

# An Old Paper

## The Advertiser as it was 39 Years Ago

The following, published in last week's Auburn Republican with a face simile of the first page of the Advertiser of Oct. 24, 1867, will be of especial interest to old settlers:

Of the business men advertising in the Advertiser of that date, but few are now living. Dr. C. F. Stewart is still practicing medicine, now at Auburn. Dr. H. L. Matthews is living at Auburn. John C. Bousfield, then in partnership with A. G. Gates, bricklayers, is now living at Auburn. James Stevenson, of Stevenson & Cross, proprietors of the Star hotel, is a real estate agent in Lincoln. A. H. Gilmore, then running a grocery store, is still in business, being the senior proprietor of Gilmore-Armstrong Co.

By the courtesy of the Republican and Henry Sanders we are enabled to reproduce an illustration of the first page of this old paper. A number of our subscribers will remember the Advertiser at this early date, and the advertisements will read memories of those who were in business at that time.

The following is taken from the Republican:

The Republican boasts of having, as a member of its force, the oldest working printer in the state of Nebraska.

He is Henry Sanders, who commenced work at the case in Brownville back in the territorial days, when that town was the metropolis of the west and the center of the commercial, social, religious and political activities of this region.

Mr. Sanders was born in Montgomery county, Illinois, in 1845 and came west in the spring of 1866, after having served a year in the 53d Illinois Volunteer Infantry, doing duty with the union forces in Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina, with Sherman's army of the Tennessee.

Locating at Brownville he entered the office of the Nebraska Advertiser as a compositor. The editors of the paper at that time were Messrs Hill and Colhapp. During the time he served on the paper he set the copy of Ex-Governor Furnas, Major Caffrey, Jarvis S. Church and G. W. Fairbrother, when they, in succession, edited that famous old paper.

In all he worked ten years on The Advertiser. He also set the first type on the Pawnee Tribune, the maiden journalistic venture, in what is now a staid old city. This was in 1868, the paper being started by T. R. Fisher.

As a compositor he worked side by side with M. A. Brown, on the Beatrice Express. Mr. Brown is now editor and proprietor of the Kearney Hub, one of the strongest and most brilliantly edited papers in the state.

Mr. Sanders describes Editor Brown, who is now a grandfather, and one of the nestors of Nebraska newspaperdom as he was in the early seventies, "a little, nervous, red headed, bright chunk of a boy, who was the best job printer and biggest hustler at his trade in Beatrice."

Traveling expenses in those days was rather high. A round trip by stage, from Brownville to Beatrice, cost \$10. One way \$6. The one way trip to that place, a distance of 60 miles, was made in a day, the stage arriving there late in the night.

The Indians were numerous in those days and roaming bands of Otoes made frequent visits to Brownville. It was their custom to crowd into the office of the Advertiser on publication day and watch the process of "pulling" off the sheet on the old Washington hand press. Their comments, expressed in sententious grunts, were indicative of wonderment and amazement.

One of the relics that Mr. Sanders highly prizes is a copy of the Nebraska Advertiser, deposited by him October 29, 1867, in the corner stone of the Episcopal church at Brownville. He set the type on the paper and ran it off the press.

After reposing in its rocky cell for thirty years, it was again brought to light ten years ago, when the church was torn down, and again placed in his possession.

Mr. Sanders is now 61 years of age, but his looks and actions belie his years. He is full of nervous energy

and his eyes have the brightness of youth. He sets his 8,000 ems of matter on this paper, day in and day out and is as reliable as grandfather's clock.

A study of that issue of the Brownville Advertiser is of interest both as an illustration of the evolution of newspaper making and of the changed conditions of the county. Practically all of the type, and the very "style" of the paper is now obsolete. The papers of those days adopted a stilted style of editorials. Most of the paragraphs were sly illusions to the weakness of persons, and innuendos regarding candidates or political personalities. The names of those who were subject to the dings of the editors were hardly ever mentioned. There was no "speaking out in meeting" as there is in the newspapers of today.

At that time Church Howe and Tom Majors were leading factors in the political affairs of the county. They always had their war paint on and the hatchet was never buried between them. One of the papers of the day, reproduced an editorial paragraph from the Omaha Herald, then edited by Dr. Miller. The paragraph was as follows:

"If our hayseed friend of the southern section supposes that Church Howe does not intend to see that the political harvest of 1875 shall show clear cuts of the cycle and a thorough winnowing of the chaff from the wheat, they are going to much mistake the purpose of that jolly old granger."

Church Howe, at that time was at the head of the grange movement in the state and the hayseed referred to was the "hickory shirtd statesman of Peru"

**A Badly Burned Girl**  
or boy, man or woman, is quickly out of pain if Bucklen's Arnica Salve is applied promptly. G. J. Welch, of Tekonsha, Mich., says: "I use it in my family for cuts, sores and all skin injuries, and find it perfect." Quickest Pile cure known. Best healing salve made. 25c. Guaranteed by Hill Bros drug store.

During the last five years the price of anything that has to do with the making of a newspaper has advanced. Type, ink, paper, labor, machinery--and all have gone upward in price, and indications are that the price of white paper will farther advance owing to the scarcity of raw material. During all this advance in price for their products, their subscription has remained the same, advertising rates have not been advanced, and many of the standard items of commercial job printing are still done at the same old prices. It is the only trade on record that has not been benefited by the advance in prices.--Ex.

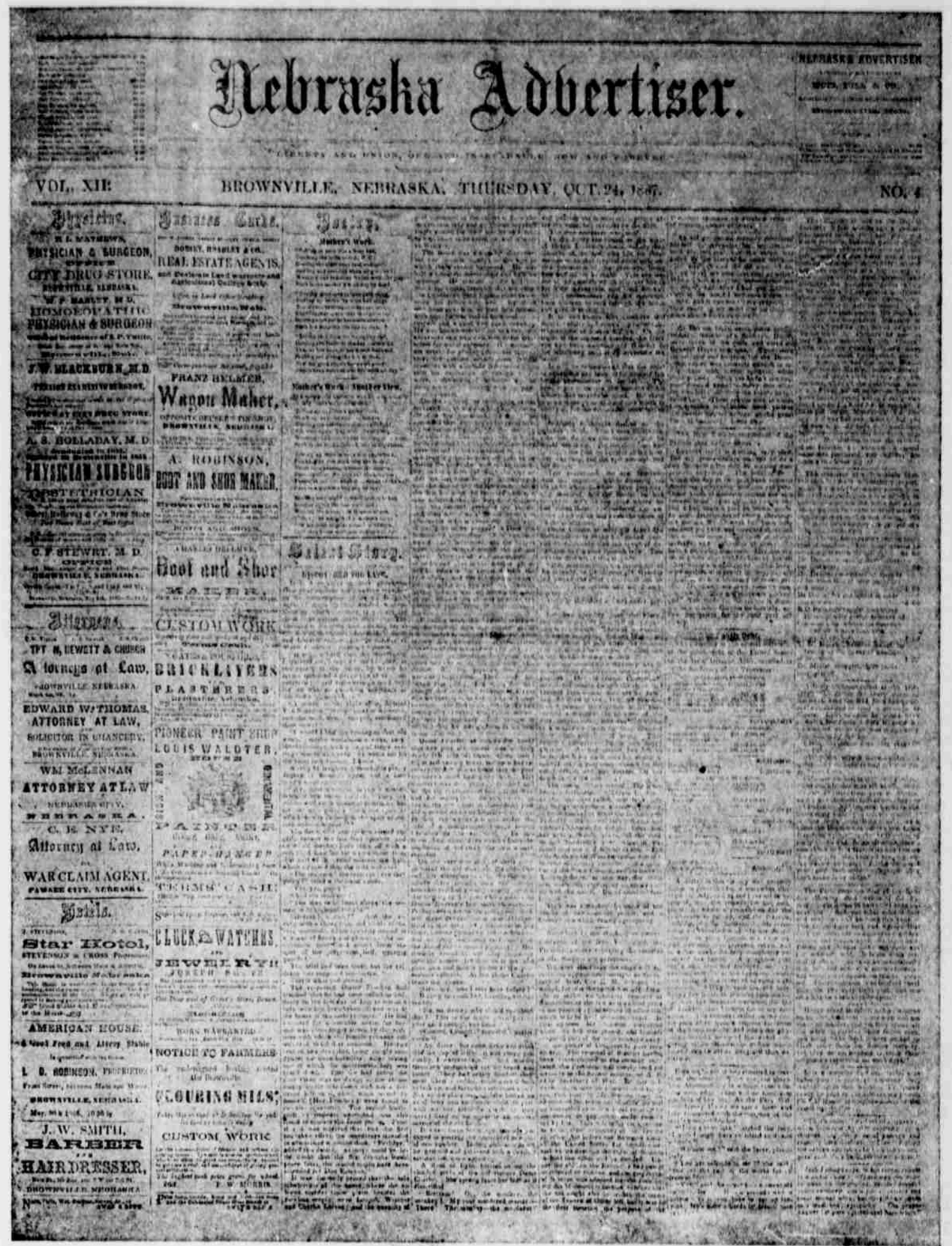
**A Young Mother at 70**  
"My mother has suddenly been made young at 70. Twenty years of intense suffering from dyspepsia had entirely disabled her, until six months ago, when she began taking Electric Bitters which have completely cured her and restored the strength and activity she had in the prime of life." writes Mrs. W. L. Gilpatrick, of Danforth, Me. Greatest restorative medicine on the globe. Sets Stomach, Liver and Kidneys right, purifies the blood, and cures Malaria, Biliousness and Weaknesses. Wonderful Nerve Tonic. Price 50c. Guaranteed by Hill Bros drug store.

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