

Arthur Brown was in town yesterday.

The new spur gear wheel for the mill came today and they are again ready to do business.

The trial of the Woodlake boys was changed to Valentine and will come before Judge Towner Friday.

John Sadlack came in this morning and paid up for his brand advertisement and put in an estray notice.

Herman Riege was in town this morning and extended his father's subscription another year to THE DEMOCRAT.

Mrs. M. C. Carroll is yet very sick at times and it is thought that an operation will be necessary for her recovery.

U. O'Bryan and Pete DeCory were in town this week and each purchased a fine lot of fruit trees of M. C. Carroll which they are going to plant and start an orchard.

Bert Jeffers is coming home Saturday night from Omaha to spend Christmas and will bring Archie Pettycrew home with him. Bert has been attending the medical college in Omaha.

W. L. Cohee, of Oasis; F. W. King, of Woodlake; E. W. Thode and H. P. Drew, of Stearns, S. D.; E. E. Lotzien, of Elmora and Geo. W. Keller, of Cascade, were some of the people registered at the Chicago hotel recently.

Miss Lillie Collett and Samuel K. Innes were quietly married last night at the home of the bride's parents on Hall street, the Rev. A. T. Carpenter officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Reece were the only guests beside the family.

Latest reports from Archie Pettycrew is that he will be out of the hospital Saturday and is getting along fine. He is eating heartily and is hungry all the time, he wrote home. If he continues to improve he will likely be home next week.

A Christmas tree and a very nicely arranged program will be given at the M. E. church Saturday evening. Presents will be received all day Saturday by a committee, who will take care of them. A treat will be given all the little folks. Old Santa Claus will appear at the tree to gladden the hearts of the children. Everybody come.

The following poem by Miss Bernice Kief of the Valentine High school is well worth the reading by everyone. We hope to publish other verses in the future from her pen.

Oh! to be noble and be good;
Oh! but to spend life as we should;
Could we but make some life more glad
We'd have less cause to be so sad
Then cease sad heart your tale of pain
Don't think your life is all in vain;
Take honor ever as thy aim,
And teach the world to do the same.
—BERNICE KIEF.

Rates to Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo.

Via the North-western Line, will be in effect from all stations January 7, 8 and 9, 1905, with favorable return limits, on account of Annual Conventions, National Live Stock and Wool Growers' Associations. Two fast trains through to Colorado daily, only one night. For full information apply to agents Chicago & North-western R'y. 474

Who's Afraid!

This is the title of a beautiful steel engraving, issued by the Chicago & North-western Railway, that will please the little folks and be an adornment to the nursery. It is 6x9 inches in size, printed on heavy card with wide margins, suitable for framing. Sent to any address on receipt of four cents in postage by W. B. Kniskern, passenger traffic manager, Chicago. 473

Low Rates to State Teachers' Meeting at Omaha, Neb.

Via the North-western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold on Dec. 26, 27 and 28, limited to return until Jan. 2, 1905, inclusive. Apply to agents Chicago & North-western R'y. 482

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

Wood Lake News.

Chester and Ava Johnson are home to spend Xmas.

Dick McNamee is in from the ranch to spend Xmas.

Joe Bartley is home to spend Christmas with his parents.

Business has been exceptionally good at Woodlake approaching the holidays.

Pat Pieper is in Woodlake today having returned from a business trip to Valentine.

The Austrian railroad car burned at Woodlake Tuesday. The fire caught from the stove pipe.

R. H. McNamee went to Brownington, Mo. this week to bring his father and mother home with him to live.

K. B. McNamee and wife will spend Xmas with Rev. B. Hunt at Eli. All of Rev. Hunt's children and grand children will be there.

Sylvester Hagen, Geo. Ammon and Miller Wagner are being tried before J. E. West, justice of the peace at Woodlake, today for giving Spanish Fly to girls in the Woodlake school and putting it in the water pail. County Attorney Clarke is the prosecuting attorney and a lawyer from Bassett is defending the boys.

Bailey Briefs.

Archie Allen went to Cody for a load of coal.

Ira Goodin has been doing some work on his house.

Rosa Palmer is foreman on the Hugh Sears' ranch.

Uncle Tip Taylor built a house on his claim recently.

Geo. Heine sold some cattle to a Norfolk man last week at \$3.10.

Rev. Hunt preached at the Barley school house last Sunday night.

Chas. Deaver is living on his claim. His foot is healing very slowly.

Gas Gunderson will start for South Dakota in a few days on an extended visit.

There have been many improvements made on claims in this vicinity the past 60 days.

Carl Heine has been complying with the law, staying on his claim. He returned to Hooper Monday. GUESS WHO I AM.

Penbrook Quills.

Asa Hutchison has returned to his home near Otis, Colo.

E. L. Hutchison and little son, Ballard, have gone to Colorado to visit relatives.

Miss Elizabeth Grange from Oasis has been visiting with Theo. Tillson's family.

Frank Grooms made a trip to the St. Louis fair and is now visiting relatives in Missouri.

Porcupine has gone to Missouri. He will probably return with a big red apple stuck on every quill.

Miss Effie Starr is teaching a four months term of school in the Highland district. Mr. Keach re-

signed this school.

D. A. Hancock has his family domiciled at the Riverside ranch. Mrs. Hancock and Miss Nancy find it very lonely.

Miss Anne Tillson closed a successful term of school near Oasis. After a few days vacation she commenced another term near Kilgore.

Miss Effie Starr gave a very nice program at the close of her school Thanksgiving day in district No. 14. The neighbors brought their Thank-giving dinners and all feasted together at the school house. There was roast turkey and chicken, roast beef, and ham, mince, apple, apricot and pumpkin pies, and cakes too numerous to mention, and jellies, pickles, butter and sauces galore. The teacher added a treat of nuts and candy. Everyone voted it the most pleasant affair of the season. EAGLE.

Britt Items

Santa Claus comes but once a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanner went to town Saturday.

Mr. Dunn shelled corn for Mr. Kellogg this week.

Dry Creek school will close on December 23, for a week's vacation.

Many people around Britt were in town Saturday purchasing Xmas goods.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Broad were visiting Henry Fowler and wife this week.

One of Nebraska's snow storms passed over this community last Friday, leaving the ground robed in white.

Henry Fowler has been hauling corn to Crookston lately. He has traded his place on Dry Creek for one near Crookston. SLEEPY EYES.

Down the River.

John Shelbourn went to town this week.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Crabb, a new baby.

Geo. Foster is husking corn for John Shelbourn.

Jas. Ashburn has gone on a visit to Riverton, Neb.

There will be a box social at the Bristol school house Dec. 16.

Miss May Cavanaugh spent Sunday afternoon at John Shelbourn's.

The dance given by Mr. Polen was well attended and a fine time reported.

Messers. John Hellenbolt and Dock Grooms intended to start to Fairfax last Monday where Mr. Hellenbolt's relatives live.

The entertainment and social given at the Becker school Dec. 19 was well attended and a nice time is reported. The baskets sold on an average higher than at any social held in this neighborhood this fall, \$33.50 being the amount taken in, and which will be used to get new seats and a blackboard. YOUNGSTER.

WITNESS LEAVES.

Ed Holsclaw Neglects to Appear to Prosecute.

Long Pine, Dec. 15.—Several weeks ago Ed Holsclaw of Valentine was held up and robbed of a gold watch at this place by one Paul Schroder. Schroder escaped from jail but was recaptured and was to have been tried in the district court this week. After a

jury had been empanelled it was discovered that Holsclaw had not arrived from Valentine. The sheriff of Cherry county found that Holsclaw had bought a ticket for Crawford and taken a train west. He has not yet been found. It was found necessary to dismiss the jury and adjourn court to Jan. 23. Holsclaw will probably be severely dealt with when he is recaptured.—State Journal.

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LOOK!

We are going to give our readers or their boys or girls a chance to make a dollar for Christmas time. Our gasoline engine make is possible for us to run a large subscription list and to get it we are going to divide the profits with those who help to make our list larger. Here's our offer: Anyone can work at it.

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Via the North-western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at reduced rates December 24, 25, 26, 31, January 1 and 2, good returning until and including January 4, 1905, to points on the North-western Line, including C. & St. P. M. & O. R'y., to points Union Pacific, R. R. east of and including Cheyenne and Denver, points on Denver & Rio Grande, R.R. and Colorado & Southern R'y., Orin Jet, to Cheyenne and Denver to Trinidad, inclusive, also to points on D. S. S. & A R'y. and Mineral Range R'y. Apply to agents Chicago & North-western R'y. 483

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Stray Notice
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