

Country Club to Open May 5.

Opening day at the Country club has been set for Friday, May 5. The various committees are already getting busy to make the day a successful one.

A special meeting of the directors was held at the home of S. M. Braden Saturday evening, at which time the opening day was arranged.

A shower bath will be installed in the club house, before the opening. If arrangements of the directors are completed by that time, President Braden is having experts examine the club house for the purpose of installing this bath.

The following committees for the ensuing year were appointed: Committee on Grounds—Dr. P. H. Salter, chairman; D. Mathewson, W. A. Witzman.

Social Committee—C. B. Cabaniss, chairman; J. H. Delaney, E. F. Huse. Committee on Golf—G. B. Christoph, chairman; C. B. Salter, A. E. Chambers.

Committee on Amusements—J. B. Maylard, chairman; S. F. Erskine, Jr., M. C. Hazen.

Farmers Are Holding Grain. A sudden slump in the receipts of all kinds of grains has put a peculiar situation in the local elevator business.

One local elevator which has been doing a transfer business of about four to six cars each week reports that most all kinds of grain is unavailable.

In explaining this situation, John Phinney, manager of the Farmers Grain and Live Stock company, declares that grain is being held all over the country for higher prices.

"I have been buying much grain up to today," says Mr. Phinney, "but now I am unable to buy any at all. Saturday Omaha was paying 45 cents a bushel for corn and we bid as high as 46 and were unable to buy any."

Two prominent elevator men representing concerns who control about 200 elevators in the state were in the city Saturday and announced that grain is being held all over the state for higher prices.

One of the grain men representing a concern controlling forty-four elevators says not a carload of grain was bought Saturday for any of the elevators. The other man, whose firm controls 150 elevators, says his concern is managing on the corn they shell from their own cribs.

\$12,000 Needed to Finish Y. M. C. A. The committee collecting pledges for the Y. M. C. A. building reports that the pledges are being paid as well as they expected.

Most of the unpaid pledges range from \$2 to \$25. It is of great importance that these pledges be paid promptly. The extension of the building has been completed. E. M. Huntington, one of the executive committee, declares it will cost about \$11,000 to complete the interior of the building. About \$1,000 still furnish it.

The day on which the wife became a regular ad-reader was a day of even better fortune than the one on which the husband had a salary raise.

William E. Purviance. William E. Purviance, brother of John S. Purviance, 1107 South Fourth street, died at Omaha at 7:30 Friday evening from Bright's disease. The remains were brought to this city by his brother Sunday evening. Funeral services were held by Rev. J. W. Kirkpatrick of the Methodist church at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon, at the Sessions & Bell undertaking parlors. Interment was made in the Prospect Hill cemetery. Mr. Purviance was 33 years old.

Samuel VanSyc. Samuel VanSyc died at 8 o'clock Sunday evening from a stroke of paralysis at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Koerber, 809 Madison street. The remains will be taken to Valley, Neb., at 6:30 Tuesday morning and funeral services will be held from the VanSyc farm near that place at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. VanSyc became ill at Valley about five months ago and was brought here, attended by his daughter, Miss Ruth VanSyc. He was a member of the G. A. R. post at Valley. His wife died at Valley about five months ago. He leaves five daughters. They are: Mrs. John Koerber of this city; Mrs. George Bowe, South Omaha; Mrs. W. K. Whittingham, San Antonio, Tex.; Mrs. W. K. Whittingham, Los Angeles; and Miss Ruth VanSyc.

Mr. VanSyc was born in Pennsylvania 74 years ago. Since leaving Pennsylvania, he has been living on a farm near Valley.

He belonged to the Second regiment of Iowa volunteers, Company I, enlisting November 21, 1861, and serving in the union army all through the civil war.

He Threatens Whole Family. Neligh, Neb., April 24.—Special to The News: Deputy Sheriff Bennett was called from his bed Saturday evening about 9 o'clock by the vigorous ringing of the telephone. There was a woman at the other end of the line, who apparently was so excited that it was for some minutes before he could gather in detail her wishes.

Her urgent request was for him to come out at once to the farm of Stephen George, as the husband and father was attempting to murder the entire family. Mr. Bennett hastily secured an automobile and accompanied by Officer Jackson went to the scene of the trouble, which is about eleven miles northeast of this city. Upon their arrival George was in bed, and to all appearances sleeping off the beautiful jag he had accumulated while in town during the afternoon.

The family consists of a wife, daughter and three grown young men, two of whom are reported as of age. A family conference was held which was to the effect that the officers should return to Neligh without making the arrest, but promise was made by Mrs. George that she would be in

town today and file charges against her husband for attempting to do a good bodily injury, which she states is getting a common occurrence while the older gentleman goes to town and becomes crazy drunk.

Stephen George, who is past 55 years of age, according to his wife, has repeatedly made threats on the life of one of his sons, and during the Saturday night episode had a revolver that he claimed would clean out the family. The weapon was taken away from him by his sons, but not being satisfied, and possibly murder in his heart, he attempted to use his knife, which was also taken from him.

The scene in the house upon the arrival of the officers from Neligh finally showed that the old gentleman had successfully accomplished the complete destruction of fishes and glassware, with other indications of a rough house nature.

Big Suits Still Undecided. Washington, April 24.—The supreme court of the United States today concluded its duty of handing down decisions without announcing opinions in either the Standard Oil or the Tobacco suits under the Sherman anti-trust act.

SYNOPSIS OF PLAY.

Senior Class of High School Appears on Stage Friday, This Week.

Following is a synopsis of the local talent play, "The Merchant of Venice (Up-to-Date)," which is to be given Friday evening at the Auditorium under the auspices of the senior class of the high school:

Cast of Characters. The Duke of Venice.....Bessie Ward Antonio, captain of high school football team.....Benj. Willey Bassanio, his friend, and suitor to Portia.....Donald Mapes Gratiano, another friend.....Earl Denton Shylock, a wealthy gambler.....Ema Hilbert Tubal, his friend and captain of rival football team.....Ava Bowman Lancelot Gobbo, court clown.....Harry Sterner Prof. Sweetenbaugh.....Blumenheimer X-ray photographer.....Ray Lobdell Policeman.....Leonard Riggett Portia, a rich heiress.....The Sprecher Nerissa, her friend.....Dorothy Durland Jessica, Shylock's ward.....Marlan Stitt Miss Abbie S. Thredieck, a teacher.....Pearl Livingston Polly, Portia's maid.....Nadine Cole Antonio's mother.....Marvel Satterlee Mrs. Gobbo, an Irish washerwoman.....Vera Hayward

Football players. Act I—A street in Venice. Act II—A room in Portia's house. Act III—Shylock's house and yard. Act IV—A room in Portia's house. Act V—Scene 1, football gridiron; scene 2, the court room.

Synopsis. Act I—A street in Venice. Enter Antonio, Bassanio and Gratiano. Bassanio confesses his love for Portia. Conditions to be met as a suitor for her hand: an examination in Caesar, Virgil or Cicero, depending on the choice of the casket. Gratiano suggests using a pony. Pony borrowed from Shylock. Time limit one month. Penalty if not returned at stated time, one pound of Antonio's hair to be cut off nearest the brain.

Act II—Room in Portia's house. Portia and Nerissa discuss suitors who have already come. Enter Bassanio and Gratiano. Bassanio chooses and draws Caesar casket. Miss Abbie S. Thredieck conducts the examination.

Act III—Shylock's house and yard. Shylock proposes to Jessica and is rejected. Lancelot, led by the fiend, decides to desert Shylock. Lancelot and his mother meet and converse with each other. Jessica, locked in by Shylock, cries for help. Lancelot comes to the rescue. Shylock and Tubal enter and discover flight.

Act IV—Room in Portia's house. Miss Thredieck announces to Portia and Nerissa that Bassanio has won Lancelot's fight. Portia of Antonio's and Jessica's rights, and discloses Shylock's plot.

Act V—Scene 1—Gridiron. Shylock carries out his plans. Scene 2—Court room. Called to order by Duke of Venice. Portia and Nerissa enter disguised as doctors of law. Portia pleads for mercy. Shylock demands the forfeiture. Enter professor to the rescue—also Lancelot. The duke does the final deed.

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Bucholz of Omaha read an able address, favoring the new Aldrich currency system. Congressman Latta was one of the interesting speakers on the toast list at the banquet in the evening and Ed T. Kearney of Jackson made a "hit" with his toast on "Hope."

Last year's officers were: H. M. Hopewell, Tekamah, president; H. J. Lenderink, Emerson, vice president; L. S. La Rue, Tekamah, secretary; W. L. Motte, Plainville, treasurer.

Atkinson Wins a Debate. Valentine, Neb., April 24.—Special to The News: The debate between Atkinson and Valentine was held here at Quigley's hall, Valentine having the affirmative in the state league question. "Resolved, That the policy of maintaining the United States navy at its present strength is preferable to the policy of substantially increasing it." The debaters for Valentine were Miss Alice McLean, Miss Maud Rowley and Laurence Rice, while the team from Atkinson was Oscar Stratton, Harry Miller and John O'Connell. Both sides put up a good talk and the judges gave their decision in favor of the negative, thereby giving the victory to Atkinson. The Atkinson debaters were accompanied by Superintendent E. R. Hall.

A Tragedy in Nebraska Town. Morrill, Neb., April 24.—As a result of family troubles C. C. Hewson yesterday killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. George Jenkinson, shot his wife three times, and wounded Leland Jenkinson, 14 years old, after which he killed himself. Mrs. Hewson is not expected to live through the day, while the boy, who was shot in the neck, will recover.

The Hewsons have lived at Mitchell, Neb., for several years and but recently separated. Mrs. Hewson came here to live with her mother. Mr. Hewson yesterday afternoon, dined with several friends and afterwards called at the Jenkinson home as the family were at dinner.

He insisted that his wife return with him to Mitchell, and upon her refusal to do so he drew a revolver and shot her through the head. He then turned the weapon upon Mrs. Jenkinson, killing her by a shot through the jugular vein. He then fired two more shots which took effect in Mrs. Hewson's head, and after firing one shot which struck the boy in the neck, he shot himself between the eyes, dying instantly.

Coroner Wolt and Sheriff Hunt arrived from Gering to hold an inquest.

Would Make Court Real. A draft of a measure which, if enacted in law by congress, would make federal court at Norfolk a reality instead of a farce, has just been forwarded to Congressman Latta at Washington by M. E. Harrington of Onawa and the people of Norfolk, as well as those in the territory affected, will be vitally interested in the bill's progress. Mr. Harrington thinks that the people of Norfolk should organize to help push the bill through congress and the Norfolk Commercial club will probably take up the matter. Following is the text of Mr. Harrington's letter explaining the bill, as well as the full text of the bill itself:

Means Much to Norfolk. O'Neill, Neb., April 21.—Hon. W. N. Huse, Norfolk, Neb., Dear Sir: I enclose you a copy of bill which I am sending to Hon. James P. Latta for introduction.

Norfolk should be interested in this measure because it is affected more than any other part of the state by the bill. At the present time there is only one regular term of federal court at Norfolk, and the delay is so long that the attorney at law here is unable to do anything and get it out of the way or change the same to the Omaha division, where they have plenty of court.

This bill provides for two regular terms instead of one at Norfolk. In addition to this, it puts more counties in the Norfolk division. For example, the way the thing is now lined up, Platte county which adjoins Madison on the south, is connected with Omaha for federal court. The absurdity of this is plain. Of course, it was done as a matter of favoritism and on request of Senator Miller who was then in the senate. Boone county which is immediately west of Madison, has to go clear through to Omaha to Wheeler which is still west of Boone, has to go to Omaha. Cuming has to go to Omaha, etc. I have tried to arrange the new divisions in every way following are the new divisions. The only thing that the proposed bill takes away from the Lincoln district is Hamilton county. That county adjoins Hall, where there is a federal court. The only reason why the people of Hamilton county are required to go to Lincoln for court is because Senator Burkett wanted it so in the bill and it was done accordingly. With the exception of taking this one county away from Lincoln and taking several counties away from Omaha and giving them to Norfolk, no other change is made in the boundaries of the different divisions of the state. I am sure that the boundaries as fixed by this bill will meet the approval of any fair minded man who simply desires no favoritism for any citizen, but that the courts shall be arranged for the convenience of the people and not for the pleasure of the convenience of some courts.

Yours truly, M. F. Harrington.

The Text of the Law. A BILL FOR AN ACT to provide the judicial districts of Nebraska into divisions and to fix the time for the holding of the terms of court in said divisions.

Be it enacted by the congress of the United States: Section 1. That for the purpose of holding terms of the circuit and district courts in said district of Nebraska, said district shall be divided into eight divisions, known as the Omaha division, the Norfolk division, the Grand Island division, the North Platte division, the Chadron division, the Lincoln division, the Hastings division and the McCook division. The territory comprising the counties of Douglas, Sarpy, Washington, Dodge, Burt and Thurston, shall constitute

the Omaha division, all terms of court for which shall be held in the city of Omaha. The territory comprising the counties of Colfax, Cuming, Stanton, Madison, Platte, Nance, Boone, Wheeler, Antelope, Holt, Rock, Brown, Keya Paha, Boyd, Knox, Pierce, Cedar, Wayne, Dixon and Dakota shall constitute the Norfolk division, all terms of court for which shall be held in the city of Norfolk. The territory comprising the counties of Cherry, Sheridan, Dawes, Box Butte and Sioux shall constitute the Grand Island division, all terms of court for which shall be held at the city of Chadron. The territory comprising the counties of Hall, Merrick, Hamilton, Howard, Greeley, Garfield, Valley, Sherman, Buffalo, Custer, Loup, Blaine, Thomas, Hooker and Grant shall constitute the North Platte division, all terms of court for which shall be held at the city of North Platte. The territory comprising the counties of Cass, Otoe, Johnson, Nemaha, Pawnee, Richardson, Gage, Lancaster, Saunders, Butler, Seward, Saline, Jefferson, Thayer, Fillmore, York shall constitute the Lincoln division, all terms of court for which shall be held at the city of Lincoln. The territory comprising the counties of Clay, Nuckolls, Webster, Adams, Kearney, Franklin, Harlan and Phelps shall constitute the Hastings division, all terms of court for which shall be held at the city of Hastings.

The territory comprising the counties of Gosper, Furnas, Red Willow, Frontier, Hayes, Hitchcock, Dundy, Chase and Perkins shall constitute the McCook division, all terms of court for which shall be held at the city of McCook.

Section 2. That the regular terms of the circuit and district courts of the United States for said district of Nebraska shall be held at the following times and places, namely: At Omaha, beginning on the fourth Monday in September and the first Monday in April; at Norfolk, beginning on the second Monday in September, and the third Monday in March; at Grand Island, beginning on the second Monday in January; at North Platte, beginning on the first Monday in January; at Chadron, beginning on the first Monday in September; at Lincoln, beginning on the fourth Monday in October and the second Monday in May; at Hastings, beginning on the second Monday in March, and at McCook, beginning on the first Monday in March.

Section 3. That special terms of the circuit and district courts may be held in said district whenever such special terms are deemed necessary by the judges thereof, and the time or times of holding such special sessions of said courts shall be fixed by the judges either by rule of said courts or by special order of a judge thereof.

GOOD RAIN AT VALENTINE. Moisture Amounts to a Third of an Inch—Was Badly Needed. Valentine, Neb., April 24.—Special to The News: The government weather bureau reports one-third of an inch of rainfall on Friday night and it was needed, as there has been no moisture for some time, but this rain, followed by a cloudy day, has done lots of good for this section of the country.

Norfolk 9, Neligh 3. Neligh, Neb., April 24.—Special to The News: The second baseball game of the season took place in this city at Riverside park Saturday afternoon, when the high schools of Norfolk and Neligh clashed on the diamond for supremacy before a large crowd of fans.

At no stage of the game was there the slightest hopes of the home boys having a look in. They were outclassed from the start, and the individual playing instead of team work, coupled with numerous home head plays on the part of Neligh, arising from the question how they managed to get the three measly scores recorded them. Despite the fact that the many questioned decisions on balls and strikes made by the umpire for the visitors, is no excuse whatever. It was plainly demonstrated that he did the best he could if he had but meager knowledge of the game. Not until the last half of seventh inning was Neligh allowed to score, and Norfolk rolled up four in the first.

"Mike" Jenkins pitched his usual good game, and aside from being wild at times, did better than during the Atkinson-Neligh game the week previous. Catcher Fred Sallery was steady at all times. The battery work of the visitors was of excellent quality and were the main factors of their team. Following is the score by innings: Norfolk..... 4 0 0 1 0 0 2 0—3 Neligh..... 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 0—3 Batteries: Norfolk, Keleher and Lucas; Neligh, Jenkins and Sallery. Struck out, Keleher 9, Jenkins 8. Hits, Norfolk 4, Neligh 5.

Atkinson 11, Valentine 3. Valentine, Neb., April 24.—Special to The News: The Atkinson high school ball team played ball here against the Valentine high school and won with a final score of 11 to 3. The Valentine team was somewhat crippled, as several of their players were on the sick list and unable to play. The score was as follows: Valentine..... 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1—3 Atkinson..... 2 4 0 1 1 0 0 3—11 Batteries—Valentine, Daniels and Wilson; Atkinson, Miller and Raymer.

NIORRARA PRESBYTERY MEETS. Session Held at Wayne Was Largely Attended. Wayne, Neb., April 24.—The presbytery of Niobrara met at the Presbyterian church. There were present Rev. D. A. Dickey, the retiring moderator; Rev. J. W. Ansell of Atkinson, the stated clerk; and also Rev. Samuel Light, the pastor at large in the presbytery, as well as the following ministers: Rev. J. M. Caldwell, Wakefield; Rev. H. G. McClusky, Laurel;

Rev. Henry McClenaghan, Madison; Rev. W. O. Talbot, Emerson; Rev. J. B. Cherry, Ponca; Rev. A. E. Schafer, South Sioux City; Rev. F. E. Thompson, Pender; Rev. C. P. W. Wimberly, Osmond; Rev. D. B. Ralston, O'Neill; Rev. H. H. Gaine, Rev. E. P. Wigton, Elgin; Rev. E. F. Hammond, Norfolk; Rev. M. Heathcote, Wynot. The following elders were also in attendance: Elder Sevens, Ponca; Mr. Ballantyne, Norfolk; Mr. Kryger, South Sioux City; Mr. McWhorter, Mr. Potter, O'Neill; Mr. Rosecrans, D. Cunningham, Wayne.

In addition to these regular members Rev. W. H. Kearns, Lincoln, the synodical superintendent of Nebraska, and Dr. A. E. Turner, president of Hastings college, were in attendance.

The presbytery was opened by a sermon by the retiring moderator, Rev. D. A. Dickey, after which Rev. H. G. McClusky was elected as moderator. Two clerks were also elected, Rev. W. O. Talbot and Rev. D. B. Halston. Two commissioners were elected to represent this section of the country at the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, which meets this year at Atlantic City, N. J., in May. Rev. H. McClenaghan and Elder Rosecrans were chosen.

The presbytery will meet again on May 15 at Emerson.

Oakdale News Notes. C. H. Ray returned from a business trip in the western part of the state. Frank Selms, sr., and daughter Nora returned home on the evening passenger.

Miss Inez Durham, principal of the high school, entertained the seniors at her home.

Marjorie Jenkins of Neligh was visiting Oakdale friends.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Peterson and two children and Mrs. Carrie Cunningham and son of Tilden were guests at the home of O. B. Manville Sunday.

Mrs. George F. Boyd was reported on the sick list the fore part of the week.

R. E. Palmer, a railroad man from Norfolk, moved here this week from Norfolk and is occupying the Blesh property on the southwest corner of Third and Grant streets.

Son Blesh of Emmet is here this week, having the Torpin residence on Walker street.

J. P. Booth arrived with the grading outfit Wednesday and Thursday morning commenced work on the road south of town.

Mrs. Hansen of Fremont was here this week visiting at the home of her parents, W. R. Launt.

Painters have been busy this week painting the front of the E. A. Martin hardware building, also the front of the Oakdale Drug company's building.

O. B. Manville and A. C. Beach were business visitors to Neligh Thursday.

E. A. Broadbill of the Antelope County bank entertained the members of the Social Dancing club at a dance held in the K. P. hall. There was a good crowd in attendance and a good time was enjoyed by all.

The Oakdale concert band has had three valuable additions. Mr. Means, harness maker, Robert Leith, who will open a moving picture gallery, and E. G. Elhiney, who will be connected with the W. L. Payne & Son paint house, all of whom are old and experienced musicians.

Will and John Wade and wife and daughter are in town this week from Bismarck, N. D.

BIG BLAZE AT ANSELMO. Business Portion of Custer County Towed Wiped Out. Broken Bow, Neb., April 24.—The principal business part of the town of Anselmo, twenty miles northwest of here on the Burlington line, was completely wiped out by fire at an early hour. The fire originated in a small jewelry store and in a short time had communicated itself to other buildings and gotten beyond control. The town has no water facilities for fighting fire and the citizens were compelled to stand by and watch their business places go up in flames. One whole block was destroyed, entailing a loss of probably \$75,000.

Anselmo is a thriving town of about 400 population.

Eight stores and business houses with the greater portion of the stocks were destroyed. As near as can be estimated at present the damage is as follows: C. W. Wilson, dry goods and furniture, loss \$20,000, partly insured, but not certain whether some of the policies were renewed in time; Baker, hardware, implements and buggies, loss \$8,000, insured; Christen, hardware and furniture, loss \$9,000, insured, \$5,000; Williams, general merchandise, loss \$7,500, insurance \$3,000, and about \$1,000 worth of goods saved.

Runner's jewelry store, where the fire originated, loss \$1,000. The general merchandise store of Warren and Bass was not burned, but goods were damaged to the extent of \$1,000, fully insured.

The whole south side of the business block excepting the building of Warren and Bass is in ruins.

BOY KILLED BY LIGHTNING. John Mulliney of Crawford Truck While Returning from Field. Crawford, Neb., April 24.—John Mulliney, aged 17, was instantly killed by lightning during a heavy thunder storm. He was returning from the field with a team when struck. Over one inch of rain fell.

POST, KING AND BROADY WIN. Governor Aldrich Selects Lawyers to Recodify the Laws. Lincoln, April 24.—Governor Aldrich made announcement of his appointment of Judge A. M. Post of Columbus, E. L. King of Osceola and John H. Broady of this city as members of the commission which will recodify the Nebraska statutes, according to the provisions of the Quackenbush-Hardin bill passed and approved

during the recent session of the legislature. Each man on the commission will receive a yearly salary of \$3,000 and will report to the next session of the legislature.

Unadilla Suffers. Lincoln, April 24.—The business section of the town of Unadilla, in Otoe county, midway between Lincoln and Nebraska City, was practically wiped out by fire. Only two business houses are left, the bank and a store. The loss is roughly estimated at from \$125,000 to \$150,000. The fire started in the postoffice from an unknown cause. All the mail matter was burned. Unadilla has no fire department.

A Fire at Ewing. Ewing, Neb., April 24.—Special to The News: The warehouse of the Nebraska Lumber and Live Stock company was damaged to the extent of \$1,500 by fire. P. M. Conger is manager. The Ewing firemen prevented a serious blaze.

FIRE HITS PHILLIPS, NEB. Business Section of the Town is Practically Destroyed. Grand Island, Neb., April 24.—The business section of Phillips, a village sixteen miles east of here, was practically destroyed by fire early yesterday. Seven places of business were burned. The loss is estimated at \$12,000, less than half covered by insurance. The fire started in the Chapman pump shop. Its origin has not been learned. In addition to the pump shop the following places were destroyed:

Phillips opera house, Litteral meat market, Pacht Brothers' pool hall, the Claussen saloon, the Campbell Barber shop.

The alarm was given by telephone and by ringing church bells and a bucket brigade fought the flames. Assistance was sent from Grand Island and Aurora in response to requests.

DAUGHTER OF YALE PROFESSOR VICTIM OF "MISUNDERSTANDING OF STATUS." Washington, April 24.—An apology from Captain John M. Bowyer, superintendent of the United States naval academy to Miss Mary H. Beers and her father, Professor Beers of Yale, has been ordered by the secretary of the navy for the slighting remark regarding Miss Beers made by some one at the academy as a result of her attendance at a dance there. Miss Beers was governess in the family of Lieutenant Tarrant and her escort was later informed that he should not have invited the young lady because of her position.

In explaining the incident in a letter to Representative Korbly of Indianapolis Secretary Meyer said: "It grew out of a misunderstanding of the status of the young lady."

The secretary expressed the regret of the department and advised the congressmen of the instructions for a letter of apology. This, however, does not satisfy Mr. Korbly.

A Crissy String. Among the horses in the Askey stable is the young stallion Our Reaper, 4457, a handsome mahogany bay 15 1/2 hands, and weighing 1150 pounds. He is sired by Early Reaper 2:09 1/4, the sire of that sensational trotter Early Alice 2:06 1/4, and many others, and his dam is Our Girl, the dam of Early Alice 2:06 1/4, making Our Reaper a full brother to the great mare Early Alice 2:06 1/4.

Next we find that great handsome cherry bay stallion Our G. G., by Gregory the Great (3) 2:23 1/4. This fellow stands 17 1/2 hands, and weighs over 1300 pounds, and is a whirlwind on the pace, for with light road work he can show a 2:10 clip, and wears nothing but the harness. Gregory the Great is also the sire of that heavy money winning trotter Angiola 2:06 1/4, and last season's champion trotting gelding Henry H 2:07 1/4, and many others. Our G. G. will make a great pacer for the slow classes this season.

Then comes the big handsome son of Early Reaper 2:09 1/4 in the bay stallion Our Early. He is a full brother to Our Reaper, also Early Alice 2:06 1/4. This fellow stands 16 1/2 hands and weighs 1250, and is a sure stake trotter.

We also find Kame On, a rugged handsome black stallion with great quality and substance, standing 15 hands and weighing 1050 pounds. He is a great trotter, for with light work he has shown 2:20 speed. His sire is Spoken 2:15 1/4, the sire of Straight 2:12 1/4, the sire of Kame On is by Shadeland Onward 2:18.

Feast for Horse Lovers' Eyes. Perhaps the one nearest ready for the races is the big handsome bay mare Maude Star by George Star, p. 2:17. This mare is 16 hands high and weighs 1200 and has been trial miles in 2:29 and ought to give a good account of herself in the slow classes this season.

Then comes the baby pacer Minnie G. G.,