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GREAT CLEARING SALE!

Slaughter! Slaughter! Slaughter!

We have got to make room for our immense line of Fall Goods and for that reason will sell all of our goods at marvelous low prices—lower than ever known in Western Nebraska.

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Finest Wines, Liquors and Cigars at the Bar.

Our billiard hall is supplied with the best make of tables and competent attendants will supply all your wants. KEITH'S BLOCK, OPPOSITE THE UNION PACIFIC DEPOT

SUTHERLAND NEWS.

Nels Peterson did business at North Platte Saturday.

Miss Nina Snell has been engaged as assistant teacher in the Sutherland school.

C. W. Burkland is fitting up the back end of his store for a dwelling. The shooting match on Wednesday brought a number of turkeys to town and on Thanksgiving most families were well supplied.

Ed Hostetter brought in a bunch of horses from Camp Clark for Coker and Abshire last week.

O. A. Hostetter has sold out his stock of hardware to E. C. Brown and C. B. McKinstry and the stock has been moved to the bank building.

The teachers' meeting on Saturday was not very well attended on account of cold weather. The next meeting is called in two weeks.

Miss Cora Creek has been quite sick the past week.

Chas. Richards has repainted and prepared the saloon building and rumor says a restaurant will soon be started.

C. J. Farnham graduated in the Oriental degree on Saturday night. The postoffice ball has opened and numerous applicants are coming forward.

N. McClain, of Paxton, was in town on Monday.

Mr. Wright, of Hershey, transacted business in town on Saturday.

R. Ellsworth spent last Sunday with his family at this point.

Since the snow game seems to be quite plentiful and hunters are just as numerous.

Henry Coker was a North Platte visitor Saturday.

Rev. Dodder, of Grand Island, preached at the church on Sunday.

NICHOLS NEWS.

Our coldest weather so far this season was Saturday last.

Quite a number of our citizens took in the concert at the Platte Saturday afternoon.

Preparations have commenced for the Christmas exercises to be held at the school house.

Owing to inclemency of the weather no services were held last Thursday evening as had been given out.

Chas. Trovillo has been hauling some fine wheat to the North Platte market the past few days.

R. W. Calhoun went over on the north side yesterday to get a couple of cows he had on the Cooledge ranch.

Dymond and Loker are baling straw for parties in Hinman precinct this week.

Several of the leading lady Macabees of this place attended a special meeting of that order in Hershey Saturday last.

A literary is being talked of pretty strong by some of our more enterprising citizens.

We understand the scales now located near the Nichols side track will probably be moved north of the station about a mile.

Mrs. N. B. Spurrer was around canvassing the neighborhood in the interest of some very fine Christmas books and took quite a number of orders the past week.

Mrs. Geo. Sullivan will entertain the aid society to-morrow.

Miss Bertha McWilliams was the guest of Miss Nellie Lonergan at North Platte several days last week.

J. W. Lyle who has been working with the alfalfa huller all fall is now home on a visit.

Rev. Coslet will preach to our people Thursday evening, Dec. 10, at 6:30 eastern time, at the school house in district No. 11.

A number of young people attended the church at the village of Hershey Sunday evening.

CATTLE RUSTLERS.

Last Sunday night the Ralston family, who live at Willow Island, heard a shot fired in the pasture south of their house, and Bob Ralston rode over to see what was going on. When he reached the pasture he saw three men, who had killed one of the cattle and loaded it on a spring wagon. They drove away when they saw Bob, but he followed them and fired several shots but failed to stop them. One of the men shot at him, the ball narrowly missing his horse. Bob then came to this city and got two or three men to go out and help to find the cattle thieves, but they were unsuccessful. The Ralstons have had twenty-five head of cattle killed and taken away this year.—Gothenburg Times.

STATE NEWS.

Twelve or fifteen deer are reported having been killed by Keya Paha county nimrods along the state line during the past week.

The Platte county fair and driving park association has decided to go out of business, and are advertising their grounds and buildings for sale.

The Nebraska Jersey breeders' association will hold its annual meeting in Seward, December 3. About one hundred members compose the association, and most of them will probably attend this meeting.

The agricultural editor of the De Witt Times warns his farmer readers against turning stock into cornstalks indiscriminately. He advises that they be turned in only a couple of hours a day at first and that the time be gradually increased.

I. A. Sheridan of Red Willow county, who met Rosewater one fateful day in the corridor of the capitol at Lincoln and swatted him, after which he was smothered with bouquets, is a candidate for secretary of the railroad commission under a populist regime, and he is likely to get the job, they say.

Mrs. Bittenbender has the distinction of having received the highest prohibition vote cast in Nebraska for seven years. This was in 1893, when she was given 6,357 votes for judge of the supreme court. This year Rev. Joel Warner received 1,560 vote for governor on the water ticket.

J. H. Stickle, the convicted Hebron banker, has concluded he might as well take his dose first as last. He says he will not appeal his case, but will go to the penitentiary in a few days to commence on his two years' service at hard labor. There are still other indictments pending. The way of the transgressor, etc.

A marriage license was granted recently to a queerly mated couple as regards age, the groom being twenty-four years younger than the bride says the Nebraska City News. The license was granted to James C. Knight, aged fifty-one years and Mrs. Nancy S. Morgan, aged seventy-five years. They will be married and open a dye and carpet weaving establishment at Syracuse. It is seldom that there is such a difference in the ages of people that marry, but probably the elderly lady concluded that she wanted to take a boy to raise.

Frank Mathews, an ardent popocrat of Myrtle township, who bet and lost his whole crop of wheat on Bryan's election, went to Arcadia last week and purchased four ounces of laudanum, which he took, with suicidal intent. Had not a doctor who learned of the act, followed him with a stomach pump and relieved him of his fatal dose, it is more than probable that he would not have had another opportunity to hazard the subsistence of his wife and children again in support of his fanatic zeal.—Broken Bow Republican.

It is announced that the Omaha Board of Trade is preparing to banquet the new state popocrat officers some time next month. We hope these fellows from the country will be careful what they get into while they are in Omaha. Inasmuch as the Omaha fellows have never banqueted republican officials, the great common people, one of whom we all are, we will be pardoned if we profess to be a little skaky concerning the pure holy motive that may actuate the Omaha crowd. Jake Wolfe, Bill Porter, Si Holcomb and the rest are hereby warned to keep their eyes peeled when they go to see the elephant.—Fremont Tribune.

In the last forty days twenty-six banks in eastern and southeastern Nebraska have been entered by burglars, with losses amounting to over \$30,000. Officers representing different detective agencies, secret service men of the United States and railroad detectives have all been trying to locate the band of safe breakers, and it is reasonably certain that four of the twenty crooks in the gang are in jail at Hebron. These four men will undoubtedly receive long sentences at the coming term of court and in the meantime the various banks interested are using every effort to run down the remainder of the gang and have them landed behind the bars, a joint fund having been subscribed for that purpose.

NOT ALL KILLED IN ACTION.

Loss of Life in Battle Not So Appalling as Many Believe.

Summing up the whole question as between any two European peace trained armies of the present day, the extreme percentage of loss to be anticipated locally—i. e., on particular brigades and divisions—will not exceed one in three (of which one is killed to four wounded), whereas for whole armies of 250,000 and over one in ten is the very outside punishment we may reasonably expect.

Compared with the slaughter of the seven years' war and the best contested fields of the Napoleonic period, this is very little indeed. At Zorndorf the Russians lost 21,000 out of 52,000 on the ground, and though this is undoubtedly the bloodiest battle recorded since the introduction of portable firearms, Eylau, Friedland, Wagram and Borodino all exceed the figures for any fixed battle since the breechloader appeared in the field. Moreover, the horror of the whole thing is not to be measured by figures of percentages only, but by the density in which the killed and wounded lie and the fate of the latter afterward. In a modern battle 20,000 men would fall on an area of about 20 square miles. At Zorndorf the 21,000 Russians and 12,000 Prussians lay on a single square mile, and of the wounded not one in three survived, and the Prussian medical staff anticipate even better results next time.

But death on the battlefield is by far the lesser of the two evils the soldier has to face. There is the death on the line of march and in hospitals along the road, whereas formerly, particularly under Napoleon, ten would die by the way for one who fell in action. In the last Franco-German war only one man died of disease for two killed in action. Indeed the health of men in the full prime of life was actually slightly better in the field than in quarters.

It may, however, be argued that, even granted that battles and marches will be less destructive, there will be more of them, because every able-bodied man, being trained for war, the resistance will be more prolonged than formerly; but this prolonged endurance is only conceivable under the supposition that the leaders on both sides are hopelessly incompetent and both fear to stake all on a single collision, a supposition that nothing tends to justify. On the contrary, every leader brought up in the modern school is taught to understand the vulnerability of all modern military organizations, and is penetrated with the conviction that one downright "knock out" blow effects more than weeks of purposeless sparring, and where both start determined to bring matters to a climax the decision cannot long be delayed. Judging from what we know of the relative efficiency of continental armies, we believe that the first round of the great encounter will also be the last, for the momentum of the blow which decides will simply paralyze every nerve of the opponent's body, and, in adding up all sources of casualties that can occur in a short campaign of this description, we conclude that at the very worst the actual cost in human life to the powers engaged will not amount to more than the same percentage as the influenza epidemic of 1891-2 cost Germany, and rather less than the same epidemic cost us. To suppose that this degree of blood guiltiness would chain the wills of any responsible body of statesmen who believed that they were acting in the interests of their country is surely too Utopian an idea for profitable discussion.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Anecdote of Chief Baron Pollock. The following anecdote is told of Baron Pollock when he was Chief Baron Pollock. On one occasion some one hinted retirement pretty broadly to the baron, entirely from a view, the person urged, to the prolongation of such a valuable life. As soon as he saw the drift of the speaker's remarks the old man rose, and with his grim, dry gravity said, "Will you dance with me?" Naturally the well wisher stood aghast at the chief baron's strange request, but the latter, who prided himself particularly upon his sturdy legs, began to caper about with youthful vivacity. Seeing his visitor standing surprised, the baron tripped up to him and said, "Well, if you won't dance with me, will you box with me?" and "squaring up" to him, half in jest and half in earnest, literally boxed the gentleman out of the room. After that the old chief baron had no more visitors anxiously inquiring after his health and suggesting retirement.—Westminster Gazette.

A Lump of Copper Weighing 420 Tons. The most colossal nugget of pure native copper ever found was a single bowlder of that metal which was unearthed in a Minnesota mine in 1857. This giant nugget was 45 feet long, 22 feet broad and 8 feet thick; it weighed a fraction over 420 tons.

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THE FAIR.

RICHARDS BROS.

Uncle Sam's Recruits.

A number of officers were talking in the hall of the Army and Navy club a day or two ago when the conversation turned on the care which is exercised in the selection of recruits for the army. From the facts brought out it would seem that the United States service is one of the hardest in the world to enter, even as a private. The standard of the enlisted man has been raised so often that it is now harder to become an ordinary soldier, with the pay of 14 a month, than it is to enter any branch of the civil service. The lightest defect in the applicant's physique is enough to debar him, as also a bad moral character, even with a perfect physique.—Washington Times.

It has been said that there could be no use for internal piles without a surgical operation, but over 100 cases cured at Council Bluffs, Ia., by the use of hemorrhoidine proves the statement false. There is a cure and quick permanent relief for all who suffer with blind bleeding and protruding piles. Its use causes no pain, even in the most aggravated cases. It is also a cure for constipation. Price \$1.50. For sale by A. F. Stretz.

U. P. TIME TABLE.

GOING EAST—CENTRAL TIME.
No. 2—Fast Mail, 8:45 a. m.
No. 4—Atlantic Express, 11:40 p. m.
No. 28—Freight, 7:00 a. m.
GOING WEST—MOUNTAIN TIME.
No. 1—Limited, 3:55 p. m.
No. 3—Fast Mail, 11:20 p. m.
No. 23—Freight, 7:35 a. m.
No. 19—Freight, 1:40 p. m.
N. B. OLDS, Agent.

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Legal Notices.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The final report of Charles W. Buskins, Administrator of the Estate of Anna Buskins, deceased, will be heard in County Court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, on November 30, 1896, at 10 o'clock p. m. JAMES M. HAY, County Judge.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR LINCOLN COUNTY, NEBRASKA.

In the matter of the estate of Mordica C. Furnish, deceased.
This cause came on for hearing upon the petition of Alford E. Furnish, administrator of the estate of Mordica C. Furnish, deceased, praying for license to sell the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter, being lots two and three, and the east half of the southeast quarter, all in Section 19, Township 9 north, Range 29 west, in Lincoln county, Nebraska, or a sufficient amount of the same to bring the sum of \$800, for the payment of the debts allowed against said estate, and the cost of administration, there not being sufficient personal property to pay the said debts and expenses.

It is therefore ordered, that all persons interested in said estate, appear before me at my office in North Platte, Nebraska, on the 30th day of December, 1896, at one o'clock p. m. to show cause why a license should not be granted to said administrator to sell so much of the above described real estate of said deceased, as shall be necessary to pay said debts and expenses. It is further ordered that this order be published in the NORTH PLATTE SEMI-WEEKLY TRIBUNE for the time required by law.
Dated this 10th day of November, 1896.
H. M. GILLES, District Judge.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION.

Land Office at North Platte, Neb., November 17th, 1896.
Notice is hereby given that Michael C. Harrington has filed notice of intention to make final proof before Register and Receiver at his office in North Platte Neb., on the 25th day of December, 1896, on timber culture application No. 12,294, for the southwest quarter of section No. 4, in township No. 14 north, range No. 30 west. He names as witnesses: Isaac Lauringh, Harry Lamplugh, Allen Tibb, Lester Walker, all of said county.
J. H. HINMAN, Register.

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ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,
NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA.
Office over North Platte National Bank.

DR. F. F. DENNIS,
HOMOEOPATHIST.
Over First National Bank,
NORTH PLATTE, NEB.

DR. N. F. DONALDSON,
Assistant Surgeon Union Pac. R.R. and Member of Pension Board.
NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA.
Office over Straitz's Drug Store.

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