

DR. BROCK, DENTIST. Over First National Bank. Phone 148 Constant of the second s

Mrs. W. H. Shohoney left last night for a visit with friends at Ft. Collins, Colo.

George Rannie, a senior at the state university, is spending the holiday vacation at home

evening and will resume work in the out unique ivory tooth picks. Wilcox Store

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Delaney will spend Christmas with relatives at Eighty acres southwest of town to Gothenburg.

state university, is home to spend the holiday vacation.

Mose McFarland and family left last night for Cedar Rapids, Neb., to spend Christmas with relatives.

M. B. Cryderman transacted business in Omaha several days this week, returning home this morning.

Miss Jessie Workman, who is attending business college at Hastings, is home to spend Christmas.

Mrs. E. A. Boyd went to Cozad to spend Christmas with relatives. Mr. Boyd will go down tonight.

Brady, was in town Tnesday and Wednesday transacting business.

nesday on a ten days visit with their daughters at Shelton and Grand Island. Mr. and Mrs. Nels Hammer and

Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Abrens.

The county commissioners will meet in session next Monday and close up pression. Its music has for a year been the business of the year as far as the most popular in America while the possible.

Mrs. O. W. Sizemore and two children went te Hershey this morning, where they will spend Christmas with rela-

W. Tom Brown, who has been con fined to the house for a couple of weeks, is reported much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Ginther are the guests of relatives in town, having arrived Wednesday from Scotts Bluffs, where they have been located for several weeks. Mr. Ginther is traveling for the Baldwin Piano Co., of Chicago.

Leo Pong, of the American restaurant, remembered acquaintances by sending them Chinese embroidered handkerchiefs and silk mufflers, while

Arthur Boyd returned to town last the Jap boys at the Palace Cafe sent

O. H. Thoelecke reports the following sales of land during the past week: Premus Forstedt, seventy-seven acres Miss Alice Birge, a student at the north of Hershey to Dallas Carlisle, 640 acres north of Hershey to T. C. Sherman.

> Last Monday was one of the most busy days North Platte merchants have had in years, almost equaling in the volume of business the preceding Saturday. The holiday trade, which closes today, has as a whole, been very satisfactory to local merchants.

The Indoor Picnic Club was entertained Tuesday evening by Miss May Walker. A feature of the evening was an electrically lighted Christmas tree ladened with gifts for the mumbers, and the opening of the packages and County Commissioner Springer, of the nature of the gifts created much merriment. The usual pienic lunch,

spread on the floor and surrounded by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mooney left Wed- the jolly party, was served. George M. Cohn's phenomenal musical success "Little Johnny Jones" will be presented in this city Saturday evendaughter have gone to Sidney to spend ing with all the original production and

by a company numbering seventy people. No musical play produced in recent times has made such a decided im-

play itself is spoken of by the most able critics as most original and clever.

Mrs. Winget, for many years a resident of North Platte, died at the home of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. C. H.

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Rena Teoti was to be married to Johan Tepheid. Rena was pretty as making. When Mr. Charles Edwin a picture and was the envy of all the Lupton took up his residence in the giris of the village, and all the young city of Mrs. Hunniman's home and her

minning manning

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But on the day of the wedding as the young pair were leading a procession to the little church an officer of present him with a wife. She dethe law stepped up to liena and laki termined to invite the social leaders a rough hand on her shoulder. She, to meet him at dinner and to give him the groom, the peasant attendantr, for a table companion a lady, also a stood aghast. But the officer, never newcomer, in whose social preferment faltering in his duty, led her away and she took a deep interest. ocked her up in a cell.

became a convict. Her lover, con- of aristocratic mein. He had been vinced of her guilt, turned away from abroad for some time, and Mrs. Hunniher when the judge pronounced the man knew nothing of his antecedents sentence, and she went to her prison except that he was vouched for in the home without a word of either sym- highest terms in his letter of introducpathy or reproach from him. Only her tion. But no one would mistake him poor mother befriended her, wept over for anything else than a gentleman. her, encouraged her.

hardly knew when it was day and was thirty-two years old and still a when it was night. She hardly beautiful woman. But a friend of Mrs. thought. After awhile she began to Hunniman told some one, who told othrealize her position. She raved and ers, that Miss Overlander was not tried to dash out her brains against Miss Overlander at all. the wall of her cell. But a sudden which was allied a heaven born bone. What use would it ever be to her?

her husband occurred to her. In ten years she would be free. She knew that she was innocent, and she knew the strl who had committed

the crime for which she was accused. But what could she, a prisoner, do to prove the real criminal? For ten years long afterward all passed into the dinher hands would be tied. Then perhaps she could begin to weave the thread of evidence. And if she succeeded? Suppose Johan were still without a sweetheart? Ab, then she would need her beauty. She would not mar it by striking her head against the wall

From that moment her looks were all to her. But there was no way of watching it to note if it waned. One article of tollet was denied the women prisoners, a mirror. Often they would plead with their jailers for the coveted glass, but it was never granted them. As the years passed Rena more and more longed to see a reflection of her features. She asked her fellow prisoners if her comeliness were growing less. The most kindly of them told her that she was every day more beautiful. A few inhuman beings told her she was growing homely. Which should she believe? Oh, for a bit of mirror, even the tiniest, to get one glimpse of her face!

Renn was seventeen when she was sentenced and had served athe years without ever having had that glimpse. Her hair had been cut when she entered the prison and was not long enough for her to see it. One day a hair came out in her hand. It was white. She pulled out another. It, too, was white. They were all white. A prison official came along the corridor. She stretched forth her hands and with streaming eyes implored him to years ago, and her son C. H. Winget, bring her for just one moment a mirror. He shook his head and passed on The tenth year had half passed and Rena was looking forward to freedom and a possible vindication when one day an official came to her and told her that the girl who had committed the crime was dead and before her death she had confessed all to a priest. As soon as the formal legal papers could be executed the innocent one would be permitted to leave the prison. Then came word from Johan that he had loved Rena always, though he had believed her guilty. He had tried to conquer his love, but it had grown stronger each year. He would not be free to come to her till the next flay, but he would come then. Rena dreaded the meeting. When her lover would see that her beauty had gone, that her hair was white, he would surely turn away from her. She did not ask for a mirror now; she dreaded to see what her face was like. She would walt and note by her lover's expression when he saw her whether it was pleasing or disagreeable. The hours till he came were hours of torture. She had but little hope that Lots, improved with cement any of her beauty remained and believed that her face was as wrinkled as her hair was white. But wait. She would see what it was in Johan's eyes. She sent word to him to bring a mirror when he came Johan was there at last. A jaller came to Rena's cell and said she was wanted. He led her to a reception room, where she stood alone. A door opened, and a man with grizzly hair and a habitual melancholy stamped on his face entered. He stopped, looked at Rena eagerly as though confused between two pictures-pictures of the then and the now. Presently a pleasurable expression began to steal over his features as a pleasing dawn rises in the sky, and, starting forward, he took her in his arms.

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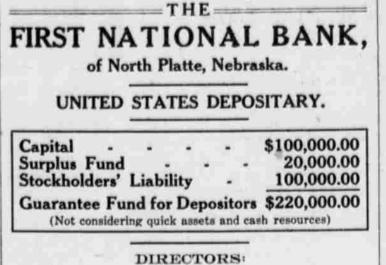
Mrs. Hunniman's hobby was matchmen envied Johan his possession of presented a letter of introduction to her, her first thought was how to present him to society, the second how to

Mr. Lupton was a man of forty, in-Instead of becoming a bride Rena tellectual, good looking, well to do and Miss Overlander, whom Mrs. Huppi-Rena in prison fell into a stupor. She man designed for Mr. Lupton's wife,

When the dinner guests were assem thought came over her-a thought with bled in the drawing room, Mrs. Hunniman took Mr. Lupton's arm and led Her beauty-would she destroy it? him to the lady beside whom he was to sit at table. There was something so Then a possible future reunion with distinguished in both Mr. Lupton's the lover who had come so near being and Miss Overlander's person and manner that the hum of conversation ceased, and all eyes were fixed upon the couple. Both bowed low, the man made some casual observation, the woman replied by an assenting nod, the guests resumed their chat, and not ing room

> There is one thing that matchmakers who are real matchmakers never do. They carefully abstain from any word or act that will intimate their intentions to the objects of their designs. Mrs. Hunniman had thus abstained in the present case, though it had been whispered among the dinner guests that she had intentions concerning Mr. Lupton and Miss Overlander, and during the dinner the couple were the re cipients of curious glances. The conversation between the two seemed at first a trifle constrained, and Mrs. Hunniman was not especially encouraged as to the matter she had in view. The lady seemed not especially at tracted to her dinner companion, who showed a trifle of embarrassment consequent upon her coldness, and when shortly after the soup she entered into conversation with the gentleman sitting on her other side Mr. Lupton turned to the lady on his other add and became animated.

But at a dinner party one cannot ignore his or her dinner companion very long without being considered rude, and Mr. Lupton and Miss Overlander soon found themselves forced to entertain each other or sit in silence. The lady by this time seemed to have made up her mind to make the best of a had bargain and ventured several remarks to the gentleman, who sat very stiffly beside her restlessly fingering the stem of his wineglass and only replied in a perfunctory manner. It became evident to several of the company who were in the secret of the hostess' matchmaking that Mr. Lupton at least was showing a sure sign of entanglement-plque. Then he made some remark in a tone too low to be heard except by Miss Overlander, whereupon she haughtly turned her back on him. This was near the close of the dinner. When the guests were departing. Mrs. Hunniman asked Mr. Lupton bow he was pleased with the lady she had assigned him for the evening. His reply was a snort and an angry turning away. As Miss Overlander came down from the ladies' cloakroom she received the same question with regard to Mr. Lupton. "Delighted," was her reply in a tone calculated to freeze the marrow in the bones of the questioner. When the last guests were departing, Mr. Hunniman, who had gone out to put a lady in her carriage, returned, with a blank look on his face and whispered to his wife:



E. F. Seeberger, C. F. McGrew, J. J. Halligan, F. L. Mooney. Arthur McNamara.

Where the Shoe Pinches.

Why do you insure your house, and furniture, and stable, against fire?

Because if you don't, and they burn up, the loss will fall on you.

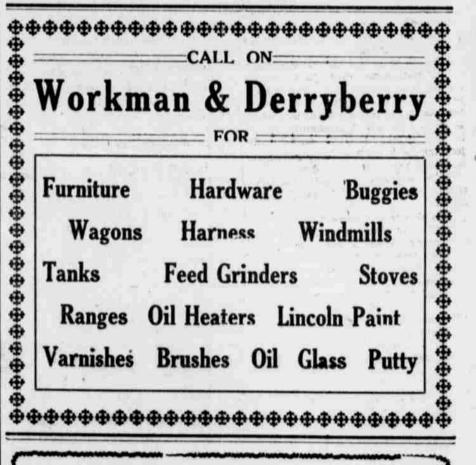
Why do you neglect to insure your life?

Because if you die-and you will die some daythe loss will not fall on you but on somebody elseyour wife or daughter, or aged mother, or invalid sister or some other defenceless dependent.

You haven't viewed the question in this way? Then think it over, and drop a card to the undersigned.

EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES "STRONGEST IN THE WORLD" PAUL MORTON, H. P. NEELY, Manager, President Omaha, Neb.

> W. H. McDonald, Local Representative, North Platte, Nebraska.



tives.

Mr. and Al Tift left this morning for Omaha and from there will go to Me-Cook to visit. They will return home via Denver.

Miss Louise Weisgerber, who had been making a protracted stay at Missouls, Mont., returned homo the early part of the week.

George Brownell was called to Greeley, Col., Tuesday by a telegram announcing the serious illness of his father.

Syl Friend, who had a been night policeman, succeeds Hank Gilfoyl as chief and Jason Sawyer succeeds L. E. Hastings on the night force.

Grand Island, who had been visiting at posed to the fellow that if he gave him the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Murrin left Tuesday night for Cal- left at Beatty's, he would dismiss the ifornia.

It is announced that Horace G. Burt, this the fellow left the country withformerly president of the Union Paci. out delay. A few days later Col. fic will succeed A. B. Stickney as president of the Chicago Great Western stolen the horse from a Gothenburg railway.

Members of the P. E. O. and their husbands will form a theatre party at the presentation of "Little Johnny Jones" Saturday evening. There will be thirty in the party.

D. C. Congdon received his new Cadillac automobile yesterday and will to \$400 per lot. For Sale by at once learn to successfully drive it. Wm. E. Shuman. The car is a handsome looking machine, has four cylinders and runs very smoothly.

Mr. and Mrs. Stroup, Jr., left Wednesday for Chicago where they will spend Christmas and the week following with relatives. From there they go to Topka, where they will remain a few days.

Deputy Postmaster Sturges said this morning that the Christmus business at the post-office had been one-third greater than in any previous year. This applies to both receipts and shipments. This increase can be taken as an evidence of the prosperity of our people.

Taft graduated from Yale college and accepted a job as reporter in Cincinnati at \$6 a week. He didn't haggle you wear a pair of our waterabout the wages; he went to work. proof shoes. One reason so many men never got anywhere is that they prefer to loaf than to begin work at what they are worth. It is a hard blow to the aver- ments caused by wet feet. age college graduate to find that he must start at the bottom, but he learns It sooner or later or else he never learns anything.

Winget, Wednesday morning at the age of seventy-three years. The husband of the deceased was killed in the local rallroad yards a score or more died a couple of years ago She is survived by a daughter.

Mrs. F. L. Rork, at present living in Missouri. They were talking of criminal cases

the other day when a former deputy sheriff recalled the time when Col. Bill Beatty, of Brady, had a fellow arrested for stealing a saddle which was subsequently recovered. The fellow was about to be brought into court but looked so meek that Bill's big

John Beaunun and Robert Sayers of heart went out to him, and he proa cheap horse that he owned and had case and pay the costs. Assenting to

> Beatty discovered that the fellow had party, and since then his heart does not go out so strongly to those accused of

theft.

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"My-my"-she gasped-"is it all gone, Johan? For the love of God tell me, and tell me truly!"

is a splendid contrast of young face and snowy hair. Here, look for yourself."

He held up a mirror. Rena turned away her face.

"Don't be afraid. You will be pleased."

Rena turned and looked. For a moment she seemed stunned by her white hair, but gradually her face lighted with an expression of relief and settisfaction.

GRACE ETHEL WEEKS.

"My dear, what do you think?" "What?"

"Mr. Lupton and Miss Overlander have gone in the same carriage." "For heaven's sake! What does it mean?"

Now, the departure of the newly introduced couple was seen by two men of the party who were starting for their club. Moved by curiosity, they followed in their carriage. Two hours later they returned to the Hunniman mansion and called for the head of the house. He came down from his bedroom in palamas.

"Hunniman," said one of the visitors, "It is our duty as your friend to warn you that you and your wife are being deceived. There's something wrong-very wrong-about Miss Overlander."

"Oh, heavens!" exclaimed Mrs. Hunniman from the landing above. "We saw her leave your house in a

carriage with Lupton. We considered it our duty to you to follow them. They drove through the park for an hour and a half, then to a hotel, where they registered as Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lupton."

"We're ruined," cried Mrs. Hunniman from above. "I'll never hold up my head in society again."

At that moment there was a ring at the bell. Mr. Hunniman opened the door and was handed a telegram. He read aloud:

Thanks for reunifing an estranged mar-ABIGAIL TREAT.

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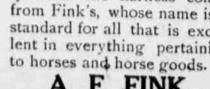
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