

ITEMS OF **INTEREST**

ABOUT OUR NEIGH-BORS AND FRIENDS CLIPPED FROM OUR EXCHANGES

From the News.

French Lick Springs, Ind., for the bene- them to go to the water tank, when one fit of his health. From there he expects of the animals suddenly became frightto go on to New York.

umbus Friday afternoon to spend a few | While her father went to head the horse days with her husband, who is doing off and drive it back Miss Katie took its

Henry Reed and family left Tuesday morning for their new home in Colorado. Their many friends here regret to see them leave, but hope Mr. Reed will find the climate benefical to his health, which is very poorly.

BELLWOOD.

From the Gazette. The telegraph wires have been taken out of our depot and the telophone wires have taken their place. Our agent, as yet don't like the change.

Miss Josephine Thompson, oldest daughter of James Thompson of Polk county, returned home last Wednesday where she has been for several weeks taking treatment from Mrs. Dr. Rittenhouse for appendictis, ovarian and nervous trouble. We understand her health is now fully recovered. Mrs. Dr. Rittenhouse was formerly of Bellwood. Her many friends will be glad to learn of her

S. E. Marty, wife and daughters of Columbus, were here Sunday, guests of E. Perrenoud and family.

Saturday and Sunday with the former's distributed over 6,000,000 pieces of literasister, Mrs. H. J. Brian, south of ture. That's going some. Columbus.

Lizzie Dusch as forecasted in last week's Frank Wambaugh and Miss Georgia Polk, Merrick and Sherman counties, Sand, occurred at Duncan last Wednes- Ickes at Fremont on Thursday last. day morning at the Catholic church. Both bride and groom are well known Festivities then occurred at the home of here, the bride being the grand daughter the bride's father, lasting until 10 p. m of Landlord Ickes of the Stillman house Thursday night. The Kosciouski orches- and the groom has piloted the engine on tra of South Omaha furnished the music the Albion branch for several years. We for the dancing, assisted by W. J. Boruch understand they will continue to make of the Island. About 50 guests were their home in this city and we join the present and everything passed off pleasantly, excepting for a mixture between Boruch's violin and the big bass fiddle, in which the smaller instrument got the worst of it as usual.

CENTRAL CITY.

From the Nonpareil. Miss Katie Smith is lying at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Smith, west of town with a broken arm, a frac tured nose and a gash in her scalp, as the result of being run over by a horse Sat- bably with call at side. urday. She was assisting her father in

unhitching his team after he had come in from the field at noon and had taken John Peters left Tuesday morning for the bridles from the horses to allow ened at a buggy top that had been driven Mrs. Otto Kumpf came up from Col. into the yard and ran around the barn. mate to the tank. As she was standing there the loose horse came around the corner of the barn and rau against her. She was knocked down and the animal stepped on her several times. Her right arm was broken between the elbow and shoulder and her nose fractured. The horse's hoof also struck her on the back of the head, cutting a gash several inches long in the scalp but fortunately not injuring the skull.

> GENOA. From the Times

One of the largest real estate transac tions that has taken place in Genoa for several years made Wednesday by Vaught & Shields. In the deal, Steve Battles comes into possession of the Vaught farm of 274 acres east of town in Platte county, for which he paid \$22,000, and Albert Vaught becomes the owner of a section of land in Dawson county which cost

Crawford Kennedy, a brother of the late J. M. Kennedy, and well known to our readers, has just returned to his home at Albion from a notable trip. He accompanied the Taft special for the purpose of distributing campaign litera-Winnie Davis and Mary Squier spent ture. He visited twenty-four states and

News reached the city the last of the The wedding of Charles Starostka and week announcing the marriage of entire community in extending congratulations and best wishes.

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George Burrows and Miss Lens Spuehr, both of Platte Center, were married.

ness and prosperity.

James E. Maher and Miss May Weddell were married early. Tuesday morning in the priest's room at St. Joseph's church, Rev. Father Liborius officiating. It was very quiet affair, no one but relatives and a few intimate friends being present. They were attended by the groom's brother John M. and sister Miss Kittie Maher. Immediatedly after the ceremony they were driven by auto to Madison, where they took the train for Carrol. Neb., for a short visit with Mr. Maher's brother Dan and family. These worthy people need no introduction to the people of Platte Center, having both been residents here many years. Mr.

here for some time.

men, having conducted a harness shop

From the World. The community at large was shocked ast Saturday evening when it was learned that Ira Best had committed suicide. Mr. Best was busy husking corn all day last Saturday and when he entered the home at supper time he asked his wife what she was going to prepare for sup-per, adding that he would like some tomato soup. Mrs. Best then went out to attend to the evening milking and upon her return to the house saw her ausband in the bedroom writing. She seked him what he was doing and he

FUR COATS

O. L. Crawford is serving on the jury

Kenneth, Fred and Robert Strother of

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Preston were over

Among those who attended the Kerr

The Japanese people have at their farm

On local township offices things were

Glen Kerr met with an accident last

outright. But he was out at work again

At lest work has been commenced on

the construction of the water works.

The Katz-Craig company brought in

their force of ten men Monday morning

and began at once on digging the ditches,

hiring such local help as was available.

The mains have been laid around the

trenches are in readiness for the mains.

The tank has not arrived as yet, but the

contractors are hurrying it up as fast as

possible. The freezing of the ground

does not materially interfere with the

At a regular monthly meeting of the

school board Monday evening the mat-

ter of a change in the rule for recess was

brought up and after due consideration.

Miss Collins' room, where part of the

scholars have been given a recess and

part not, was made uniform, all of the

scholars in that room being given recess.

In the upper rooms the rule remains the

same, which it should be. The allowing

children on the school grounds before

the prescribed time was taken up and

the the board stood on their rule of not

allowing pupils on the grounds before a

PLATTE CENTER

Robert Wilson accompanied his father

to St. Mary's hospital in Columbus last

Sunday, where he will receive treatment

The U. P. Bridge gang was here last

week driving piles for a new bridge which

they are going to build across the creek

At the Catholic church in Tarnov,

Wednesday morning, Mr. John Micek

and Miss Mary Prorok were married.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

John Prorok, five miles west of Platte

Center. There were fourteen brides-

maids and groomsmen. After the cere-

mony they repaired to the home of the

brides parents where the wedding festivi-

ties were held. A large crowd of people

were in attendance, including many from

and were continued until last evening.

At the residence of Herman Brodfue-

hrer, in Columbus, on Wednesday, Mr.

The groom is a son of Jas. Burrows,

and is a native of Platte county. He is

in partnership with his father in the

cement block business, and a wide-awake

energetic young man. The bride is a

daughter of Mrs. Geo. Scheidel, sr., and

until a few weeks ago a popular young

clerk in the Smith Mercantile company's

store. After a short wedding trip to

Lincoln they will return here and go to

house-keeping in the Burrows residence.

May they reap their full share of happi-

two miles north of town.

certain time.

digging, as it is mostly in clay.

streets and already several blooks

Tuesday, although still pretty sore.

place and will remain on it.

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replied that he was figuring up the numher of bushels of corn husked. He was in reality writing a note, the contents of which are very confusing. It was directed to "My dear wife." He told ber that after he was dead she should move to town and Roosevelt would care for the children. The rest of the note was not connected and it was directed by a wandering, delirious mind. It appears that Mr. Best had a quantity of liquor on hand of which he had partaken freely. On looking into the bedroom soon after, the wife saw her husband holding a shot gun pointed toward himself. She retreated and after he had shot holes in three walls of the house he went out to the barn and Mrs. Best sent her little girl to the Nitz farm adjoining, for help. When the Nitz boys arrived at the Best farm, however, Mr. Best was nowhere around and they instituted a search at once. /They discovered Mr. Best hanging in the havmow, dead. He had placed thgun on the rafters and had hanged himself with the rope used in operating a large hay fork.

OXYGEN USED TO CUT STEEL. Little or No Finishing Required After the Operation.

A stream of oxygen is the knife that cuts metals. The operation is performed by means of a blowpipe with two nozzles, of which the first delivers an ignited jet of mixed oxygen and hydrogen, and the second is a stream of pure oxygen. The pressure is regulated by a gauge attached to the oxygen tank. The oxygen hydrogen flame and the stream of oxygen strike the same part of the metal, which, after being heated by the fame, is rapidly cut, or rather burned through by the oxygen, the temperature being raised to 1,300 or 1,400 degrees Fahrenheit by the combustion of the metal. The cut is as smooth as a sheared cut and requires little or no finishing. Armor plates can be cut in one-twentieth the time required for mechanical cutting; and the sharply localized heating probably causes less strain than punching and shearing develop. If oxygen costs two cents and hydrogen two-thirds of a cent per cubic foot, the cost of cutting an iron plate four-fifths of an inch thick is about seven cents per running foot, or about half the cost of mechanical cutting. Special machines are constructed for cutting various objects. Finally there is a universal machine, which can be arranged to make curved and polygonal cuts of any pattern in addition to the simpler cuts effected to the other machines. A special form of this universal machine is exceedingly useful in taking apart machinery and steel buildings. It operates by cutting off the heads of the rivets, which are then easily driven

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MARSHAL THE MENTAL FACULTY.

The normal mind acts under law. The mental faculties will not give up their best unless they are marshaled by system. They respond cordially to order, but they rebel against slipshod methods. They are like soldiers. They must have a leader, a general who enforces order, method. The majority of people get very little out of their brains because they never learn to think systematically. Their minds are like some country stores where everything is jumbled up. There is no order or method anywhere. They browse, or cogitate, but they do not focus their minds and conduct their mental processes with order.

Slovenly mental habits will destroy the finest minds. The strength and persistency of our habitual thought force measure our efficiency. The habitual thought-force in many people is so feeble and spasmodic that they cannot focus their minds with sufficient vigor to accomplish much.

We can quickly tell the first time we meet a person whether his thoughtforce is strong or weak, for every sentence he utters will partake of its quality. The person who has a negative thought-force betrays his lack of strength in his every word. His language is weak, has no gripping quality. But the man with a vigorous mentality takes right hold of you, grips your mind with every sentence. His power thrills you, and you feel immediately that you are in the presence of a strong personality. It is the posttive, the aggressive thought that creates, that invents. The negative thought is always weak.-Success Magazine.

WHAT THE LOG LINE WAS FOR. Lucid Explanation.

Officers on the coastwise and foreign steamship lines are not limited to their regular duties, but are expected to answer the questions of curious passengers besides. Sometimes, however, the passengers take the matter into their own hands, and instruct others more ignorant than themselves. The purser on a well-known liner

sage before, and who in consequence felt a superior knowledge of maritime Several ladies were grouped in the stern, this one among them, when their attention was attracted by the

log with its long line attached to the

"Why, what can that be?" inquired

one of the party. "That?" said the knowing one. Well, you see the vessel has to keep in communication with the land, and in order to tell just how far they have got on the passage they keep one end tied to the dock, and by looking at the amount of line paid out they can tell just how far they are from the other side."

"Oh!" exclaimed the other, after this lucid explanation. "Well, I have always heard of the log, but I never knew what one was before. Thank you so much!"-Youth's Companion.

Remedy for Choking. "Raising the left arm as high as you can will relieve choking much more rapidly than the act of thumping one's back," said a physician, "and it is well that everyone should know it, for often a person gets choked while eating where there is no one near to thump him. Very frequently at meals and when they are at play, children get choked while eating, and the customary manner of relieving them is to slap them sharply on the back. The effect of this is to set the obstruction free. The same thing can be brought about by raising the left hand of the child as high as possible and the relief comes much more quickly. In happenings of this kind there should be no alarm, for if the child sees that older persons or parents get excited the effect is bad. The best thing is to tell the child to raise its left arm and immediately the difficulty passes away."

The agent stepped briskly up to Mr. Meekly's desk and laid a small article close to his right hand.

"I have here a new letter opener," he said, "a handsome article, to be kept on the table in your library, say,

"Pardon me," interrupted Mr. Meekly, without turning his head, "but I have already the best letter opener, and the quickest."

"How long have you had it?" persisted the agent. "You know there are constant improvements always being introduced."

"Mine couldn't be improved," responded the gentleman. "I've had her for about two years now-anniversary of the wedding next month!"-Stray

She Expected Too Much. Mamma-Have you washed face, Johnny? " Johnny-Yes'm. Mamma-And your hands?

Johnny-Yep. Mamma-And your neck? Johnny-Aw, see here, ma, I ain't a

Ne Cause for Alarm.
"Oh, is my husband shot?" cried the frightened wife, as they bore the limp form of the premature celebrator "No, madam," answered one of the bearers, reassuringly, "he's only half

Not to Se Frightened. The landlady's daughter looked up from the daily paper. "Here's a singular thing, ma," she

said. "A German scientist declares that eating meat causes heart disease."

The landlady sighed.
"I wish I could make the boarders believe it."—Cleveland Leader.

Not Quite the Same Thing. "That model of yours is a pussie to me," said the artist's friend.
"Well," responded the artist, diplomatically, "she is something of a

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Fencing with Umbrellas. Recently a French publication print ed a picture of some American girls fencing with umbrellas and stated that they were trying to acquire thus the necessary skill and assurance to parry, Union Pacific, and equipped with Buffet

It is also stated that this sport was not born in America; that for several years in France a noted fencing mistress, Mme. Guillemot, at the same time that she taught fencing with the tells of a lady who had made a password, for hygienic reasons, and for personal defence, also taught her pu- Pacific trains inquire of E G Brown,

pils to "play" with the umbrella. The article finishes by saying that it is certainly "piquant" that this modern application of an ancient sport was taught by a Parisienne long before America claimed the original idea.

"I might have known that you would refuse me," said the poor but otherwise honest young man who had failed to impress the fair maid. "There was metallic ring in your voice when I entered the parlor that boded me no "Had you been a little more ob

also have noticed a metallic ring on my finger that Charlie Gotrox placed there last night." Thirty seconds later his feet were

servant." she rejoined, "you might

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