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MANY YEARS AGO.

Piles of the Journal Jan. 8, 1877. During the past week we have noticed on the streets a number of dead carcass es of what had been a large nice deer the Cedar.

Hon. J. E. North and Guy Barnum. jr., started for Lincoln on Sunday last. North is our democratic state senator he left town he repented and left the election to the state legislature, but his telling Granquist where the grip was. right to a seat will be disputed by T. C. But the message did not get delivered in

A. J. Arnold, accompanied by several month. Al. will leave his business here in charge of his partner, Charles Beringer, and purposes sticking to his Black Hill knitting.

Wm. E Walton and wife from Loud on Co., Va., have recently located at Genoa. They make a desirable accession to that already flourishing community of Friends. We are informed that in the immediate vicinity of Genoa there are as many as fifty members of the "Meeting" and that the average attendance at meeting and Sunday school is about thirty. The land upon which they have settled is remarkably fertile and well adapted to farming and stock raising, and we predict for the Friends there one of the most prosperous communities in the west.

The Girl From U. S. A."

A large company of talented singers and clever players with one of the best equipped and attractive chorus organizations on the road, is promised in the performance of 'The Girl from U. S. A" which will be seen for the first time here at North Theatre on Friday Dec 81. This musical drams has a long list of successes to its credit this season and comes with a glowing reputation for its mirth producing qualities and strong cituations. Its musical numbers are pronounced popular and tuneful by the press, and its production has been described as a noteworthy effort in scenic art. Prices 25-35-50 75.

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Those having business with the county clerk's office should bear in mind that after the first of the year the work of the office will be divided, and while both offices will occupy the same rooms so now, their work will be entirely separate. Recorder of Deeds Jerry Carrig and his deputy, L. A. Lachnit, will handle all deeds, mortgages, releases, in fact everything pertaining to land, and all papers of this nature should be addressed to the recorder of deeds, to insure prompt attention. County Clerk Graf and his deputy, Otto Houer, will attend to the business of the clerk's office. and all chattles, articles of incorporation dentists' and doctors certificates should be sent to the county clerk This change will confuse some people for a while, but it will result in prompter service on account of the division of the work.

About \$40,000 worth of Platte county real estate changed hands Tuesday afternoon at the referee sale conducted by C. M. Gruenther at the court house. I here were three tracts offered, one near Tarnov, another adjoining Newman Grove and one half way between Monroe and Genoa. The Tarnov land was sold in two parcels, one bringing \$123 50 and the other 905 That adjoining Newman Grove brought \$105 per acre, and those from that locality who are posted say that it was a good price. The Magnusson land, which lays along the Loup river, and a portion of which is a pasture, brought \$56 per sere, establishes anot her record price for land in that portion of the valley. The tract contained 240 scres; and some of it was first class land. but that adjoining the river reduced the price on the piece as a whole.

Charles O'Riley, Charles Harrol and Many deer have recently been killed on Elmer Granquist were all employed at O'Riley borrowed some footwear of Granquist and later took a grip from him and started for Omaha. But before grip at a local restaurant, and also a note time and a warrant was issued for O'Riley and Harrol, who were then in of our most prominent citizens, will Omaha, and Sheriff Carrig brought start for the Black Hills some time this them back the first of the week. At the bearing Monday Harrol was discharged but O'Riley drew a sentence of ten days in jail and costs, which he will serve out.

> On account of the volume of business transacted during the last six weeks, Harold Kramer, who is attending the Wm. Poesch was cramped for room in his candy factory and now he is seriously considering the matter of putting a He will return to the Windy City the brick structure on his corner suitable latter part of this week. for his requirements. He says it will require three stories and a basement to provide the needed room, and he is figuring on a modern pressed brick struc ture. He needs for room is in his can dy factory, and this would take up the larger portion of a new building. Mr. Poesch has an ideal loration for a building, and a structure like he contemplates putting up would be a material addition to that portion of Thirteenth street.

In "The Girl From U. S. A.," the theatregoer is treated to a story of intrigue and crime, of love and revenge that grips with a tenacity that is Zolaes que in its intensity. But the morbid element by no means is allowed to dominate; it is dispelled by racy comedy and bealthy action and the denouement brings happiness to the wronged and puulshment to the wrongdoer. This musical comedy drams will be presented by an excellent company of singers and actors at the North Theatre on Friday December 31. One of the strong features of the performance is the shapely and prettily costumed chorus, every member of which is a trained singer and dancer.

Joe Bapin, Syrian peddler, was slumbering soundly at Branigan's barn last Satu-day night, or rather Sunday morning when some of the boys came in and discovered him. They thought it would be considerable enjoyment to have Joe ing Christmas week, and on wake up in a snow bank, and proceeded Christmas and New Year days to do so. But Joe did not enjoy it as well as they did, and next morning he O'Brien's court against Frank Pfeifer, who was fined \$1 and costs.

The Ernest Fisher players, who made such a hit in Columbus last November. pay a return visit for all of next week. The cast will include all the players who made themselves so popular, but the plays of similar high class will be differout, including "A Gilded Fool," (the opening bill), "When we were Twenty-One," "Monte Cristo," "The Prisoner of Zonda," and, by special request, "Leah Klatchina." Ladies free with one paid

this city have had under consideration that consled this or lodge of the order, and it is probable a been eleven nights when the thermome eral locations for this are under consideration. A number of the leading business men and resident traveling men are members of the order.

sold as a whole, he did not want that been very little wind, it has laid on the amount of land.

Dr. Nauman, Dentist 18 St. Dr. Morrow, office Lucachen building. People who get results advertise in ti

Journal. Four room house for rent. Elliott, Speice & Co.

For Sale-A small cash register .-Phillippe & Budat.

Dr. C. A. Alleaburger, office in net State Bank building.

Dre. Carstenson & Hyland, Veterinarians Both phones 212. See the Columbus Hide Co, before you

sell your iron and junk. Dr. W. R. Neumarker, office with Dr.

C. D. Evane, west side of Park. Charles Jazwick of west of Platte Conter was in the city Tuesday or

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williams are rejoicing over the arrival of a nine pound daughter Monday.

It pays to sell your hides where you can get the most money from them. See Columbus Hide Co.

New Year's eve there will be services at the German Luthern church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Meissler.

Found-A Highlander pin, gold. Owner can have same by calling at Journal office and paying charges.

Miss Rose Stracke was presented with the beautiful doll that Leavy's drug store had on exhibition before Christmas.

Begin the year right. Attend the Orpheus dance at Orpheus hall, Saturday night, Jan. 1st.

Chas Potter and two sons of Monroe were in the city Tuesday evening, on the the Union Pacific bridge, west of town. | way to North Loup to visit a brother of Mr. Potter's.

> Frank Mills, who has been working at the carpenter trade in Lincoln since with his family.

Miss Hazel Richard of Gence was guest of Miss Minnie Glur between trains Tuesday, she being suroute to Fremont to visit with her sisters.

Miss Josephine Schultz, formerly of

Chicago university, arrived last Friday to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Holliday of Omsha were here Christmas, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Armstrong. Mr. Holli day is still in the employ of the Nebracks telephone company at the metro-

There will be three new deputies in the court house when the officers-elect take charge in January. Henry Lechnit has selected Ed Linsienski of Platte Center as his deputy, and John Graf named Otto Heuer as deputy clerk and Jerry Carrig retains L. A. Lachnit of

State Senator Randall of Newman said he secured a few pointers, but the portunity, than holding on to it. land he was looking for brought too high a price for him.

are not expected.

P. B. Derrington has sold an interest filled a complaint in Police Judge in his cigar factory to E. E. Williams, formerly with the Bergman marble work. Under the management of the new firm Mr. Derrington will devote his entire time to the manufacturing department, and Mr. Williams will have charge of the sales and collections. This change was made in order that the growing business of the factory could receive proper attention, and onlarged further as demands required.

December's weather record bears out the impression gained that the weather this month has been more severe than for several years. In fact, since 1898. when C. C. Gray began, keeping a local Members of the Elks who reside in record, there has not been a December for some time the organizing of a local During the present month there have meeting for that purpose will be held ter registered below zero, and two of this week. Should they organize, a club them, on the ninth and nineteenth, it room will have to be provided, and sev- resched fifteen below zero. And on this morning (Wednesday) the thermometer registered ten below sero. This extreme cold before the first of the year is quite unusual, as January and February are Peter Larson, one of the well to do the months when the oold weather is farmers of Mouroe township, was in the recorded. Since winter started there city Tuesday to attend the referes sale. has been thirty-three and one-half inches He was a prospective buyer for a por-tion of the Magnusson farm, but as it ing the present month, and as there has Union Block

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Dr. Chas. H. Campbell, oculist an aurist, 1215 Olive street.

Orushed rock salt for hides, and for tock.—Columbus Hide Co.

Emil Neff of Blackfoot, Idaho, arrived

Anton Vogel. Any man who will stop and look into The Oymos club holds its regular bi-Hart's windows can see some Hart Sch- weekly meeting, Thursday evening, affner & Marx clothes that he wante.

Mrs. G. M. Douglas and daughter Miss Ethel, will leave Thursday for David City were they will visit rela-

this city, came over from Oscaola to For the Holidays-A nice jug ing the club formed itself into a mock spend the Christmas holidays with her of our shoice wines or liquors city caucus and nominated city officials grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph at the right price, at William It is needless to say that the routine of Bucher's.

> Geo. Scott, ir., who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Scott, fal to the men who took part. The during the holidays, returned to Kansas City Wednesday.

of some mines they are interested in.

Lost-East of the city, a time book containing \$15 in bills, postage stamps and two aluminum cards. Finder please eave at Journal office and receive reward.

By failing to catch a hand rail last Wednesday night, Geo. McQuade, a comets passed within 50,000 miles of the Union Pacific engineer, sustained a bad sun in 1848, much nearer than any other ball. He was badly bruised about the heavenly body. Its rate of speed exceedhead and shoulders, and was compelled ed 1,000,000 miles per hour. Perhaps the clerks's office as deputy record of to turn his engine over to another man the most interesting discussion centerand go to Omaha.

James Nelson, who drew a farm in Grove was in the city Tuesday to attend Rosebud land drawing, and moved on it the referee sale and get a few pointers last spring, sold it a few weeks ago, and on celling land from Chris Gruenther, has returned to Columbus to live. He and incidentally place a bid on the land concluded there was more money in adjoining his home town. Mr. Randall letting the place go while he had an op-

In order to devote all of their time to their manufacturing plant, the Fontein Next Saturday evening, January 1, the Bros. this week concluded a deal when second angual New Year's reception will by they severed all connection with the be given by the members of the Y. M. Schmoller & Mueller Piano company, C. A. at their building, from 7 to 11 p. which they have represented since comm. In the receiving line will be the ming to this city. The store in the anpresident and board of directors of the nex was turned over to a representative association, assisted by their wives. The of the Omaha firm Wednesday and will, oublic is cordially invited to attend this | in the 'meantime, being charge of Misreception, which is for the older people, | Vesta Slater until a new manager arrives. but children under sixteen years of age This move was made necessary on account of the requirements of the new factory on the time of the Fontein Bros. they being compelled to give it their entire attention. But from now on, with no other business to interfere, they will push the manufacture of their own piance and place them on the market as home of their daughter, Mrs. F. Gray. soon as possible.

A Нарру New Year

We extend New Year Greetings to our customers and friends, ask for a continuation of their patronage during 1910.

Both Phones No. 80

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

New Years morning there will be comething special in the gymnasium for the boys. The program will consist of base ball and basket ball games.

The regular Bible classes will be held next Friday as usual The supper begine at 6:00 sharp. If you come late you are in danger of having to go hungry. The Bible classes begin at 6:30.

The mone Christmas service last Sunday was addressed by Rev. D. I. Roush of the Methodist church, In his message he emphasized God's Christmas gift to the world in the sacrifice of his only begotten son. Mr. J. F. Housh sang. "The Great White Throne."

The regular boys' Sunday meeting was held last Sunday with an attendance of twenty-four. This was one of the star meetings the boys have held. Come on boys and help boost the attendance. G. W. Phillips delivered a very interesting and helpful address which the boys appreciated very much. Next Sunday stock of goodies of all descriptions, even the committee will arrange for some to a couple of Havanas. She remembers special music. Mr. Putman will address the meeting. Every boy in the city is and pretty postal cards. cordially invited to attend these meet-

The program at the Cymca club, Thursday evening, December 30th, will consist of a debate on the following quee tion: Resolved:-That the country produces better character than the city life. Mesere. Fred Babcock, A. J. Masou, R. F. Staurt and Otto Kumpf will argue the affirmative. Mesers. M. C. Abts, Wm. Hockenberger, Putnam and V. T. Wilson will uphold the negative. After the debaters have finished their E. W. North of Omaha came up to argument and the judges have given spend Christmas with friends and rela- their decision the question will be thrown open to the house for discussion. We extend a very cordial invitation to men Tuesday and is a guest at the home of to attend this and other meeting of the

Dec. 30, at 8:30 o'clock. The young men are taking an increasing interest in the work of the Oymos literary club which holds its meetings every other Thursday evening in the association building. For parliamentary practice at the last meet this business and the stump speeches made by each man in behalf of his nominee was very helpful and especially helptopic for discussion was one which is anproaching the earth at a terrific rate of Fred Stenger and T. P Wilson left last speed. It "Cometa." The discussion week for Frye, Nevada, to attend the was led by Mr. C. N. Olseen who read a unnual meeting of the board of directors | well prepared paper on Halley's Comet. and also by Mr. M. C. Abts who had a paper on the bodies of the solar system in their relation to comets. In these papers some interesting facts were brought out. The earth actually passed through the tail of a comet in 1861. One of the most remarkable of all known ed about the future appearance of Half ley's Comet which on the 18th day of May, 1910, will pass within 14,000,000 miles of the earth. It will be easily visible to the naked eye. This comet is thought by some to have been the Star of Bethlebem.

Creston.

Prof. Patterson left Friday for Kansas City to spend his two weeks vacation.

The central office has been greatly improved this last week by an electric light. Bert Shau who underwent a surgical

operation about a week ago is able to be up an around. Dr. H. G. Morris is breaking in a new

two hundred dollar horse that he purchased last week. Mrs. E. E. Austin of Omaha arrived

here last Thursday evening to eat

Ohristmas dinner with home folks. Mr. and Mrs. G. W Smith and family of Central City spent Christmas at the

Dr. and Mrs. U. E. Ludwick came down from Elgin Monday morning. The doctor to look after his practice

Grandma Morris has been quite sick the last week, but Dr. Morris has taken good care of her, and she is again able to be up and around.

The Northwestern passenger train was snow bound here Saturday morning and | Excelsior Springs, Mo., Tuesday where seventy-five or eighty passengers were they will remain for some time, until

Mrs. D. S. Westcott accompanied by her sister Cors Wheeler, who has been M. C. A. will be conducted by the Rev. visiting here for the past month left last S. D. Harkness of the Presbyterian week for Jamestown, Mo, to spend Christmas with the folks at home. Mrs. Westcott expects to visit a few weeks before returning home.

The business men of this vicinity and also that of Leigh created quite a bit of excitement Ohristmas eve, when they beard that a forged check had been sashed here that afternoon and also one Olive Street at Leigh. The forger was eventually watch and fob chain, Hampden move-Leigh for his trial Monday.

Route No. 1. Mrs. Will Miller has been very sick

with lung fever, but is now slowly im-Adolph Reese of Shelton is spending the holidays with friends and his brother.

Wulter Reese, in the Loseke neighbor-Owing to the bad roads and weather the Christmas exercises at the various

churches were not as well attended as Paul Johannes of Columbus spent Christmas in the Loseke neighborhood

among his many friends and relatives. returning to business Monday. H. B. Reed is on the sick list. We have not heard whether it is a case of too much Christmas celebration, or over-

is licking stamps in his place. One of our young lady patrons did not forget the carrier Christmas day, but met us at the mail box with a large who brought all of those nice letters

work. J. C. Patterson, the rural sub,

School closed last Friday for Christmas vacation. Rosa Leavy, teacher in last week to spend the holidays with district 16, went to her home in Colum- relatives. bus, also Mise Edna Beardsley, teacher in the suburban district. Miss May Welck spent her Christmas with the home folks on the farm on Shell creek.

It is enstomary for all rural carriers to take everything in eight that looks good to them on Christmas day. Now, that large beef roast looked good to us, so we Columbus, Nebrasks, for the period andjust took it along, also the shining dol- ing December 29, 1909: lar we found in another box looked good. Many thanks for the token and presents received Christmas day.

"A Gilded Fool."

Mr. Ernest Fisher and his associate players, who made such an excellent Stock, Charlie Walter. showing when they were in Columbus Parties calling for any of the shows appearing at the North Opera House all the week commencing January 3, 1910. The opening bill will be "A Gilded Fool." great comedy made famous on both

mier comedian Nat Goodwin. The hero of "A Gilded Foot". Channmuch money that, for a while, he doesn't cently made: over-work his brain. A fine girl, Mar- Dist. No. garet Ruthven, is rather distant towards him, but hints that she might "come a little closer" if he would make an effort to take a man's place in the world. The ncentive supplied, Chauncey's brains begin to work in earnest, he saves Margarets's father from being ruined by a 11 dishonest partner, lands the scoundrel where he belongs, and make a half mil- 14 lion or so for himself into the bargain. He gets the girl.

This central figure of "A Gilded Fool" a part replete with dry humor, is exactly fitted to Mr. Fisher's temperament and artistic methods. Dad Burnham plays 24 a comedy role, as a detective disguised as a missionary, which always brings 2 lots of laughter. Miss Gayetty has no difficulty in being very charming as 30 Margaret Ruthven, and Mr. Ben Mac-Quarrie makes a splendid villain of the piece. There are two love stories in "A 3 Gilded Fool," and the other one is well 36 told by Miss O'Reiley and Mr. LaCour. 38 A lady, accompanied by a gentleman, will be admitted free on the opening 41 night, or two ladies may enter for the price of one admission.

Congregational Church.

The Congregational church offers the ollowing services for next Sunday. Sunday school 9:45; Worship 11: sub ject for sermon: The Investment of Time: Y. P. S. C. E 6:30. Of the evening the following program will be rend-

Organ Gloria Invocation Hymn Hymn Prayer

Trombone Solo "The Holy City"-Mr. John Stovicek

The Triumph of Right Doing-A New Year Message-Paster Solo-Mrs. Mark Rathburn

Approuncement and offertory Anthem-Choir Benediction.

We invite you to these services. WILLIAM L. DIBBLE.

The Misses Maud Galley and Esther

Lubker, who are attending college at

Oberlin, O., arrived home last week Mr. and Mrs. Dan Echols returned to

The Men's Sunday meeting at the Y. church, who will deliver the New Year's

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. North left Monday evening for San Diego, Cal., where they will spend the winter. They will stop for a short time in Denver on their way weetward.

Lost-Between the Third ward school and the Methodist church, a ladies' gold cought at Clarkson and brought back to ment. Finder leave at Dack's drug store and receive reward.

A pretty cold winter, so far.

Get a Hot Water Bottle and keep warm.

The Druggist on the Corne Columbus, Nebraska

Victor Schober of Cambridge arrived

P. A. Saffran left Tuesday for Chicago, where he will spend a week in the inter est of the North theatre.

Advertised Letters.

Following is a list of unclaimed mell matter remaining in the post office as

Letters-H B Bouter, Mrs Lizzle

Brandt 2, Mrs Edna Chambers, Mrs A B Galloway, Paul Gneiser, Mrs Alpha M Cards-Margaret Barts, Miss Post

Cook, Edna Dawson, Peter Lind, Jacob

CARL KRAMER, P. M. State School Money.

County Superintendent Lecron has sides of the Atlantic by America's pre- certified to Treasurer Held the following district apportionments of state school money coming to Platte coults sey Short, is a young man left with so in the semi-annual distribution re-



Route No. 4. John Randall has been on the sick list the last few weeks.

Iosei Bros. and D. F. Donghue have filled their ice houses. Mrs. Napier left Monday for Greeley

to visit friends and relatives

much better for him.

Ludwig Ebner of Winnipeg. Canada, arrived last Thursday for a visit with his brothers. Miss Josie Dineen, who is teaching

near Silver Oreek, came bome to spend Christmas with her parents. Carrier No. 4 is now delivering mail in a sleigh, having changed the wheels on his wagon to runners. As long as the

present sleighing lasts this makes it

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