obtained for any newspaper. It is still a large enough number when the smallness of the town is considered. After visiting the place and going over it carefully it seems a wonder that any one escaped. It was the one town in the Riviera that was made a complete wreck. It is at present unoccupied save in a few corners. The inhabitants are living outside in pine barracks constructed for them by the neighboring communes.—T. C. Crawford in New York World.

The Plumber and the Rat Hole.

A few years ago John M. Dowling built for his own use a handsome three-story and basement residence. Winning a \$10,000 bet on the presidential election, he put it into a loan, for which he has little use save as a monument to his good judgment. He then set about filling his house with everything that money could purchase in the way of furniture and the latest appliances for utilitarian and sanitary purposes, and had just settled down to enjoy life when one day the servant girl reported a rat in the basement. The plumber was sent for and given orders to stop up the rat hole without regard to expense. He did so, and yesterday handed in his bill. It called for \$1,833.35. He had found it necessary to completely overhaul and change the sewerage and drainage system of the premises to keep out that rat.—Chicago Times.

A Whim of the Promenade.

The quizzing glass is the newest whim of the promenade. These articles, which are simply a pair of magnifying eye glasses attached to a long handle, have for a year or two been in use at the theatre instead of the ordinary opera glasses. Their first valuable quality in the eyes of belles was utility, for their long handles enabled one to hold the lenses to the eye without raising the arms high enough to burst a seam of a tight corset or to tire dainty muscles. But ornamentation since set in, and now the handles are often made very valuable by means of carved ivory, shell or pearl, or a setting of gems.—New York Cor. Argonaut.

Ship for Carrying Oil.

Another bulk oil carrying steamship, named the Chester, built at Greenock, has sailed for Philadelphia to load petroleum for the continent of Europe. Some idea of the vessel's size and capacity can be gleaned from the fact that she can carry over 1,000,000 gallons as a cargo. The new craft is 310 feet in length, 50 feet beam and 25 feet depth of hold, and registers 2,851 tons. About a dozen similar vessels have already been built in Europe especially for carrying petroleum.

The Daylight Store.

Just after our inventory, we reduce prices to sell the goods rather than to carry over. We are willing to sell our entire Winter Goods at cost. Staples we have a large quantity and offer them very low. Calicoes 3 to 5 cents per yard, making the best standard of them at 20 yards for \$1.00. Gingham best dress styles 10 cents per yard. Dress goods all kinds at the very lowest prices, from 5 cents per yard upward. Woolen hose we offer at cost, extra fine. Ladies cashmere hose, worth \$1.00, now 75 cents, fine heavy wool 40 cents, now 25; children's fine ribbed worth 50, now 30. Underwear must go at low prices, as we will not keep them over.

Our Cashmere Gray Merino Shirts and drawers, former prices 50 now 35.
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NOTICE.

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