

James Dillon

Hurrah for the Holidays.

Right now we are ready for business with an immense assortment of CHRISTMAS GIFTS. The new, the novel and the beautiful are all included in this. A splendid line of CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AND HOLIDAY GOODS. We offer a great variety of appropriate presents for ladies, gentlemen and children. We can supply a suitable gift for old or young at any sum you desire to expend. Our elegant holiday stock is a popular stock in all respects, selected to meet all requirements. We are glad to welcome visitors, pleased to show our goods, and ready to make close prices to all buyers.

- 20 dozen fancy towels, regular price 30 cents per pair, going for 25 cents per pair.
10 dozen fancy pure Irish linen towels, regular price from 75 cents to \$1.00, going at 55 cents per pair.
1,000 ladies' silk handkerchiefs, regular price 35 cents each, going at 18 cent each, which was bought at 20 cents on the dollar.
100 dozen ladies' linen handkerchiefs; hem stitched and fancy borders, regular price 12 1/2 to 15 cents, going at 8 cents.
25 dozen gents' pure linen white handkerchiefs, regular price 35 cents each, going at 19 cents each.
25 dozen gents' hemstitched and fancy borders, regular price 25 cents, going at 14 cents.
100 dozen ladies' handkerchiefs at 14 cents, worth 8 cents.
15 dozen gents' initial silk handkerchiefs, large size, at 50 cents, regular price 75 cents.
Our stock of mufflers are ranging from 50 cents to \$3.00 each.

Space will not permit to mention all the novelties we have in our store, but we have thousands of articles which will make useful presents for the holidays. We also received a beautiful line of ladies' and misses' shoes and dress goods for the holiday trade. Yours for great bargains,

The Boston Store, The only Cheap Store with Good Goods in Lincoln County: JULIUS PIZER, PROPRIETOR.

The Almighty Dollar. Don't pay other people's debts. DAVIS Is the ONLY Hardware Man in North Platte that NO ONE OWES. You will always find my price right. Yours for Business, A. L. DAVIS. Still Selling Hardware, Tinware, Stoves, Sporting Goods, Etc.

Dr. N. McCABE, Prop. J. E. BUSH, Manager. NORTH PLATTE PHARMACY, [Successor to J. Q. Thacker.] NORTH PLATTE, - NEBRASKA. WE AIM TO HANDLE THE BEST GRADE OF GOODS, SELL THEM AT REASONABLE PRICES, AND WARRANT EVERYTHING AS REPRESENTED. Orders from the country and along the line of the Union Pacific Railway Solicited.

GUYS PLACE FINEST SAMPLE ROOM IN NORTH PLATTE Having refitted our rooms in the finest of style, the public is invited to call and see us, insuring courteous treatment. Finest Wines, Liquors and Cigars at the Bar. Our billiard hall is supplied with the best make of tables and competent attendants will supply all your wants. KEITH'S BLOCK, OPPOSITE THE UNION PACIFIC DEPOT

City and County News.

Lester Eells returned Saturday from a two days business trip in Buffalo county.
A concert for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. is among the possible entertainments of the future.
O. K. Peck, who has been at Blue Springs for several months, visited his North Platte friends the latter part of the week.
Hall's Hair Renewer renders the hair lustrous and silken, gives it an even color, and enables women to put it up in a great variety of styles.
Agent Kautz, of the Stark Bros. nursery, was confined to the Hotel Neville several days last week with a threatened attack of pneumonia.
Bank Examiner Whitmore, in charge of the North Platte National, has brought his wife to town, and they are now domiciled at the Hotel Neville.
Secretary Hollingsworth went to Beatrice the latter part of the week to attend the Y. M. C. A. state convention. He expected to return home to-day.
The Methodist social at the Evans' residence Thursday evening was quite well attended. Music and innocent games formed the entertaining features.
H. S. Tibbles, the upholsterer and furniture repairer, has moved from Baker precinct to the Patterson house at the lower end of Spruce street. Work entrusted to him will be promptly executed.
L. C. Stockton, the editor of the Sidney Pioneer, spent a day or two in town the latter part of the week. He reports the Pioneer doing a good business and he is consequently kept in good spirits.
About five hundred rather cutely worded invitations were issued by the Episcopal ladies last week inviting the public to attend the birthday social to be held at the rectory this Wednesday evening.
The members of Company E returned Monday from a trip to Omaha on business connected with the subject to which he has devoted his time during the past year.
Fred J. ... livery outfit in Curtis and ... shortly remove to that village. He still retain his land in this county.
Saturday was a very pleasant day and the farmers were in town in full force. Not many of them have anything to market, but they come to town to get their mail and learn what goeth on in the world.
Hunters from the eastern part of the state have been slaughtering quail in the eastern part of the county, one nirod having killed over 400 of the birds a week or so ago. This wholesale slaughter should cease.
It is often a mystery how a cold has been "caught." The fact is, however, that when the blood is poor and the system depressed, one becomes peculiarly liable to disease. When the appetite or the strength fails, Ayer's Sarsaparilla should be taken without delay.
Look at a map of the United States. Draw a line down through the middle from the Canadian to the Mexican boundary, cleaving Kansas and Nebraska in twain, and you will have marked off the limitation of what we know as the humid region and indicated the beginning of the semiarid region. To the east of that line there are living to-night some 64,000,000 people. To the west of that line live only about 4,000,000. In other words, the work of conquering this continent is only half done. The greater and better half is still open to the conquest of human genius and human industry. The western half comprises four-fifths of the national area. And surely no western man will dispute with me when I assert that this great west, because of its diverse and rich resources, offers at least four avenues for gainful employment and for the creation of wealth where one is offered by natural conditions in the eastern part of the continent.—Wm E. Smythe.
The total value of the agricultural products of the United States, including animals, in 1890, was \$3,300,000,000, four-fifths of which was consumed at home. The value of manufactured products in the same year was \$9,370,107,625, or deducting manufactured articles connected with the food supply, 7,700,000,000. Commenting there on the Globe Democrat says: "The effect of legislation on such vast interests as these should be carefully studied by business men. Never again will it be said that one political policy is as good as another in industrial affairs. The cost of experience in less than two years has mounted into thousands of millions. There is but one right national industrial policy, and those who are unsettled as to what it is should search for it with diligence, weighing the facts and results that are now a part of the history of the country."

COMPOSITION ON A BOY.

A boy is a man before he is grown up. But his pants only run down to his knees. A boy is a very useful article. His usefulness comes in when his big sister wants him to run an errand; but his principal usefulness is in wearing out clothes, especially pants. Some boys wear out one pair each season. Others wear out two every week. The cut below illustrates a happy boy. Why is he happy? Because his mother has bought from us



This outfit consists of a Double Breasted Coat, two (2) pairs of pants, and the latest style Stanley Cap of same material. Extra buttons with every outfit. The goods are of most excellent and stylish fabrics especially adapted for service, and we can sell you the whole outfit as cheap as you can buy the bare suit from other dealers. Buy our Stanley Combination for your boys and make them happy. Sold by

MODEL CLOTHING HOUSE Max Einstein, Prop.

25 Per Cent Off. 25 Per Cent Off. MILLINERY AT RENNIE'S. New Fall Goods to be Sacrificed. We offer all our elegant stock at one-fourth off on the dollar. Millinery Sale at Rennie's.

ALFALFA GROWING.

The Kansas State Board of Agriculture has just issued a pamphlet devoted to Alfalfa, included in which is the experience of growers residing in several of the western states. Among the growers who tell of their experience are W. L. Park, of this city, and W. O. Thompson, of Hershey, and we print below the matter they contributed to the pamphlet, believing that the facts given by them will be of especial interest to our farmer friends. Mr. Park writes as follows: I have had three years' experience with alfalfa, on forty acres of "second-bottom" land. The soil is dark, sandy loam, extending down three feet, below which is clear sand and gravel. Abundant water is found by digging eight feet. The soil is not entirely moist all the way down to water. I find that the land cannot be plowed too deeply, or be too well pulverized, and consider it a good plan to roll it. I used a seed attachment to a press drill, sowing the seed broadcast ahead of the machine, and find about 10 pounds to the acre ample. The preferred time for sowing is about the first of April. If not sown with grain, I would recommend cutting during the first season as often as the alfalfa and weeds are four inches high, letting them lie on the ground where cut. By so handling, better results are obtained than by trying to save a crop of hay. I irrigate from a gravity ditch early in the spring, and thereafter as often as a crop is cut and out of the way. While it is hard to determine just how much water should be put on, I think, provided it is not allowed to stand on the field, that it is scarcely possible to give too much. Have noticed no difference in the quantity of water needed the first year and afterward. We make three cuttings a year, averaging about two tons per acre at each. For hay, think best to cut about a week before it is fully in bloom, rake in winrows soon after cutting, and leave two or three days, after which put in stacks as high as they can be built. If proper care is exercised when putting up, it will keep for four or five years. Estimating the land to be worth \$50 per acre, I find the total expense of raising alfalfa to be about \$4 per ton. Cost of baling, say in 80-pound bales, is \$1.75 per ton. Provided it is kept under cover after baling, we find the size of bale does not affect the quality of the hay. Prices average about \$6 per ton for hay, and \$5 per bushel for seed. As feed for different farm animals, there is nothing superior to alfalfa hay in clovers or grasses. For pasturing swine, its capacity is about double that of clover. I am at present keeping 200 hogs on 10 acres, and think that the capacity of this pasture is about 25 hogs to the acre, providing they are kept off early in the spring and late in the fall. The straw is about the same value as grain straw. I think the irrigated alfalfa is much the better, for it grows more rapidly, and is consequently more tender when cut. Have had no difficulty in riding land of the plant, especially if it is plowed under in June. I plowed some under for green manure, and the crop of potatoes raised on the land was double the usual yield. My opinion is, that alfalfa could not be successfully grown in the western part of Kansas without irrigation, for there are so many enemies, such as gophers, etc., that can be driven out only by the abundant use of water.

ton of hay per acre. Alfalfa is liable to winterkill if the winter is warm and dry. I irrigate from a stream two or three times during the season, with sufficient water to flood all the ground. The first year the ground is soft and porous, and twice the water is required as in the following years. From three to four crops are raised during the season, yielding from 1 1/2 to 2 tons each cutting, or from five to six tons per acre in one season. Cut when in bloom for hay, and let the seed ripen before cutting for seed, using either the first or second crop for this seed. When cutting for seed, it should be pitched out of the way of the mower after each round; then let it dry before stacking, but not enough for the leaves to fall off when handled. Stack in the ordinary way, but be sure the hay is thoroughly dry in the shock before stacking. It is more liable to get moldy in the barn than in the stack. About \$2 per ton will cover all expenses of raising on land worth \$50 per acre. The expense of baling is about \$1.50 per ton, 100-pound bales being most preferred. It should not be baled until perfectly dry in the stack. About six bushels per acre is the average yield of seed, and costs about 75 cents per bushel to thrash and clean. A clover huller is the most satisfactory for thrashing alfalfa. The hay has sold here at \$3 1/2 to \$10 per ton, averaging \$6. The seed has brought from \$3 to \$10 per bushel, and averaging \$5. One acre of alfalfa will raise 35 hogs, with the aid of a little grain. Horses thrive on it, but it is unsafe for sheep and cattle. Animals

which chew the cud will bloat if pastured on alfalfa. The only way to prevent it is to keep them from the pasture. The best way to cure it is to insert a tube into the paunch, to allow the gas to escape. As to the longevity of the plant, I call to mind a patch sown in 1873, on upland, and it is still growing. Alfalfa attains its best growth in about two years. I do not think alfalfa can be profitably raised on high, arid ground without irrigation. Hogs can be wintered on alfalfa hay and very little grain, and cattle can be fattened for the home market, but it produces softer flesh, and could not be shipped a great distance. —Mr. H. Wettstein, of Marengo, Ill., found that Ayer's Pills, taken when the first symptoms of a gripe appear, prevent further progress of the disease, and he has yet to find the first case where these pills did not cure the malady. Every dose was effective. SEND FOR A COPY. The subject of irrigation is attracting unusual attention. At the Hutchinson (Kans.) Irrigation Convention, held Nov. 23-24, there were more practical irrigators in attendance than ever before assembled at an irrigation convention in the United States. The discussions were all very practical and instructive. They will be reproduced in full in the December number of the Irrigation Farmer. Every farmer in this country should have a copy of this paper. It is the only paper that is devoted wholly to the subject of irrigation farming. It costs only \$1.00 a year, and whether you expect to irrigate or not you can not afford to be without it. Send to the Irrigation Farmer, Salina, Kansas, for a sample copy and examine it for yourself.

A World's Tribute. America Leads the Nations in the March of Progress. Among the wonders of the World's Columbian Fair the grandest was the exhibit of American products. The Exhibition was, in this respect, an object lesson of the grandeur and glory of the Republic. Among the exhibits from the United States no article of its class stood so high as Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder. The Chief Chemist of the Agricultural Department at Washington, backed by an intelligent jury at the Exposition, found it strongest in leavening power, peerless in its purity and beyond comparison in uniform excellence. Received Highest Award At the World's Fair. The award is a matter of official record. Nothing could settle so decisively the immeasurable superiority of Dr. Price's over all other powders as the great honor bestowed at Chicago.

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