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Estimate of Expenses.

Estimate of the necessary expenses of Red Willow County, State of Nebraska, for the year 1897:	
County bond	\$ 3,000.00
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Willow Grove bond	2,000.00
Indianola bond	200.00
Bartley Village bond	500.00
School District bond	7,000.00
County General	12,000.00
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The nitrate of silver formed during the above operation should be poured into a porcelain capsule and heated until a pellicle appears on the surface, when it may be set aside to crystallize. The uncrystallized liquor should be poured from the crystals into another vessel and heat applied until it has evaporated sufficiently to crystallize. Then you have nitrate of silver. Take an ounce of nitrate of silver, dissolve in a quart of distilled rainwater. When thoroughly dissolved, throw in a few crystals of hyposulphite of soda, which will at first form a brown precipitate, but which becomes redissolved if enough hyposulphite has been added. There must be present a slight excess of this salt. The solution is now complete. Take a sponge, dip it in the solution and rub it over the work to be plated.

A solution of gold may be made in the same way and applied as described. A concentrated solution of either gold or silver may be used for work that has been worn off by applying it with a camel's hair brush and touching it with a strip of zinc. The writer has used this method with the most satisfactory success. The gold or silver used in making must be perfectly fine.—Jewelers' Circular.

WHAT THE YOUTH NEEDED.

The Order Was Given by the Man Whom He Made Tired.

Now and then Chicago draws a chappie in the great shuffle of life. The other day one arrived here from an inland town who had a few points to spare in his trunk.

He took up his residence in an aristocratic family hotel, where he appeared religiously each night at a 7 o'clock dinner in the evening dress of a second class swell. This was all very commendable and cleanly, and not at all extraordinary where 80 per cent of the men did the same thing.

But the good impression awakened by the chastity of the newcomer's appearance in the ineffable bosom and tie was obscured by his attempt to order his dinner in as much French as he deigned would be intelligible. The sonority of his final order for a demitasse was good for all the surrounding tables, if not for the butler's pantry.

As the first week rolled on the young man grew more French, more mellow, more metropolitan in spirit, and on the occasion of his first evening at home made his way to the smoking room, where he arranged himself languorously and picturesquely in an easy chair.

Near him was the station of a small colored butler.

"Garcon! Garcon!" called out the oriental one, but little William stood, with his heavy, seallike eyes rolled upward and his great paws crossed solemnly over his brass buttoned jacket, regardless and heedless of the overwhelming honor being done him.

"I say, there, garcon, won't you bring me—ah!"

"Some brains, William, for this chap," growled an apoplectic man on the other side of the room.—Chicago Tribune.

They Do Not Mind the Pennies.

Experience has made the men of the fruit stands overcautions in handling coin above the size of a 10 cent piece. The larger pieces they will test upon the pavement or sink their teeth into in a tentative fashion. It is to be noted, however, that whenever a customer makes a penny purchase they pocket his change without scanning it—almost hastily indeed. There is deep reason in this procedure.

For one thing, nobody counterfeits the cent piece; it is too cheap. For another thing, the fruit dealer knows that no coin of smaller denomination is passing into his hands. For a third thing, and this is the most important, there is always a chance that the customer is deceived himself and is handing over a nickel, a dime or one of the minor gold pieces, under the impression that he is paying but a penny. If he looks satisfied and starts to go away, he is not likely to be called back to get the change. Occasionally some such involuntary windfall comes the way of the fruit man.—New York Mail and Express.

Got More Than He Gave.

The London cab and omnibus men are noted for their smart and oftentimes humorous retorts and repartee, of which the following is a good example:

One afternoon a westward going omnibus picked up a lady and gentleman right out of the hands of a cabman at Piccadilly. On pulling up, the omnibus very nearly collided with a heavy van. This was the Jehu's opportunity.

"You are a nice sort of a party to have the charge of the heads of families, you are!" he shouted at the omnibus driver. "Why didn't you bring your mother out to help you 'old the horses on their feet?'"

Like a flash came the retort: "Bring my mother out indeed while there's such faces as yours knocking about the streets! Not me! I don't want to have the old woman scared to death. She's been a good mother to me, she 'as."—London Fun.

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I. O. O. F. Memorial Day.

The Oddfellows of Nebraska will observe Sunday, June 6th, as their Memorial day. Grand Master Norris has issued the following proclamation:

To the Officers and Members of all Subordinate and Rebekah Lodges in Nebraska, Greeting:

In furtherance of the proclamation of the Grand Sire, I, G. W. Norris, Grand Master of Nebraska, do enjoin and urge the Subordinate and Rebekah Lodges of this state to convene upon the day named or at such other time as may be agreed upon and pay suitable and appropriate respect to our honored dead.

The sacred links of our beloved order are not severed at the grave, but in fraternal memory's fond embrace the departed ones still live. Upon their green graves let us cast the fragrant flowers of a fond remembrance, and while in sweet communion with the spirits of those who have passed beyond the eternal mist, let us pledge anew our fidelity to the Order they so much loved. From the lesson of their lives may we learn to so live that when in peaceful slumbers we have passed away, and our silent forms, by loving hands are laid to rest within the narrow couch, our brethren gathered around our open grave, may raise their hands to Heaven and truthfully say:

"His life was gentle, and the elements So mixed in him that Nature might stand And say to all the world, [up This was a man!"]

Dispensation is hereby granted to wear regalia. Done at Beaver City, Nebraska, this sixteenth day of April, A. D. 1897.

G. W. NORRIS, Grand Master.

To the Omaha Races.

All railroads will sell, within 150 miles from Omaha, round trip tickets to Omaha on June 8 to 11, inclusive, for one fare. The trotting races occur on June 8, 9, 10 and 11. The field of horses, an unusually large one, includes many known trotters, as well as several new ones, which give promise of many surprises and a lively interesting meeting is assured. The great pacing horse Johnny, record 2:12, will each day attempt to lower his own record, going without driver or harness. The horseless carriage is another novelty. It will race each day with the fastest horse on the grounds, carrying four occupants, and will afford visitors the opportunity of seeing the first horseless carriage in the west. The events include free-for-all trotting and free-for-all pacing races.

For Modern Woodmen.

Nebraska Woodmen who propose attending the Dubuque meeting will be pleased to learn that the Burlington Route will run a through sleeping car from Omaha to Dubuque, leaving Omaha at 5:05 p. m., Sunday, May 30th, and arriving at Dubuque at 11:45 a. m., May 31st. Stop-over at Fulton to visit Woodman headquarters. Berths and tickets on application to any Burlington Route agent.

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Funeral of Mrs. McEntee.

Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock in St. Patrick's church of our city was held the funeral service over the remains of Mrs. Lawrence McEntee, nee Anna Collins, of Indianola, who died at Indianola, last Saturday evening, after a very brief illness, leaving a devoted husband and three small children, one but four months old, to mourn her untimely and sudden death.

The service was conducted by Rev. Father Sproll of Indianola, a High Requiem Mass being sung. The service was very impressive, and the choir work fine.

After the service in the church a large concourse of friends of this city and from Indianola followed the remains to Calvary cemetery, where with loving hands they were laid to rest.

The pall-bearers were: J. W. Dolan, Joseph Harrison and Ferd. Vering of Indianola, and James McAdams, J. H. Bennett and Charles O'Brien of McCook.

The parents of the deceased, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Collins, arrived from Salt Lake City, Utah, in time to attend the funeral, leaving for home on the night train, Wednesday.

The deceased has been well and favorably known to the writer and the early settlers of McCook since her early girlhood, and all will join in our expressions of profound and heartfelt sympathy for the husband, parents and family in their great, sudden and unexpected bereavement.

Humor in Literature.

Humor is one of those pervasive qualities that take possession of your senses like the smell of the woods in summer after a rain. You are trudging along through a book, interested, perhaps, in the course of the story, and impatient for the end of it all. It is an ordinary book, you think, like a hundred others, but a turn of the page and you are in another atmosphere. There is a growing warmth about your heart and a lift to the corners of your mouth. You do not break into a laugh, but you chuckle to yourself and forget about the end of the tale. You want to linger over the pages and turn back and go over the trail again. In a twinkling the "characters" of the story have become human beings like yourself.—"Droch" in June Ladies' Home Journal.

When John Wesley was in America.

Few people know that John Wesley was ever in America. Few know that it was he, and not Robert Raikes, who established the first Sunday-school in the world. It was John Wesley who preached the first Methodist sermon delivered in the United States. In the Ladies Home Journal for June, Rev. W. J. Scott will tell in the "Great Personal Events" series the story of "When John Wesley Preached in Georgia", which is said to be one of the most interesting narratives in this most successful series.

American Merchant Marine.

The American Protective Tariff League has just issued, in document form, the speech of Senator Elkins of West Virginia on the subject of the American Merchant Marine and Discriminating Duties. This complete presentation of the benefits of discriminating duties as pledged by the Republican platform should be read by every voter. Any of our readers can obtain a copy for two cents. Ask for Document No. 44 and address W. F. Wakeman, General Sec., 135 West 23d St., New York.

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TIMBER CULTURE. FINAL PROOF.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, McCook, Nebraska, April 16th, 1897. Notice is hereby given that Charles F. Elliott has filed notice of intention to make final proof before Register or Receiver at his office in McCook, Nebraska, on Saturday, the 6th day of June, 1897, on timber culture application No. 295, for the north half southwest quarter and south half northwest quarter of section No. 33, in Township No. 1 north, Range No. 30, west 6th P. M. He names as witnesses: Thomas C. Kelly, William H. Benjamin, David Bohmeyer and David H. McMurrin, all of Banksville, Nebraska.

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