

Town and County News.

—Miss Myrtle Schumann left yesterday for a visit with her sister at Belvidere, Neb.

—Dr. Donaldson was called to Hershey yesterday by sickness in the family of W. M. Ware.

—The ice gang filled twenty-four refrigerator cars yesterday and about half as many today.

—Miss Lillian McCracken left Wednesday night for a visit with her sister in Portland, Oregon.

—Mrs. George Schumann, who had been visiting in town for some time, returned to Kearney yesterday.

—Fred Hartman has been wearing a passenger brakeman's uniform this week during the rush of west-bound excursionists.

—Three more engines were sent down to Grand Island light at noon to-day and will bring back excursion trains to-night.

—Mrs. John Schumann, who was so badly burned ten days ago remains in a serious condition, and chances for her recovery are not very bright.

—Ten engines were sent light to Grand Island yesterday forenoon in order to be brought through excursion trains and the accumulated freight trains.

—The mother and sister of Robt. Vance who had been visiting that gentleman and his family for several weeks, returned to Wisconsin the early part of the week.

—The officers of Walla Walla lodge were installed last evening by Judge Hoagland. Deputy grand master McDonald, of Lexington, on account of sickness in his family, could not be present.

—Don't ruin your health by using adulterated spices. Get Dwinell, Wright & Co's Pure Spices at McDonald's Cash Grocery.

—Messrs. W. H. and J. H. Turpie, representing the syndicate which purchased the Pratt & Co. real estate holding, are in town on business connected with those interests.

—Excursion trains still continue to come; there will be four sections of train No. 1 this evening, and arrangements are being made at the Pacific Hotel to feed several hundred of the excursionists.

—Those holding tickets on the bicycle will please bring them in at once. H. C. RENNIE.

—An effort is being made to have a coupling contest Monday morning between the members of the Third ward hose company, but at this writing it is not certain that a sufficient number will compete.

—Up to noon to-day the merchants had made no definite arrangements in regard to closing the stores Monday. The banks will, of course, be closed, and it is likely a majority of the stores will close after the noon hour.

—A carload of WASHBURN'S BEST just received from the Pillsbury Washburn Flour Mills at Minneapolis, at McDonald's Cash Grocery.

—Miss Jessie Bratt, who has been attending the Boston Conservatory of Music, and Miss Charlotte Osgood who is also attending a Boston school, returned home last night. Miss Lizzie Bratt will be up from Omaha to-night.

—Placing hoboes under arrest and sentencing them to work on the streets has apparently had a good effect, at least the weary willies have not been so numerous around town of late. The officers will cease making arrests for vagrancy for a short time.

—Four wrecks of C. E. excursion trains have been reported, one in New York, one in Kentucky, one near Chicago and the other in Oregon. The Union Pacific has so far handled its big number of trains without accident or friction, which speaks well for the officials and the train men.

Here is a Great Snap.

The best Deering Binding Twine \$5.85 per hundred. The finest wire nails two cents per pound. Glidden barbed wire \$2.20 per hundred. Compare these prices with those quoted by our friends before we commenced handling this class of merchandise and see how we pound them down.

HARRINGTON & TOBIN.

—Water was again turned into the South Side ditch Tuesday evening, and since then water has been running through about two-thirds its length; the farmers west of the Osgood ranch using the water as fast as it comes down. The result is that the farmers on the west end of the ditch have plenty water and their crops are doing fine, while those along the east end have no water and their crops are suffering greatly by reason of the drouth. A meeting of the shareholders of the ditch is called for this afternoon, and efforts will be made to equalize the use of the water.

Would you like a new Chamber Suit of three pieces FOR TEN DOLLARS? - -

I presume you would. We cannot sell you one for that money but you can purchase a good one for a little more money. We have the finest line of FURNITURE ever shown in the city. Call and see our new Couches and Lounges. We have something cheap in an extension table, and our dining room Chairs are the best made for the money.

E. B. WARNER.

ODD FELLOWS BLOCK.

Rennie's Vast Stock of

Dry Goods, Shoes Coats and Millinery

at COST AND LESS.

The chance of your life. I am positively going out of business. Those people owing this house will please call and make arrangements to settle their accounts, either in cash or note. We will sell no more goods on credit to any living person

Beginning Monday, June 14th, 1897.

Come and see for yourself. Eating the pudding is the proof thereof. All goods one-half price.

Note this—Positively out of business. No ifs or ands about it.

H. C. RENNIE.

SPECIAL FOR TEN DAYS!

With Every Child's Suit

SHIRT WAIST FREE!

Goods marked in plain figures.

Notice Front street window.

Yours for value,

Star Clothing House,

WEBER & VOLLMER.

—Ed Loveland yesterday purchased a carload of Oregon cows and steers which he has turned out on pasture.

—Miss Mattie Rennie, who had been visiting her father for a couple of weeks, returned this morning to Racine, Wis.

—McCormick Binders and Mowers at Jos. Hershey's.

—Dick Kellner is cutting, baling and shipping hay from Ganett this week. He says he is getting five dollars per ton on the track.

—The North Platte Gun Club will hold practice and sweepstake shoots at the range near the fair grounds on Monday afternoon next.

—The Board of Education will hold a meeting next Monday evening and the new members will take their seats. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

—The maximum temperature yesterday, as taken at the weather bureau, was ninety-four. The greater part of the day was sultry which made the heat the more keenly felt.

HOG FENCING. We sell you the best Hog Fencing, 6-inch mesh, for 25 cents per rod, a saving of 25 per cent, at the BLANKENBURG DEPT. STORE.

—Messrs. Park, Barnum, Bullard and Woodhurst leave early Monday morning on their Wyoming fishing trip. Miss Jessie Bullard will accompany them as far as Laramie, where she will visit friends for a few days.

—The Presbyterian ladies held a lawn social last evening at the residence of Dr. Eves, the attendance at which was large. The lawn was handsomely decorated with Chinese lanterns, and two headlights were employed light up the surroundings.

—The board of equalization will adjourn to-morrow, and will on Monday make the levy. The board was on the point of adjourning two or three times this week, but just about that time persons who had grievances would call and hold the attention of the board.

—Some of the engine crews made exceptionally long continuous runs with the excursion trains Wednesday. The longest was by engineer Sullivan and fireman Jeffrey, who made a run from Omaha to Julesburg and then back to North Platte, a distance of 461 miles. Fireman Jeffrey stood the work like a Trojan.

—Presiding Elder Leonard, of Lincoln, is visiting friends in town to-day.

—Masons began laying the foundation of the Belton block this morning.

—T. M. Lee, the well-known farmer of Medicine precinct, is in town to-day.

—Grasshoppers are proving quite destructive to crops in certain sections of Keith county.

—Miss Gertie Friend leaves to-night for a month's visit with friends in Denver and Cheyenne.

—Master Linn Griffin, of Denver, formerly of this city, fell from a tree Monday and dislocated his shoulder.

DEERING BINDING TWINE

\$5.85 spot cash

'Twill go 1 1/4 times as far as any other twine because 'tis closely twisted and a greater number of feet to a ball

Harrington & Tobin.

—Rev. B. S. Haywood, president of the West Nebraska Conference Epworth League, was in town Wednesday on business connected with League convention to be held here beginning July 28th. He returned last Wednesday night.

—From data furnished by Observer Piercy we learn that the mean temperature for June was sixty-seven degrees, the highest temperature being 94 on the 22nd and the lowest on 43 on the 4th. The total rainfall for the month was 1.72 which is a little more than half the average fall for the past twenty-three years. In 1891, the year of big crops, the June rainfall was 7.19 inches. The deficiency in rainfall since January 1st, as compared with the yearly average, is 3.92 inches. During June the wind traveled 7,031 miles, and the maximum velocity attained was 32 miles per hour.

—Wanted—A thoroughly competent servant girl and housekeeper who will appreciate a good home, for small family, dwelling with modern conveniences. Address with references, and wages desired, to Box 56, Gothenburg Neb.

—Judge Grimes returned Wednesday evening from a business trip to Omaha and Lincoln.

—Buggies, road and spring wagon and surreys, A fine assortment at low prices at Jos. Hershey's.

—Misses Margaret and Kate Gabbert, of St. Joe, Mo., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stuart.

—Miss Josie Goodman returned a few days ago from Emporia, Kansas, where she graduated from a school.

—Sidney Dillon, who is attending school in the east, has returned home to spend the summer vacation.

—General Secretary Baer of the Christian Endeavor came in on one of the excursion trains yesterday morning and remained until evening.

—Miss Jennie White left Wednesday night for San Francisco to attend the Christian Endeavor convention. She will be absent several weeks.

—Thos. McGraw, an old resident of the city, was taken before the board of insanity Wednesday and adjudged insane. He will be taken to the Norfolk asylum.

—Quite a large number of our people will go to Hershey to-morrow to attend the celebration at that place. The Hersheyites will endeavor to make it pleasant for all who visit them.

—Smoke Wright's Havana Rose 5-cent cigar.

—There has been a potato famine in North Platte since Tuesday last, the several grocery stores being without a bushel. Potatoes have been ordered from St. Joe, Mo., and are expected to be here to-morrow morning.

—The local Christian Endeavorers presented several hundred bouquets to the C. E. excursionists Wednesday and yesterday. Attached to each bouquet was a card bearing the inscription: "Greetings from Y. P. S. C. E. First Presbyterian church, North Platte, Neb. The Lord bless thee, and keep thee."

—John McConnell, of Somerset, who had a hearing before the federal court at Omaha the early part of the week on the charge of sending letters without attaching a stamp thereto, was fined \$50 and costs. Mr. McConnell receives considerable freight at Somerset, and as the service of the B. & M. company is not good at that station, Mr. McConnell had occasion to write several letters to the railroad officials. These letters he marked "Railroad Business" and handed them to the express messenger on the trains, for delivery to the officials. The messenger, it seems, turned the letters over to the railway mail clerk, and in this way the matter came to the notice of the government, and Mr. McConnell was gathered in by a deputy U. S. marshal.

—The Christian Endeavor excursion to San Francisco this week has been making lively business for the Union Pacific, notwithstanding its haul is only from Omaha to Julesburg. Wednesday there were four sections of train No. 1 and twelve sections of train No. 3 the following night. Last evening there were three sections of No. 1 and six sections of No. 3. Each train had an average of ten Wagner and Pullman sleepers. Three of the trains yesterday morning stopped here for breakfast, the Pacific Hotel feeding nearly 500 people, while half as many more bought meals and lunches at the restaurants near the depot. It is said that less than one half of the excursionists who have been passing through are accredited C. E. delegates, a majority being people who wanted to make a trip to the coast and took advantage of the low rate. The rate from Boston for the round trip is \$75 and \$45 from Missouri river points. One hundred and fifty-two trains of these excursionists were expected in Denver yesterday over the several railroads.

A PRETTY PRESENT



is not wasted. No investment can equal in its return a loving gift. For presents nothing can compare with jewelry. Our stock is full of pleasing novelties, which can be secured for a small sum. Silver and gold dress buttons, shirt waist sets, ladies' long chains, etc. Would be pleased to have you call.

W. M. CLINTON, Jeweler and Optician.

You Need Tools

WE HAVE THEM.

- Hay Forks, Header Forks, Barley Forks, Vises, Forges,
- Drills, Braces, Bits, Hammers,
- Saws, Grindstones, Pulleys, Rope, Machine Oil,
- Oil Cans, Lace Leather, Fly Sheets, Collar Pads,
- Collars, Harness, Hames, Hame Straps, Snaps, Bale Ties.

In fact you can find just what you want and at prices that save you money, at

The Wilcox Department Store,

North Platte, Nebraska.

—A girl baby was born Tuesday night to Mr. and Mrs. Con Walker.

—Mrs. B. L. Robinson and son Guy returned yesterday from their visit at Beatrice.

—Frank Crick went to Hastings to-day to attend the wheel races to be held there to-morrow.

—Miss Louisa Weingand and Fern Stamp left Wednesday for a visit with relatives at Rossville, Ill.

—Mrs. C. F. Jennings returned to Holdrege Wednesday, after visiting relatives in town for several weeks.

—The Nebraska House on Front street is being improved in appearance at the hands of painter Spicer.

—Mrs. E. Gustason, of Burlington, Iowa, arrived in town the early part of the week for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Letts.

—T. F. Bishop arrived in town Tuesday night. Mrs. Bishop is visiting in Council Bluffs, but will come to North Platte Monday.

—Having repainted and papered the interior of his saloon, Guy Laing is now having the exterior repainted, which enhances the appearance thereof.

—Mrs. W. F. Marsh left Wednesday for California.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strahorn are visiting in Denver and other Colorado points.

—W. J. Bryan passed through on No. 3 Tuesday evening enroute to Denver. He made brief talks at Grand Island, Wood River and other points, from the rear of the train.

—Lovers of the dance should not forget the ball to be given at Lloyd's opera house Monday evening by the ladies' auxiliary to the B. of L. E. Refreshments will be served during the evening.

—Doctors Donaldson, McCabe and Eves performed an operation for appendicitis on the Cratty boy Tuesday afternoon and the patient is getting along nicely. The appendix is preserved at McCabe's drug store.

—Nine ball players from this city will go to Gothenburg to-morrow morning and play a game of ball with the club of that place. Daly and Hart will form the battery for the local players. Seventy-five or a hundred citizens are expected to accompany the team.

—The social of the Daughters of the King Tuesday evening at the VonGoetz residence was largely attended. Among the entertaining features were several selections by the juvenile orchestra and a solo by Miss Julia Baker.

—The Ladies' Auxiliary to the B. of L. E. wish to announce that they will serve ice cream and cake in connection with the ball to be given at Lloyd's opera house on Monday evening, July 5th. Doors will be open for ice cream at five o'clock p. m. General admission free. Dance tickets 50 cents.

COMMITTEE.

—During the month of June 615 refrigerator cars were iced at this station while in transit and the pay roll for the men working amounted to over four hundred dollars. Last year the icing up to July 10th was performed by Gress' gang of laborers, but this year the business has so increased that it was necessary to put on an ice gang one month earlier. The icing so far this season is away a head of last year, and when the fruit traffic begins to rush there will be an extra demand for workmen.

Special Sale of Shoes

AT THE YELLOW FRONT.

One-Quarter to One-Half off Former Low Prices

MORE ROOM will be needed for the large stock of fall goods that will begin to arrive in the course of six or seven weeks. Plans are made and the contract let to enlarge our store room to almost double its present shelf capacity. Before the carpenters commence the work we propose getting as many goods out of the way as possible, and now announce a special sale—a reduction of one-fourth to one-half former Prices.

You are sure of getting **Good Shoes** here whenever you buy them—and now you can get **Fine Qualities** at the Price of common goods.

DECATUR & BEECLE.

Geo. M. Graham, Manager.

MEN'S AND BOYS' SHOES.

- \$5 Men's Chocolate Vici Kid, lace, cloth and leather tops, pointed toes, hand sewed, now \$3.90.
- \$3.00 Men's Tan Lace, pointed toes, welt soles, at one-half price, \$1.50.
- \$3.00 Men's Calf Lace, plain Globe toes, welt soles, going for \$2.00.
- Men's Satin Calf, Lace, pointed toes, Dongola top, reduced to \$1.50.
- Men's \$3.50 Patent Leathers, lace, medium toes, now \$1.50.
- Boys' and Youths' Tans, lace, square and pointed toes, few pairs only, now \$1.00. (worth \$1.75 and \$2.)
- Men's Red Russia Calf, high Congress Slippers, easy and light, few pairs left and going at \$1.75.

Ladies' Misses' and Children's SHOES AND SLIPPERS.

- Ladies' Tan Lace Shoes—few pairs left—\$3.75 and \$3.00 qualities, can be had now for \$1.50.
- Ladies' Tan Oxfords, that sold for 2.00, 2.50 and 3.00, now selling for 1.75, 1.50 down to \$1.00.
- Misses' Tan Oxfords, two styles, in spring heel, your choice, 98c.
- Misses' \$2.50 Shoes for \$1.50 including button and lace, cloth and kid tops, pointed and square toes, width A, B, C, D. and E, sizes 1 1/2 to 2.
- Children's Ox Bloods, spring heel, button, coin toes, 85c grade, 65c.
- Infants' Shoes \$1.50 fine kid, patent leather tips, hand turn soles, the finest and best infants' shoes ever sold in town for the price.