The McCook Tribune.

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 14, 1888.

LADIES' AND MISSES' CLOAKS at less than COST to manufacturers. We are overstocked on cloaks, and will close out all we have at "EARTHQUAKE BARGAINS." This is a SPECIAL SALE for December, and is a chance to buy a cloak cheap.
J. C ALLEN & CO

Remember Noble for groceries.

Noble for superb hanging lamps.

Ladies' gold watches at McCrackens' for $15.00.

☞Fresh sausage at the B. & M. Meat Market.

Fresh oysters, in cans and in bulk at the City Bakery.

Everything fresh and clean in the way of groceries at Noble's store.

Patent candle holders at the City Bakery. The best in the maaket.

Cash paid for live stock, poultry and hides at the B. & M. Meat Market.

THE goose bone prophets are discouraged by the serenity of the weather.

For home sugar cured meats—hams, breakfast bacon, etc.,—go to the B. & Meat Market.

CHEAP! CHEAP! Cheap! The latest improved JEWELRY at the 10 Cent Store.

PRESCRIPTIONS ACCURATELY compounded, day or night, at the CITY DRUG STORE

ADVERTISERS are giving valuable pointers on the problem of Christmas presents, nowadys.

☞In the line of plain and fancy groceries, C. M Noble will fill your every want satisfactorily.

Buy one of those gold watches for your wife and make her happy Christmas. Call at McCracken's.

☞The price of liberty is eternal vigilance, but Noble's prices on groceries are sure to catch you.

The celebrated Olds wagon for sale by Leland & Morrow. Also spring wagons, buggies, etc. All very cheap.

A carload of Dakota Hard Wheat Flour just received at
C. G. POTTER & Co's.

This week, Leland & Morrow have received a car-load of fall and winter wheat flour. They carry the best grades.

Blank books of the very best quality at this office and at most reasonable prices. Call and see our goods and get prices.

If you want nice tender beefsteak give the B. & M. Meat Market a call. They butcher none but the choicest of beeves.

If you contemplate building be sure to consult M. A. Libbee. He guarantees his work to be the best and his prices the lowest.

TOYS OF ALL KINDS!
GAMES OF ALL KINDS!
BOOKS OF ALL KINDS!
McCOOK BOOK & STATIONERY Co.

Ladies, in making up your list, don't forget the many attractive, useful and serviceable goods we have suitable for men and boys. THE FAMOUS

Leland & Morrow carry a complete stock of corn, oats, chop feed, and in fact of everything belonging to a first class flour and feed store.

Strasser has two of the finest offices in the city for rent. Front rooms, with bay windows. Call at once if you wan to secure elegant office quarters.

Of fine residences M. A. Libbee makes a specialty. Don't fail to see him if you intend to build. Good workmanship guaranteed. Prices the lowest.

If you want something handsome in the way of a hanging lamp, call on C. M. Noble. He is just in receipt of the largest and finest stock of hanging lamps ever brought to southwestern Nebraska.

Chairs! CHAIRS!! CHAIRS!!! We have now on exhibition in our furniture emporium the handsomest and most elegant line of rocking chairs ever brought to Western Nebraska. Call in and examine them.
LUDWICK & TROWBRIDGE.

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$5,000.00!

We have $5,000.00 to place on good farms during the next 20 days. No delay if security is approved.
BABCOCK & KELLEY.
Hocknell Brick—Upstairs.

MONEY TO LOAN

On city property, for one to five years, with privilege of paying part or all at any time. Also chattel loans.
FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK,
McCook, Nebraska.

$100,000.00.

To loan on deeded lands. Money advanced to make final proofs. Gilt-edged loans at 9 per cent.
C. J. RYAN.

WAGONS! WAGONS!! WAGONS!!!

Hall, Cochran & Co have just received a large shipment of the celebrated MILBURN TUBLER AXE WAGONS, which they are ready to sell at fair prices.

FOR SALE.

A Miller piano, one of the best make. Inquire at McCrackens' jewelry store.

CITY DRUG STORE.

Fresh candies at the City Bakery.

Go to Noble for your family groceries.

☞Dr. Hall's office, over First National bank.

Tinware cheaper than ever at the 10 Cent Store.

THE crop of Christmas stories is rapidly ripening.

Sugar syrup, maple syrup and sorghum at BERRY'S.

Remember that Leland & Morrow sell the reliable Olds wagon.

A complete assortment of Christmas toys at the 10 Cent Store.

A large stock of furniture, Stoves, etc., at the Second Hand Store.

WHAT is life without a night key? A snare and a stern reality.

Fresh and smoked meats of all kinds at the B. & M. Meat Market.

Go to Leland & Morrow for everything in the flour and feed line.

Our line of candies for Christmas is the largest and finest in the city.

All the latest things in Neckwear, Gloves and Hosiery. THE FAMOUS.

Order New Year Calling Cards at McCOOK BOOK & STATIONERY Co.'s.

Plain and colored candles for ornamenting Christmas trees at Probst's.

The only complete line of UNDER WEAR in McCook at THE FAMOUS.

X-mas Cards and Booklets for mailing at
McCOOK BOOK & STATIONERY Co.'s.

Noble, the leading grocer, carries the most complete line of queensware in the city. Inspect it.

Watches are the most useful thing for a present, and can be had for $7.00 at McCracken's.

DAIRIES FOR 1889
AT
McCOOK BOOK & STATIONERY Co.'s.

Don't forget that the City Bakery carries THE LINE of Christmas tree ornaments.

If you want a real nice HANGING or VASE LAMP call and see McMillen's fine selection.

We have just received a line of DIARIES for 1889
McCOOK BOOK & STATIONERY Co.

A few second hand heaters suitable for store rooms. For sale very cheap at
LYTLE BROS. & Co.'s.

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever," and so are Probst's Christmas tree ornaments. He has an immense line.

SKATES! SKATES!
SLEDS! SLEDS!
WAGONS! WAGONS!
McCOOK BOOK & STATIONERY Co.

In making your selection of CHRISTMAS PRESENTS remember the CITY DRUG STORE, where a very nice line is carried at reasonable prices.

A handsome lot of candle reflectors for the holiday trade at the City Bakery. Nothing like them ever seen in the city. They set off a Christmas tree beautifully.

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J. C. ALLEN & CO.

☞If you are in need of a GOLD PEN, let McCracken give you a pointer. We have a full and complete stock of Aiken, Lambert & Co.'s Gold Pens, which we are selling very cheap.

No 1 pen	$ .50	No. 1 pen & Pearl holder	$1.50
No. 2 pen	.75	No. 2 " " "	1.75
No. 3 pen	1.00	No. 3 " " "	2.00
No. 4 pen	1.25	No. 1 pen & Ivory holder	1.25
No. 5 pen	1.50	No. 2 " " "	1.50
No. 6 pen	2.00	Toothpicks.....50 cents.	
No. 7 pen	2.50	Lead Pencils and Novelties.	
No. 8 pen	3.00	With holders, add 25 cents.	
No. 9 pen	3.50		

☞CHRISTMAS CARDS.
CITY DRUG STORE.

There is no other way. Buy your groceries, queensware, etc., of Noble.

Drop in McCrackens' jewelry store and see what a dollar or two will buy.

Plumbing in all its branches promptly and skillfully performed by F. D. Burgess

Canned fruits, evaporated fruits and dried fruits of all kinds and best brands at H. H. BERRY'S.

A large line of HOLIDAY GOODS at the CITY DRUG STORE at prices to suit the times.

Engineers' and firemen's time books and Settlers' Guides at THE TRIBUNE office.

Another lot of latest styles in Gents' Dress Silk Hats just received at
THE FAMOUS

I guarantee both quality and price. Nothing slop shop or stale. Give me a call. H. H. BERRY.

F. L. McCracken & Bro. are reducing their stock, and making special prices for cash.

Special prices given to churches and Sunday schools on candies, nuts and fruits. Get my figures before buying.
H. H. BERRY.

Just received at A. McMillen's Drug Store a large assortment of the latest designs in LAMPS.

"I HAVE no presents for the children who need them the most," sighed Santa Claus as he flew over the poor man's house—Judge.

Everything desirable in Plain and Fancy Handkerchiefs and Mufflers. An immense line. THE FAMOUS.

Aiken, Lambert & Co.'s Gold Pens and Pencils, just THE THING for X mas presents, at
McCOOK BOOK & STATIONERY Co.'s.

Swarts has the cream of the candy trade Because he makes all his own candies himself and they are fresh and clean and pure.

The City Drug Store is overstocked with Christmas cards and they will be sold at correspondingly low figures Call in and inspect his line.

My stock of queensware in both lustre band and granite, also glassware and lamps, is complete Come and select something nice and useful for a X-mas present. H H BERRY.

Every lady has a hard time finding a suitable present for a gentleman. We have just what you want.
McCOOK BOOK & STATIONERY Co.

Small, but well selected stock and constantly turning, is why my goods are always fresh. No stale stock in my store. H. H BERRY.

Remember the "little candy kitchen" when you come to buy your Christmas candies. Swarts is making immense preparations for the holiday trade.

My stock of candies, nuts and fruits, bought especially for the holiday trade, is fresh. Special prices to churches and Sunday schools H. H. BERRY.

Swarts has the largest and finest assortment of candies in the city. His stock for the Holidays will be more complete than ever. Everything will be fresh and home made.

Children cry for them The old never refuse them. Everybody likes them:
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!
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THE attorney general of Ohio is hard at work trying to devise some means whereby the "White Caps," who have been conducting their villainous operations in that state for some weeks past, may be brought to justice. The undertaking is a most difficult one, owing to the danger attending the giving of convicting evidence. It is probable that the state will employ detectives to procure the evidence upon which proceedings may be commenced

THE governor of Nevada, in his Thanksgiving proclamation, stirred up the democrats of that state wonderfully, and all about nothing. The governor merely remarked in that document that "with malice toward none and charity for all, we ought to be thankful that the issues of the late political controversy have ended so favorably for the future happiness and prosperity of our people." The style is a little unusual, but there's nothing wrong about that.

SOCIABLE.

On Thursday evening of this week, at the handsome residence of Thos. J. Pate, Esq., situated just outside the city limits, the Methodist folks and friends held a delightful church sociable. More than half a hundred people were present, and sociability was the order of the evening. The "Blind Artist," the "Target Shooters" and the "Shoo Fly" crowd created a good deal of amusement. The singing and playing of Miss Nellie Lee, and the duet by Lena and Hattie were greatly enjoyed by those present. It is needless to say that ample justice was done the coffee and "fixins" by the entire company; when all went away seemingly happy. * * *

The Masons are agitating the Masonic Temple project again.

Notice Squire's public sale local elsewhere in this issue.

A new wrap for ladies is called "Grover" It is only worn when they go out.

Put $1.50 into the publisher's pocket and get THE WEEKLY TRIBUNE for one year.

A handsome new pulpit will grace the Methodist church, next Sunday morning.

The J. H. Bennett building, south of the Star restaurant, is now Captain J. S. LeHew's office.

Some one describes a philanthropist as a man who loves all mankind and neglects his own family.

The Congregational people are making nice progress on their Christmas cantata by the Sunday School.

Our Methodist friends are raising funds for their customary Sunday School entertainment and treat on Christmas.

Bullard doesn't sell drugs; but it is a caution the amount of hard and soft coal he is weighing out, these chilly days.

Bullard has "the cream" of the coal trade. He keeps in stock a large supply of best grades of both hard and soft coal.

District court opened in Indianola on Tuesday of this week and will continue in session until Saturday. Cases are mostly "in equity."

The ladies of the Geometrical Society will give a "crazy reception," some time in the Christmas week. Further notice, next week.

Dehorning cattle is being quite extensively practiced in our county and with uniformly good results so far as our information goes.

We hope, next spring, to see the beginning of a genuine, substantial boom in farm property in Western Nebraska. Let proper efforts be exerted to this end.

The banquet at the opera hall, Tuesday evening next, is a new feature in the social life and activities of the churches of the city. It promises to be interesting.

The Indianola Masons are preparing to celebrate St. John's Day, December 27th, in an appropriate manner, with literary and musical exercises and an oyster supper.

The Republican Valley Medical Association holds its annual meeting and banquet in our city some time during the second week in January. A notable time is expected.

If you are contemplating starting a new set of books, the first of the year, it will be to your advantage to call and inspect our stock and learn our prices. We can save you money.

A contemporary says if women ever become voters they will not be found on both sides of the fence as men often are. No, but they will be found swinging on a gate with a man on the opposite side.

We understand there will be a change in the management of the Frees & Hocknell Lumber Co.'s yard at this place after January 1st. George Hill will take Mr. Rollings' place.—Indianola Times.

A daughter came, Wednesday afternoon, to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Colfer. Mother and child are doing nicely. With proper care Tom will survive, although his delicate constitution is "agin 'im."

Did you ever think of it that you can get 250 envelopes printed with your name and business, if any, on them for the same price you pay for them by the single pack? This is true. Call at this office and see samples.

Wedding and visiting cards and anything from that up to a full sheet sale bill printed with dispatch, in a neat manner and at reasonable rates at this office. Call and see samples and prices before placing orders elsewhere.

Never go where you are not wanted, do not intrude on privacy. If your neighbor wishes you to call at his house, he will invite you; if a business man wants you to call and inspect his wares he will make known the fact by advertising.

Barney Hofer of the Hayes Centre Times and John H. Christner, county clerk of Hayes, came down from the Centre, Saturday evening, on a business mission. They returned homeward, via Culbertson, on the Monday morning following.

A work on etiquette says: "A genteel carver always sits when he carves." Perhaps he does; but it is pretty certain that there are times when he yearnfully yearns to put one foot on the table and the other on the bird while struggling with the fowl.

There is a fine, large girl baby at the Davis residence in which Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Davis are taking an intense parental interest. Its residence there dates from Monday morning, and the boys at headquarters earnestly asseverate that Will's pulse isn't normal yet.

The case of the Commonwealth versus Al. A. Prehm, which has received some attention in district court at almost every session for the past two years, was dismissed on Tuesday of this week, the prosecuting witness being absent from the state—in unknown parts.

"I don't say marriage is a failure," said Adam, candidly, as he sat down on a log just outside the garden of Eden, and looked hungrily at the other side of the fence, "but if I had remained single this wouldn't have happened." Of course marriage was a decidedly bad failure with Adam.

Mr. J. D. Harris has his fourth residence in this city well under way. With the others it is located on the east side. Mr. Harris is so well pleased with the city and his investments here that he is seriously considering a removal from Oberlin to McCook. It will be for the best, Mr. H., no doubt.

"Mama," said Johnnie, still smarting from a shingle application, "is the roof of anything on top of it?" "Of course it is," she said shortly. "And don't shingles always go on the roof?" "Certainly they do." Then Johnnie was silent for quite awhile. Finally he said, in a quivering voice, "Mama, ain't my roof upside down?"

A banquet will be held in Menard's opera hall, next Tuesday evening, by the Lutheran people of the city. Toasts on the political parties of the day, by McCook speakers, will be an interesting and amusing feature. Admission free. An enjoyable occasion is promised. Ladies will bring baskets with lunch for two to insure admission to the hall.

The recent action of the secretary of the interior in suspending issuance of patents on a large number of proofs made in this land district, and calling for additional proof, has had the effect of greatly reducing the number of proofs now being made; and the average democratic publisher finds it convenient to fall back on his stock of "plates" to make good the deficiency.

Last issue, in referring to Little Jessie Johnson's being bitten by a dog, facts were unintentionally misrepresented, it seems, both as to the child's injuries and the canine's disposition. The little girl's injuries are now said to have been but slight, and were received in an accidental manner; while the dog is highly esteemed by its owner, Mr. Chapin, on account of its gentleness. This in justice to facts.

It is not from lack of knowledge altogether that so many men fail to make farming profitable. Another element is the cause of this failure, is the lack of enthusiasm and push. The business man goes enthusiastically into his business and the more he prospers the deeper he plunges into the sea of endeavor. Full of business he plans and maps out operations and strives to succeed and excel. Brisk competition most undeniably quickens this spirit in him. But the farmer should develop more enthusiasm for his work; more interest in the results of his labor. A herd of half starved calves; a flock of scrawny hens; a shed barn filled with horses which are a cross between a skeleton and a pony, are not indicative of enthusiasm or interest. The clothing merchant who carried only a stock of jeans and cotton clothing could not expect the success which would crown the investment of the one who carried a large and complete stock. This the merchant realizes, and adds to his stock as he is able, constantly striving for the best. Cannot the farmer learn a lesson here? Shall we not arouse ourselves and plan and work for success as the merchant does, adding all the time not so much, perhaps, to the quantity as to the quality of stock.—Neb. Farmer.

Preserving eggs for better prices in the winter and spring, is something all have a right to do if it can be done. Here is simple and very good plan: Get some boxes and fine dry salt, cover the bottom of the boxes with the salt, then place your eggs, small end down, in rows, no two touching, then fill it with salt and so on, layer after layer, until the box is full. Set the box in some cool place and let it alone until you wish to remove the eggs. No turning the box upside down every other day. The salt will enter the pores of the shell, which is all the better for the egg, while on the other hand if you preserve them with lime, linseed oil, flaxseed, etc., you run the risk of your eggs spoiling by the ingredients entering through the pores of the shell, and which can easily be detected.

An Iowa farmer has constructed a corn crib on a novel plan that may be an improvement. The sides and ends are tight, but the bottom is made of "slats," affording free circulation of air through it. Two ventilating chimneys are inserted in the roof, and the theory is that the air will pass in a continuous stream from the bottom up and dry the corn thoroughly and keep out mould. This may be an improvement on the old plan, which relies on the horizontal movements of the air through slatted sides.

Invitations are out to the "first grand reception given under auspices of the B. & M. employes of McCook, in Menard's opera hall, December 31st, 1888." Mr. J. F. Forbes is master of ceremonies; Messrs. F. E. Kennedy, F. C. Stuby and F. B. Dignan compose the reception committee; J. H. Moore, F. S. Reid, J. A. Tubbs, F. H. Clark and J. D. McAlpine the floor committee; and F. C. Stuby, J. H. Moore and J. D. McAlpine the committee on invitation. Arrangements are about complete for a grand affair.

"He is a wise man who says but little," according to the Latin proverb; and since the proverb was written the reasons for taciturnity have been made more forcible. Of what use is it for a man to talk for himself when he can hire a newspaper to talk for him? There is no successful merchandising that does not grow out of judicious advertising. The peddler relies on individual exertion; the merchant relies upon public information, and the topmost merchants are the heaviest advertisers.

Scene 1. Butcher shop. Enter republican with his hat thrust away back upon his head and whistling Yankee Doodle. Throws down a ten dollar gold piece and says: "Give me a half dollar's worth of the best steak in the house." Scene 2. Same place. Enter democrat with his coat collar turned up and a general air of dejection pervading his every movement; steps up to proprietor and whispers: "Have you any liver?" If there is a moral to be deducted from this narrative, it is worth keeping.

Any man who thinks he would be seriously missed by his community, if he should die or move away is hugging a big illusion. Very few men are missed by anybody but their dearest friends. The wheels of business and politics and social life keep on going round just the same when one after another drops out of the game. No man is so big as to be necessary to his town, his county or his state. There is always some one to fill a vacant place.

There is a wide-spread feeling favoring a change in the state assessment laws. The papers are agitating the matter, and the people are thinking about its advisability. The next legislature will no doubt take the matter into careful consideration, and will give the state an improved and greatly modified assessment law. The present statute does not fill the bill and is not a credit to Nebraska intelligence.

Perhaps Red Willow County's greatest need is a "buying" immigration,—we mean an influx of settlers who are able to buy a farm, have the means to stock the same in a small way, possess money enough to purchase the necessary farm implements, and have the inclination, industry and intelligence, to cultivate the soil like finished husbandmen. Thousands of fertile acres in this county are absoutely tenantless.

At an early day the successor to "Our District" will be issued from this office. The persons who have it in charge will be likely to furnish excellent matter, and we are preparing to print it well, hence let everybody prepare the way to give it a hearty, liberal reception.—Bartley Inter Ocean.

The liviest, most business-like scene ever enacted in this yard, perhaps, was the one that occurred on Wednesday evening, when there were six different trains arriving at the same time. The yard force was kept on the run straightening them all out.

The road grader is being used on Upper Main Avenue, this week, with good results. Chief Paine is doing most satisfactory work on the streets, sidewalks and crossings of the city, which are rapidly assuming a uniformly smooth appearance.

This week, Messrs. Jay & Simpson moved into their new quarters in the building lately occupied by LeHew & O'Donnell. The room has been thoroughly renovated, papered and painted and makes them a very neat and cosy barber shop.

The Hunter murder trial at Culbertson, last week, resulted in Hunter's conviction for manslaughter and his being sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. The case has been appealed.

Upper Madison Avenue has been undergoing a "combing down" at the "hands" of the street grader, this week, to its improvement.

Is your coal bin empty? If so consult Bullard, dealer in "dusky diamonds" of best grades, at the Bodger lumber yard.

Wednesday was an off "off day" in the yard, the boys succeeding in running three different locomotives through open switches during the shining hours.

Canon City, and other grades of soft coal, and both Pennsylvania and Colorado hard coal at Bullard's lumber yard.

Corn! Corn!! Corn!!!

We hope the farmers will take enough interest in the call of Wm. Coleman for corn, to exhibit at the corn show of the State Board of Agriculture, as to select the best samples of all varieties at once and have it ready. The exhibiting of farm products is the cheapest and most successful mode of presenting the prosperity and productiveness of the country. As a partial visible result of the exhibit at the last Iowa state fair, parties whose capital in the aggregate amounts to above $15,000 have already purchased land here, while many others have visited this county and were well pleased with it, so much so, that they have offered their property for sale in Iowa, and as soon as disposed of, will come here to invest in farms, and improve them. The most effectual way of contradicting reports of drouth is to exhibit the productions of the soil in connection with circulars descriptive of the country, the lay of the land, soil, crops, climate, water, fuel, advantages of schools, and church privileges, etc. Now let the farmers select the corn, and the town will bear expenses. Let there be a grand display of corn from this county at the corn show of the state board. This county has had seven fairs, and never been represented at a meeting of the state board. Mr. Coleman is a member of said board, and has received an invitation from the secretary to be present with an exhibit of corn. We hope a united effort will be made, and it will certainly result very beneficial to the county.

A Wise Determination.

Below we give a list of names comprehending almost all the business men of the city, who have signified their willingness to close their stores at 8:30, central time. The new order of things goes into exercise on January 1st and continues until April 1st, and by that time it is hoped that it will be so satisfactory in its operation as to become a permanent rule. All the business of the city can be transacted within the hours allowed and business men and their employes will secure an hour or two of needed rest and recreation by the new arrangement. This plan is and has been followed elsewhere with entire satisfaction and success and its operation here will doubtless be of that character.

We, the undersigned, agree to close our places of business at 8:30 C. T., Saturday and pay-day night, excepted, from Jan 1st, 1889, until April 1, 1889:

C. M. Noble,
Joseph Menard,
F. L. McCracken,
Bowen & Laycock,
Wilcox & Fowler,
H. H. Berry
C. G. Potter & Co.,
L. Lewman & Son,
LaTourette & Co.,
McCook Book & Stationery Co.
Ludwick & Trowbridge.
Famous Clothing Co.,
Hall, Cochran & Co.,
H. Lawler,
J. F. Ganschow,
W. Geo. Sheppard,
Coleman Bros.,
C. H. Rogers,
J. C. Allen & Co.

McEntee-Collins.

On Wednesday evening, Nov. 28, Mr. Lawrence McEntee and Miss Anna M. Collins were united in marriage by Rev Father McDevitt, in Saint Mary's Cathedral, on Stout street. Mr. McEntee is a member of the well-known firm of McEntee Bros. in San Juan valley; also brother of the present Mayor of McCook, Nebraska. Miss Collins is the eldest daughter of John F. Collins, the contractor and builder, recently of McCook, Nebraska, but now living at 3.317 Gilpin street, this city. The young couple have gone on a trip to the Pacific coast, with the intention of remaining until spring or later. They have the best wishes of a large circle of friends.—Rocky Mountain Celt.

Program of Teachers' Association

To be held in McCook, Jan. 4th and 5th, 1889.

FRIDAY, 1 P. M.

Address of Welcome....Prof. C. C. Heltman.
Response.....F. G. Stilgebouer.
Paper—Individuality.....Prof. Wm. Smith.
What is most worth in teaching Physiology and Temperance.....Miss Ada McCamman.
Discussion, opened by.....Miss Alice Murphy.

7 P. M.—MUSIC.

Essay.....E. J. Mitchell.
Sketch of California.....Mrs. C. L. Nettleton.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Paper.....Miss McLee.
Drawing.....Mr. Walter Rowland.
Discussion, opened by.....G. D. Chadderdon.
Paper—Primary Spelling...Miss A. McNamara.
Cultivation of the Memory....C. M. Charles.
Election of Officers.

ALMOST A FIRE.

The residence of Mr. John F. Majors, corner Maclarland and Dolan, narrowly escaped destruction by fire on Monday afternoon. It was fortunately discovered before the flames had made much headway and was extinguished without the aid of the fire department. The fire originated in an upstairs sleeping room, a mouse and some matches evidently forming the combination that fired the box, which was the seat of the incipient conflagration. The charred remains of the mouse were discovered in the almost destroyed box. Damage nominal.

Over the Dark River.

Early Sunday morning, at the residence of John Unzicker on North Manchester, a brother of the deceased, the spirit of Samuel Unzicker suddenly parted company with the house of its earthly tenement and winged its flight to its Maker. The immediate cause of the young man's death was an "illiocaecal abscess," the departed being convalescing from a long siege of typhoid fever, however. The funeral services were conducted at the house, Monday afternoon by Rev. J. W. Kimmel, the remains being shipped on the evening train to Illinois for interment.

Woman's Relief Corps.

The corps will meet in Masonic hall, Saturday afternoon, December 15th, at half past 2 o'clock, M. T. The members are requested to be prompt. By order of the president.
NELLIE LEE, Secretary.

A SHAWL LOST.

Saturday evening, between McCook and S. J. Shaffer's farm northwest of the city, a double, red-brown, woolen shawl. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at store of Hall, Cochran & Co.

Central Time.

Beginning with the first of the year the banking houses of the city will adopt central time, and will conduct business thereon. The hours will remain as before from 9 to 4. The change will no doubt be appreciated by customers.

"What's the Matter"

With Bullard's filling your order for hard or soft coal? "He's all right." So is his large stock of coal. So are his figures. Give him a trial order.

THREE OF 'EM.

McCook now has two bridges across the Republican river, which will be a great help to that city in the future.—Bartley Inter-Ocean.

That was very naughty in you Beer Howard in giving our boys away in that painful manner. But then poker is a very uncertain business—when Benkelman bloods have a hand in the game—and is apparently fascinating at all times But is ruthless to place such matters in cold, cold type, Edgar, very.

McCook will take great pride in the flouring mill. It will be a model of convenience and compactness. The first of the year will see it in operation with the latest improved roller process machinery throughout.

The "Star" restaurant is now under the management of S. T. Smith.

PERSONALS.

W. O. Saylor is in the city.

Hugh W. Cole had business at the seat of county affairs, Monday.

Mrs. O. Gordis of Haigler was a business tourist to the city, Monday.

R. D. Babcock of Denver has been among the city's guests, this week.

Mrs. Dr. Damerell of Red Cloud is in the city on a visit to Mrs. J. C. Allen.

Mr. Chas. O'Brien and friend Mr. Dave Jones arrived from the east, last week.

Miss May Kellar came up from Hastings, Monday, on a visit to her sister in this city.

Mr. E. Cochran and family have arrived from Edison and moved into the Dimmitt property.

Harry Stern was in the city, the early part of the week, looking to his interests in the "Pride of the Valley."

Miss Mamie Eaton came down from Denver, Monday evening, and will remain here until after the holidays.

Harlow W. Keyes, our efficient and gentlemanly young county judge, is in the city, today, on legal business.

Mrs W. M. Anderson was called to Indianola, Saturday, by the illness of a sister. She returned home on the Tuesday following.

Ex Senator J. W. Dolan of the state of Indianola drove up to chief city, Monday, on a little business at commercial headquarters.

Mrs N. L. Cronkhite was up from Hastings, yesterday afternoon on business connected with her valuable property interests here.

Mr. Amos Dresser, Jr., of Chicago, representing Marder, Luse & Co., the great type founders, was a city visitor again, Saturday.

T. S. Bosley, who has been in the city a few days, took Wednesday evening's passenger for Fairmount, where his family is now residing.

Sam Ashmore was down from Denver, the first of the week, hobnobbing in his enthusiastic way with his numerous friends in the city.

Mr and Mrs. T. B. Crumbaugh, two of the county-seat's most estimable young people, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Ballew, Sunday.

Squire W. J. McKillip, wife and child were down from Thornburg, Hayes county, a day or two, this week, on a little shopping and business excursion.

Attorneys Colfer, Rittenhouse, Davis, Hart, Wiley and Lucas represented the McCook bar at Indianola, this week, during the December term of district court.

Cashier Brown of the First National was in attendance upon district court sessions at Indianola, Tuesday, when cases in which he was interested had a hearing.

Mr. Will S. King, late of the Bartley Inter-Ocean, made this office a very pleasant call, this morning He is on his way west to look up a newspaper location.

Charlie Squires went down to Nemaha county, Wednesday evening, to bury his aged father, who died at Haigler, Dundy county, on Monday or Tuesday of this week.

Mr. J. W. King and family arrived from Friend, a few days since, and will make McCook their future home. Mr. K. is a nephew of Swarts, the candy kitchen man.

Father A. J. Capellan, who has an eye single to the spiritual welfare of the Catholic brethren of the county-seat, was in the metropolis, Wednesday, on business of the cloth.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Simerman departed, Monday morning, for West Chester, Iowa, where they will make their future home. May their portion be peace and prosperity.

Mr. Moses Folsom, of St. Paul, Minn., representing the American Press Association and the Chicago Newspaper Union, was a pleasant caller at these headquarters, Saturday.

Mrs. H. M. Palmer and daughter Lulu, who have been visiting in the city the past week, returned to Hastings on Wednesday. Mrs. P. is a sister of Mrs. A. C. Hart of this place.

Frank H. Fowler was taken down, Saturday, with what threatened to be an attack of typhoid fever, but with proper professional attention and careful nursing he is able to be around again at this writing.

Mine Host Johnston reports his dwelling now being built on the Commercial House farm, a short distance northwest of the city, as rapidly nearing completion. George is already singing in a subdued, but cheerful strain, "I want to be a granger," etc.

J. H. Easterday, a well known young attorney of Tecumseh, was in the city the other day. Mr. Easterday intends to make a fair, open and energetic effort to be appointed first assistant clerk of the senate. In case he is successful the clerk of the senate will have an excellent first assistant.—Lincoln Journal.

By another transfer, Messrs. Leland & Morrow secure the Huntington boot and shoe stock, which they will remove to their place of business on West Denoison street, after the same has been renovated and enlarged. They contemplate carrying a grocery stock as well. E. E. Coleman goes to them in the capacity of clerk

PUBLIC SALE.

I will offer for sale at public auction at my farm, 6 miles southwest of McCook, and 8 miles southeast of Culbertson, on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21st, 1888, the following described property, to-wit: 2 good heavy teams, 1 light or driving team, 1 yearling colt, 10 milk cows, 1 yearling steer, 1 yearling heifer, 8 head steer calves, 10 head stock hogs, 3 sets double harness, 1 lumber wagon, 1 ½-platform spring wagon, 1 top buggy, 1 Minneapolis self binder, 1 sulky plow, 1 gramer feed grinder with tumbling rod, belting and 2-hole corn sheller, complete, 1 lister, 1 one-horse drill, about 500 bushels of corn in crib. TERMS OF SALE: All sums under $5.00, cash. Sums over that amount, one year's time at 10 per cent. interest with approved security. 10 per cent. off for cash. Will also offer on same terms, except a mortgage of $400 due in 3½ years, the N. ½ S.W. ¼, Sec. 12 Town. 2 Range 30, a nice piece of second bottom land fairly improved. Go and view it.
J. P. SQUIRE.

Among the new announcements, this issue, are the advertisements of Pate & Son, J. C. Allen & Co., the 10 Cent Store, H. H. Berry, Swarts, McCook Book & Stationery Co. Don't lay the paper aside until you have carefully noted the bargains presented by our advertisers. You will save money every time.

The city fathers have strengthened their reputation for wisdom of action in ordering the purchase of a fire alarm bell. A movement is also on foot having for its object the purchase of another hose cart and the consequent organization of another hose company. Both are commendable.

A young man whose name we are unable to state, accidentally shot a hole through two of his fingers, Sunday, while handling a loaded revolver. He knew "it was loaded," however.