

CITY NEWS.

A baby came to brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rush Dean Sunday.

Herman Thoelecke had an eye somewhat injured a few days ago by a flying chip of steel.

Mrs. Lester Ellis is prepared to do stamping and has on hand a complete line of patterns.

Lumber has been received for some minor improvements which will be made to the Pacific hotel.

Dr. Morrill uses a painless method in extracting teeth which is absolutely harmless.

Conductor O'Brien will remove his family from Council Bluffs to this city this spring. He is now looking for a suitable residence.

Two children of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Fisher, of the Third ward, are reported down with scarlet fever of a mild form. The house is placarded.

Ries Lemon has re-opened his paint shop on Front street and is prepared to do all classes of work in his line. He makes a specialty of buggy painting.

I. A. Fort informs us that arrangements for entertaining the gentlemen who will address the farmers' institute on the 19th and 20th have been completed. These speakers should be greeted by large audiences.

J. G. Crabtree, of Myrtle is in town to-day, and informs us that he will next week remove to Alton, Iowa. Mr. Crabtree is a good farmer and a pleasant gentleman, and we regret to see him leave Lincoln county.

E. B. Warner will begin remodeling his storeroom this week, and next week he will leave for the east to purchase an additional stock of furniture. Mr. Warner will aim to carry the most complete stock of furniture in the city.

Anticipating a lively resumption in the infant industry this spring, E. B. Warner has added a nice line of baby carriages to his stock of furniture. They are well made vehicles and are marked low.

Frank Armstrong, who was found guilty of stealing a horse from Mr. Abercrombie, living south of Brady, was committed to the reform school at Kearney by Judge Ray last Saturday. He will be taken to that institution by Sheriff Miller this week.

For Sale and Rent, about 1,000 acres of land, all under ditch.

C. F. EDWARDS.

The case of the city against B. I. Hinman for maintaining an awning in violation of a city ordinance, was tried before Judge Ray Saturday and the defendant fined three dollars. Mr. Hinman took an appeal to the district court.

Kearney wants a retrenchment of municipal expenses and the Hub suggests that the pay of the mayor and councilmen be cut to twelve dollars per year. The paper argues that good citizens will accept the positions as a matter of pride and honor.

Messrs. Hinman, Blood, Snelling and Kountz left yesterday for Lena, McPherson county, for the purpose of recovering a saddle which the former loaned to a resident of that section, and which has not been returned. They will either get the saddle or else have "satisfaction."

Wm. Whitlock made his appearance on the streets Saturday for the first time since the accident which befell him at Kearney several weeks ago. His left hand, which was burned deeply, is still in bad shape, and his right ankle still swells. It will probably be two or three weeks before he will be able to resume work.

There is no surer sign of spring than the increased number of weary Wagglers to be seen around the railroad yards. Many of these fellows have been brought to their present condition by democratic administration, but the larger part are composed of those who make tramping a business and who do not break their suspenders in rustling for work.

The Cody Guard held rifle practice Friday and Saturday at three hundred yards range. Lieut. Jeffrey won, making a score of thirteen, and was awarded the medal for the third consecutive time which entitles him to hold it permanently if he so desires. We believe, however, he intends to have it remain in the possession of the company.

The vocal and instrumental concert at Keith's hall on Monday evening of next week by Prof. Garlich's class, assisted by local talent, promises to be a music treat. The juvenile orchestra, composed of Misses Connors, Cody, Ottenstein, Seyferth, Bristol and McGovern, and Masters Poole, Fonda and Ottenstein, will make its initial public appearance and promises to surprise the public with the quality of music rendered. Following the concert there will be a social dance. The admission to the concert is placed at twenty-five cents.

An average waltz takes over three-quarters of a mile, a square dance makes you cover half a mile, and a gallop a good mile. Count up for yourself how much the girl with a well filled program traverses in an evening. Twenty dances are the average, you know. Of these about twelve are waltzes. These at once are nine miles, three gallops and she has done twelve miles. Five other dances at half-mile apiece bring her to fifteen miles, to say nothing of the intermission stroll and the trip to the dressing room to renovate her gown and complexion.—Laramie Times.

Mrs. Ed Davis has been quite sick for a day or two past.

The Informal high-five club will meet to-morrow evening with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ellis.

Fred Grau received a high-grade Iver-Johnson wheel Saturday, and is highly pleased with it.

James McMichael is erecting a residence for Loren Sturges on the north side of the North river.

A joint meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Daughters of the King was held last evening.

The M. E. Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. Ed Davis Thursday. As it is the annual election of officers let every member be present.

Charley Bogue left yesterday for Cripple Creek. Harry Coleman and Ed Taffo expect to leave for the same section Thursday night.

Pearl Armbrus moved his billiard tables, etc., yesterday to the room south of the Fair store. He has very neat and commodious quarters.

James Roddy has decided to order a sixteen-pound crimson rim Syracuse bicycle, and when he receives it will be in shape to make the speedy ones "go some."

Judge Thompson, of Grand Island, came up Saturday to hear in chambers the somewhat celebrated Wallace attachment case, but the hearing was postponed.

Pat O'Brien will sell his saloon and bar fixtures, and we are told two different North Platte parties have made him offers, namely, J. C. Federhooft and Wm. Neville.

The display of corn and bunjon remedies in Streitz's show window is of sufficient variety to cause a cure by simply standing for a minute or two on the outside.

The members of the wheel club failed to make a run to Sutherland Sunday morning. Only a few of the boys showed up at the starting point at the appointed hour.

The county commissioners adjourned Friday to meet on the 18th inst., when they will consider the petition for the formation of the North Platte Suburban irrigation district.

Smoke Wright's Royal Sports and Havana Rose 5-cent cigars.

Harrington & Tobin have accepted the agency for the Syracuse bicycles and will have a number of wheels on exhibition in a few days. They will also handle some of the lower grade wheels.

Several young men are figuring on giving a dance in favor of the young ladies of the city in return for the favors shown at the leap-year party Friday and at the Minor party several weeks ago.

Six or eight loads of wood were offered for sale on the streets yesterday. This wood comes from the canyons in the south part of the county, some of it being hauled thirty-five and forty miles.

Judge Grimes goes to the Grant county in a few days to hold court for Judge Thompson of Grand Island. Judge Kendall is holding court for Judge Grimes in Cheyenne county this week.

THE TRIBUNE would again remind country residents that the farmers' institute will be held in this city on the 19th and 20th inst. Come in and hear the address to be made. It will do you good.

North Platte now has six representatives in the Cripple Creek mining district, and others will soon leave for that section. It is a good plan to take along sufficient money to purchase a return ticket.

The fire department was again brought out Friday night by a false alarm emanating from the erratic box in the Third ward. The fire boys are wondering how long these false alarms will continue.

W. A. DEBERRY, D. D. S., DENTIST. Office in 1st Nat'l Bank Bldg.

Quite a number of North Platte people are going around with flannel wrapped about their necks and suffering more or less from sore throat, a trouble that is prevalent among both grown persons and children.

Potatoes are reported to be selling in central New York towns for ten cents per bushel. This may be news to the potato growers west of town, but not much consolation. It is evidence that almost the entire country is overstocked with the tubers.

It is stated that there have been fifty conversions up to date at the Meth. dist. revival meetings. Rev. Snaveley is a very earnest preacher, an energetic worker, and assisted by the members of his church, is doing a most excellent work. The building is crowded nightly.

R. B. Evans, the barber, has accepted a position with a hay baling outfit. It is intimated that he does this for the purpose of hardening his muscle preparatory to that "mill" with "Sol" McGraw. We are confident, however, that "Sol" will sustain the reputation of the "perf."

C. Woodworth, of Myrtle, was in town yesterday and informs us that in company with Fred Stearns, of the same precinct, he will make an overland trip to the Pacific coast this summer. Mr. Woodworth is in rather poor health, and this is the reason he assigns for leaving this country.

Wedding Presents ***

We have a large number of pieces of silverware which are suitable for wedding presents.

Birthday Presents ***

In sterling silver novelties; ornamental as well as useful articles. When you need these goods remember we keep 'em.

CLINTON, The Jeweler.

Quite an ice gorge formed in the Platte river at Clarks Sunday and considerable land in the vicinity was inundated by the overflow of water. There is very little ice on the Platte river at this point.

St. Valentine's Day for which incorrigible bachelors and hopeless old maids have a sneaking regard by reason of the supposition that birds mate on that day, will be here Friday next. Our stationers have laid in an apparently endless variety of comic pictures, the horribleness of which seem fully up to the standard.

I urgently request all who owe accounts at Otten's Shoe Store to call and settle. The stock will be closed out.

E. OTTEN.

No man possessing a handful of reason will contend that the publishing contract was awarded to the Era upon any other basis than that of political favoritism. Had the commissioners so desired they could have awarded the contract to the lowest bidder, and their act would have been lawful and in the interests of the tax-payers.

Lester Ellis has heard from all the insurance companies which he represents and they are unanimous in the statement that the law authorizing a local tax on insurance companies for the benefit of the fire department is invalid. It is understood a city in the eastern part of the state will take the matter to the supreme court for a decision.

Rev. Saml. Ratke, of the German Lutheran church, has created some little stir among his congregation in Nowell precinct, by demanding that they purchase and donate to him ten acres of land on which to build a house, and also to dig him a well and perform other services. A number of the members of the congregation insist that in these years of drouth they have all they can do to take care of themselves.

A local philosopher says that the Nebraska winds, when harnessed to well constructed wind engines, are capable of pumping our water, lighting our houses, heating our homes, grinding our grain, and otherwise adding to our wealth and comfort. This may be true, but nevertheless the people will not ask that the velocity or the frequency of Nebraska wind be increased. Nebraska can trade half her wind for moisture and then be ahead on the deal.

E. B. Warner, Dentist, office in Hinman block, up stairs, Spruce st.

The Cody Guard dance on Thursday evening, and the mask ball of the ladies' wheel club on Friday evening are two of the social events of this week. Several card parties will also be held during the week. On Monday evening of next week Prof. Garlich gives his concert, and on the following evening the Columbia Dramatic company gives an entertainment and dance. Lent begins the day following, and for forty days social events will be less frequent.

Yesterday afternoon some eight or ten notes owned by Anton Mohr, who is now in an incompetent state, were sold at public auction upon an order issued by Judge Ray. The notes, which were unsecured, were appraised at something over \$300. Mohr is in bad shape mentally, and it is a question whether he can live much longer. It is said that he has been granted admission to the soldiers' home at Grand Island, but he does not want to go. For some time past he has been cared for by Mathias Elias.

The leap-year party Friday evening was fully as much of a social success as the most enthusiastic promoters predicted, the attendance numbering about eighty. The ladies in charge won many compliments upon the smooth manner in which everything was managed and conducted. It is said the gentlemen received "pointers" which may be of valuable services to them when giving future dances. The music by Prof. Garlich's orchestra was the equal of any ever rendered in the city.

Rev. Snaveley on Sunday night took occasion to rebuke "the gentleman from Washington" who asserted in the last issue of his Valuable Paper that "the christianity of the churches to-day is a commodity in the market, to be bought and sold;" and that "churches have made christianity conform to the world, instead of making the world conform to christianity." The editor of the Era may be honest in his belief, but the chances are that such expressions are used for the purpose of gaining local notoriety.

PEOPLE WHO COME AND GO.

L. C. Stockton was in town for a short time Sunday.

"Doc" Pulver left for Cripple Creek Saturday night.

Editor Ellingham was a visitor in Sutherland Sunday.

M. C. Keith, of this city, was registered at an Omaha hotel yesterday.

Mrs. David Hunter, of Sutherland, is visiting friends in the city to day.

County Attorney Beeler, who has been transacting business in Iowa, is expected home this evening.

Robert Finney, night switchman at Sidney, came down yesterday for a short visit with his parents.

Mrs. Hanna, of Cozad, who had been visiting her daughter Mrs. V. E. McCarty, returned home yesterday.

Miss Kate Conway returned to Cheyenne Sunday after a visit of two or three weeks with North Platte friends.

Rev. Ibetson, of Gothenburg, returned home this morning, after a brief visit with the members of his congregation in Nowell precinct.

Mayor D. W. Baker returned yesterday from a brief visit in Cheyenne. He says the wind attained such a velocity there Sunday that it blew a hole in the rear part of his breeches.

Miss W. E. Hesse left this morning for Omaha to attend the annual convention of the Ladies of the G. A. R., which is in session in that city this week. Mrs. N. Klein, who is also a delegate, may go down to-night.

Will Leonard has given up his position on the Record and will probably go to Sidney and purchase the Pioneer. If he secures the paper he will make it republican in politics. He is somewhat of a hustler, and we predict would make quite an improvement in the general make-up of the Pioneer.

T. C. Patterson and W. C. Elder left last night for Omaha to attend the annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. At the same time Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Dickey, Mrs. Church and Mrs. Hines left for the same place to attend the annual meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps.

George Richardson returned last evening from Kearney, where he had been looking after business for a couple of weeks.

The Chicago forecast for North Platte for to-morrow is warmer weather. The local observer sees no indications for rain or snow in the immediate future.

John Ottenstein is still in the field. He informs us that a boy of regulation weight came to his house Saturday evening, and that all parties interested are getting along nicely. John's effort to have North Platte's population reach the 10,000 mark by the first of January, 1900, is appreciated by all enterprising citizens.

We are requested to state that the masquerade party to be given at Keith's hall next Friday evening by the married ladies' wheel club will be strictly an invitation party and will be limited to married people. It is said that the party will be conducted on a scale of magnificence not heretofore attempted in this line, and lucky indeed are those who are members of the club, or have been favored with an invitation.

Guy Roberts, of Walker precinct, was tried before justice of the peace T. D. Tingley, of Peckham precinct, last week on the charge of attempting to commit rape on a little girl about three years old. He pleaded guilty to the charge in the justice's court, and has been sent to Judge Ray's court for commitment to the reform school. An investigation of the matter, will, however, be made before Roberts, who is about sixteen, is committed.

A birthday party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Edwards Saturday in honor of their daughter Frankie's ninth birthday. Those present were Julia Schatz, Teresa Austin, Eva Hartman, Charlie Austin, Dave Day, Ray Smith, Sadie Nesbit, Jeanie Elias, Mary Elias, Katie Seyferth, Gertrude Herrod, Mabel Otten, Clarence Harrington, Harold Keith, Paul Grady, Beth Cunningham, Alice Cunningham, Marie Tobin, Lorette Murphy, Helen Martin, Nina Mason, Jessie Day, Mabel Day, Maggie Cooper, Lilly McNamara, May Harshman, Miss Thoelecke, Mrs. Aekins, Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. Edwards assisted them at the table.

NORTH PLATTE PEOPLE.

Moore Mitchell, of North Platte, has been visiting with his parents in Grant precinct the past week. Mrs. M. P. Peale, of North Platte, terminated a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Dr. Baker, Monday and left for her home.—Lexington Pioneer.

H. S. White, president of the First National bank of North Platte, was on our streets last Saturday renewing old acquaintances as well as past due paper.—Gothenburg Independent.

M. G. O'Brien journeyed to North Platte Sunday to consult P. W. about Cripple Creek. The latter reports it all right for the "fellow with money."—Cozad Tribune.

Rev. Geo. A. Beecher came up from North Platte last Monday and took the second degree in the Knights of Pythias that evening, and on Tuesday evening was given the second degree in the Masonic lodge.—Sidney Telegraph.

Pale, thin, bloodless people should see Dr. Saver's Eucaine. It is the greatest remedy in the world for the weak, nervous, for sale by F. H. Longley.

RAILROAD ROTATION.

Harry Slack has been quite sick with la grippe for several days past.

Philip Augustus Norton, who has been at Hot Springs, Ark., for a month, is expected home to-morrow.

Engineer H. C. Langdon has been in Norfolk for several days, having been called there by the illness of his mother.

It is expected that at least thirty-five trains of ice will be hauled over the Union Pacific from Colton and Sunol to Kansas City via Valley. This in connection with the usual traffic will make fairly good business for the next two or three weeks.

A freight train passed through the city last Sunday afternoon going west which is the longest that ever was drawn over the road by one locomotive. It was composed of eighty cars, several of which were loaded. The fact that there was no wind explains why one locomotive was able to pull the long train.—Lexington Pioneer.

The Nebraska supreme court has decided that a stockman riding on a drovers pass, if killed cannot be a subject of damage against the railroad company. In other words in order for the heirs or estate to recover damage from a railroad company for the killing of a person riding upon a train, the person must have purchased the ticket upon which he was riding.

The following bit of rhyme was found on the platform of Conductor Lu Hastings' car, and is supposed to have been written by him after retiring from the supper table at Sidney: "Backward, turn backward, oh time in thy flight; feed me on gruel again just for to-night. I am so weary of sole leather steak, petrified doughnuts, and vulcanized cake; oysters that slept in a watery bath, butter as strong as Goliath of Gath; weary of paying for what I can't eat, chewing up rubber and calling it meat. Backward, turn backward, for weary I am, give me a whack at grandmother's jam; let me drink milk that has never been skimmed, let me eat butter whose hair has been trimmed; let me once more have an old fashioned pie, and then I'll be ready to curl up and die."

PUBLISHERS AND LIBRARIANS.

The future of the publishers' work for a higher standard of literature depends largely upon the libraries and library associations. Larger library funds and better methods of distribution will make the next generation of scribblers better fitted to scribble. The books which puzzle publishers the most are those which a few people could use to good advantage. If we publishers could be assured that 500 public libraries would buy them, it would be possible for us to publish many books which are now refused, but which would be in demand by a scholarly reading public, now not able to buy them. Out of 4,000 libraries in this country only about 700 have a buying income, and of these perhaps 100 can take these books which the scholars, who would use them with great benefit, can take. Here in New England you are doing your full share in this direction of catering to the most scholarly taste of readers, but many of you lack funds, and what we need all over this country is a better understanding of this need and library endowments which shall make it possible for us to publish these works that would be of benefit to libraries and to the very best class of readers.—Mr. G. H. Putnam to Massachusetts Library Club.

Weight and Quality Untampered.

A man at one of the hotels the other night told an interesting story of how the freighters in the far west used to supply themselves with whisky. He said that some years ago, when all freight on the frontiers was hauled in wagons, he happened to make a trip of several hundred miles with a train of wagons carrying merchandise to remote stations. Nearly every wagon contained one or more barrels of whisky.

"The first night out I noticed," said he, "great activity around the whisky barrels. The wagons each had a hatchet and a gimlet. They would knock up a hoop, bore a hole, draw all the whisky they wanted, then put about as much fine gravel in the barrel as they had drawn out whisky, drive a plug in the hole, and put the hoop back in place.

"I learned afterward that the barrels were weighed and the whisky tested before it was turned over to the freighters, and that when it arrived at its destination it was again weighed and tested. The gravel supplied the weight and bulk and the quality remained the same, and this was why it was used instead of water to supply the place of what had been taken out."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Penguins of Possession Island.

It was most remarkable to see what a regulated system of roads the inhabitants of Possession Island arranged. From the beach a broad main track led straight into the middle of the island, and from this secondary roads went out to all parts, the whole forming a network of roads apparently ruled by a most civilized department. With beak and feet the penguins had carefully put away most of the pebbles and stones from their footpaths, and where snow covered the grounds the roads had by constant use become so smooth and so neat that Macadam in all his glory would have acknowledged himself beaten. The most curious thing of all was the way in which the penguins seemed to maintain order in these paths. Currents of penguins were continually moving from and toward the beach. While the fat new arrivals always kept to the right, the thin penguins, which were moving off to the continent, always kept to the left, and I never saw any fighting among them. The colony evidently formed one peaceful community.—C. E. Borcogrevink in Century.

Dr. A. P. Sawyer—I have had Rheumatism since I was 30 years old, but since using your Family Cure have been free from it. It also cured my husband of the same disease. Mrs. Robt. Connolly, Brooklyn, Iowa. Sold by F. H. Longley.

Studebaker Wagons and Buggies at Hershey & Co's.

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Ladies' Pants and Vests 50 Cts EACH.

Stove Pipe 15 cents a joint.
Common Elbows 10 cents each.
10-quart Galvanized Pail 24 cents.
A good ax handle 11 cents.

Also a full line of Blankets, Underwear, Hosiery, Caps, Glassware, Lamps and Tinware. Give us a call.

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