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Largest Circulation in Red Willow Co.

EDGAR HOWARD is for the Dutch, and he doesn't give a tinker's sample of profanity who knows it.

CHAIRMAN JONES of the Democratic National committee now talks of regulating trusts rather than smashing them.

It's hard and disappointing, to be sure, but unless the wise men can come to an agreement, the great common people will have to worry through another year before they can speak or write of being in the 20th century.

AN evidence of the increased trade which expansion is likely to bring to the United States is found in the fact that the exports of this country to Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii, and the Philippines for the first eleven months of 1899 were \$38,000,000 against \$16,000,000 in the corresponding months of 1898, and \$15,000,000 in the corresponding months of 1897, while the fact that we will be able to buy more and more of our tropical products in those islands instead of sending the money to other parts of the world is shown by the fact that our imports from them were, in the first eleven months of 1899, \$58,000,000 against \$39,000,000 in the corresponding months of 1898 and \$37,000,000 in the corresponding months of 1897.

JAPAN'S new protective tariff is reducing her imports materially as compared with those of last year, while her exports, however, have gone on increasing. The growth of the protective-tariff idea during the last twenty years has been remarkable. Nearly all European nations, except Great Britain, now have protective tariffs as do Canada, Mexico, and many of the countries of South America, while now the protective idea is making itself clearly felt in the Orient. Japan has made her new tariff protective in character, and the Australian colonies which are about to federate have clearly shown a disposition to adopt a protective system similar to that of Canada when they come to complete the details of their union during the present year.

1900 is the Year.

I feel very grateful for the patronage tendered me during 1899. I desire to double my business in 1900 and if you will help me I can do it, and in return I will guarantee you fair treatment and right prices. If you have not dealt with me in 1899, give me at least a share of your trade in 1900 and I will try to make it to your advantage.

Wishing a happy and prosperous New Year to all I remain, D. W. LOAR, the druggist. Opp. Commercial Hotel, McCook.

The large and increasing circulation of The Iowa Homestead in this county is a matter for congratulation to the publishers and to good farming, for, of all the papers of its class in the country, it is easily the best and most helpful. Its Special Farmers' Institute editions, issued with the regular edition the first week in each month, have been for years the admiration of all practical farmers. Written wholly by farmers, they are full of actual experience and smell of the soil. We have been fortunate enough this season to secure terms for The Homestead and its Special Farmers' Institute editions, together with The Poultry Farmer and The Farmers' Mutual Insurance Journal, four of the most valuable farm publications in the country, that enable us to offer the four in connection with our own paper for \$1.25 for the entire five, one year. This is emphatically a good thing, and no farmer in this county should fail to take advantage of the offer. For a large line of thoroughly practical farm reading nothing has ever been offered before that equals it. A county paper, a farm paper, a poultry paper, a farm insurance paper and the Special Farmers' Institute, all for \$1.25. Come in and order them.

McCormell's Balsam cures coughs.

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[OFFICIAL—BY AUTHORITY.] Commissioners' Proceedings.

McCook, Nebraska, December 27, 1899. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, James A. Robinson, Henry Crabtree and Stephen Bolles, commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Annual settlement of the following overseers of highways examined and on motion approved, and the county clerk directed to draw certificate on road districts in payment thereof as follows, to-wit: A. J. Crawford, district No. 1, certificate No. 148, \$22.81

James H. Everist, same, \$2.50 James Toner, same, \$2.00 J. G. Ervin, same, \$2.00 H. E. Woods, same, \$2.25 B. F. Tate, hauling lumber, \$1.25 Nicholas Nutt, same, \$2.50 Nicholas D. Wyckoff, putting in culvert, \$2.25 W. A. Minnier, moving piling, \$8.00 Barnett Lumber Co., lumber, \$50.72

McCook, Nebraska, January 2, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, James A. Robinson, Henry Crabtree and Stephen Bolles, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 3, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, James A. Robinson, Henry Crabtree and Stephen Bolles, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, December 29, 1899. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, James A. Robinson, Henry Crabtree and Stephen Bolles, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 3, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, James A. Robinson, Henry Crabtree and Stephen Bolles, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

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tuition, \$122.25 A. W. Hoyt, fees, state vs. Kimball, insane, \$2.00 L. M. Smith, care of jury April term, 1898, \$20.00 J. R. Neel, fees, state vs. Lofton, insane, \$31.25

McCook, Nebraska, January 4th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 5th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 5th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 6th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 6th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 8th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 8th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 9th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met in regular session. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

McCook, Nebraska, January 9th, 1900. Board of county commissioners met in regular session. Present, Henry Crabtree, Stephen Bolles and D. A. Waterman, county commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

You are Interested... Our January Clearing Sale... NOTICE THE FOLLOWING: \$3.75 All Wood blankets, large, heavy, reduced to \$2.80

Men's \$ 50 Double Chest and Back fleeced lined underwear, now \$35 guaranteed, now \$35 18c Heavy husking Cotton Flannel, now \$14 Men's \$4.50 Sheep Skin lined duck Coats, now \$3.50

BEARING IN MIND that these are all clean, new, dependable goods and garments, manufactured for this season's use, purchased at the lowest notch of the market, and since advanced in the markets 10 to 25 per cent—the advantages of this clearing sale are seen. We Solicit Your Trade, The Thompson Dry Goods Co.

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Bismarck's Iron Nerve. Was the result of his splendid health. Indomitable will and tremendous energy are not found where stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels are out of order.

ORDER OF HEARING. State of Nebraska, Red Willow county, ss. At a county court held at the county court room in and for said county, January 9th, 1900. Present, G. S. Bishop, county judge.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS. Notice is hereby given that the county commissioners of Red Willow county will receive sealed bids for printing the commissioners' proceedings, legal notices and delinquent tax list for the year 1900.