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CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

The city council met in regular session last evening, all members but Thomson being present.

Communication from secretary of Buffalo Bill H. & L. Co. was read, asking that certificate of fireman's service be issued to G. T. Field. The city clerk was instructed to provide Mr. Field with such certificate.

The ordinance providing for a reduction in water rentals was laid over until the next meeting.

The following bills were presented: Jacob Miller board of prisoners \$25, referred to proper committee; Wm. Gaunt, repairs on hose cart \$2.50, allowed; J. W. Le-Masters repairs, \$17.00; Harry Coleman, care of fire alarm battery 28-50, North Platte Water Co. hydrant rental \$384.

The city attorney stated that he had notified the local officers of the U. P. company relative to the north side slough, and that the matter had been laid before the law department in Omaha.

The Marshal was instructed to notify the manager of the Pacific Hotel Co. to abate the stench which prevailed around the hotel corral north of the track.

The council was about to adjourn when Johnson said there was a matter that he wanted to bring up, namely the electric light question. This question was discussed at some length, and resulted in the clerk being directed to communicate with the head officer of the waterworks company asking him to submit a proposition to light the city, on the basis of twenty-five arc lights, with the understanding that an incandescent system should also be put in.

Iddings, who was not present when the water ordinance was laid over wanted the measure considered then and there, but the other councilmen were in favor of waiting until the representative of the water company appeared before the council, and after some further discussion the council adjourned.

NICHOLS AND HERSHEY NEWS.

Those who attended the "hop" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Spitsnogle last Friday night report a pleasant time.

Mrs. Sumner Jones departed last Sunday for a visit with relatives at Julesburg.

Miss Cora Crick of North Platte is the guest of Miss Grace Anderson this week.

Miss Dora Wright of the county seat was the guest of friends in this locality recently.

Ed Ware and lady and Will Haist and lady were county seat visitors last Saturday.

Louis Toillion loaded a car with corn at Nichols the latter part of the week for W. M. Holtry of Sutherland.

We understand that A. O. Randall and family will soon move from Paxton & Hershey land to an old canal farm in the vicinity of the Platte Valley school house.

Hebron Newberry, of McPherson county, who purchased the J. B. McKee farm near Nichols about a year ago, will take possession of the same in the near future. Jim worked it on shares the past year.

The drama "Among the Breakers" will be presented by the Nichols dramatic club in the Maccabee hall at Hershey in the near future. Watch for dates.

Sam'l. Harris, who is well advanced in years, had a stroke of paralysis a few days ago which left him in a critical condition with no hopes of recovery, we are sorry to note.

I. M. Baly and family are moving from the W. E. Park farm near Nichols to a Paxton & Hershey farm recently vacated by J. C. Mainsner and family.

W. H. Minney will soon move upon the Frederic farm near Pallas which he has rented for this season.

John Toillion, Jr., was on the sick list with a bad cold a part of last week.

Mrs. Morris Fowler of the Platte visited with C. S. Trovillo's people over Sunday.

J. C. Mainsner and family will undoubtedly take possession of the Laubner farm this week, which they have rented for the coming year.

A certain young man in this community has rented a farm from the old canal company for the ensuing year and "old Dame Rumor" has it that the next thing on the docket will be a wedding.

Rev. Coslet, of this circuit, who is holding revival meetings at Hershey, will preach at Nichols next

Sunday morning at the usual time.

Messrs. Dymond and Feeken were at the Platte last Saturday with hay.

SOMERSET SNAP SHOTS.

Some very windy weather the past week.

Walter Votaw, of Maywood, was recently in this locality buying stock.

L. N. Jackson recently spent Sunday with home folks in Frontier county.

Our east bound mail now departs at 6:51 a. m.

A basket meeting will be held at the Little Medicine schoolhouse by the Baptists on Saturday March 4.

William Griffith is now spending the time at home, having recently been laid off.

William Jolliff and Cecil Tuell spent several days in the valley last week.

James Waggener was a North Platte visitor last week.

Frank Toillion and wife spent Wednesday night with James Jolliff while en route to Maywood.

J. H. Knowles and A. Grew went to North Platte Saturday to make final proof upon the homestead of the former.

Elder D. L. McBride is expected to preach here Sunday, March 8.

We are informed that W. N. Parcel has about recovered from his recent severe sick spell.

Give us McKinley for president and everybody will be prosperous and satisfied. O. L. C.

NEBRASKA NOTES.

Buffalo county chicken fanciers will organize a poultry club.

Burglars last week blew open the postoffice safe at Gorham and secured \$100.

Omaha bicyclists are making an effort to build a cinder path between that city and Council Bluffs.

A Weeping Water man recently followed a fellow forty miles in order to capture a stolen road cart.

Beatrice common council is moving to have the number of wards in that ambitious city reduced from six to four.

The editors of northeast Nebraska had a big feed last week at Randolph, and swapped experiences in regard to the dear delinquent.

A Wahoo jury has awarded James Cheever damages to the amount of \$300 for having a couple of fingers chewed off by L. L. Taylor.

The Union Pacific has agreed to furnish Kearney celery growers with South Omaha fertilizers at the rate of \$1 a ton on track at Kearney.

The oat crop around Shelby last season was something prodigious, and from 6,000 to 8,000 bushels are now daily being marketed at the elevators there.

The Kent Cattle company of Genoa has made a second shipment of export cattle, thus making forty-two cars fed there for foreign markets, which require a high grade.

Knox county ranchmen are troubled over a couple of mountain lions, which will probably develop into a pair of big gray timber wolves. As Nebraska has no sea serpents excited "bug eaters" occasionally magnify the latter animals into mountain lions.

The receiver of the Geneva state bank is now paying a final dividend of 14 per cent, making a total of 24 per cent paid its creditors. The depositors appear to have been lucky to have had their pass books returned. Eleven months were spent by the receiver in closing the bank's affairs.

Gosper county has squared up with the state for all shortage of ex-county treasurer W. E. Aldrich. C. A. McCloud, state examiner of treasurers, reported to Auditor Moore that Aldrich owed the state \$28,076.43 and county attorney W. V. Miller called yesterday and settled for the county. Aldrich has been missing since the court house and part of his records burned, but he turned over all his property to the county with power of attorneys to effect a settlement of his shortage. It is reported that the county will therefore be out only a few thousand dollars.—Cozad Tribune.

For the purpose of inducing sugar factories to locate in Iowa, a bill has been introduced in the legislature giving a bounty of 1 cent per pound to the manufacturers of sugar from beets grown in that state. It is drafted largely from the Nebraska bill, and it is claimed will pass the legislature with but little opposition. Our state is in advance of all others in the sugar

industry, and had the encouragement been bestowed when the same was first started, there would have been several factories in the state ere this. But sufficient interest has been awakened to attract attention of capital and the industry will no doubt advance as our people become better acquainted with the necessities of beet sugar culture.—Grand Island Independent.

There is some talk of a factory for Ames, at last, but it is not a sugar factory yet. It is a factory that is in every way as appropriate to the place as a sugar factory—a cow factory. John Sievers has invented a new sort of a cow, called a hunting cow, and is going to apply for a patent. This cow differs from the ordinary "bossy" in that her outside covering is made of canvass. There is a door to walk inside and when you get in there, you use your feet inside the covering of the front legs, which sets some machinery in the back part in motion, causing the hind legs to keep step with the front. You are supposed to keep this motion up until you come to a field containing geese, and then pretend to graze till you get close enough, when you open a little door and go to shooting.

Nebraska is giving a great deal of attention to the sugar beet industry, and it has proved quite profitable. According to the figures given by the Irrigation Farmer in 1861 there were 8000 tons of sugar beets raised in that state; in 1892 18,700 tons; in 1893, 22,625 tons; in 1894, 25,633 tons. We have not been able to secure the statistics for 1895 as yet, but they undoubtedly will show an equal increase. Another thing very gratifying is that beets are very fertile with sugar, but that their fertility varies each year. In 1891 they averaged 161 pounds of sugar to the ton; in 1892, 157 pounds; in 1893 181 pounds, and in 1894 they averaged 218 pounds of sugar to the ton.—Grand Island Independent.

More than 100 families are leaving Livingston county, Ill., this spring. The railroads are carrying the people and their effects out literally in train loads. Nearly all of them are moving to Iowa, Nebraska and other northwestern states. They are going because they are forced out of Illinois by the high price of lands and high rents. Ten years ago they paid one-third of the crop raised on a farm as rent. Now that one-half of the crop is exacted, they feel that they can do better farther west where a poor man may hope to own his farm and fight his way to a competency. This Illinois exodus has its lesson for the farmers of Nebraska who are disposed to value their lands too lightly. This land is needed to grow grain for feeding the nations, and it will be occupied and utilized, and it will steadily grow in value. The man who has possession of a quarter section of Nebraska soil has an independent future before him.—State Journal.

Dr. Sawyer: Dear Sir: Having used your Pills, I can recommend them to the public. I have been attended by four different doctors, but one and a half boxes of your medicine has done me more good than all of them. Yours respectfully, Mrs. Maggie Johnson, Bronson, Branch County, Mich. Sold by F. H. Loagley.

Playing at Being Born.

The strange sayings of children would fill a volume—for the matter of that, have filled one, I believe—while, as for the situations they adopt in their play, they are imitated from the life dramas of their elders with that reckless disregard for consistency and development that often distinguishes the dramatist. A friend of mine who had been Christ-massing in the country told me of a very funny example of this trait in "our little ones." A large party of children were sent up to the schoolroom one afternoon to amuse themselves, and after a time two ladies made an excursion from the drawing room to see how they were getting on. The youngsters were "play acting," and the scene in which they were engaged was that of a fashionable wedding. Away from the group of performers stood in a corner a tiny girl of about 3. Thinking the child had been summoned to one young to join in the game, one of the ladies went up to console with her and ask the reason of her solitude. "Oh, hush!" said the tiny mite, who could scarcely speak plainly. "I'm the baby, 'em know, and I'm waitin' to be born'd."—London Sketch.

Capital Punishment in Calabar.

The famous Calabar bean is said to be worse than strychnine. The natives use it for an ordeal. If a person is accused of a crime, he is made to eat one, being adjudged to be guilty in case of death, which is almost inevitable. Another seed employed for a like purpose is that of the ordeal tree of Madagascar, said to be the most deadly of vegetable poisons. One of these seeds about the size of an almond will kill 30 men.

Forever from the hand that takes one blessing from us others fall, and soon or late our Father makes his perfect recompense to all.—Weight

What lovely shoes, Oh! Ethel, dear,
You surely didn't get them here?
Oh! yes dear Maud, and I have found,
Although the world with shoes abound,
That none in any way compare,
With those you buy down at the Fair.
To Richards go, for all your shoes,
And don't forget to spread the news,
That they with any firm can vie,
Where're sold shoes beneath the sky.

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Some man has figured it out that card-playing is prejudicial to courtship and consequent matrimony. His reasoning seems to be that when two people sit idly down and look at each other, the man, having naturally but few ideas and not being gifted in the art of verbal expression, generally holds his companion's hand for something to do, and thus drifts into a proposal. But when his companion becomes his opponent, sitting alertly opposite him with her hands full of cards, the chances of courtship are manifestly less.—Ex.

John Webster, an old farmer of Grant precinct, says the soil at the present time contains more moisture than for the past twelve years. He has been farming in Dawson county for twenty years or more and is confident that during the past twelve, at this time of the year, the ground never contained as much moisture as now. The prospects for good crops are flattering.—Lexington Pioneer.

Mr. Morley having remarked that the United States is the most lightly taxed country in the world, a London paper reminds him that the explanation lies in the fact that "it makes foreign producers pay a large share of its national expenses." And it may be well to add that in so doing it also protects its own business interests and insures good wages to its laborers.—Globe-Democrat.

Hon. Simon Wolf has been making an investigation of the record of the Jews as soldiers in this country, and he finds that sixteen men of that faith served as staff officers in the Federal army during the civil war, and that twenty-four held similar positions in the Confederate army. The number of Jewish private soldiers on both sides was about 7900, and they rendered brave and effective service.