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EDITORIAL

Wells C. Jones, popular young lawyer of this city has filed for nomination on the Republican ticket as the county attorney. Mr. Jones formerly lived at Farnum. After graduation from the University of Nebraska he located in North Platte where he has made many friends because of his character and high ideals.

A number of people have started reading Mary-Marie and are looking forward to the succeeding installments. We are promising about three columns in each issue from now on. The story is not a real new one as it has been out in book form and some have read it before. It is a story that will be always read. Don't stop with the first few chapters. It gets better as one reads further.

On May 2 we took an auto trip from North Platte to the east line of Lincoln county on the south side of the river. We saw the following birds: Coot or mudhen, bob-white, crow, magpie, bronzed grackle, yellow-headed blackbird, red-winged blackbird, cow bird, robin, meadowlark, horned lark, northern flicker, red-shafted flicker, mourning dove, shrike sparrow hawk, blue bird, burrowing owl, goldfinch and bittern.

One of the local assessors says he is going to urge the hardware dealers to get a good supply of stove repairs ready for there will be a big rush for grates and other parts with the coming of cold weather. At least that is the way it looks to him. At every house he visits he must ask the question—How many stoves have you and what are they worth? He says that according to the reports of the owners, the stoves are in terrible poor condition.

John Nelson is always restless when business slackens and at once starts to thinking up some plan for getting things to move. He is putting on a store wide sale and starting yesterday the Leader is giving away ten

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coupons, each worth one dollar to the first ten people to enter the store after it is opened in the morning and again after dinner. He is also offering five gallons of gas to anyone who purchases \$25 or more worth of goods. In addition to these special offers Mr. Nelson says he has marked down the prices from one-fifth to one-half.

It used to be the boast of North Platte people that no engine ever ran through North Platte. In both the passenger and freight service the engines were changed on every train up to a short time ago. But in the interests of economy an experiment is being tried which possibly will take all passenger engines through this division point. If it proves successful it is estimated that it will take about 25 per cent of the work formerly done here and place it in either Cheyenne or Omaha.

Someone has asked us who A. J. Tracy is. We have found out that he was born and raised on a farm in eastern Nebraska. He worked his way through college, studied law and taught school but decided to take up farming and so took a homestead in McPherson county. During the nine years he lived there he was engaged in farming and stockraising. He is known to any farmers in Lincoln and McPherson counties from whom he bought cattle. During the last five years he has been on a farm northwest of this city. He is a candidate at the coming primaries for state representative from the 90th district on the Republican ticket.

The law says that everyone must have a hunting and fishing license who goes hunting or fishing. It says further that one must have the license on his person at the time he is hunting or fishing. Game wardens are prowling about the country and it is their duty to see that the law is obeyed or bring the offenders to court and let the judge decide. The game warden did not make the law and he does not make the fine. He only sees that those who break the law are allowed to explain it to the judge. The licenses only cost one dollar for a whole year and can be secured in North Platte at the office of the county clerk or at John Den's store.

While at Farnam Wednesday we found we were in the W. S. Crossgrove domains. Everyone spoke of Mr. Crossgrove with respect and appreciation. The auctioneer called him the Dean of the Shorthorn business on the high line. His enthusiasm for that breed was contagious and we found ourselves wanting to bid on some of the fine bull calves which were offered but we checked this longing when we considered the difficulty of explaining when we came home with a bull calf. One such man as Mr. Crossgrove in a community is a blessing and most communities do not reach that standard. May he reign many more years over his domain where the people seem so satisfied and prosperous!

Chas. Cornell, the genial news man at the depot has just returned from a trip to New York and Chicago. He did not go to buy his new line of merchandise as so many western merchants do each year, but he went to see his folks. However he came back better satisfied with North Platte than ever before. A lot of people here are trying to give North Platte a black eye for one reason or other but when they go east and stay long enough to get the idea as to the conditions there they usually come back boosters for North Platte. Mr. Cornell says we have the climate and the east is waiting for us to move. Conditions are improving there but slowly and they have a long way to go before they reach normal.

Many people in Lincoln county have known and recognized the little Red Cross car that has traveled over the hills and through the valleys of Lincoln county for the past year. The Red Cross nurse has visited practically every school in the county and her work has been approved wherever she has gone. The car was bought from the Hendy-Ogier Auto Co. and we have just learned that they have taken it back at a good figure and

have cancelled an account of just about \$50 which had been charged against the Red Cross for upkeep of the car. This was showing a fine spirit and these gentlemen have pointed the way for the rest of us when we are dealing with the Red Cross. The nurse will probably remain at work until about June 1, when her work will have been finished for this year.

The editor has Frank Strollberg to thank for a very fine trip to Farnam, last Wednesday. We took Mr. Kellogg and Mr. Ream along and enjoyed their company very much. The roads were fair on the south side with evidence of big rains in some places south of Maxwell. In one place it looked as though there had been a waterspout. There was considerable road work being done and several men were out dragging the roads. We saw some fine wheat fields as we neared Farnam. Alfalfa looked good all along the bottom and there was enough grass in the canyons to keep the cattle busy. Everywhere, men were in the fields at work. Coming home we encountered some wind which started the dust but our big high powered car was so comfortable that nothing else mattered.

We saw a bit of sentiment at the cattle sale Wednesday which set us thinking. A veteran Lincoln county cattelman sat at the ringside with his son by his side. The boy was in his later teens. Three beautiful young heifers were brought into the sale ring and bids were called for the choice. The young man began to bid. He went along easily up to \$115 when someone entered the list against him and excitement rose. The price went up to \$135. The father stolidly looked straight ahead of him. The boy calmly nodded to \$140; the rival called out \$145 and all eyes turned on the boy. Still the father looked straight ahead. The boy looked at the heifers, calmly surveyed the field man and nodded \$150. The other bidder was through. Then the boy conferred with his dad and between them they decided to take two of the three heifers at that price. Everyone turned to the ring to watch the third animal of the bunch be sold but we watched that father and saw him wipe away a tear. He realized that the boy was taking his place and that he would soon lose his position to the youth. And the boy had that far-away look of the young man who is living in the future. One was retiring; the other just entering.

In telling us of the Senior class play yesterday, one of the students explained it about like this: "Nothing But the Truth" is built upon the simple idea of its hero speaking nothing but the absolute truth for a stated period. He bets a friend he can do it and boldly tackles truth to win the money. For a very short time the task is placidly easy, but Truth routs out old man Trouble and then things begin to happen. Trouble doesn't seem very large and aggressive when he first pokes his nose into the noble resolve of our hero, but he grows rapidly and soon we see our dealer in truth disrupting the domestic relations of his partner. In fact, Trouble works overtime, and reputations that have been unblemished are smirched. Situations that are absurd and complication almost knotted, pile up all credited to Truth, and the result of the wager to foster and cherish that great virtue from the lips of the man who has espoused the cause of truth to win a wager.

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