

WHERE PROSPERITY REIGNS

Plattsmouth Merchants Have Many Reasons for Congratulation.

LAST YEAR AN EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD ONE

Not a Business Failure Occurred in the City and Every Citizen of the Place Pleasured with the Future Outlook.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb. Jan. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The year just closed has been a prosperous one for the merchants of Plattsmouth.

During that time there has not been a single failure, but, on the contrary, the merchants report that the year has been a better one than they have enjoyed for several years. The outlook for the present year is very bright.

H. H. Hollister, B. & M. baggageman, met with a painful accident last night. While unloading a heavy trunk from a car it slipped from his grasp and fell on his foot, badly maiming it.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Elson have gone to Chicago to attend the wedding of their niece.

Therman & Melinger is the name of a new implement firm that will commence business after February 1.

Mrs. W. H. Shepher, sold her farm, two miles west of Plattsmouth, Saturday afternoon for \$57,171. Mrs. Shepher is justly proud of the vindication of her business judgment by this transaction.

INTERESTING MEETING OF THE ANTELOPE FARMERS INSTITUTE.

NELIGH, Neb. Jan. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—While quite cold yet Neligh has been the scene of some important gatherings in our county this morning.

The county supervisors are in session. They reorganized for the new year by electing S. W. Kunes of Clearwater as chairman.

A farmers institute was held in the opera house Wednesday and Thursday. Judge W. H. Holmes was chairman and Hon. W. B. Lambert, secretary. The attendance was large for so short a notice.

A paper from Prof. L. A. Stilson, secretary of the State Beekeepers' association, was read. Also an address by J. M. Campbell, Red Oak, Ia. Then A. J. Leach of Oakdale, the first beekeeper of Antelope county, delivered an address on the value of honey.

In the afternoon the following officers were elected: President, J. L. Campbell; vice president, J. M. Campbell; secretary, J. L. Campbell; treasurer, J. L. Campbell.

In the evening Prof. Charles P. Ingersoll of the State university delivered an address on "Industrial Agriculture and the Farm for the Student." Colonel J. E. Simpson of Norfolk spoke on general farming and the importance of education of farmers' sons and daughters.

On Thursday morning Prof. Ingersoll delivered another address on the agricultural college in connection with the State university and its importance to the farmer of the state, followed by short addresses by Colonel Simpson, Judge Holmes, Captain Hill and others.

In the afternoon the meeting was opened by an address on "Horticulture in Nebraska," by C. F. Bayha, followed by Prof. G. A. Gregory, A. Babcock and C. Corby. The latter read by Mrs. Corby, Mr. Corby being at home sick.

On Friday morning a committee of five, consisting of Wesley Betney, L. G. Babcock, Blanche Weygant, Lorenzo Thompson and Michael Day, was appointed to formulate a plan to secure permanent farmers institute for Antelope county.

Resolutions were passed inviting the attention of the members of the state legislature to the great and growing evil of adulterations, greatly to the injury of both producer and consumer, and urging the enactment of state laws to prevent the sale of adulterated food and drugs.

The Wykoff in connection with Gates college is being supervised by Miss Mattie Nichol. Hon. J. A. Lennava, formerly of the United States office at Omaha, is now in Mexico looking after his business interests here and visiting with his family.

The Nelson creamery has elected new officers, as follows: President, W. Dennis; F. M. Housh, manager and treasurer.

West Point Personal. WEST POINT, Neb. Jan. 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Mrs. F. A. Long returned home Friday after a brief visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Miller.

Freder Meiler was in Omaha Wednesday to attend the meeting of the agricultural implement dealers of Nebraska. He was placed on an important committee.

Adolph Krause was tendered a farewell reception by his friends Wednesday in the city. Next week Adolph will leave for St. Paul, where he will study to become a pharmacist.

The West Point National and State banks of this city are closing their doors for business. The late chairman of the supervisors, J. P. McGuire, departed for Canada on a visit to his old home last Wednesday. He made a fine record as chairman during the past year, and displayed a high order of executive ability.

DARTING OF A SOMALI BOY

Henry M. Stanley Tells an Interesting Story of a Lad's Courage.

THRILLING EXPERIENCE ON THE CONGO

How He Saved a Valuable Boat from Going Over the Great Cataract of Kintango—Where Coolness and Good Judgment Were Needed.

While proceeding to Zanibar in February, 1879, in the chartered steamer Albion, writes Henry M. Stanley, the celebrated African explorer, we stopped at Aden to take in coal.

Presently a bright Somali youth, who had paddled his own canoe, swung himself aboard our ship. After making fast his little craft with a lanyard, he asked me, "Want a boy, sir?"

"No," I replied. "Do anything?" "No, thank you." "I hear you go to Africa, and want me. I been to America, been for the most, been conchman, been butler in Brooklyn, with Mr. Hines."

"Why, you are quite a prosy! How old are you?" "Seventeen, sir."

I now examined him more closely. He was a tall, shapely, comely, intelligent young man, with curly black hair and a look of alertness.

"Well, what wages do you want?" "Anything you like to give, sir. Dollar, two dollar, three dollar a month. You find me good, by what I worth. If I'm no good, no money."

"Why, you are extraordinary! I'll give you 10 shillings a month, and we shall see after-wards." "Aw-right, sir."

And upon those terms Dualla, the Somali boy, entered my service. For several months I did not pay much heed to him. There had been other employes aboard, but none superior in ability or courage.

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PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 15.—The continued cold weather has increased the suffering at Homestead and it is stated that nearly 300 people are on the verge of starvation. Contributions are still coming in, but the aggregate amount is so small that it will not procure the bare necessities of life.

In the mill there is a great dissatisfaction over the wages. Yesterday was the first pay day under the new scale, and many of the workmen claim their envelopes did not contain more than half the amount received for the same period last year.

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In the stock exchange during the week business was fairly active and values generally increased. The Argentine securities continued to be in good demand. In spite of the rise in money, British funds and corporation loans were higher. Rupee paper rose 1/2 points.

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