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The fourth quarterly meeting of the M. E. church for this charge will take place Sunday. Preparatory services at the church this evening.

J. H. Purdy, of the American Water Works Company, and Mr. Walker, agent, were in the city a couple days this week and formed the local water works company.

A number of Grand Army men are making preparations to attend the 9th annual reunion at Omaha which commences Sept. 5th. There will not be so many in attendance from this county as usual.

Commenting the first of the coming month an improvement in the volume of business transacted may be expected. Tom Thrunke wishes each and every North Platte business man a profitable fall trade.

Use Carter's Diamond Brand Paint. A. F. Stretz, sole agent.

At the formation of the Grand Legion A. O. U. W. in Omaha last week, John Hawley was elected Grand Marshal, an important position. North Platte holds several high positions in the principal orders.

T. J. Foley arrived home from New York yesterday morning, having spent over a week in the metropolis buying goods, which will begin to arrive in about one week.

We have not been over troubled with rain this season, and it comes with some gusto to begin to complain of wet weather so soon, yet there are some who have raised the cry already, principally on account of base ball however. We have had many more days of sun than a few weeks of rain should be rather welcomed than otherwise.

By reference to the list published elsewhere it will be noticed that there have been a number of heavy transfers lately. Mr. Patterson sold his building on Spruce to Mr. R. R. Stretz, an indication that Spruce St. property is not falling off in value. This gives Mr. Ottman three buildings side by side, in what will remain for years a choice location.

The B. & M. people are pushing their Cheyenne branch with all the vigor that money will allow. A temporary bridge has been laid in the sand across the Platte at Sterling, thus allowing track-laying on the west side of the river while the bridge is being built. It is said to be the intention to reach Cheyenne before the snow flies.

Carter's Diamond Brand Paint is an absolutely pure lead and linseed oil paint of the highest grade. A. F. Stretz, sole agent.

The merchant tailoring firm of Brocker & Baumgardner, west Sixth street, respectively invite attention to their large importation of new and desirable piece goods for suitings, overcoats and pants. This stock is by far the largest and cheapest ever brought to the city. The cutting department is in charge of an experienced cutter and if your suit does not fit you, the firm will not ask you to take it. Go round and let them take your measure for the noblest suit you ever possessed. Price reduced reasonably.

Every Package of Carter's Diamond Brand Paint guaranteed for purity and durability. A. F. Stretz, sole agent.

Among other machines recently added by Conway and Keith is a squaring tin and sheet iron cutter, which greatly facilitates and cheapens work in the tin shop. With this machine the tin for pails, boilers and all irregular shaped work can be cut with perfect accuracy, and in cutting the iron for stove pipe its a saving, saving three-fourths of labor and saving pipe that will fit at the joints to a hair. Its a great labor saving machine.

The weather during the week has been quite cool, bringing heating stoves into active demand. A drizzling rain commenced falling Tuesday, developing into regular showers on Wednesday, Thursday being almost of the same character. The precipitation up to Thursday morning had been an inch, the mercury at that time being as low as 47 degrees below zero, making light overcoats and wraps quite comfortable. Snow has probably fallen in the mountains. The rain was general throughout the state and west.

A man named Chris P. Colbeck, a Swede, was taken up this week supposed to be insane. He was placed in jail pending a meeting of the board of insanity, which took place on Wednesday, after hearing some evidence the board was unable to decide just what was the matter with the man and adjourned to await further developments. The very violent, having refused nourishment for three days. At one time the sheriff found it necessary to chain him to the bedstead. At this writing (Wednesday) it is believed he has cerebral meningitis.

On Wednesday of last week the neighborhood of Milldale in Custer county was visited by the most destructive storm of the season, there being a combination of hail, rain and wind. The storm at Milldale was washed into the Loup, which rose nine feet in a few hours. The heavy bars are at the bottom of the river. A large quantity of flour and wheat stored in the city was blown out of the city at that point, some about three miles wide, extending nearly south for a number of miles. Many pieces of corn in the path of the storm were practically ruined.

A son of Wm. Edis, who resides about two miles south of the city, met with an accident last Friday afternoon that is likely to prove fatal. The boy is about two and a half years old and had been out playing with the contents of the stock yard. Becoming tired, the little fellow laid down in the road and went to sleep. One of Mr. Edis' teams came in from the hay field with a load of hay and woke the boy up, but it seems almost incredible, for a few moments later a team left the stock yard and the driver not seeing the child, the wheels of the wagon passed lengthwise of the child, bruising his leg, side and arm and nearly crushing the head. The blood flowed freely from both ears. At this writing the boy is not expected to live, the injuries in the head being apparently more serious than at first supposed.

The teachers institute commences Monday under the supervision of Prof. Allwine as principal instructor. It has been remarked that the young lady teachers from the country are generally prominent students at institutes, while those from the city are often conspicuous by absence. It is hoped there will be no ground for such a remark on this occasion. Every teacher should attend. It is a preparatory school in which teachers brush off the cobwebs that have gathered about their mental faculties during vacation and prepare themselves for the work before them. None are so wise but what they can learn something new. In every profession or occupation, industry and study are necessary to proficiency. He who imagines he knows it all is sure to get left. A constant brightening up is required, and the institute is the very best place for this work.

PEOPLE AND EVENTS

George Burke, of Omaha, circulated in the city Monday.

C. W. Collins, of Dillon, Collins & Co., was in the city Tuesday.

H. C. Hennie went to Chicago Saturday to purchase his fall stock of goods.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Patterson are visiting in Chicago, having left for that metropolis early in the week.

E. H. Edson, of the train despatcher's office, left Thursday evening for a ten days' visit in the eastern part of the state.

Miss Effie Dougherty has sent in her resignation as teacher in the public schools, an action her many friends here will regret to learn.

J. S. Dellinger of the Broken Bow Daily World, called at this newspaper headquarters on Wednesday. Mr. D. was in the city on land office business.

L. Rosenfeld returned from his trip to the eastern cities Wednesday night. Although his mission was to buy goods, he managed to sandwich considerable pleasure with business and reports a highly enjoyable time.

W. A. Bradley, who for a number of years past has run a photograph car over the U. P. road, was a caller Thursday, returning from a visit to Chicago. The car is now stationed at Ogallala but will be here in a week or two.

Mrs. Lester Bells returned Thursday evening from her visit to Soda Springs, Salt Lake and Cheyenne. The Misses Babcock, of Omaha, who accompanied Mrs. Bells on her western trip went through on No. 2 last evening.

Invitations are out announcing the coming nuptials of Rev. George H. Macdonald and Miss Florence Grady, the ceremony to take place at the M. E. church, Wednesday evening, Sept. 7th, at eight o'clock. Reception at home from nine to eleven.

Lieut. John C. Walsh, signal corps U. S. army, was in the city Sunday. The lieutenant is on a tour of inspection. He went from here direct to Pike's Peak to close the signal station at that place and turn the same over to Harvard College.

Mrs. James Sutherland took advantage of the cool weather to make a trip to Lancaster, Penna., which she had contemplated for some time. A telegram received by Mr. S. Thursday morning conveyed the intelligence that she arrived at her destination safely. She will be absent a couple months or more.

Lou Simon arrived from Chicago Thursday morning after a three weeks' absence. Mr. S. says the fall trade with the Chicago wholesale house is simply immense. He bought a heavy stock for the Palace and is looking for a party of that popular establishment will find there anything they desire.

Miss Leora Stevens entertained about twenty-five of her young friends Saturday evening in celebration of her fifteenth birthday, the young lady being the recipient of a number of handsome gifts. The guests departed at proper time wishing the hostess many happy returns of the day.

A party of gentlemen assembled at the residence of H. L. Walsh Tuesday to assist the lord of the household in properly celebrating the closing hours of his birthday anniversary. Though not very large the party was a jolly one and the evening was a pleasant one throughout. A palatable collation was served by Mrs. Walsh and after doing justice to the feast the participants withdrew.

County Attorney Nesbitt went over to Grand Junction Monday to attend to the subject of his visit being to see if Charles Parker alias James Harris has any property in that part of the country. There should be something left, at least Mr. Bash and his friends hope there is. Parker had several homes in that section, but they were all burned and he was arrested and robbed by the "U. S. Marshalls." To verify the correctness of this report will be no easy matter.

Water Works are to be commenced at once and it will soon be time to attend to the matter of getting water into your house, which will be a great convenience as well as a protection to your property. Conway & Keith have secured the services of a professional plumber from the east and will have him here to attend to this class of work as soon as the pipes are laid. Any one contemplating the matter will do well to call at once and we will give all necessary information. All work guaranteed first-class.

Fatal Railroad Accident. A serious accident happened to No. 4 on the U. P. road at Sand Creek four miles this side of Denver Wednesday evening. Sand Creek is a dry bed of quick sand, except when there are very heavy rains or water spouts, and the bridge is within a few yards of where the B. & M. crosses the U. P. track. At this crossing the U. P. train generally runs on the bridge. On this occasion the train stopped as usual, but had only proceeded a few yards when engine the plunger of the creek, followed by the expresscar, Engineer Peter Masterson went down with the engine and is probably buried under the wreck as his body could not be found. The fireman Hiram Smith escaped, reports yesterday evening being to the effect that he had died. The baggage man was also badly injured. Authentic information is hard to get, the Denver papers only having meager accounts. At last accounts the engine was washed into the quick sand. Some years ago a Kansas Pacific engine went into a similar stream and it is there yet.

The accident was caused by a heavy rain or "cloud burst," but being washed away the supports of the bridge. There seems to be a fatality about this accident. Usually the B. & M. train leaves Denver first, and was only saved from a like fate by the accident to the U. P. train, as the B. & M. bridge crossing the same stream washed away also; but on this occasion the U. P. train left first. Bruce Tarkington was the regular engineer who should have pulled the train out, but he was off on his fishing excursion and Masterson was temporarily running his engine. Engineer Chadwick had reported for duty in the afternoon and it had been arranged to send him out on the train, but not being notified up to a late hour he concluded that he was not to go out and went up town. He had not left the union depot more than ten minutes before the caller came after him. The train was saved one of North Platte's best citizens.

Later information received last evening makes it probable that Engineer Masterson was washed out of the cab and was probably drowned. Fireman Smith was carried down the stream in an incoherent condition about 300 yards, where he was picked up by parties living near by. The baggage man escaped unhurt. There were about seven feet of water in the creek. A tramp and a runaway boy were riding on the front platform of the baggage car. The tramp received injuries from which he subsequently died.

BOARDING HOUSE FOR SALE. Wanting to retire from the Boarding House and Confectionery business, I will offer the same for sale for the next thirty days at a rare bargain. For particulars call on or address Mrs. Mary Mason, North Platte, Nebraska.

RED LETTER DAY

T. J. FOLEY'S, has been a grand success but we still have some goods left to slaughter. We have continued our Special Red Letter Sale until Sept. 1st so that you may all have a chance to buy goods cheap. Remember all goods have been greatly reduced in price and no one can afford to lose this grand opportunity to purchase goods at one-half their original value.

Our Cox and Reed Fine Shoes are going very fast at the cut prices. Every pair warranted. Call and get prices.

T. J. FOLEY.

LAMPLUGH & HARRINGTON, Groceries, Provisions, Flour, Feed, Produce. FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

OUR MOTTO:--"LIVE AND LET LIVE." We don't expect to get rich in few years like our competitors but will SELL ON CLOSE MARGINS and be content with small profits. The fine Colorado Flour cut from \$3 to \$2.50 per cwt; warranted to beat any Nebraska flour. Give us a call. LAMPLUGH & HARRINGTON.

Real Estate Transfers Recorded in the office of the county clerk from Aug. 11th to Aug. 26th, 1897. All are by warranty deed unless otherwise noted: Conrad A. Sherman to H. W. Allwine, lots 7, 8 and 9, block 35, North Platte Town Lot Co's Addition, \$300. T. C. Patterson and wife to H. R. Ottman, lot 6 in Belmont's subdivision of lots 5 and 6, in block 114, \$5,000. Edward D. Murphy and wife to D. U. and O. M. Morley, no. 33-13-37, \$2,300. Milton W. Caywood to D. B. McNeal, lots 3 and 4, sec. 4-14-51, 50 acres, \$250. S. P. Patterson and wife to Luke F. Haley, lots 5 and 6, block 181, North Platte, \$500. W. L. McGee and wife to W. H. McDonald, lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, block 182, North Platte, \$250. S. A. Ballinger to J. C. Huffer, lots 6 and 7, sec. 9 or sec. 6-14-51, \$500. Jane Butcher to Mary T. Patterson, all of block 74, North Platte, \$1,400. A. C. Taylor to A. E. Beck, lots 6 and 7, block 4, Taylor's addition to North Platte, \$75. Elizabeth Strickler and husband to H. D. Rhea, lots 1 and 2, block 7, Miller's addition, \$300. W. Sanborn Gee and wife to Ira M. Kennelman, west half sec. 4 11-9-37, \$800. U. P. Ry. Co. to James D. Wilson, fractional lots 5, 6, 7, 8, blk 178, North Platte, \$120. U. P. Ry. Co. to James E. Grace, lots 5 and 6 blk 176, North Platte, \$150. U. P. Ry. Co. to Eliza M. Dowd lots 7 and 8, block 88, \$80. U. P. Ry. Co. to John C. Huffer, a h section 5, town 14, and h section 33, town 15, all in range 31, \$1,288.

Prof. Alexander has been delivering lectures at Loyd's opera house with respect to phrenology. The professor is said to be well grounded in the science, and makes interesting lectures, but partly on account of a lack of interest and partly on account of the weather, his lectures were rather poor houses. Interest in the science was at its height about a quarter of a century ago, when Prof. Fowler and Wells Dr. Simms and numerous other students gave the subject prominence. Of late lecturers in this field have been rather scarce, at least in the West, and perhaps of second class, giving room for considerable scepticism as to whether there is any true science in phrenology. The professor inclines to the opinion that there is.

Mr. Andrew Baker, who resides in 12-37, has a little son three years old and a little girl some older who were playing together in the yard one day last week when they found a large rattlesnake. The little boy not knowing the danger took the snake up in his hands, which frightened the little girl and she ran in to inform her mother. Mrs. Baker hurried into the yard and was not a little frightened to see her little boy grasping the snake just below the head. When he saw his mother coming he threw the snake at his feet; strange to say it did not bite him. The snake which had five rattles was instantly killed by Mrs. B.'s Ogallala Reflector.

There are some fellows just near Nichols station who are getting a little mean to suit honest people. One night this week a pump was taken from the school house in district No. 11, on the Irving ditch one and a half miles north of Nichols. The officers are pretty confident who took it, and unless the pump is returned there is likely to be trouble and costs to pay.

I have removed my Blacksmith and Wagon Shop to the block opposite Lloyd's opera house, two blocks east of the old stand, where with increased accommodations are enlarged shop and store rooms, improved tools, etc., and having secured the services of Mr. John Osterstead and other good workmen I expect to do all kinds of blacksmithing, horse-shoeing, wagon and carriage work in a superior style. All kinds of machinery repaired and repairs ordered. Hay loaders, hay stackers, hay sweeps, hay rakes, and all kinds of agricultural implements; new and second hand phaetons, buggies, spring wagons, blackboards and other vehicles.

THE RED WAGON SHOP. Opposite the Opera House. Mr. Belton displays a Garland stove this week which for artistic workmanship and finish excels any stove brought to the city. It's a beauty and no mistake.

OUR FALL STOCK

WILL BE HERE NEXT WEEK! LOOK OUT FOR OUR OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT!

R. & S. Cash One-Price Clothiers, in OTTENSTEIN BUILDING.

GEO. C. HANNA, Attorney at Law, Room 11, Land Office Block. NORTH PLATTE - NEBRASKA. C. C. Noble is offering foot wear during his clearance sale cheaper than was ever before offered in this city. Ladies and misses rubbers 25 cents. Ladies and misses kid shoes, \$1.25.

ICE CREAM FREEZERS, Ice Boxes and Gasoline Stoves cheap to close out at BELTON'S.

I am closing out my line of WETSE SEWING MACHINES, and now offer them at very low figures. If you want a bargain in the best machine in the country call and see them before my present stock is exhausted.

JAMES BELTON. SHOT GUNS CHEAP AT BELTON'S.

I have moved my stock of FURNITURE into the freshly fitted up room two doors south of my hardware store. It will pay every one in need of furniture of any kind to see my nice new stock. JAMES BELTON.

All the best makes of bugles at Hershey & Co's. The Latest Improved Osborne Mower \$45 at Hershey & Co.

WANTED - Spring chickens at highest cash prices at the Vienna Bakery and Restaurant. Fifty lots sold already in the North Platte Town Lot Company's Addition. When 150 lots are sold prices will be advanced.

Fresh Fish every Thursday and Friday at L. Haynes' Front street market. We are sparing no pains to secure the best beeves that can be found in the country. KLENK & GATWARD.

FOR SALE. Three yearling Durham bulls. Sired by the thoroughbred Duke Ellis No. 6578 A. H. B. from high grade Durham cows. These are choice animals in every respect and will be sold cheap. D. M. HOSFORD, North Platte, Neb.

Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Sausage, Lard, and all things kept in first class Butcher Shop, at the Front street market. L. HAYNES. If you want a nice hanging lamb, Thacker has some he is offering very cheap. Ham, breakfast bacon, sausage and everything to be found in a first-class meat market, at KLENK & GATWARD'S.

My Motto: I Will not be Undersold. C. F. ORMSBY. R. E. HOLBROOK, Surgeon Dentist, OFFICE POST OFFICE BLOCK.