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Smiles of Satisfaction!

Smiles of Satisfaction are noticeable characteristics in our store these days of bargain selling. Those bargains in Novelty Goods, Plaids, Brocades, and some plain colors that make elegant cheap dresses for school wear, and are exceptional values for older people.

Jackets.

We never tire of mentioning "JACKETS;" at the prices we are asking each Lady, Miss or Child can have one. All we ask for them is

50 cents on the Dollar.

Underwear.

Men's wool fleece, heavy weight 40c.
 " cotton " medium " 30c.
 Ladies wool " heavy " 40c.
 " cotton " medium " 25c.
 Underwear for the smaller tots, size 16, cotton fleece or wool 10c, 5c rise in size.



SHOES AT COST.

Mothers, do your children need shoes? We are closing out at cost, the entire line of M. D. Well shoes thus giving you an advantage of buying shoes at the same price we paid for them.



LADIES' SHOES.
 Wells Dongola Kid tip, lace Regular \$2.25, at \$1.65.
 Wells Kangaroo Calf, stock tip, lace Regular \$2.25, at \$1.65.
 Wells Vici Kid, chocolate, lace, Regular \$2.25, at \$1.65.
Misses' and Children's Shoes.
 Wells vici kid, chocolate, size 1 to 2, Regular \$1.85, at \$1.32.
 Wells kangaroo calf, size 1 to 2, Regular \$1.85, at \$1.32.
 Wells vici kid, size 8 to 13, Regular \$1.85, at \$1.32.
 Wells kangaroo calf, size 8 to 13, Regular \$1.85, at \$1.32.
 Wells vici kid, sizes 5 to 8, Regular \$1.50, at \$1.10.

Dress Goods and Suitings.

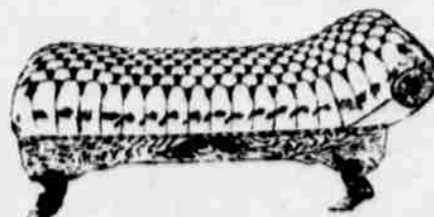
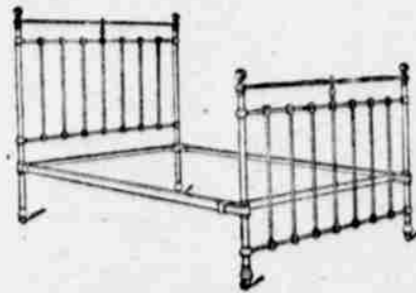
We are intent upon giving you the best possible goods at the lowest prices. For the next ten days we will give a special discount of ten per cent on all dress goods and suitings. This includes our entire line. All Crepons, Crepon Effects, Brilliantines, Henriettas, Serges, Novelty Goods and Flannels.

BLANKETS.

Cotton, medium weight, fancy borders, size 56x72 inches, 40c.
 Other grades, heavier weights, 65c to \$1.75 per pair.

FURNITURE.

The Furniture Question.
 A Big Discount.
 Prices to February 1.
 3 piece bed room suite \$14.80.
 Iron Beds for \$2.00.
 Dining Chairs, cane seat, 75c.
 Kitchen Chairs, 50c.



Rockers, cane seat at \$1.45.
 Kitchen Cupboards, large \$4.80.
Special in the Carpet Room.
 Moquettes, one pattern, 30 yards, \$24.
 Light weight all wool Ingrain, 50 yds., \$34c.
 Samples of Wilton, Velvet, Moquette, etc. 70c each.

Groceries. The foundation of health is pure groceries. They make wholesome food possible. Libby, McNiell & Libby's canned meats, viz: Chipped Beef, Deviled Ham, Veal Loaf, Chicken Loaf, Vienna Sausage,

An assorted line of prepared soups.
 Highest Market Price Paid for Produce.

Miner Brothers,

Red Cloud Nebraska.

CAPITAL NOTES

Special Correspondence.

The first bills to pass the house were the two expense bills, appropriating \$85,000 to pay members salaries, and mileage, and \$30,000 to pay incidental expenses of the session. As usual they went through without a contest, and the senate welcomes them with open arms.

As was predicted a month ago the wholesale unseating of members on contests met with little favor. While strict attention to the spirit of retaliation would have called for the firing of two or three fusionists, the republicans gave the benefit of every doubt to the fusionists, and let them hold their seats. This shows a strong contrast between republican and fusion political methods and morals. As usual, however, the state will be called upon to pay contest expenses and fat lawyers fees for both parties.

One of the early bills to get in is house roll No. 101, providing for the payment of the premium on the state treasurer's bond. Two years ago the same sort of a proposition was before the session, and in the course of its consideration the treasurer was asked where he had the permanent school fund deposited, and how much interest he derived from this source. He refused to answer these questions, and the bill properly failed. It is believed that in the four years of his term Messervy derived from \$12,000 to \$20,000 from these deposits, and this being the case the payment of the bond premium was no burden. In case Treasurer Stueffer informs the public of the location of this fund, and reports the interest into the treasury, the payment of the expense of his official bond is considered to be proper and right.

Another Russian thistle bill has come in, but the thistle agitation is pretty well played out. In 1895 there was a great thistle scare and a bill was rushed through. In a later session proof was produced that the pests were really a blessing and that cattle and sheep feed over themselves to feed on Russian thistles. Now the other extreme is to come, and the "pest" cry is to be heard again.

Senator Steele has introduced a bill to establish a new military code and reorganize the national guard.

The usual number of normal school bills are coming in, including one or two to unload empty buildings on the state and quite an active lobby to boom these projects is already noticeable.

Several reappointment bills are under consideration and it is certain that the one adopted will make radical changes. The last appointment was made in 1885. In 1890 the bill agreed upon was killed by W. A. Poynter who was committee chairman. Attempts were made in 1895 and 1899, but both failed. The constitution really calls for a new appointment every five years.

It used to be a standing joke that one was so scarce of reading matter that he used to read "even the advertisements." This can no longer be used as a joke. Advertisers have kept pace with or ahead of the progressive times. It costs immense sums of money to advertise as some firms do. They would never spend this money unless their advertisements were read. As a consequence as much, or more perhaps, pains are taken to get up attractive advertising than there is to keep up good editorials. Men are paid large salaries for both. Good advertisers change their matter often. It is worded carefully and with a direct interest to the reader. It naturally follows that the reading public now read advertisements just as eagerly as they do any other part of the paper. Proof of this fact is most easily demonstrated. If by an error a merchant should quote a price below that which he intended and the people see a "snap" bargain he is aware at once that advertising has results, though in that case it did not pay.

Running a newspaper is just like running a hotel, only its different. When a man goes into the hotel and finds something on the table that does not suit him he doesn't get up and kick and raise Cain with the landlord and tell him to "stop his darned old hotel." Well hardly. He sets that dish aside and wades into some of the many dishes that does suit him. It is different with some newspaper readers. They find an item occasionally that does not suit them exactly and without stopping to think that it may please hundreds of other readers, make a grand stand play of their supreme asininity, and hasten to the office and give a sharp, excited order to "stop the darned old paper" little thinking that the editor looks upon him with the same infinite smallness that a hotel man would if he kicked at something on the table. But the paper don't stop; not much, but this particular kicker's paper fails to reach him next week, and he has to run over and borrow his neighbors' just to see if it is still being published.

The State Journal of last Tuesday says: "The eight presidential electors met yesterday at noon in Governor Deitrich's office and cast their votes for president and vice president. The balloting was carried on as formally as an election at the polls and each member used a printed card on which he wrote the name of the candidate of his choice. The eight votes will help swell the majorities of President McKinley and Vice President Roosevelt. Later in the day the electors met and balloted forty times before a messenger was elected to carry the vote to Washington. The last six or seven votes resulted in a tie for J. F. Nesbit of Tekamah and W. R. Barton of Tecumseh. Finally a recess was taken. During the recess an understanding was reached and Mr. Barton was elected messenger. As Mr. Barton was an old soldier it was deemed fitting that this honor should go to him. In accordance with a previous arrangement all the electors will accompany Mr. Barton on the trip to Washington. The party will leave Nebraska January 25.

The Curtis Courier of recent date says: "A discovery of considerable importance even on the old frontier has just been made north of the city. It is no less than an old funeral pyre, where in the earlier days some poor victim furnished a sacrificial offering to appease the wrath of howling savages. Burned bones, brass buttons, arrow heads galore, a broken tomahawk, and other evidences of the fiendish carnival were found in the residue. Even the old charred stake to which the victim was lashed was found firmly planted in the ground and brought in. The gruesome relics are in a fair state of preservation and instinctively causes the mind of the beholder to go back to the days when some victim of savage fury furnished rare sport for the "red devils" as his life went out in a fiery cloud amid the howling orgies of the savages."

A Kentucky editor going off on a visit left his paper in charge of a minister. During the minister's stay in the sanctuary the following letter came from a mountain subscriber: "You know d—d well I paid my subscription the last time I was in Lexington. If I get any more such letters from you as I received last week I will come down and maul h—l out of you." The minister answered: "I have been trying to maul that thing out of the editor for the last ten years, and if you really come down and maul it out of him, then, my dear sir, I have twenty members in my congregation you can operate on."—Ex.

A prominent republican stepped into Grass's drug store one day this week and wanted four ounces of glycerine, bayrum and Florida water compounded for chapped hands. "I have no Florida water," said the druggist, "but I can give you Rosewater instead." "Not by a d—d sight you don't," roared the prospective customer, "I've got no use for Rosewater, and don't you forget it," and it took the courteous young clerk fully ten minutes to explain that the rose water he spoke of had nothing to do with the Omaha Bee.—Ex.

ALMOST FORGOTTEN.

Incidents of Every Day Life Which Very Few People Stop to Think About on Account of Their Littleness.

It looks good to see the smoke rolling up from the stack of the new mill, which indicates that the machinery is in motion.—At last our city has an institution of which it can justly feel proud.—Some one of the different brands of flour should be in every household and for sale in every store which sells this family necessity.—A patronizing of home industries is what makes towns and cities.—Red Cloud should not stop at this one institution but should reach out for others.—In order to do this an association of citizens must be organized so people who have enterprises which they wish to locate will know there is something to base support upon.—We can make suggestions that are valuable if acted upon but it takes more than our own loneliness to carry them out.—When a young man takes a vacation out of town for his "health" he has a kind of sheepish look when he returns.—He may have gained a few more gray hairs but he can breathe easier.—Take a lawyer with a bewildering trunk tank and he can build more air castles of how he is going to get his client out of the toils than a kid before Christmas.—Air castles are oftentimes punctured.—If some of our attorneys would during the present legislature see that one or two laws now on the statute books were so amended as to make both parties jointly amenable to the law in cases of criminal intimacy, there would be fewer innocent parties sent up.—This would make a less number of street walkers and a purer atmosphere in the cities of the state.—There would be less levying of blackmail for the purpose of extortion of money.—A paper gives the welcome news that asbestos towels are among the curiosities of the day.—When soiled it is only necessary to throw them into a red hot fire and after a few minutes draw them out fresh and clean.—This will be a great boon to printers at short short stories in regard to printers' towels.

What Shall We Have for Dinner?

This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it today. Try Jell-O, a delicious dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No baking, add hot water and set in cool. Flavors:—Lemon, orange, raspberry and Strawberry. At your grocers, 10 cts.

Contagious Blood Poison

There is no poison so highly contagious, so deceptive and so destructive. Don't be too sure you are cured because all external signs of the disease have disappeared, and the doctor says you are well. Many persons have been dosed with Mercury and Potash for months or years, and pronounced cured—to realize when too late that the disease was only covered up—that the disease was driven from the surface to break out again, and to their sorrow and mortification find those nearest and dearest to them have been infected by this loathsome disease, for no other poison is so surely transmitted from parent to child as this. Often a bad case of Rigumatism, Catarrh, Scrofula or severe skin disease, an old sore or ulcer developing in middle life, can be traced to blood poison contracted in early life.

SSS cures Contagious Blood Poison in any and all stages; contains no mineral to break down your constitution; it is purely vegetable and the only blood purifier known that cleanses the blood and at the same time builds up the general health.

Our little book on contagious blood poison is the most complete and instructive ever issued; it not only tells all about this disease, but also how to cure yourself at home. It is free and should be in the hands of everyone seeking a cure. Send for it.

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