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### EVENTS IN NEBRASKA

The Lexington telephone line is now in condition for the patrons to hello at each other.

Word has reached Columbus that Fred Reichenbacher, who left that place for a trip to Switzerland, had died at sea.

Rising City last week shipped an average of seven thousand bushels of corn daily and the end is not yet in sight.

The Lincoln plant of the Beatrice creamery will begin operations next week. It will have a capacity of 30,000 pounds daily.

Rudolph Hummer, of Columbus, was thrown from his wagon and sustained injuries which, owing to his advanced age, may prove fatal.

Omaha has obtained a franchise in the Western League and will play ball this season. The opening game will be at Omaha on April 21.

Jim Hall, awaiting trial in the district court on the charge of grand larceny, escaped from the Hall county jail and is still at liberty.

B. J. Pierce, living near Tekamah, was thrown from a wagon by a runaway team and so badly injured that he died thirty minutes later.

"Sloppy" Smith, an inmate of the Dodge county jail, attempted to gain his freedom, but the sheriff promptly sent a bullet through his leg.

Mrs. Margaret Jensen, one of the earliest settlers of Otoe county, died a few days ago at Nebraska City. She settled in that section in 1854.

Adam Breed, editor of the Hastings Tribune has gone to Havana to investigate the Maine disaster and other things. He executed a will before leaving.

A sun of Stephen Winnick of Riverton toyed with a revolver he didn't know was loaded. The doctor hopes to save his eye but the scar will disfigure him for life.

Martin Holla, a farmer living near Callaway, was driving into town with a load of corn when his horses ran away. He fell under the hind wheel and the doctor thinks his fractured arm will be healed in about six weeks.

### HEAPS OF POLITICS.

Did it ever occur to our populist friends that there has been a "heap" of politics in the case of the state against the Bartley bondsmen? The populists put up a job to beat Edmisten for governor by giving away the recount fraud. The effect of the Bartley trial is to down Holcomb for winking at Bartley's shortage on the first term, and at the same time puncture the boomlet of Attorney Smyth; thus again leaving our own and only Neville the favorite candidate.

### THE POPULIST FINANCIERS.

The populists are still abusing President McKinley for not buying up the Kansas Pacific railroad and running it as a government institution, instead of accepting \$16,000 a mile for it and getting out of the deal with as little loss as possible. These same populists financiers have been telling us for years that a first class road could be built through a country like Kansas for but little more than \$10,000 a mile. In disposing of the bob-tailed Kansas Pacific for \$16,000 a mile the government has made a bargain that ought to win applause instead of abuse from these experts in the management of the universe.—Ex.

### OXNARD USING A CLUB.

A special dispatch from Grand Island to the State Journal says it is believed in that city that the action taken by the beet growers' association of Hall county makes it practically certain that there will be no beet sugar industry in Nebraska this year. Oxnard insists on the clause in the contracts which makes a reduction in the price of beets in the event of the annexation of Hawaii. The beet growers wouldn't have it that way, hence the deadlock between Oxnard and the beet farmers. Of course this is unfortunate, but Mr. Oxnard will be something of a loser himself, and will be both sadder and wiser when he gets through with his attempt to use his beet contracts as a club in a purely political matter.—Kearney Hub.

### A NEW WAY TO TAKE UP A NOTE.

Last Wednesday Walter F. Linn, one of the oldest residents in Gothenburg, took up a note of his own, held by the State Bank of that town, in a manner both unique and original. The note, which was, so we learn, for \$650, was given to the bank by Linn in a business transaction, and was past due. On Wednesday Linn went to the bank and talked of "fixing up" the note, and finally asked to see it. It was handed him, and after he had scrutinized it for a few moments he placed it in his pocket and declared he intended keeping it. H. L. Carlson, the bank's cashier, approached Linn to take the paper from him forcibly, if necessary, but Linn warned him to keep away from him, at the same time placing his right hand in his hip pocket. Carlson thereupon permitted him to walk out of the bank with the note in his possession. Thursday Carlson came to Lexington and employed Attorney G. W. Fox, and will at once begin prosecution to recover from Linn the amount of the note.

The fact that the bank is not in possession of the note is said to cut no figure in the matter of collecting from Linn. Mr. Linn's peculiar action makes him liable to criminal prosecution for robbery, and many people wonder that the bank did not at once cause his arrest upon that charge.—Lexington Pioneer.

—We have a dozen old sows to let out on shares, must be taken this week. Inquire at the Hub grocery store.

A bunch of cattle belonging to F. C. Dodge, of Hall county are afflicted with foot-rot and the neighboring farmers have petitioned the county supervisors to have the herd quarantined.

Cattle men in the region of Ainsworth are much concerned over the damage done by gray wolves of late. One ranchman reported the loss of thirteen calves in one night.

Quite a number of hobos are hanging out in the vicinity of Grand Island, and certain of the citizens who are tired of the nuisance have hinted that they, too, would like to do a little hanging.

### There is a Class of People

who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1/4 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit, 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN O.

### THE WAR CLOUDS STILL HOVERING.

The dispatches from Washington indicate that the war clouds are still hovering, though during the past day or two nothing of interest has been received at the navy department from Havana or Key West.

The court of inquiry investigating the cause of the disaster to the Maine convened at Key West yesterday, and testimony taken from the survivors of the vessel. As was the case in Havana, the board maintains the strictest secrecy regarding its proceedings and all witnesses are cautioned not to say a word to outsiders. When through with the work at Key West the members of the inquiry court will return to Havana and continue the work there. It is thought they will be able to return to the latter place next Thursday. A dispatch states that the inquiry may be prolonged until the 15th inst.

Spain, in the meantime, continues to prepare for war, and a cablegram from Madrid yesterday states that more ships will be sent to Havana this week.

In the house yesterday Representative Bromwell, republican of Ohio, introduced a resolution authorizing the secretary of the navy to secure options upon and consummate the purchase of such battle ships, cruisers, rams, torpedo boats or other war vessels as may be necessary for the interests of the country. For this purpose the resolution asks for twenty million dollars to be made available at once. The bill was referred to the naval committee.

### MILLER.

Farmers in this section marketed hogs in North Platte last week. We understand that Thos. G. Rowley has purchased the old Jas. Wright place.

Misses Lizzie Facka, Amelia Cordes, Sara Neary and Ethel Donegan came out from North Platte to attend the dance at Pleasant View farm Friday evening. Misses Neary and Donegan did not return till Sunday morning.

A surprise party was tendered the Misses Neary last Friday evening under the supervision of John Kenworthy assisted by J. Richard Neary. Dancing, card playing, instrumental and vocal music were indulged in by all present. Tempting refreshments were served at midnight, and dancing continued until the wee small hours. A delightful evening time was had by all present.

Miss Alice Beach left for Hershey Sunday where she will teach a four months' term of school.

Geo. Rowley who has been visiting his brother Thomas for the past three weeks left for the west Monday evening.


J. Richard Neary and sister Miss Henrietta attended a surprise party on Miss Lena Schatz in Osgood precinct last Monday evening. They report having had a very pleasant time. Music, recitations and games were the order of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Chapin made pleasant for all.

We are pleased to note that Mrs. Fritz Weinberg who has been quite sick is better.

In closing our correspondence from Miller precinct we wish to say a word or two in relation thereto. We have written from Miller precinct for over nine years, and in that time never written a word with the intention of hurting the feelings of any one and if we have done so, we are sorry, and will not do so any more. Some people do not like the idea of having their names in the paper at all but that depends on one's point of view, if we do not do anything we are ashamed of we need not care how often our names appear in such simple correspondence, so without further apology we lay down the pen and the pen name.

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### "AULD LANG SYNE."

The Original Manuscript of the Poem is Owned by an Albany Lady.

Mr. Cuyler Reynolds contributes to The Century an article on "The Manuscript of 'Auld Lang Syne,'" the article being accompanied by a facsimile of the autograph. Mr. Reynolds says:

The late Chancellor John V. L. Pruyn of Albany was the successful purchaser of "Auld Lang Syne" and the one to make the autograph one of America's treasures. The facts regarding its removal to this country are of peculiar interest, and they bring the history of the autograph, now more than a century old, up to date.

Mr. Pruyn was a lover of curios, and particularly of the kind connected with an interesting past, and his collecting showed a refinement not evident in the taste of the usual collector. In 1859 the centennial of the birthday of Robert Burns was made the occasion for a celebration in different cities of the United States, and the literary people of Albany decided to observe the day by memorial exercises in a large hall on the evening of the day. Previous to the event Mr. Pruyn planned that it would be a feature if he could secure this autograph copy of the poet's "Auld Lang Syne." Henry Stevens was a famous purchaser for collectors in those days, supplying Mr. James Lenox, Mr. John Carter Brown, the British museum and others with some of the most valuable old works, and thereby hangs a tale to be told later. He owned the verses in question. He was a friend of Mr. Pruyn, and a correspondence regarding the matter in hand began.

The result was that Mr. Stevens sold the verses to Mr. Pruyn, and the manuscript was entrusted to Captain Moody, who guaranteed that it should reach Chancellor Pruyn in time for the celebration. His steamship reached New York late on the day of the celebration, leaving but a few hours to get it to Albany, or the mission would prove fruitless. The only way was for the captain to select one of his trusty men. With this special messenger it was sent from the steamer and conveyed with all dispatch directly to the hall in Albany.

Mr. Pruyn was all expectant when, during the exercises, he was called from the hall. Though he was gone only a moment, all interest in what was going on upon the stage was lost for the time being. Another swing of the door, and Mr. Pruyn entered, waving aloft the manuscript and exclaiming, "It is here!" With exultant delight and amid cries of "Auld Lang Syne" is with us!" Chancellor Pruyn advanced to the stage and read the poem through. Hardly could the people be prevented from breaking in upon him, and when it was proposed to sing it through enthusiasm knew no bounds. Never did a chorus so willingly lend aid, and the familiar air swelled forth in mighty volume.

The cherished page was bound within Russia leather covers, and with it was placed a letter to Dr. Richmond from Burns, dated Feb. 7, 1788, proving the identity of the writing in the poem and also the letter written to Chancellor Pruyn by Henry Stevens when sending the poem to him.

### An Actor's Speech.

The oratorical and speechmaking habit on the part of some of the stage luminaries often leads to striking if not ridiculous results. De Wolf Hopper, decked out as a Spanish soldier of the sixteenth century, in the act of reciting the performance of the immortal Casey is a case in point. Could anything more absurd be imagined than Francis Wilton, in the costume of a vagabond, making a serious speech, assailing his enemies and hurling figures of speech at his detractors. To be called on for a speech when robed in such habiliments would be sufficient to disconcert anybody, including the actor. Jerome Sykes, when with the Bostonians, was called upon for a speech in Philadelphia under peculiar circumstances. The finale of the last act of "Prince Ananias" found Sykes and McDonald sitting on a throne, Sykes smoking a cigarette, robed in a Roman toga of green with lavender drapery thrown over his shoulder and a paper mackintosh on his head. Imagine the consternation of the comedian garbed thus to have an audience set up a cry for a speech. Sykes squirmed, while McDonald said, "Go ahead, Jerome; say something."

Sykes ambled down to the footlights and said: "Ladies and gentlemen, Mr. McDonald, my compatriot who sits up there, informed me just a minute ago that he had a neat little speech prepared that he'd like to have a chance to try on the audience. I hope you'll give him a chance."

Whereupon McDonald looked silly, and Sykes was never again prompted to "go ahead and say something."—New York Telegram.

### The Haitian General's Glass Eye.

A Haitian general having lost an eye in battle sent to Paris for an artificial one. The maker sent in return one of his best. Shortly after the general returned it, with the remark that the eye was too yellow and recalled to his mind the Spanish flag, adding at the same time that he would wear only an eye having the colors of his own country. The maker thereupon made one with red and green predominating, these being the Haitian colors. This so pleased the general that instead of wearing the eye as originally intended he added it to his collection of medals.—Post-graduate.

### An Important Move.

Jobs—"Pon m' word, it's funny!"  
 Ella—What is?  
 Jobs—Well, we had all our drawing room furniture altered, the piano moved and all manner of violent revolutions, and Miss Furbelover never noticed it.  
 Ella—Well, I don't see any—  
 Jobs—But yesterday when she came in she said: "Gracious! What an alteration!"  
 Ella (impatiently)—Well?  
 Jobs—Well—we had moved the mirror.—Aly Sloper.

## Buying is Like Kissing—

It goes by favor, but few people will continue to favor a store with their patronage unless it is deserved. The true test for a store's claim for your business is its growth. If the store grows steadily it is because more and more people find it to their advantage to trade there. This store is growing all the time; it has from the day it was opened, all because people can supply their needs to better advantage here than elsewhere. Better test this assertion by giving the store a trial.

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