

CITY NEWS.

The interior of Stamp's shoe store has been re-arranged in order to provide ample room for watch repairer Clinton. The cornet band favored the citizens with a street concert last evening, which was duly appreciated by the crowd which assembled. Reserved seats for the wheel club minstrels are being rapidly taken. Secure your seats before all are taken; there promises to be a crowded house. If plans now on foot go through, North Platte will have a full-fledged bicycle factory next season. Only high grade wheels will be manufactured. Chas. Neilson, charged with burglarizing the house of one Bonesteel, of Dickens, in the year 1894, will have an examination before Judge Ray to-morrow.

A SUDDEN DEATH.

Phenie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Doolittle, died suddenly at her home in this city a few minutes before eight o'clock this morning. For several months she had been a victim of consumption, the insidious disease gradually destroying her vitality, and for ten days past her condition had been such that the fond parents could not hope for recovery. This morning the deceased arose as usual, dressed herself, and proceeded down stairs. Just as she reached the foot of the stairs and entered the front room, she was evidently overcome, and dropping upon a lounge, expired without uttering a word. The immediate cause of death was heart failure, superinduced by the disease with which she had been troubled. Miss Doolittle was a young lady of sweet character, pure, unselfish, and thoroughly christian. One of her delights was the performance of church work, and as a member of the Church of Our Saviour and of the Daughters of the King she gladly gave her assistance, so far as her strength would permit, in making the life of others more pleasant and happy. In the hearts of the members of the family her death causes a void nothing can fill; with her friends her presence and help will be greatly missed and demise deeply regretted. To relatives and friends there is the consoling thought that Phenie's short life on earth was of such nature as to insure for her an eternal life in the beautiful unseen city. At this hour arrangements for the funeral had not been perfected, other than that the remains will be taken to Onarga, Ill., for interment to-morrow night. The deceased was 17 years old.

Spring Stock of Furniture arriving, 1896 designs, and cheap, too. Upholstering and Furniture Repairing done. We have a new line of Room Moulding. We are framing many pictures, bring yours in now. Come in and look over our complete stock. E. B. WARNER. (UNDERTAKER.)

Sheriff Miller transacted official business in Wallace yesterday. Arthur Hammond is making a handsome set of water gauges for the North Platte canal company. See the wire hog fencing at the Wilcox Dept. Store. It is hinted that a young and promising passenger brakeman running west out of this city will shortly join the benedictine ranks. The Y. M. C. A. meeting Sunday afternoon will be held in the rooms. A. M. Mason will lead. The subject is: "Trailing the banner." Buy McDonald shirt waists; they don't rip. For sale by the Wilcox Dept. Store. Rev. Fouk has been at work "tuning" the big Lutheran bell with the result that the tone is not so similar to that produced by the fire alarm bell. The two-act sketch entitled "The Irrigation Fair" to be given by the wheel club minstrels on Friday evening of next week is an original farce and will prove a great hit. Don't buy garden hose until you have been to the Wilcox Department Store. Misses Blanchard and Wright, two of Sidney's most accomplished and finished vocalists, will render solos and duets at the wheel club entertainment on Friday evening of next week. Two excellent topical songs entitled "The Irrigation Fair" and "The Kid Brass Band," have been composed by J. B. McDonald and will be rendered by the wheel club minstrels on Friday evening of next week. Yes, THE LEXINGTON PATENT is the best. Sold everywhere. The street commissioner has been hustling around for some time urging property owners to clean the alleys adjacent to their residences, and the result is that those by-ways, generally speaking, are in pretty fair shape. The Epworth League will hold a taffy pull at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Robinson on Tuesday evening of next week. It is pretty certain that all who attend will pass an enjoyable evening. A charge of ten cents will be made. Guaranteed quality Ladies Kid Gloves ninety-five cents at the Wilcox Dept. Store. In order to protect from the ravages of the town herd the row of trees which he has planted along the street, M. H. Douglas has moved his yard fence to the outer edge of the sidewalk. He will soon erect a more modern fence around his property. Reports from all precincts in Lincoln county are very encouraging. Farmers feel hopeful and are industriously at work plowing and sowing all the seed at their command. With a good crop this season Lincoln county will again be in the swim. Poultry netting one-half cent a square foot at the Wilcox Dept. Store. Ludwig Baeg, superintendent of the Ft. McPherson national cemetery, requests us to say that Decoration day will be observed as usual at the cemetery. Everybody is cordially invited. We understand that Rev. Fouk will deliver the address. The petition asking the county commissioners to appropriate one thousand dollars for the Western Nebraska Irrigation Fair was filed with the county clerk the early part of the week. The matter will be considered by the commissioners within the next few days. Buy your cutlery and shears of the Wilcox Department Store. They warrant their Keen Kutter goods. The North Platte delegates to the state convention returned home last night. The boys feel disappointed in not securing E. B. Warner a place on the St. Louis delegation, but have the satisfaction of knowing that they made every possible effort in that direction. Secretary Hollingsworth, of the Y. M. C. A., will arrange for a course of lectures and entertainments next fall and winter. He is taking the matter in hand early so as to secure the best possible talent. The course will be given under the auspices of the local association. A box of cigars labeled "smoke on Dill" was placed on the counter of Wright's cigar store yesterday and a number availed themselves of the invitation. The smokers found, however, that the cigars were loaded with tar rope, feathers, etc., having been made so by order of Mr. Dill. This little joke of Charley's will probably result in an increased attendance at the tin-horn serenade to be given him upon his return home.

Mrs. J. G. Anderson has been suffering from inflammatory rheumatism for several days past. The Cody Guard will hold its fourth monthly invitation dancing party at Keith's hall this evening. Straw hats at the Wilcox Dept. Store. A large number of shade trees from the W. L. Park timber claim are being hauled to town and find a ready sale. Charley Rice left a day or two ago for Colorado Springs, where he has secured a position in the shops of the Colorado Midland railroad. Buy your summer underwear of the Wilcox Dept. Store. W. M. Porter, who has been teaching school at Sutherland, came to town Wednesday to prove up on 320 acres of land situated in Wallace precinct. L. E. Myers will occupy one side of the Thomson store room with his drug stock. The room has been enlarged and accommodates both the drug and grocery stocks. J. & P. Coats thread, 4 cents a spool, at the Wilcox Dept. Store. City clerk-elect Keith will probably secure desk room in the U. S. land office. This will prove a very convenient location for those having business with Mr. Keith. It is thought the proposition submitted by Rev. Bailey to the trustees of the Presbyterian church will be accepted. Rev. Bailey very favorably impressed the congregation. Seed wheat for sale by C. F. Iddings. Joe Perritt has severed his connection with the North Side grocery store. We understand Mr. Campbell has sold an interest in the store to a gentleman formerly living at Gandy. A. D. Williams has invested in Cripple Creek residence property which is bringing him in a neat revenue. We understand Mr. Williams has secured a position in the office of a leading Cripple Creek attorney. You want good bread, be sure and get the LEXINGTON PATENT FLOUR. Junior Joe Fillion received his Viking racer a few days ago and the local crack-a-jacks pronounce it a well constructed and pretty wheel. Joe will open the eyes of some before the close of the present season. John Hostetter, the incurably insane patient, who has been kept in jail here for several months awaiting opportunity to be sheltered in one of the state asylums, will be taken to the Norfolk institution to-day by Sheriff Miller. The Wilcox Department Store guarantees its rubber hose. The North Platte delegation of ladies who attended the Episcopal guild meeting at Grand Island, returned home last night. Among those present at the meeting were Mesdames Barnum, Douglas, Norton, Stuart, and Miss Krauph. G. S. Eddy, of Chicago, accompanied by J. H. VanBrooklin, of Elizabeth, was in town Wednesday. Mr. Eddy is an attorney and was here for the purpose of looking after the interests of Chicago parties who are interested in the Van Brooklin ranch. If you want a good seed corn go to Chas. McDonald's grocery. It is said the irrigation farmers in the valley will this season plant fewer acres of potatoes and more to corn than has been customary in the past. There will probably be a decreased acreage of wheat and an increase in the acreage of oats. Many of the ditch farmers are beginning to believe that the best plan to follow is to feed to hogs and cattle about all the grain raised. By feeding their produce they obtain a better price. Shirt Waists 39 cents to \$1.75 at the Wilcox Dept. Store. The fire department held its annual meeting Wednesday evening and nominated R. L. Graves for chief. Three names were submitted to the meeting, the vote standing Graves thirty-four, Hart five, Price five. The nomination of Mr. Graves will be confirmed at the Monday evening meeting of the council. The selection of Mr. Graves is evidence that his work during the past year has been satisfactory. H. N. Jennett, business manager of the original Tennessee jubilee singers, visited North Platte Wednesday and made arrangements for the appearance of those singers on the evening of May 12th. The concert will be under the auspices of the ladies' guild and will be held at Keith's hall. The Tennesseans are controlled by the Slayton entertainment bureau, which is a guarantee that they are first-class. There are ten members in the company.

PEOPLE WHO COME AND GO.

Mrs. Harry Reece leaves to-day for a visit with relatives in Plattsmouth. H. S. White returned last evening from Lexington, where he had been transacting business for a day. Milton Doolittle spent a day or two in Omaha this week on business connected with the state board of agriculture. Mrs. Hans Gertler, who had been at Wilber for about three weeks attending a sick sister, returned home Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Lu Farrington left Wednesday night for Kansas upon receipt of news announcing the serious illness of a relative. Wm. Edis came in from Gothenburg last evening where he had been for the purpose of arranging for a supply of ice this season. Frank Seyferth left Wednesday night for Dodge, Neb., where he has secured a position as a book-keeper in an establishment owned by a relative. Mrs. B. F. Kane, of Bluffton, Ind., who had been a guest of her sister Mrs. Hawley, of Sutherland, returned home yesterday. Mrs. Hawley accompanied her this far. Rev. D. W. Crane, of Ogalalla, visited North Platte friends for a few hours Wednesday. He is a gentleman our people are always glad to meet. Mrs. J. B. Aveline, of Chicago, a former resident of Nichols precinct, has been looking after real estate interests in this section for a few days past, as well as renewing acquaintance with old friends.

HER BOOK FRENCH.

Errors Made by a Boarding School Girl In Paris. "It is a wise old saw which advises one 'not to go to France unless you know the lingo,' and indeed it is desirable to know it pretty well if you wish to avoid humiliating little situations," said a Philadelphia young woman in speaking of her experience. "I am an American girl, and about a year ago was rather proud of my boarding school French, but I am wiser now. We were a party of four—my parents, myself and a young lady, some years my senior, who had been my schoolmate, but was recently widowed. Our tour began in Germany, and as we were all densely ignorant of German, we were oftentimes compelled to depend greatly on gesture language, especially in out of the way places where there were no English speaking hotel or railroad clerks and waiters. This gave us some decidedly comical experiences, though it was a revelation as to the capabilities of dumb show and pantomime, but on touching French soil I felt relieved and confident. Alas for human pride! At the first practical test, though I could read the language easily enough, I found I could scarcely catch a word. "The sounds seemed to fly like winged arrows, and it might have been Chinese, so far as my understanding it was concerned. Some of the more conspicuous, out of pure instinctive politeness, would speak very slowly, and then I could get along well enough, and in the course of a few days I began to recover some of my old confidence. My first real humiliation came at a restaurant in the Palais Royal, when I wanted a spoon (cuiller) and asked for a staircase (escalier). I got over that, however, but was caught shortly afterward with the word 'frappe' on the wine list, which stuck me altogether until a young Englishman told me it meant 'iced.' By this time the conceit was rapidly cooling out of me, and two more little incidents brought on the catastrophe. Our party determined one day to go to the theater and I undertook to ask the clerk of the hotel about it, and in what I thought the purest Parisian French told him we wanted a box, which I translated 'boite.' Unable quite to restrain his laughter," he said, "Mademoiselle means a loge." "I then discovered that 'boite' means a dry goods box, or any other kind of most rather than one of a theater. But worse remained. I wanted to explain to some French people that my friend, the widow, was in mourning for her husband, and I tried to say, 'Elle est en deuil parce que son mari est mort,' she is in mourning because her husband is dead. Unfortunately my conjugation of verbal participles was weak, and I substituted the word 'mourir' for 'mourir,' which made me say, 'She is in mourning because her husband is a codfish.' —Philadelphia Call.

Maimed Painter.

Tennyson's line, "And breasts the blows of circumstance," finds a picturesque illustration in this paragraph from The Literary Digest: The right hand of the Russian painter Vereschagin is thumbless. His right thumb was bitten by a leopard some years ago and had to be amputated. The middle finger also of his right hand is lamed and useless as the result of a shot wound which the artist received on the battlefield. More than this, the small bones of the center of his right hand were also partially shattered by a fall on the Russian steppes, and his right arm was broken in the same accident. Nevertheless it is with this damaged right hand that Vereschagin paints his wonderful pictures. Advertiser's Letters. List of letters remaining uncalled for in the post office at North Platte, Neb., for the week ending April 3, 1896. GENTLEMEN, Thompson Silas LARIES Wilks Belle Persons calling for above will please say "advertised." M. W. CLAIB, Postmaster NOTICE OF SALE UNDER CHATTEL MORTGAGE. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a chattel mortgage dated on the 8th day of October, 1894, and duly filed in the office of the county clerk of Lincoln county, Nebraska, on the 24th day of August, 1895, and executed by W. M. Ritenour to the North Platte National Bank to secure the payment of the sum of \$200.00, default having been made in the payment of said sum, and no suit or other proceedings at law having been instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof, therefore I will sell the property therein described, viz: One gray mare, one gray horse, one farm wagon, one set farm harness, at public auction at the corner of Sixth and Spruce streets, in the City of North Platte in Lincoln county, Nebraska, on the 21 day of May, 1896, at 10 o'clock p. m. of said day. MILTON DOOLITTLE, Receiver. North Platte National Bank, North Platte, Neb. Dated April 17th, 1896.

The Hot Stuff

We Sell You— 40 sheets of writing paper..... 5c. 2 bunches envelopes..... 5c. 6 slate pencils..... 1c. A belt pin..... 1c. 2 dozen safety pins..... 5c. 2 1-pint tin cups..... 5c. An ax handle..... 11c. A large clevis..... 10c. 2 medium size clevis..... 15c. 1 plow single-tree..... 20c. A 12-quart galvanized pail..... 25c. A galvanized wash boiler..... 95c. A tin wash boiler copper bottom, \$1.00. An all copper wash boiler..... \$2.00. A pair of spring hinges, with screws, that either hold a door open or shut, for..... 10c. Hame clips, 2 for..... 5c. Hame staples, 2 for..... 5c. A 2-pound plow hammer..... 45c. A 14-tooth garden rake..... 22c. A Maynard irrigating shovel..... \$1.20. Stove pipe, per joint..... 15c. Elbows, each..... 10c. No. 1 common lamp chimneys... 4c. No. 2 common lamp chimneys... 6c. Tubular lantern globes..... 7c. A copper bottom tubular lantern, 45c. A set of handled tea cups and saucers 42c. A set of 7-in. dinner plates..... 35c. 6 engraved tumblers..... 25c. 6 hotel goblets..... 30c. We carry poultry netting, screen wire, tinware, hardware, notions, hats, caps, ladies' and gents' furnishing goods, trunks and valises, decorated dinner sets, chamber sets, and the largest line of crockery, lamps and glassware in North Platte. If you pass us by you lose money. It only takes a call to prove it. Price and quality talk.

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