

# HARRISON PRESS-JOURNAL

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## LOCAL NEWS OF THE TOWN

The Crawford dentist is Dr. Spindlo.

Hay for sale. Inquire of Alex Lowry.

Henry Ross was up from Sheep creek Sunday.

John Christian was in from his ranch Monday.

D. W. Hamaker was up from Marsland yesterday.

A. J. Bogart sold his town property to Lacy Bros.

V. A. Hester and family moved out on their ranch this week.

M. J. Gayhart was a pleasant visitor at our office yesterday.

A large crowd attended the dance at the hall Monday evening.

Joe E. Burke was visiting at Bodarc last Saturday and Sunday.

J. E. Marsteller returned from his trip to the Black Hills last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Christian were down from Pleasant Ridge yesterday.

George Williams took the east bound train for Chadron last Saturday night.

A. Erdman moved his family out to his ranch on Indian creek last Saturday.

L. C. Wright left Tuesday night for Belle Fourche, S. D., to be gone for a few days.

Oscar Hanson went to Chadron last night to take the telegraph operator's examination.

County Treasurer Lux's family came in on the west bound train Tuesday and Carl is now happy.

Charles Thomas and wife were down from their ranch on Old Woman creek the first of the week.

Re's Daniels left Monday night for Whitney, where he will assist in a series of revival meetings at that place.

Irven Zimmerman was up from the valley last Monday and stopped over night with the Editor and family.

J. W. Reed added his name to our list of readers this week. There is just room for more. Who will be next?

Re's Daniels returned last Friday evening, and we are glad to say his sister Mrs. Et Campbell is very much improved.

J. H. Lacy has purchased the W. R. Smith place east of town, and Will Lacy has purchased the town residence of J. H. Lacy.

Fred Tachabold and wife were in town Tuesday and took out a brand new wagon. Prosperity has not fled from Sioux Co. altogether.

Fred Langworthy received word that his father is quite sick, at his home in Beward. He left Wednesday night for his bedside.

The mother and sister of Mrs. Hial Church came in on the train from the east yesterday morning and were taken out to Pleasant Ridge, Wyoming.

I will hold services in the church at Glen on Sunday morning, Feb. 28. All are cordially invited to attend.

J. B. BOKER.

TO CURE ACQUID IN ONE DAY.  
Take Laxative Bro. o Quinine tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. etc.

Mrs. R. C. Talley has been somewhat indisposed for a week or more, but was able to welcome ye scribe to her well supplied and hospitable table last Monday noon.

If you want a suit of clothes, or a good hat or shoes or boots don't waste your money buying anywhere else but go to GEMMACH'S store and get the best goods for the least money.

Vernon Hancock passed a satisfactory examination as a Pharmacist and it has been done by his own energy and push. Success to you Vernon and may others learn a lesson from your efforts.

Mrs. Bards, who has been on the sick list for the past three weeks, is much improved, but Mr. Bards is suffering from an attack of rheumatism. Mrs. Egan, who is instructing their children, is strong and vigorous for one of her age and may a young person in the north-west can testify to the ability of Mrs. Bards as an instructor.

## HERE AND THERE

Dr. Spindlo the Crawford dentist.

**R. N. A. ENTERTAINMENT.**  
The Royal Neighbors of America will give the play, "How The Husbands Got Even," at Andrews Hall, Friday evening March 11th. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

**NOTICE.**  
All parties indebted to Chas. Newman by note, or otherwise will find all bills, and notes at the Commercial Bank for collection. Please call and settle all open accounts by note bankable or cash in hand and save costs.

CHAS. NEWMAN

**GRAND BALL.**  
There will be a grand ball, on March 4th, 1904, at the Hall. All are invited to come and enjoy yourselves. Good music furnished.

M. P. LACY  
Manager.

**NOTICE.**  
All Acts, owing the old firm of Mars-teller Bros., and not settled satisfactory by March 1st, will be placed in collectors hands, and will make costs and trouble. Respectfully  
J. E. MARSTELLER.

Mr. Biegal received the sad news of the death of his daughter last Saturday, and he and Mrs. B and the two youngest children started for Wisconsin the same evening to be present at the funeral. The PRESS-JOURNAL extends sympathies to the bereaved parents and friends.

Mrs. Wickersham and children came in on the west bound train Tuesday morning. They have come to make their home in Sioux county and the PRESS-JOURNAL extends a welcome hand to them. Mr. W. will be along in a few days to become a citizen of the county he has said so many good things about. "Welcome Mr. Wickersham"

I desire to thank my customers for their liberal patronage for the past 11 months that I have been in business here. And we will endeavor at all times to merit a continuance of the same. We expect to add to our stock, and will be better prepared than ever to serve our customers.

Yours Truly,  
J. H. LACY.

**WANTED.**  
SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE in this county and adjoining territories, to represent and advertise an old established, wealthy business house of solid financial standing. Salary \$21 weekly, with \$3 per day for expenses, paid each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Expenses advanced, and horse and buggy furnished when necessary; position permanent. Address Biew Bros., 640 Monon Building, Chicago, Ill. 6-49

**MASQUERADE BALL.**  
St. Patrick's Day,  
March 17.

Will be given at the opera house. Prizes will be given to the prettiest costumes, also comic. Everybody invited to come and make this the best dance of the season. Good music as usual. Spectators twenty five cents.

R. C. DUNN, Manager.

**War Bonnet Topics.**  
Ed Scott was at home over Sunday.  
Ben Scott visited with Julius Burke at Harrison over Sunday.  
Robert Dunn visited with his aunt, Mrs. Finley, and cousins last week.  
Mrs. Nels Anderson and babe visited with Mrs. Geo. Grimm last Friday.  
Richard and Roy Garretson are chopping cord wood in the canyons this week.  
Little Maggie Jane Scott has been quite sick for several days. Is better at present.  
Eck McCans received the sad news last week that his mother, who lives in the eastern part of this state, was dying; He left for there at once.  
I will not quarrel with Mr. Editor about the school funds and licensed saloons but I will meet him on the corner some day and talk an arm off of him.  
Frank Scott was helping to tear down and move a log house from the John Dout place to the S-E last week, where they are going to build an addition to that house.  
Miss Nellie Scott, accompanied by Miss Rose Brewster and Mr. Mont Burke, came out Saturday and visited over Sunday at the home of the former. Miss Brewster was delighted with the beautiful buttes, and pine trees which almost surrounded our valley, then the snow came and covered the ground about four inches level all over and it really was beautiful.

There was a surprise party given at the home of Miss Elsie Hill last Friday evening in honor of her sixtieth birthday, which was on that date. A large number of young folks were present to make the evening enjoyable, and a few tokens of remembrance were presented. They enjoyed themselves playing games until the dining room door was opened, and refreshments were brought in. After the refreshments were served they again joined in playing games until time to depart; And all departed wishing Miss Elsie many more such birthday parties. But she must remember that this is the last time that she will be "sweet sixteen."

## Carey Items.

Chas. Stewart's are now domiciled in the Lux home.

Clarence Spense is home from the Chadron Academy.

P. M. Spense made a short visit with his parents last week.

Mrs. Jane Griffen has been very sick with LaGrippe but is better now.

Mr. Burke held services at the church Sunday. On account of the snow storm Saturday the attendance was small.

On Monday morning Mrs. Lux and children started for Harrison via Crawford, while their household goods were taken by team overland.

Week ago last Saturday Charles and Hartley Sexton moved their families and household goods to Merriman where they expect to reside in the future.

If I were a fighting soldier man I'd shoulder my gun and start for Japan to help them whip the Russian bear, and see that things were done up fair.

The Minister whom we have been expecting for the past three weeks wrote last week from S. D. that he was snow bound, and did not know when he would reach here.

John Arners family have been having a tussle with the LaGrippe. At this writing they are better excepting Mrs. Arner who is also afflicted with rheumatism.

Miss Iva Spense closed a successful term of school in Dist. No. 4 last Friday. A very interesting program of songs and recitations—select readings etc. was rendered in the afternoon, which was very much appreciated by the visitors.

TIMOTHY.

**EVERY DOG HAS HIS DAY**  
So has the American Prairie Dog.

There has recently been organized at Pierre, South Dakota, The American Prairie Dog Exterminating Company, which has for its object the extermination of prairie dogs in America. This company evidently means business for it is appointing agents over the county to prosecute the work of killing prairie dogs and it guarantees to get all the dogs that may be on the person's land, or make no charge for the work. If this company can do what it guarantees to do, it will certainly find its services in ready demand, for the prairie dog is perhaps the worst pest the Western farmer has to contend with at the present time. His nature and habits have made him an animal almost impossible for man to get at. Catacombing the ground with his burrows, possessed of a cunning and cunning which have defied the arts of man to destroy him, he has practically made himself the monarch of large stretches of western lands which are naturally fine for crops and pasturage, but which are rendered by the prairie dog practically useless. The extermination of prairie dogs is a matter of importance to every owner of land where they exist. Having once become established in a place, they increase so rapidly that it takes but a little while for them to cover a large tract of land, and land occupied by them has but little rental value, if any, and its market value is incalculably depreciated on account of the town's giving the land a bad appearance, and it being the home of the rattle snake and screech owl. People having prairie dogs on their land will find it a paying proposition to have them exterminated.

## Hunter Happenings.

Our snow is all gone again.

Mr. Proctor was a Harrison visitor the last of the week.

J. R. Hunter went down the road last Monday evening.

Mr. Christensen was a Crawford visitor one day last week.

Mrs. Russel came home Friday and was a Harrison visitor Saturday.

Dick Hovey went over to Saw Dust Friday to work a few days.

The bridge folks expect to leave us Tuesday evening. They have made one bridge since they came here.

Mr. Hillan and Mr. Snyder, of Running-water, were in our country Saturday gathering a few cattle which have been here for some time.

The County Superintendent visited our school Thursday; He stayed at Mr.

Christensen's over night and went down White River next day.

Miss Hanson and her husband went to Crawford Friday night to attend the high school entertainment that night and stayed over to attend some entertainment Monday night.

Ed Schwartz is getting to be quite a trapper—he has trapped two coyotes and one skunk the last few days. Good for you Ed, keep on trapping! We will have more chickens if you would catch all the coyotes and skunks around here.

Monday, Feb. 22, was Thomas Jones 11th birthday, also George Washington's birthday. Thomas's mamma planned a surprise dinner and afternoon of fun for the whole school, in honor of the day. It was a complete surprise to Thomas; He did not find out until they were nearly all here. The teacher promised to be present but failed to appear and Clara Christensen being with her was absent also. Those present were: Delbert and Velma Rice, Eva Proctor, Mabel Christensen, Penia, Thomas and Birdie Jones. They enjoyed the dinner very much. Some said they did not want any more to eat until Christmas, but about four o'clock taffy and pop corn was ready and they were also. Every minute of time was full of fun and the day was several hours too short. It would be hard to crowd more fun in a few hours than was had. Music, songs and lots of different games were made as lively as possible. They all left before dark well satisfied with their fun and expressed themselves as having a fine time. Several tokens showed their love for Thomas.

Mabel Christensen gave him a cute little box which she made herself, covered with pretty tissue paper, showing both taste and skill. Thomas will keep the it all in memory of the good time. He wishes he could have another birthday soon, but he will never see another one just like this. He was 11, second month and 22nd day, which was put on his cake—2 times 11 equals 22.

All regretted the absence of Clara and Miss Hanson. This is the first time their teachers have ever failed to be with them on that day when it came on a school day. We are always glad to have the teacher be with the school on that day; They always have some talks of Washington for the pupils benefit.

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OVER IN WYOMING  
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They have a boy at Footes!  
Still the nice weather continues.  
Fred Deuel has his barn about completed.

T. L. Thompson was a Lusk visitor last week.

We are glad to see that the work of Harrison is progressing.

The whistling coach is now a thing of the past in this neck of the woods.

Will Reed, who has been on the Ridge for some time, went to Lusk today.

The entertainment at the West school house last Friday evening was a decided success.

As everybody is attending strictly to their own business, news are very scarce around here.

Rumor says that B. T. Hamlin is about to purchase a saw mill.—Well, he knows how to make good lumber, in fact the best we have used in this county. We wish him success.

We were quite interested in the discussion between Peggy and Ye Editor in the last paper, and would like to see it continue until one or the other is convinced that one or the other is wrong. We, for one, are very well satisfied that license money in the state of Wyoming does not go into the school fund. Not because the money is not just as good as other money, but we have a better way, to my thinking, and that is direct taxation for the school fund, but we think with Peggy, that as long as people will sell the stuff let them pay the penalty.

SIMPLETON.

**A LETTER FROM MRS. E. L. RUE.**  
Hotchkiss, Colo., Feb. 17—1904.

A rainy day is a good time to write letters, but as we have not had one since September as I can remember, it would take several of them to catch up with my letter writing. —But I will begin with the "Press Journal" which has faithfully continued its visits week after week bringing me news of friends—some glad and some sad, and thus keeping me in touch with Sioux Co. friends.

Our winter must have been much like yours—only a little better yet. An occasional snow storm not more than three or four inches at any time. One windy day and this rainy one are the sum of the storms. We have not found our thermometer lower than eight degrees below zero, tho' it is properly hung on the north side of the house, and we have consulted it about daylight on most of the mornings—Twenty-one degrees be-

low has been reported from Hotchkiss but it is usually as much as ten degrees colder on the river. There have been very few mornings below zero. The 15th I sat in the house without a fire and with all the doors open until 5 P. M. The meadow larks have been singing for two weeks and I saw robins Sunday.

There has been some sickness which people try to blame the open winter with, but it seems to me no more than last winter, which was cold enough. Typhoid fever and pneumonia are the principal diseases. Rheumatism and heart disease are laid to the climate and the altitude and people sell out and go to California. I don't know what they have there—something I am sure. A sale of household goods and so on is a common occurrence and it seems to me they all go to California. There seems to be plenty to fill the empty places however, and at least one who left last fall wishes he was back here, judging from his letter in the last paper.

The cattle were only brought down from the range in the mountains a couple of weeks ago. A couple of hundred or so are being fed on the place next to ours and the alfalfa stacks are disappearing at a rapid rate. Hay is much cheaper than last winter—about \$5 per ton.

There has been so little snow in the mountains that everybody is anticipating a scarcity of water next year, but as they say this is the usual winter here, it may not be so bad. It is snowing there at this minute evidently.

Enough about the weather—I am sorry I have not much else to tell you about—and yet I am glad that there is nothing to chronicle about us, for it means that we are well and have suffered no misfortune. We have added a dozen chickens to our live stock—reduced the pig to pork, which we are enjoying along with apples and canned peaches—which latter are certainly better than you have in Sioux Co., and I don't believe I can produce anything better for a steady diet. So you need not expect to hear of our moving at present.

EMMA L. RICE.

**BREEZES FROM CENTRAL CITY**

The weather has been decidedly like water for over four weeks. No snow to speak of, but winter weather just the same. The oldest settlers are getting tired of it, and we know we are. Uncle and Aunt Olymer arrived the 13th. of last month. They were headed for the Pacific coast, and are waiting for us to suit out and go with them. Bessie has not been out since Dec. 26th, but she is slowly gaining. The ground-hog saw his shadow all day, so we will have to endure the cold a while longer. A copy of the Harrison Sun reached us last week and we find an old friend is at the head.

Well, well, so Z-kel is now Editor instead of correspondent. Verily the list shall be first. We shall watch with interest to see if he has really found his calling, maybe our calling is just an end of it.

Successful revival meetings have been carried on for several weeks, and are still in progress. Are you people in Sioux sending petitions to your representatives to have the Hepburn Bill passed? All voting men as well as churches, leagues societies etc. should help in this good work.

Mr. Editor we want to say God bless you for the stand you take in regard to the saloons. Central city has had legalized saloons this year because some voters were made to believe that the children would have to go uneducated if the city could not get the license money. Better let the children go with less schooling than to educate them on saloon money. Boot leggin is far preferable to open saloons. Both have been tried here, and the open saloon has done some awful work so many of the ones who voted for it are ashamed of the results.

Prof. Steidley and Miss Harris were in our town last Tuesday evening.

His lect. "The boy God made" was heard by only a few for it was very cold. Oh that everybody could hear it and be helped by it. Let's coax him to have it printed, I would like to read it over and over again.

Yes the LaGrippe has been an epidemic here, never saw the like. Drs. hardly have time to eat or sleep.

CLIO.

**Chambers of Commerce.**

Foreign chambers of commerce are of Austro-Hungarian origin, for in 1870 the first Austro-Hungarian Chamber of Commerce was opened in Constantinople; afterward similar institutions were opened in Alexandria, Paris and London. In the spring of 1903 an Austro-Hungarian Chamber of Commerce was opened in Melbourne. The English, adopting the example of the Austrians, founded a Chamber of Commerce in Paris. The Austrians have been far surpassed in number of these institutions by the English, who now have thirty in foreign countries and 100 in their own colonies. The United States has Chambers of Commerce in Paris, Brussels, London, Berlin, Sydney and Shanghai.

**Smuggling in Olden Times.**

Smuggling was very generally practiced in England in former times. A London Journal says: "Hardly a family upon our coastline has not a smuggling record. Lord Shaftesbury, father of the philanthropist, sat at dinner at Heron court with the last of the Hooper family, chairman of customs, when, with a great shouting and clatter, a cavalcade of smugglers with wagon loads of smuggled spirits dashed into view. Shaftesbury sprang to the window and called to his host. The chairman of customs sat down resolutely with his back to the window, nor would move until the last echo of the train had died away. When ten minutes later, a troop of mounted excisemen pulled up at his door he was truthfully able to say that he had seen nothing of the lawless ones."

**Strength of a Woodpecker's Bill.**

The long, stiff tail feathers of a woodpecker enable the bird to cling to the trunk of a tree in an upright position for a long time and bore away for food. The bill of a woodpecker is often as strong as that of a bird of prey, and in the woodcock of northern Maine the bill is found at its greatest development.

The tongue much resembles an angle worm, and is very long and admirably adapted for sucking sap. Sometimes the tongue is not only long and brush-like, but barbed at the point, so that it can impale its prey. The feet are adapted for swimming in various ways.—Woodcock Egg.

## J. H. LACY.

We have our building completed now and have a new supply of goods, and will sell them right.

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W. B. WRIGHT, Prop.

FISH OUT OF WATER.

Many Specimens Are at Home on the Dry Land.

Many fish cut a much better figure out of water than we do in it, though we are accustomed to think of them as inhabitants of the water only.

For instance, there is the "starabout," a kind of goby that at ebb tide walks calmly up on the sand banks erect on two huge fore fins. With his gigantic goggle eyes he keeps a sharp lookout for crabs and such things as are left behind by the receding water.

Then we all know that eels can wriggle, snake-like, miles across the meadows to other ponds and rivers. In Holland carp are kept all winter hung up in a net and sprinkled only occasionally with water.

The Indian "shake-head" is quite happy even when his native pond dries up, and lies torpid till the next rainy season.

The flying gurnard will keep ahead of an ocean liner going at full speed, and fly for many minutes in quick successive flights of 300 yards or so at a time.—Exchange.

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