

One-Fifth Off.

From December 27th to January 9th we will give you a discount of one-fifth from the regular price of every article carried in our Dry Goods, Cloaks, Suits, Notions, Gents' Furnishing and Shoe Stocks. These goods will be sold to you at regular price and one-fifth deducted from your bill. During this sale we will not open any new goods in these departments, so it will pay you to come early before the assortments are broken.

Wilcox Department Store.

NORTH PLATTE, NEB.

Thank You . .

For your kind patronage during the past year and we assure you our best efforts to merit a continuance of your valued favors in the future.

We wish you a

Happy New Year.

DIXON.

The Jeweler.

DR. O. H. CRESSLER,
Graduate Dentist.

Office over the McDonald State Bank.

Miss Esther Antonides, a teacher in the Lexington schools, is visiting her parents in town.

Mrs. Bert Kelly, of Rawlins, Wyo., is a guest at the Lowe residence while enroute home from Hudson, Wis.

John Russell, who had been working as switchman in the local yards, left this morning for Denver, where he will accept employment.

Special prices on 5A robes and blankets from now until Jan 1st. Premium Forstedt, Blankenburg's old stand.

The Catholic ladies will serve a ten cent lunch at the Hahler residence tomorrow afternoon, and from six to eight will serve a twenty-five cent supper. The public is cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Hoffhine came down from Cheyenne Friday to spend Christmas with relatives. Mr. Hoffhine returned Sunday night while Mrs. Hoffhine will remain until Thursday.

B. P. Parker, of Rawlins, Wyo., has been visiting friends in town for several days.

Engineer Morris, who had his leg injured at Kearney, has reported for service.

The Methodist aid society will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. D. W. Besack on east Fifth street.

Manager Baker, of the C. F. Iddings Co., has returned from his visit under the parental roof at Omaha.

Asst. Supt. Cahill, of the Nebraska division, came up from Omaha last evening and is spending today in town.

Mrs. Lilly Jackson left Sunday for her home in LaGrande, Oregon. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Hazel Huntington.

The Baptist aid society will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Norman Loudon, 320 South Chestnut street. As there will be an election officers, all members are urged to be present.

The attraction at the Keith this evening will be the entertainment by the pupils of Miss Allen. Two plays will be presented, for each of which the children have been well trained.

Geo. H. Hughes, of Garfield, brought his daughter Irma to this city last week to receive treatment for a threatened attack of appendicitis. The patient seems to be improving under treatment by Dr. Drost.

For Sale or Trade—A bankrupt stock of clothing. For particulars inquire of P. Dorpin, at Ritner boarding house.

A midnight service will be held at the Episcopal church Friday night. The attendants will gather at the rectory for a social hour and then proceed to the church where the customary service will be held.

Members of the Harmony card club were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Pizer last evening and they were royally entertained. The customary game of high five was the entertaining feature and pleasantly did the evening pass.

A definite move is being made by Omaha parties to open a wholesale grocery house in North Platte, two men having agreed to put \$50,000 into the concern. It is probable that a wholesale grocery house will be followed by a wholesale hardware house.

Ed Robinson, brakeman on the branch, had the misfortune yesterday to fall from an engine at O'Fallon and slip a knee cap. He was on the engine and in attempting to get off to throw a switch missed his footing and fell about five feet, landing on his knees. He was brought to town last evening and placed under the care of Dr. McCabe.

Sheriffs Will Come Tomorrow.

Those conservators of peace and all around good fellows, the sheriffs of the state of Nebraska—or at least a number of them—will be the guests of the city of North Platte tomorrow, that being the date of the state convention.

These gentlemen will arrive tonight and tomorrow morning and during the forenoon a social session will be held at the court house with an address of welcome by Mayor Patterson and a response by the president of the state sheriffs' association. The visitors will then be given—if the weather permits—a drive around the city and to the Cody ranch.

In the afternoon a business session will be held at the court room, and in the evening a banquet will be held in the dining room of the Vienna restaurant. During the day the Commercial Club rooms will be open to the visitors and they will be made welcome to those quarters.

Whether the sheriffs will remain over Thursday depends upon the amount of business on hand to transact.

Christmas at the Nichols School.

Christmas was celebrated in the Nichols schools Friday afternoon, Dec. 24th. In the primary and intermediate department the walls were decorated with many pretty Christmas ornaments, the busy work of little hands. A willow from the brook blossomed forth with sweets and presents for eager young Americans.

The children gave appropriate recitations. In the Grammar and high school department the usual mottoes retold the glad tidings, landscape drawings and a fine collection of original colored paintings by Miss Ethel Clemens beautified the walls.

A most pretentious cottonwood with long slender branches, suggestive of breeze and bird and summer song, bedecked with rose and green from paper land, peeping through meshes of pop corn, bearing gifts for all, gladdened the heart and cheered the wintry day.

The program consisted of original outlines by the pupils, portraying the advent and life of Christ, and stories based on events commemorating the holy time interspersed with songs and recitations. A rousing dialogue, "The Cow Boys' Christmas" was rendered in a manner very creditable to the youthful actors. An original song "Christmas Bells" composed by the teacher, was sung by the pupils.

After which Mr. Sullivan, one of the school officers, gave a very helpful and interesting talk which was most encouraging to the teachers and inspiring to the pupils.

Mrs. M. E. Crosby left Sunday for a visit with her parents at Davenport, Neb.

The Episcopal Guild will hold a social at the home of Mrs. F. W. Rincker Thursday afternoon.

For Sale Cheap—Horse, buggy and harness. Inquire at the Ritner boarding house.

Engineer Wood White has been confined to the house for a week past with a very severe attack of quinsy. He is now reported to be improving.

Weather forecast: Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow. Colder. Maximum temperature yesterday 35, a year ago 48; minimum this morning 26, a year ago 24.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Murphy returned this morning from Ashland, Neb., where they spent Christmas with Mrs. Murphy's brother. They also spent a day in Omaha.

The board of directors of the Hershey alfalfa meal mill met in this city last night and put up the necessary funds to meet all the obligations. In order to do this they were compelled to also assume part of the indebtedness of the Mitchell mill and will finance and complete the latter concern. The machinery for the mill at Hershey is now on track at that place, will be unloaded tomorrow and the work of installing it will begin at once. The machinery for the Mitchell mill is enroute and will reach Mitchell in a week or so.

Cottonwood and Vicinity.

Another Christmas has gone and we wish you a Happy New Year.

A step sister of Miss Johnson is visiting at F. E. Rosse's.

H. P. Stevens says it is a good thing for the cooks to absent themselves once in a while and let the men take the kitchen, they have more sympathy for the women folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hern, of Chadron are visiting their relatives, the Hutchison families.

Merle Arnold was visiting at home a week and left Sunday evening to attend the international Y. M. C. A. at Detroit, N. Y., as he is a delegate to that convention.

Mr. and Mrs. McCord and Henry Sheek and Charley Brittingham, of Curtis, spent Christmas day at the Kerr residence.

C. E. Oldfather must be snowed under or froze in, we do not hear from him much these wintry days.

A brother of L. R. Sommer is visiting at Sommer's and Hartman's.

Paul Arnold is in North Platte this

THE First National Bank,

of North Platte, Nebraska.

UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY.

Capital and Surplus \$130,000.

ARTHUR McNAMARA, President,

E. F. SEEBERGER, Vice-President,

F. L. MOONEY, Cashier.

week attending an alumni social and a wedding.

The following persons were elected officers of the Fort McPherson Sunday school last Sabbath: Supt., C. C. Clark; Asst. Supt., Herman Kerr; Sec. and Treas., James Rose; Organist, Esther Reynolds; Asst. Organist, Mrs. C. C. Clark. E. M. Arnold, Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Hartman and Herman Kerr were elected teachers.

Lane Chappell, Vernon Kuhns and Paul Roberts are at home during the holidays.

A good time was enjoyed at the Christmas three in Maxwell on Christmas eve. One of the features was the maiden effort of the orchestra which was a pronounced success.

Did you ever indulge your appetite a little too much at Christmas with all the good things around you and then have to stop short on your feed and lay around and look out doors and rather wish you had been more careful? No doubt this writer has a good many sympathizers at this time. But we will cut the supply a little short for a day or two and perhaps we may win out alright.

We had a fine evening Saturday night for our Christmas doings at the Fort McPherson school house. The house was crowded. We had a tree, a Santa Claus, a short program and a treat for everybody. 150 sacks were given out.

E. M. Arnold has sold some of his stock and will dispose of nearly all his farming implements as he will stop farming for a short period.

I think we all agree that this has been a solid December. It seems to be helpful but it takes fuel.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The association rooms are becoming very popular as social headquarters. The interest in chess and checkers is steadily growing.

Often the evening hours are beguiled by voice and piano.

Books and periodicals are no less in demand and many otherwise deary hours are spent with these friends.

Those interested in the study of Mathematics or English Composition or business correspondence are requested to talk the matter over with the secretary.

Fill your lives and hours with those things that give good returns.

The Y. M. C. A. will give a complimentary mush and milk social some time next week.

Those who enjoy this delicious dish are cordially invited to be present. There will be just enough of music and speech making to add flavor to the occasion.

Men who are interested in building character, will often find in the Sunday afternoon meeting those influences that will lend dignity and coloring to the structure. Rev. Johnson's address Sunday was full of good things. Come to the meeting next Sunday.

Notice.

Customers whose accounts have run over thirty days are requested to pay in full before January 1st, 1910, if they desire credit for the ensuing year.

E. T. Stewart.