

Local News.

C. L. Drake went to Litchfield Tuesday.

Eggs are worth 9 cents at A. E. Chase's.

Good work harness for \$14.00 at T. M. Reed's.

Ed Veeder returned from Nelson Tuesday night.

All the merchants are shipping large quantities of eggs.

T. L. Pilger has reduced the price of Kerosene Oil to 12 cents a gallon.

A. Watkinson has purchased the stock of furniture from G. H. Gibson.

Mrs. E. Schwer went to Grand Island yesterday, where she will reside.

You can buy a good pair of unlined gloves for 25 cents at A. E. Chase's.

Just received a fine line of shirts. Price, from 25 cents up. A. E. CHASE.

Six-inch iron bolts 1 cent each, longer ones three for 5 cents. A. E. CHASE.

Dr. Sumner Davis, Grand Island, Surgical diseases and diseases of Eye and Ear.

Alfred Hastings of Arcadia attended the dance in the opera house Monday night.

T. L. Pilger is selling all goods for cash or produce only. Positively no credit.

Charles Gasteyer received a carload of salt over the Union Pacific Tuesday evening.

Hats—a fine assortment. Forty-nine cents buys a good fedora. Any kind at corresponding figures. A. E. CHASE.

Do you need a wagon, buggy, disk harrow, seeder, plow or harrow. If so, you should see T. M. Reed.

All the neckwear in the house, consisting of over 500 pieces, below cost until April 1. A. E. CHASE.

Miss Louise Rosseter went to Grand Island Tuesday morning to make a short visit with her sister, Mrs. Martin Comer.

Do you need a washing machine, clothes wringer, wash boiler, tinware or anything in that line. If so call on T. M. Reed.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. Odendahl Bros.

We are glad to note that W. T. Gibson is able to be out again and that Mrs. Gibson is also improving in health. Both have been very sick the last two weeks.

Jim Johanson's ball Monday night was fairly well attended. It was probably not as profitable as it might have been, but those present enjoyed themselves to the full limit.

Mr. Edward Valak of Buffalo county and Miss Rose Helebrant of Bristol township, Sherman county, were married at Loup City, February 24, 1897, Judge Kay officiating.

All the different forms of skin troubles from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by De Witts Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. Odendahl Bros.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such companions take De Witt's early Risers, the famous little pills. Odendahl Bros.

Hon. A. G. Wolfenbarger of Lincoln, president of the state irrigation association, will give a talk on irrigation at the court house Saturday, March 13, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Everybody in the county invited. Admission free. Do not forget the date, and bring the ladies.

If there is any person that may be seen at the postoffice as much as D. C. Doe it is Jim Johanson, and if there is anyone that is as attentive around those quarters as Jim Johanson it is the fellow with the long white apron on who performs on the south chair in the barber shop. THE NORTHWESTERN doesn't care, however, so long as there are no mistakes made in the distribution of the mail and this great family journal reaches its patrons on time.

Loup City's erstwhile good natured citizen and jeweler, Alonzo Boone, came over from Greeley Center last Friday evening. Mr. Boone, as you all know, is now engaged in the jewelry business at Greeley county's capital. Mr. Boone is a practical optician also and has a coveit of towns which he makes every month. Loup City being on his list. All work for him should be left at Chase's drug store. Mr. Boone assisted the orchestra at the ball in the opera house Monday night.

A favorite remedy for many of the ills of this life is Simmons' liver regulator, the most popular medicine yet discovered. It is a searching cleanser, and by its action frees the system of all impurities, producing a sound, healthy liver. It is the standard household remedy for liver and stomach troubles and has the unqualified endorsement of thousands of our best citizens throughout the country. Having been before the people for many years, its long and honorable career is a sufficient guarantee of purity and reliability. Simmons' liver regulator is manufactured by J. H. Zeltin & Co., Philadelphia, and is readily distinguished by the red Z on each package.

The Bankrupt Clothing company moved their stock to Stromsburg via the Union Pacific Wednesday. They report having done a good business here.

We learn that Mrs. C. E. Achenbach died last Monday. Her sickness has been of several months duration. She leaves a husband and two children to mourn her loss.

Constipation in its worst form, Dispepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by De Witts Early Risers. These little Pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. Odendahl Bros.

Soothing for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stops pain at once. These are the virtues of De Witts Which Hazel Salve. Odendahl Bros.

Minutes seem like hours when life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor, delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. Odendahl Bros.

S. Hancock, N. B. Thompson and J. D. Gilbert, all seventy-three and seventy-fourites, came in for a pleasant chat this week. Each refreshed our memory about some of the interesting things which happened in the early days, an account of which will appear in our write up later.

Quarterly conference, followed by a week of protracted meetings, have been going on at the Methodist Episcopal church for the last fourteen days. Presiding Elder Erastus Smith of Kearney was here last week and occupied the pulpit, and this week his place has been filled by the Rev. Fenton of Litchfield.

Wednesday evening there was a concert at the Methodist church at which Misses Lottie and Lillie Jaeger of St. Louis were the principal artists. Several townspeople attended. This item was clipped from the Arcadia items in the World-Herald of February 22. The Arcadia correspondent of the World-Herald will please give credit to whom credit is due. The Misses Jaeger are residents of Loup City, but they are as accomplished as St. Louis artists, and of course the mistake is excusable.

Tuesday evening the Loup City camp of Modern Woodmen of America, with their families, gave a social entertainment and supper at their hall in honor of G. H. Gibson, one of the camp's leading members, who departed the next day for Lead City, S. D. to permanently reside. Mr. Gibson has been a member of the Modern Woodmen of America ever since its organization in Loup City and has done more than any other one member in the order to make it what it is today. About 10 o'clock two tables, extending the full length of Watkinson hall, were spread with the delicacies of the season and those present soon played havoc with the same owing to their ravenous appetites. The Loup City band, of which Mr. Gibson was a member, was present and furnished excellent music. After supper was over and the band had rendered a few more selections, the gathering was called to order by Venerable Consul John L. Hopper. Neighbor W. H. Conger was then called upon, who stepped forward and made a very nice little presentation speech and presented Mr. Gibson with a handsome gold watch presented him as a token of esteem by the camp of Modern Woodmen of America of Loup City. Mr. Gibson feeling repelled to the compliment, after which all formed in line to bid him goodbye and godspeed.

Loup City Market Report. Prices paid for: Corn .59, Wheat .58, Oats .72, Hogs 3.00, Cows and heifers 2.00 @ 2.25, Feeders 3.25, Butter, per pound .10, Eggs, per doz .10

WANTED—Two 2-seated second hand spring wagons that will carry 1,000 pounds. Address L. A. WILSON, Ashton Neb.

Comfort To California. Every Tuesday evening, a tourist sleeping car for Salt Lake City, San Francisco and Los Angeles leaves Omaha and Lincoln via the Burlington Route.

It is carpeted; upholstered in rattan; has spring seats and backs and is provided with curtains, bedding, towels, soap etc. An experienced excursion conductor and a uniformed Pullman porter accompany it through to the Pacific coast.

While neither as expensively finished nor as fine to look at as a sleeper, it is just as good to ride in. Second class tickets are honored and the price of a berth, wide enough and big enough for two, is very reasonable.

For further information see A. F. WENTS, B & M Agent. First class Photographs only 75 cents per doz. Don't miss to get one or two dozen.

A CARD. We desire to express our sincere thanks to those who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our daughter Jessie. MR. AND MRS. S. HANCOCK.

FACTS CONCERNING

THE EARLY SETTLEMENT OF SHERMAN COUNTY.

The following write up will be printed weekly in the NORTHWESTERN as a "continued story," and afterwards will appear in book form. In the back part of the book will appear a directory of the present county officers, of all civic societies in the county, with names of officers, officers of the canal company, and other public enterprises. A few pages will also be devoted to advertising cards representing the present business interests of the different towns in the county. Reasonable charges will be made for ads and enough copies printed to supply the demand. The book will be sold at a very low price and all orders for copies should be made early. For further particulars see editor.

Continued from last week.

The year 1873 was an eventful one for the settlers of Sherman county. Following the organization occurred many instances of note. The few settlers at once engaged in various occupations. Ingram started a general merchandise store, Hartley took up a claim, which is now known as the Tracy farm, and when not engaged in farming or his official duties as sheriff he would go hunting and bring in a deer, elk or antelope, which he would liberally divide among the little band. Hartley was what is known nowadays as a "crack shot."

The writer and his older brothers would herd cattle over the hills of buffalo grass and prickly pears. There was little or no blue-joint grass on the virgin hill sides at that time.

Those of the settlers who broke up land and began farming could raise anything chopped in sod—watermelons, pumpkins, sweet corn or any kind of garden truck. For several years, however, the farmers engaged in teaming and would haul great loads of cedar from fifty and sixty miles above here. Later, when there were more settlers in the country, it was no uncommon thing to see from twenty to thirty teams a day pass through Loup City heavily loaded with cedar trees from 40 to 100 feet long. The cedar was sold on the Grand Island market.

The county court house was constructed in 1874, Benschoter brothers having the contract. It was nearly completed when it caught fire and burned to the ground. The building had not been accepted by the commissioners and the contractors were compelled to rebuild. Only a small portion of the walls were left standing after the fire. The county, however, allowed them an additional sum of \$2,500, which partly reimbursed them for their loss. It was rebuilt in 1878 and was occupied as soon as completed by the county officers. The brick used in the construction of the court house was manufactured in Loup City. The brick yards were run under the supervision of J. D. Gilbert, who is now located at Arcadia.

At the close of the year 1873 the population of Sherman county was estimated to be 80; in 1874, 460; in 1875, 496, and in 1880 2,061.

EARLY SETTLERS.

The following is a list of prominent settlers who located here during the time from 1874 to 1880.

List of 1874: David Christian, E. J. Davis, J. Gilbert, Henry Plumbeck, John Dryden, F. S. Reynolds, A. B. Tutton, C. H. Thode, A. J. Wilson, John Roberts, Martin Brumbaugh, Thomas A. Croston, E. E. Forsythe, Charles Croston, H. A. Gladding, Jacob Schmaljohn, Fred Stein, John Treffer, Alfred Flint, J. Flint, R. W. Gowen, Enoch Gowen, Herman Jung, Herman Febig, J. R. Forsythe A. Fredenburg and Jacob Laton.

List of 1875: R. J. Brown sr., A. L. Baillie, William Baillie, sr., James Bunnell, B. F. Bunnell, Lewis Butts, Ed Chapman, Nimrod Caple, A. E. Charlton, W. A. Cook, Simpson Criss, D. H. French, Howard Lang, J. R. Lang, W. R. Hodges, Samuel Haddix, Samuel Johns, Albert Kain, August Reiman, August Jung, William Kuehnz Ernest Riesland and Esaw Beldon.

List of 1876: James L. Baillie, D. D. Grow, J. Blumer, Julius Buss, Claus Buschhausen, Oscar F. Brown, Alfred Chambers, Henry Cappellen, Henry Dunker, Sylvester Dean, William Ingelman, Ed Eastman, August Gehrke, John Gregory, C. A. Hale, C. H. Knutzen, Henry Kruse, Stephen Kittle, John Lombard, Samuel Leininger, John Neiman, Henry Snell, James Snyder, J. R. Vanhorn, E. J. Vanhorn, Isaiah Vanscoy, Labon Vanscoy, Noah Vanscoy, John Wiseman, the Fowler brothers, George Adams, C. H. Erench, Colonel J. M. Young and Levi Lovell Henry Cappellen.

List of 1877: J. M. Snyder, Albert Boecking, John Boecking, Paul Hieser, Judge Aaron Wall, T. S. Nightingale, D. A. Jackson, Sid Hollister, Daniel Adams, Abraham Hislop, Samuel Haddix, James Gray, J. L. Goff, George A. Callon, J. J. Cookingham, Jacob Winkleman John Fry, and R. C. Hardin.

It is impossible for us to give a complete list of the names of those who settled in Sherman county during the years of 1878, 1879 and 1880. At that time there was a large flood of immigration pouring into the county and the early pioneers then began to realize that their efforts to make Sherman county the banner county of the state were not in vain. Mea of wealth and enterprise came in and industries of all kinds sprung up. We give the following list of persons, however, who made their advent here on the dates given: I. M. Polski and John Cook, 1878; J. D. Callaway, A. H. Gray, Michael Smith, Michael Buckley, W. A. Wilson, Theodore Wilson and H. Smelser, 1880; Thomas Bly, 1878; Stephen Sweetland, 1879; T. C. Chamberlain and Joseph Daddow and sons, 1880; J. Wood Smith, 1878; A. J. Smith and L. A. Smith, 1879; Louis and Fred Rein, 1880; W. T. and George H. Gibson, 1879; John Wall, 1878; M. H. Mead, 1879; G. H. Scott, W. T. Chase and E. S. Hayhurst, 1880; C. J. Odendahl, 1878; J. C. Fletcher, B. T. Snyder, E. J. Delaney, Lewis Bechthold, Fritz Schneiderite, Frank W. Saitus, James Sote, Calvin Landers, James Lauders, Parl Round, James Gouley, Joseph Fisk, Sanford Bassett, Adolph and Charles Rettenmayer, 1879; Joseph Rettenmayer, 1880; W. H. Lalk, E. J. Kriebbaum, R. Taylor and John Hogue, 1878; Charles Walte, 1879; August Gehrke, 1878; R. Reinartson, 1880; Jacob Benson, John B. Kisting and Thomas Nave, 1878; John Haller sr., 1879; Jacob Benson, John Nieman, W. T. Draper and Albert Gates, 1878; J. W. and William Heapy, 1879; William Jeffrey, L. H. Knight, John Natcher, John Minshull, M. T. Quinton, Joseph Wharton, Charles Coulter, Daniel Davidson, Charles Andrews, William Rowe, Oliver Dubry, Squire Miller, George Miller, L. J. Tracey and sons, and George Beat, 1878; Frank Simpson, 1880; Michael Neice, 1880. W. H. Kennedy and G. W. Kennedy, 1878.

SETTLEMENT OF THE GERMAN COLONY AT WILHELMSHORE.

The push and enterprise in agricultural developments in the eastern part of the county is largely due to the German colony which settled there in 1875, and which came here under the leadership of Jacob Albers and Frederick Erhmann. They located on the tablelands southeast of Ashton, which is government land. The colony consisted of the two ad. vance agents mentioned, August Benschhausen, Bernhard Kolbeck, Theodore Ojendyk, John Oltmann, Peter Henry, George Glinemann, Henry Lange, Fritz Schluter, Henry Tangerman and Henry Schwartz.

They commenced improvements on their land at once, and a post-office was established, which was called Wilhelmschore.

In the same year they also built a sod church and a school house. In 1880 they held a fair, which was well advertised, and attended by

people from different parts of the county. A good delegation from the county seat was present.

John Oltmann and J. P. Taylor built the first two frame houses in that part of the county.

THE OLD KEARNEY STAGE LINE.

The first mail wagon driven between Loup City and Kearney was by Dryden & Andrews in the year 1875, they having secured the contract from the Star Route contractor who was in Kearney at that time.

In February, 1874, however, Nick Harris of Grand Island started a private stage line for the convenience of travelers and was paid a bonus by Loup City and Kearney of \$70 per month.

Harris ran the line but about six weeks, when he was bought out by C. E. Rosseter, who conducted it until the bridges on the Sweetwater and other streams were washed away, when it was abandoned.

In 1877 Andrews & Dryden sold out to C. H. French, who continued the stage service from August 20, 1877, to June 1, 1886—ninteyears, nearly—and until shortly after the advent of the Union Pacific railroad.

The old Kearney stage line did a very large business by way of carrying passengers and express, especially under the management of C. H. French. It was necessary at times to put on extra teams in order to accommodate the traffic.

OPENING OF B. & M. LANDS TO SETTLERS.

The B. & M. Land company opened their lands for sale in 1878, and a big boom followed. The company was well represented by both local and general agents.

The local agent for Sherman county was M. A. Hartley. A great deal of the desirable government land had already been taken. Later in 1883-84 the company was represented here by M. A. Hartley and D. D. Grow, but not without some opposition, however.

John E. Blackman and M. H. Mead opened a land office and hung out the sign, "B. & M. land office," meaning of course Blackman & Mead's land office.

To this Mr. Hartley objected, but Blackman & Mead still continued to do business under the firm name represented by their sign and by virtue of the initials of their respective names.

In 1884 Charles W. Couliser and M. A. Hartley represented the company.

Next week's installment will be even more interesting.

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—of the season—

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RARE BARGAINS IN Groceries, Dry Goods, Shoes

and everything kept in a first class store.

All goods sold for cash only

- 20 lbs Granulated sugar for \$1.00
26 " New Orleans " " 1.00
Kerosene oil, per gal.12
All package Coffee15
Eight bar any kind of soap .25
Three cans corn or tomatoes .25
Arcadia Bakers' Fancy flour .85
" Cream Patent " .95
Corn meal15
Choice prunes, 20 lbs for . 1.00
Extra choice prunes, 13 lbs 1.00
Best oat meal, 8 lbs for . .25
Four lbs choice raisins for .25
Apples per bushel75

Highest Price Paid for Butter and Eggs.

Don't fail to come and get bargains in every line.

J. L. PILGER, NEW YORK STORE Loup City, : Neb.

His Ability. Fuddy—You say that Biglin gets a salary of \$10,000. And there is positively nothing in Biglin—he is not an educated man and he has no natural abilities. Daddy—Except the ability to get a salary of \$10,000 a year.—Boston Transcript.